

TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, January 8, 1979 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. R.W. Pearce (Vice-Chairman, presiding), Mrs. M.E. Crofts, Mrs. A.M. McHugo, Mrs. E.M.G. Plover, Mr. H.W. Hunt and Mr. R.F. Payne, with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid), three parishioners and a Press representative.

APOLOGIES were received from Mr. P.N. Owen.

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on December 11, 1978 were confirmed and signed.

2. MATTERS ARISING.

a. Planning (Item 2a of last minutes).

i. Easement (2ai).

At the request of the Council chairman, conveyed to the meeting by Mr. Pearce it was agreed to defer consideration of the terms of any easement to the next meeting.

Considerable discussion ensued regarding a reported encroachment on to the common in carrying out the development the subject of the easement application.

Agreed that Mr. Pearce should discuss the situation with the Chairman and, subject to the terms of previous correspondence, agree the terms of a letter to be sent drawing attention to the alleged encroachment.

ii. Current Applications.

Mrs. Crofts reported on applications notified during the month. It was agreed to offer no objection to the following: 78/1202/1857 (extension Tanglewood, Westmore Road); 78/1212/1515 (new access etc, Willow Shaw, Rickotts Hill Road); 78/1211/1753 (extension, 16 Westmore Road). In the case of the last application Mrs. James was advised during a public adjournment that certain matters in which she was interested were more properly the subject of private negotiation.

b. Village Appraisal (2b).

The Chairman reported that printing of the questionnaire would take place the following day. An invitation would be sent to every 15th person on the voters' list to attend the completion of the pilot questionnaire in the Womens' Institute Hall on January 20 and January 23.

A copy of the questionnaire would be supplied to all Council members and they would welcome at the filling-in of the forms.

. Soiles. (2c)

Proof of delivery of letter to owner of Gorseay Down Farm not yet received. Clerk to pursue further inquiry.

d. St. Edward VII Memorial Garden (2d).

Mrs. Crofts reported that the proposed visit duly took place, Mr. Wilson being represented by a member of his staff. It appeared that the land which it was thought had been the subject of an encroachment belonged to a private individual. The District Council were to ask the Land Registry for details. - Clerk to ask that copy of such details shall be passed to the Parish Council if and when available.

e. 'Clear-Up Day.' (2e)

Reported (1) letter (13/12) from Cornhill Insurance forwarding policy for the exercise of November 18 and saying annual cover was being arranged; (2) Letter (4/1) from Chief Technical Officer promising that heavy rubbish would be dealt with when the weather permitted and (3) that Mr. Pearce had expressed appreciation of the help provided by Mr. Streets in a practical way (see re-embourment as approved in 'Accounts for Payment').

i. Mossmar Road.

Discussion took place regarding the accumulation of material near the piggeries. The Clerk was instructed to explain the position by telephone to Mr. Hoskins and to write to the occupier of the piggeries pointing out that the District Council is about to collect heavy rubbish in the vicinity. Copy of letter to be sent to Mr. Hoskins.

ii. Abandoned Car.

Clerk to report to District Council abandoned car at car park in Coldharbour Woods.

f. Notice Boards (2g).

Mr. Pearce to investigate position regarding new board at Westmore Green. Mrs. Crofts to check with Mr. Hoskins regarding re-siting of board near Tatsfield school.

g. Tree Planting (2h).

Mr. Payne reported on three quotations received for planting etc. After discussion he was authorised to inform Gustin Gardens that their tender would be acceptable subject to a two year guarantee and also to the receipt of a grant from the Countryside Commission.

Mr. Payne to send copy of scheme to Countryside Commission and apply for grant.

Clerk to notify Planning Department and forward copy of plan as required in grant application.

h. Highway Improvement, Tatsfield School (2i)

No reply to request for information.

i. Litter Bin (2j).

Letter (4/1) from Chief Technical Officer said regular emptying and replacement of sacks would be arranged.

Mrs. Payer reported that only one sack type bin remained and that needed attention.

Clerk to report situation to District Council and to ask that future replacements should be of the slatted type, which were considered less unsightly and less vulnerable to vandals. The Council would like to see all local litter bins of this type.

j. Gas Supplies (2p).

Mr. Hunt reported that a petition was being organised by Mr. Jordan for the extension of the gas main to Tatsfield. He understood that 80 to 100 signatures had already been obtained. - Noted.



k. Speed Limit (2n).

Clerk reported receipt of letters from Sir Geoffrey Howe MP, Mr. J. Macfarland and the Council Chairman.

Sir Geoffrey Howe forwarded a copy of a letter he had sent to Mrs. James which confirmed that the procedure being followed was the correct one.

Mr. Macfarlane mentioned that the Department of Transport propose to publish new criteria for local speed limits and suggested it might be better to await publication of these.

Mr. Owen said he was opposed to a speed limit on the following grounds: (1) that it would be a further step towards urbanisation (2) even 30mph was too fast on many Tatsfield roads; (3) the whole issue arose not because of speed but because of the law regarding parking in restricted areas (4) the road safety record of Tatsfield had not been identified as a problem.

During a general discussion all members present expressed their views and, with the exception of Mrs. Crofts, who stressed the need for some restriction on Rickotts Hill Road, expressed themselves as opposed both to any extension of street lighting and to the imposition of a speed limit.

During a short public adjournment Mrs. James (who arrived during the debate) spoke in particular of the danger arising from motor cyclists whilst Mr. D. Hayes pointed out that adequate powers existed to deal with careless or dangerous driving and urged people to provide information of offences they might witness to the police.

Sympathy was expressed with the situation at Rickotts Hill, where it was recognised there was a growing volume of through traffic.

It was agreed not to proceed with an application for a speed limit on village roads and the Clerk was instructed to inform the relevant authorities and individuals with whom the matter had been raised, including Mrs. James, as representing the petitioners.

The Chairman and Vice-Chairman to consult and provide a statement for publication in the Parish Magazine.

l. Dovecote (2r).

The Dovecote outside the Old Bakery only having been erected on the previous Thursday it was decided to defer consideration of this matter till the next meeting to enable a better assessment to be reached.

m. School Manager (3a)

The Clerk reported that Mr. de Buriatte had told him that the PTA would not be able to consider a nomination until the end of January and was authorised to inform Mr. de Buriatte that the Council would not be making an appointment until its February meeting.

n. Boundary Changes (3b).

Letter (18/12) from Mr. Brunton said review of Surrey electoral boundaries would commence in February, but boundaries with Greater London would not be reviewed before 1984.

Mr. Brunton asked the Council to take note of any relevant points and to inform him of any suggestions from outside Surrey which would affect Tatsfield.  
- noted.

o. Hedge Cutting Appeal (3c).

Mr. Dredge having left Tatsfield, the Clerk was instructed to forward a letter regarding this appeal to Miss Pauline Jones of Grays Cottage, Silverstead Lane, Westerham Hill

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p. 1st Tatsfield Scout Group. (31).

Letter (28/12) from Mrs. M. Hughes thanked Council for donation and forwarded copy of accounts as requested. - Accounts to be circulated for study by members before the matter is further discussed.

q. S.C.A.P.T.C. (3c)

Letter (13/12) said it had not proved possible to arrange to hold the meeting to be held in June 1979 at Tatsfield, but it was hoped to accept the Council's invitation and hold one of the meetings in 1980 in Tatsfield. - Clerk to acknowledge letter suitably.

r. Motorway Service Area (4a).

Letter (18/12) from Mr. W.R.C. Carey (Chairman of CATSA) said County Council action, taken without consultation with Tandridge would not help CATSA case, particularly as it appeared that the facilities in the Foyle service area might be reduced - thus providing a stronger case for a full-blown serviced area at Titsay Wood.

CATSA would continue to observe a watching brief, but could do little more until the formal consultative document was published by the Department of the Environment. - Noted.

s. Annual Parish Meeting (6a).

Mr. Pearce reported that Mrs. Hallett had confirmed the booking of the Village Hall.

t. Car Parking, The Square (6c).

Mrs. Floyer was keeping this matter under observation.

u. Surface Water Drainage (7a). Ricketts Hill.

Acknowledgement from County Area Engineer said matter would be investigated.

3. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. S.C.A.P.T.C.

Notice received of meeting to be held at Sand on Saturday, January 13.

b. Proposed New Bridleway.

Letter (28/12) from Limpsfield Parish Council forwarded plan of suggested new bridleway north and west of the M25 planned to avoid the necessity of equestrians having to pass under motorway bridge. This Council's views were invited prior to passing the proposal to the County Council. Clerk to express agreement with the suggestion, pointing out that though of probable benefit to Tatsfield riders it was not in fact in Tatsfield.

c. Estimates, 1979-80.

Letter (15/12) from District Council treasurer asked for Council estimates before 17-1-79.

Members considered suggestions from Mr. Owen for precepts during the year totalling £1635 ( a rate of 0.9p in the £) and also a report by the Clerk on outstanding commitments. The Clerk reported that current bank balances totalled £88.42.

After discussion the Clerk was instructed to inform the District Council that the Council estimates that it will require to precept during the coming year the sum of £2047 (equivalent to a rate of 1.1p in the £). This would leave the Council with uncommitted funds totalling about £500 to be applied to local purposes.

4. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were presented and the necessary cheques approved for payment: Tatsfield Village Hall (Youth Club - November), £15.00; P.G. Reid (Wages - January), £44.00; P.G. Reid (Postage & car mileage), £6.21; Westerham Parish Council (Administrative contribution), £12.50; United Reformed Church (Contribution: use of church for Council meetings), £50.00; Mr. R.W. Pearce (re-imbursment re Clear-up day), £4.25.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Gritting.

Mrs. Crofts drew attention to the failure to grit Bicketts Hill Road during recent wintry weather and the Clerk was instructed to draw this to the attention of the County Council whilst at the same time expressing general appreciation of the manner in which the bad conditions had been tackled. At Mr. Hunt's suggestion the Clerk was instructed also to ask that supplies of grit from local bins should be renewed as soon as possible.

6. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. Footpath: John's Road.

Mr. D. Hayes drew attention to erosion of the footpath by the side of John's Road. Members were invited to inspect the site with a view to discussion at the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 10.55p.m.

  
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T A T S F I E L D P A R I S H C O U N C I L

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PRESENT: Mr. P.N. Owen (Chairman), Mr. R.W. Pearce, Mrs. M.E. Crofts, Mrs. A.M. McHugo, Mrs. E.M.G. Player, Mr. H.W. Hunt and Mr. R.F. Payne with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid), seven parishioners and a Press representative.

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on January 8, 1979 were confirmed and signed with minor amendments as initialled by the Chairman.

2. MATTERS ARISING.

- a. Planning (Item 2a of last minutes).

1. Easement (2ai).

The Chairman reported on correspondence he had had with the District Valuer during which he had expressed his personal opinion as to a suitable figure. The Valuer indicated that negotiations continued and intimated that the Clerk would be informed of progress.

Discussion took place regarding the alleged encroachment on to the common, the Clerk reporting that no reply had been received to a letter drawing attention to this.

Agreed to defer consideration till the April meeting, the Clerk in the meantime to pursue enquiries.

- ii. Current Applications.

- a. Mount Pleasant, Biggin Hill).

At the request of Mr. Hunt, the Clerk had expressed the Council's opposition to a proposal to build five two-bedroom houses at 26 Mount Pleasant, Biggin Hill. An acknowledgement had been received from the Planning Officer, London Borough of Bromley.

- b. Park Farm, Rag Hill Road (78/1223/0/1584).

(Change of use: stable building to pottery). - No objection.

- c. Bassotts, Ship Hill (79/29/0/28

(Waste paper store: lorry maintenance unit)

Following considerable discussion on this outline application, the Clerk was instructed to inform the Planning Officer that this Council hopes that before full planning permission is granted it will be possible to see that provision is made for adequate landscaping to screen the proposed building and that careful consideration will be given to the size of the building, especially its height.

- iii. Appeals.

- a. Meadowbank, Gentsfield Road.

Letter (25/1) from Department of the Environment said appeal against enforcement notice had been rejected, but time allowed for compliance had been increased from two to six months. - Noted.

- b. Skye Top, Maesnowr Road.

Notice received of appeal against refusal of planning permission. Clerk to reiterate views of Council and support those of District Council.

- iv. Current Applications.

Mr. Payne was appointed to deal with applications notified during the month.

b. Village Appraisal. (2b).

Mr. D. Hayes (Chairman of Village Appraisal Committee) said 40 people attended the two sessions devoted to the pilot questionnaire: in view of the very bad weather a very good sample. The Committee would be studying the results.

c. Stiles (2c)

The Clerk reported that he had not yet been able to secure proof of delivery of the letter to the owner of Gorsey Down Farm. After some discussion of the existing position it was agreed to defer further action regarding the stiles. Mrs. Crofts referred to the damage to the path caused by horse riding and the Chairman invited members to inspect the field with a view to a further discussion.

d. King Edward VII Memorial Garden (2d)

No details yet received regarding Land Registry entry.

e. Maesmawr Road (2ei).

Mrs. McHugo said she understood notice had been served under the Public Health Act and that the tenant of the piggeries had been given notice. Clerk to seek reply to earlier letter sent to Technical Services Officer.

f. Abandoned Car (2eii).

Car had not been moved. Clerk to send reminder.

g. Notice Boards (2f).

Consideration deferred for reports to be made at March meeting.

h. Tree Planting (2g).

Letter (16/1) from Planning Officer thanked Council for information, confirmed that planning permission was not required and said that, following an inspection by the Parks Superintendent the Planning Officer agreed with the scheme. Mr. Payne reported that Mr. Robinson had agreed the scheme and that application had been made for a grant from the Countryside Commission, which he hoped would soon be received.

Mr. Payne was authorised to proceed with the scheme, subject to receiving the grant of 50% of the cost of £466: the Clerk so to inform Gustin Gardens of Trug, Maesmawr Road.

i. Silver Birches: The Green.

Mrs. Payer reported on the vandalising of commemorative silver birches planted on the Green and Mr. Payne was asked to investigate the possibility of replacing these and report to the next meeting.

i. Highway Improvement: Tatsfield School (2h).

Clerk reported that he had that day received a telephone call from the County Council in which it was stated that negotiations were currently going on to acquire the necessary land. It was unlikely that the work would be carried out in the coming financial year.

**J. Gas Supplies (2j)**

Clerk reported that he had passed on to the Gas Board a petition forwarded to him by Mr. Hunt bearing 166 signatures and asking for a supply of domestic gas to be provided in Tatsfield.

Letter (25/1) from SEGas pointed out that the capital cost of such an extension would be high. Elaborate costings and appraisals were being carried out and it was hoped the results would shortly be available. - Noted.

**K. Speed Limit (2k).**

Clerk reported letters from Surrey County Council and from Sir Geoffrey Howe MP acknowledging the intimation sent him of the decision reached by the Council. Mr. Pearce reported on discussion of a possible 40mph speed limit for villages held at the last meeting of SCAFTC and it was agreed to forward to the Association a copy of the statement published in the Parish Magazine.

**L. Dovecote, The Old Bakery (2l).**

The Chairman having declared his interest, Mr. Pearce presided during discussion of this item.

It was agreed to approve the dovecote now in position and the Clerk was instructed to consult Mr. Brunton (the District Council being managers of the Green) as to the nature of the agreement needed.

**M. School Manager (2m).**

Letter (7/2) from Mr. de Burinette said meeting had been unavoidably delayed and was being held on February 13. The Council were asked to defer making an appointment to allow for a nomination from the PTA to be forward from that meeting. - Agreed.

**N. 1st Tatsfield Scout Group. (2n).**

Clerk to request further copy of accounts for consideration, copy already provided having been mislaid.

**O. Annual Parish Meeting (2o)**

Arrangements for the annual parish meeting were discussed and it was agreed that the following should be invited to present reports: The Chairman (on District Council matters), the Vice-Chairman (Parish Council), Mr. Macfarlane (County Council), Mr. Strange (School Managers), Rector (Tatsfield Playing Fields Association); Mr. Hunt (Village Hall).

Mrs. Crofts undertook to provide refreshments. Poster to be produced at March meeting by Clerk for distribution. Those to include notification that the annual meeting of the Tatsfield/Vern D'Anjou Association will follow the parish meeting.

**P. Gritting (5a).**

Letter (21/1) from Area Engineer said he hoped to improve the situation at Ricketts Hill by re-arranging routes of gritting vehicles. Grit bins would be re-charged in due course.

**Q. Footpath: John's Road (6a).**

Consideration deferred to next meeting.

**R. Surface Water Drainage: Ricketts Hill (2u).**

Acknowledgment received from Lambton Borough of Bramley.



3. REPORTS.

a. Gritting.

Reported that the County Council had been asked to pay special attention during gritting to Crown Road and to the footpath at the junction of Crossways and Westmore Road leading to the old folks' flats.

(service road to Dr. Bennett's house)

b. S.C.A.P.T.C.

Mr. Pearce reported on the last meeting. The views of the Council were invited on the subject of inviting 'compensatory grants' from District Councils and after discussion the Clerks were asked to present a report to the next meeting.

i. Best Kept Village Competition.

Decided not to enter the 1979 competition.

ii. Surrey Amenity Council.

Following a report by Mr. Pearce it was agreed to contribute £15 towards the work of the Surrey Amenity Council.

c. Village Hall.

Mr. Hunt reported and was advised as to action to be taken in respect of damage reported during Youth Club meetings. He reported that a large window needed replacing and explained the scheme to improve the kitchen.

4. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. United Reformed Church.

Letter (20/1) from Mr. R. Burgess thanks Council for donation which would assist church in its work among children.

b. Oxted Work Centre.

Letter (10/1) from Mr. J. Stevens invited Council to contribute to the work of the centre. - Agreed to make a donation of £45.00.

c. License Changes.

Formal notification received of transfers of licences of the Old Ship and the Grasshopper (both applied for on February 12).

d. Open Spaces: Bye-Laws.

Letter (12/1) from Surrey County Council forwarded bye-laws affecting certain footpaths. Circulated for the information of members.

e. B.2024: Junction with Church Hill.

Letter (1/2) from Mr. Chittenden said minor improvements were to take place in the spring; this would involve some re-alignment and considerable improvement in sight lines. Some tree planting was expected afterwards.

f. Village Directory.

Chairman reported on request from Mrs. Galvin that Parents Anonymous telephone number should be included in next issue of directory.

g. Scout Fete.

Permission granted for Scout/Cub fete to be held on Westmore Green on Saturday, June 23 next.

5. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were presented and the necessary cheques approved for signature: National Playing Fields Association (subscription), £5.00; Tandridge District Council (Printing re. Village Appraisal), £5.00; Tatsfield Village Hall (Youth Club - December), £9.00; P.G. Reid (Wages - February), £44.00; P.G. Reid (Postage etc), £5.57; Village Hall (Youth Club - January), £12.00; Oxted Work Centre (Donation), £45.00; Surrey Amenity Council (donation), £15.00.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Riding on Commons.

Following complaints of horse riding on Tatsfield and Westmore Greens the Clerk was instructed to remind Westerham Riding school and Miss Garner of 1. Grove Road that riding on the commons is prohibited.

b. Ricketts Hill Road.

Mrs. Crofts drew attention to the deterioration of the condition of the surface on Ricketts Hill following recent wintry weather.

c. Bus Passes.

Mrs. Crofts reported that she had received an undertaking that Surrey old persons' passes would be honoured on buses as Biggin Hill.

d. Abandoned Cars: Avenue Road.

Mr. Payne reported on abandoned cars at Avenue Road. - Clerk to report to Technical Services Officer (copy to Bromley TSO), as the problem extends over the county boundary.

e. Jubilee Photographs.

Mrs. Payer produced a colour photograph of the Jubilee bonfire beacon and it was agreed after discussion that copies of this and similar photographs should be purchased for retention in Council archives as an historical record.

f. Sunday Observance Act.

Reported that complaints had been made against two local traders for alleged breach of the Sunday Observance Act.

7. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. Village Centre.

Mr. D. Hayes pursued the question of further building near the village centre (see paragraph 2a1c above) and expressed concern. He was assured by the Chairman that these points would be taken into full consideration by the Planning Committee of the District Council.

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1. MINUTES of the meeting held on February 12, 1979 were confirmed and signed.

2. MATTERS ARISING.

a. Planning (Item 2a of last minutes).

i. Easement (2ai).

Reported that, on the advice of the Council's solicitor a letter had been written to Mr. Collis following his failure to reply to that from the Clerk. Clerk to send a copy of this letter to the District Valuer with a request for an up-to-date report on the negotiations.

ii. 26, Mount Pleasant, Biggin Hill (19/79/407).

Clerk to reiterate Council's opposition to applications for five houses on this site and to point out that this is strengthened by the amendment of the plans to provide for additional bedroom in each house. Also to repeat to new Planning Officer this Council's policy in relation to urban development on the fringe of the village.

iii. Essex Cottage, Old Lane (79/99/149).

Clerk to tell Planning Officer that the Council has doubts regarding this application for an extension to provide a double garage and feels siting could be improved to protect the amenities.

iv. Bassette, Ship Hill (2aiic)

Letter (27/2) from Planning Officer said plans had been amended and invited further comments. - Mr. Payne said it was proposed to eliminate the provision for lorry maintenance and detailed the changes proposed.

v. New Applications.

Mrs. Player was appointed to deal with applications notified during the coming month.

b. Village Appraisal (2b).


Mrs. Player reported that the questionnaire as finally adopted would be distributed throughout the village over the week-end of March 24. Volunteers were needed to assist with distribution.

c. Mesmanr Road (2c).

The Chairman said he had received a telephone call from one of the Trustees and been told that the piggeries were closing down and would not be re-opened as such.

d. Abandoned Car (2f).

Reported that no action had been taken. Mrs. Player to pursue the matter.





e. Stiles: Horse Riding (2c).

GARNHAM

The Clerk reported that no reply had been received to his letter to Miss ~~Cassor~~ (Item 6a of last minutes) and during a public adjournment Mr. Bishop also drew attention to difficulties caused by motor cyclists and horse riders in the Kemsley Road area.

During considerable discussion Mrs. Crofts stressed the need for action. She agreed to consult Mr. Vale with a view to the Scouts helping with the erection of stiles on footpath 570.

The Clerk was instructed to ask the County Council if they will supply stiles and in the event of a charge being made the Chairman and Vice-Chairman were empowered to act.

f. King Edward VII Memorial Garden (2d).

Letters (16/2 and 28/2) from Mr. Wilson (District Council) detailed discrepancies in plans and said he was unable to say which was more accurate than the other. He suggested this area should be amalgamated with the adjoining plot owned by the Parish Council with a view to joint management. After discussion the Clerk was instructed to inform the District Council that the Council is prepared to accept this arrangement.

g. Notice Boards (2g).

i. Near School.

This had now been re-erected by the District Council on a site chosen in consultation with Mrs. Crofts. - Mr. Pearce thought the boards were too high.

ii. At Westmore Green.

Mr. Pearce said Mr. Tapsell was making a good job of the new board, but would need some help in placing the board in position. - This it was agreed the Council should pay for.

h. Tree Planting (2h).

Mr. Payne reported that the Countryside Commission had agreed to make a grant of £230 in respect of tree planting programme, subject to certain conditions. The Clerk was instructed to re-draft the agreement forwarded by the Commission for approval by Mr. Payne and subsequent presentation to the two farmers concerned. Subject to completion of the agreements Mr. Payne was empowered to accept the contract for carrying out the work. The Chairman congratulated Mr. Payne upon his work in this matter.

i. Silver Birches: Westmore Green (2hi).

Mr. Payne reported on the replacement of silver birches growing on Westmore Green which had been vandalised.

After discussion Mr. Payne was empowered to proceed with the replacement of the trees with two of the more mature type on the Lusted Hall Lane side of Westmore Green at a cost of approximately £50 each.

j. Highway Improvements (2i).

Letter (14/2) from County Area Engineer said he anticipated the work near Tatesfield school would be carried out either in 1980/1 or 1981/2, depending upon the financial situation.

k. Speed Limit (2k).

Letter (1/3) from the Secretary SCAPTC thanked Council for copy of report of Parish Council views given in the parish magazine which he said would be discussed at the Association's April meeting.

l. Dovecote: The Old Bakery (21).

Letter (16/2) from Mr. Wilson (District Council) forwarded copies of proposed licence for completion if approved. (Mr. Owen having declared his interest, Mr. Pearce presided during consideration of this item).  
The terms of the licence were read to the Council and agreed. They were signed by Mr. Pearce on behalf of the Council and by Mr. Owen on behalf of the applicants.

m. School Manager (2m).

Letter (9/3) from Mr. de Buriatte submitted the name of Mr. A. Henson of 29 the Grove, Biggin Hill as school manager and pointed out that Mr. Henson who already had one child at Tatsfield school and expected soon to have another there, had been seeking a home in Tatsfield.  
It was agreed to appoint Mr. Henson: Clerk so to inform Divisional Education Officer and instructed to forward a copy of Mr. De Buriatte's letter to him.

n. 1st Tatsfield Scout Group (2n).

Chairman reported on meeting with group and presented statement of accounts. An estimate had been received for £456 for repairs urgently needed to the roof of the Scout hut, which was reported to be catering for up to 100 boys and girls.  
Clerk to invite group to seek alternative estimates with a view to submission to new Council following the forthcoming election.

o. Annual Parish Meeting (2o).

The Clerk said the Mayor would be reporting on behalf of the Playing Fields Association and Mr. Macfarlane on his work as County Council member.  
Clerk to forward invitation to Mr. Clarke to report on behalf of the Pond Association.  
Agreed that reports be submitted to the meeting in the following order: Parish Council, District Council, County Council, Village Hall, School, Playing Fields, Pond.

p. Footpath: Johns Road (2p).

Members reported on their inspection of Johns Road and after discussion the Clerk was instructed to write to the occupier of Hornbeams pointing out that Footpath 19 passes immediately past that property and that obstruction is being caused to it and requesting that this obstruction be cleared away.

q. Surface Water Drainage: Ricketts Hill Road (2r).

No further replies received. Mr. Pearce pointed out that the matter was not likely to be dealt with until development was completed.

r. Gritting (3a).

Letter (17/2) from Area Engineer said he could not supply grit for private roads at Crossways which were the responsibility of the District Council. Crown Road was the responsibility of the County Council as far as the doctor's house and would be gritted as necessary.  
Clerk to send copy of letter to Mr. Hoskins (District Council TSO) and ask him to deal with the site at Crossways.

a. SCAPTC: Compensatory Grants (3b).

Report requested from Clerk circulated for members' consideration.





t. Surrey Amenity Council (3b11).

Letter (19/2) from Secretary thanking Council for generous contribution noted.

u. Abandoned Cars: Avonius Road (6d). - No reply. Clark to send reminder.

v. Jubilee Photographs (6e).

Mrs. Player again raised this matter and it was agreed that it could usefully be brought to the attention of the annual parish meeting.

3. REPORT.

a. Village Hall.

Mr. Hunt reported that it had been decided that at least two adults should be present during youth meetings. Mrs. McHuge pointed out that problems appeared to arise at opening time.

4. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Gatwick Area Conservation Campaign.

Letter (8/1) from campaign notified conference upon proposed developments at Gatwick Airport and invited Council to be represented. Clark reported briefly on conference, which he had attended and was instructed to secure a copy of the West Sussex County Council's report for circulation to members.

b. Village Bus Services.

Letter (15/2) from Transportation Planning Unit, Surrey County Council sent copies of report on services 464 and 465 (including village bus service) and intimated that the new fare (33p full) would be payable as from March 31. Mrs. Crofts said she had been in touch with Mr. Garrod and pointed out that senior citizens' passes were available for use from Biggin Hill.

5. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were presented for payment and the necessary cheques approved for signature: Bank of England (loan repayments & interest), £282.57; P.G. Reid (wages: March), £44.00; P.G. Reid (expenses), £10.28; Tatsfield Womens' Institute (hire of room for meetings re. Village Appraisal), £4.00.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Horse Riding.

During a further discussion on horse riding problems the need for improved bridle path facilities was stressed and it was agreed that the new Council be recommended to give this matter serious consideration.

b. Paper 'Spikers'.

Mrs. Player enquired about the possible provision of spiked sticks for the collection of waste paper and indicated that a parishioner would be prepared to purchase one of these for local use. Clark to seek to buy two such sticks from Parks Superintendent, District Council.

c. Music & Dancing Licence.

Reported that a music and dancing licence for up to 50 occasions a year was being sought by the Old Bakery. - Council to discuss matter at next meeting.



d. Playing Fields Association.

The Chairman reported that the Playing Fields Association had now been granted planning permission for the extension of their pavilion and were hoping to negotiate a longer term lease (up to 21 years) with the District Council: a longer lease would improve their opportunities of receiving grants.

e. Dangerous Tree: Rickotts Hill.

Clerk to report unsafe tree on common ground on land opposite Little Dene, Rickotts Hill Road to County Council (copy to District Council) with a request for action.

f. Grove Road.

Mrs. Crofts to make further enquiries regarding Grove Road and report back.

g. Annual Meetings.

Reported that the annual meeting of CATSA would take place on March 13 and that of the Pond Association on April 10.

7. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. Alleged Encroachment: Kemsley Road.

Mr. Bishop complained of encroachment which he alleged had been made by the occupier of the Haven, Kemsley Road and after discussion the Clerk was instructed to report this to the District Council.

The meeting closed at 11.15p.m.

  
9/4/79

TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, April 9, 1979 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. P.W. Owen (Chairman), Mr. R.W. Pearce, Mrs. M.E. Crofts, Mrs. A.M. Nottage, Mrs. E.M.G. Plover, Mr. H.W. Hunt and Mr. R.F. Payne, with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid), six parishioners and a Press representative.

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on March 12, 1979 were confirmed and signed.

2. MATTERS ARISING.

a. Planning. (Item 2a of last minutes).

i. Easement (2ai).

Letter (7/3) from Mr. Collis to Council solicitor said most of the material being used in building had been delivered through his own drive and said common would be re-instated if no agreement was reached regarding access, and entry to new dwelling would then be effected from his own drive. Letter (22/3) from District Valuer said negotiations continued but so far no offer had been received which he was prepared to recommend the Council to accept. - Correspondence noted.

ii. Current Applications.

a. Tatsfield Working Men's Club (79/243/394).

Plans for this proposal to demolish the existing clubhouse and erect a new club which will provide living accommodation for a steward and incorporate also an underground car park were available. These were inspected by both members of the Council and parishioners present and considerable discussion ensued.

The Council approved the plans in general terms, but the Clerk was instructed to forward the following recommendations and suggestions to the Chief Planning Officer:

1. To forward a copy of a court order in favour of Mrs. D. Geary made at Reigate County Court on April 17, 1962: to point that the existing building infringes the terms of that order. It also to be pointed out that the infringement is on Westmore Green, which belongs to the Parish Council and is managed by the District Council. It would appear that any new building on the same building line would be in breach of the court order (though Mrs. Geary, who was present, indicated that she had no wish to press the matter, being herself a member of the club).
2. To point out that brewers' lorries turning into the club already on occasion have difficulty and have on occasion infringed on the common. The proposal to increase the width of the main building is therefore looked upon with concern as tending to worsen this situation.
3. To emphasise the great importance attached to this development in the centre of the village and to ask that representatives of the Parish Council should have the opportunity of meeting the Chief Planning Officer, inspecting samples of the materials to be used to provide the external finish and discussing all relevant details of the new building. The Chairman, in his capacity as District Council member undertook to follow up the last item with the Chief Planning Officer.

iii. Bramblewood, Greenways (79/260/396).

(Alterations: 1st floor addition: three bedrooms, playroom & bathroom).  
Clerk to write to Planning Officer asking that the views of adjoining house-holders should be consulted.

iv. New Applications.

Mr. Hunt was appointed to deal with applications notified during the month, Mrs. McHugo undertaking to deal with those notified during the preceding week-end.

b. Village Appraisal (2b). and collection.

Reported that distribution of questionnaires was now almost complete and the response was proving good: Mrs. Flayer said something like 90% and Mr. Hunt about 70% in areas of which they had knowledge.

c. Abandoned Car (2d)

Mrs. Flayer reported that this had now been removed.

d. Stiles: Horse Riding (2c).

Letter (23/3) from Mr. Chittenden promised that four stiles would be delivered to the County Council's Godstone depot and the Council would be told when they were available for collection. The cost would be debitted against the £100 allocated to the Parish Council for footpath expenditure. Mr. Chittenden asked the number of the footpath over Council property on which one of the stiles would be erected.

After discussion it was decided not to proceed with a proposal that metal angle irons should be used in putting the stiles up.

Clerk to ask that the stiles be delivered to the Scout Hut at the County Council's convenience when a vehicle is next in Tatsfield.

Letter also to be sent to Mr. P. Vale informing him of the position, asking if the Scouts will be prepared to help in erecting the stiles and if so what donation to their funds would be considered appropriate.

Mrs. Crofts said the stiles would be placed on Footpaths 19 and 570.

e. King Edward VII Memorial Garden (2f).

Letter (21/3) from Mr. Wilson (District Council) said he would be in touch with the Council again after he had consulted other District Council officers.

f. Notice Board: Westmore Green (2gii).

The Chairman congratulated Mr. Tapsell on the new notice board which he had made and which had just been put up at Westmore Green.

Mr. Tapsell presented an account for a further £63 for materials and it was agreed to add a further £25 in appreciation of Mr. Tapsell's services and as some recompence for his work.

g. Trees Planting (2h).

A completed agreement had been received from Mr. Wholan and that from Mr. Robinson was awaited.

Mr. Payne presented Gustin Garden's account for planting and the Clerk was instructed to apply to the Countryside Commission for the promised grant of 50% of the nett cost upon receiving an official receipt.

The Chairman warmly thanked Mr. Payne for his work in connection with the scheme.

i. Silver Birches: Westmore Green (2i)

Mr. Payne reported that replacement would cost £56.32.



h. Footpath: John's Road (2p)

Chairman reported that he had received a telephone call from the occupier of Hornbeams, whom he planned to visit. - Noted.

i. Surface Water Drainage: Ricketts Hill Road (2q)

No further information. - Clerk to ask highway authority to carry out first aid repairs in view of serious potholes.

j. Gritting (2r)

Letter (20/3) from TSO said District Council was responsible for footpaths. Grit and salt were available whenever possible, but district relied upon county council for supplies which had almost run out during winter.

Mrs. Player said there was a grit container at Crossways Court but it had been empty.

The Chairman suggested that the new Council should undertake a fresh review of the whole position regarding the supply of grit.

k. Abandoned Cars: Avenue Road (2u)

Letter (20/3) from TSO said all the cars were in the London Borough of Bromley, from whom (a similar letter having been sent to that authority) the Clerk had had no reply. - Clerk to send copy of TSO's letter to Bromley Council.

l. Paper 'Spikers' (6b)

Letter (20/3) from District Council described modern tool available at £5.50. The District Council could provide name of supplier. - Decided to take no action.

m. Music & Dancing Licence (6c)

The Chairman having declared his interest this was again discussed and, it being noted that any licence granted would be subject to review in October, it was decided to take no action.

n. Dangerous Tree: Ricketts Hill (6e)

Letter (20/3) from TSO said dead branches would be removed and tree topped as soon as possible.

o. Crown Road (6f)

Mrs. Crofts reported on her enquiries and read a letter she had sent to the County Engineer's Department, Kingston, which was approved.

p. Alleged Obstruction: <sup>Enc. cash mem</sup> Kemsley Road. (7a)

Letter (21/3) from Mr. Wilson said there was no Tree Preservation Order in existence in relation to the area concerned. This Council's letter had been referred to the Planning Officer. - Clerk to seek reply from Planning Officer.

3. REPORT.

Mr. Pearce reported that he had been unable to attend the meeting held on April 6.


4. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Oxted Work Centre.

Letter (14/3) from Mr. J.H. Stevens thanked Council for its recent donation. - Noted.

b. Gatwick Area Consultative Committee.

Letter (28/3) noted for circulation among Council members.



c. Election Arrangements.

Letter (4/4) from SCATTC notified changes in election arrangements for parish councils and pointed out that the annual meeting of the Council would have to be held within 14 days of May 28.

Decided that the May meeting be held on Monday, May 14 and the annual meeting on Monday, June 11.

d. License Change.

Formal notice received of application for change in licensee of the Old Ship.

5. FINANCE.

a. Accounts for Payment.

The following accounts were presented for payment and the necessary cheques approved for signature: Tatsfield Village Hall (Youth Club - February), £12.00; Gustin Gardens (Tree Planting), \$503.28; P.G. Reid (Wages - April), £46.20 (including increase of 5% in annual salary in accordance with budget provision, which was formally approved); P.G. Reid (Expenses), £6.75; Tandridge District Council (Printing: Village Appraisal), £15.00; A.H. Tapsell (Notice Board), £88.00.

b. Receipt.

A receipt for £1023 was issued on the District Council.

c. V.A.C.

Clerk reported that a claim had been lodged for re-imburement of £42.88 paid by the Council during the financial year.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Miss M. Kelly.

Warm tributes were paid to Miss M. Kelly, a former Clerk whose death was reported. It was recalled that Miss Kelly succeeded her father the late Mr. T. Kelly as Clerk and both filled the office for a number of years, setting a high standard of service to the community.

b. Motor Cycling.

Mrs. Payer reported complaints of motor cycling in the Ship Wood (Ninehams Road) area, the Chairman commenting that the only action possible was to report details (if possible identifying culprits) to the police.

c. Dangerous Tree: Approach Road.

Mr. Payne drew attention to the dangerous condition of a large oak in the Approach Road, near to the Scout Hut. - Clerk to report to District Council.

d. Fish Farm.

The Chairman and Mrs. McHugo were asked to investigate development taking place near the fish farm (Approach Road) which it was felt might be unauthorised.

7. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. Men's Club.

Mr. D. Hayes stressed the importance of this development in the centre of Tatsfield. It raised many questions, among them the viability of the proposed underground car park.

b. Tree Felling.

A parishioner drew attention to the felling of two apparently sound beech trees, which the Chairman promised to investigate. - Mr. Hayes suggested that the District Council should be asked to provide a list of Tree Preservation Orders applicable to Tatsfield.

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T A T S F I E L D P A R I S H C O U N C I L

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, May 14, 1979 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. P.N. Owen (Chairman), Mrs. M.E. Crofts, Mrs. A.M. McHugo, Mrs. E.M.G. Player, Mr. H.W. Hunt and Mr. R.F. Payne, with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid), Mr. S. Dothie (District Council representative), five parishioners and a Press representative.

APOLOGIES were received from Mr. R.W. Pearce.

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on April 9, 1979 were confirmed and signed, with the minor amendments added by the Chairman in manuscript.

2. MATTERS ARISING.

- a. Planning (Item 2a of last minutes)

- i. Essement (2ai).

Letter from District Valuer on essement forwarded report of conclusion of negotiations and indicated provisional agreement of terms for the purchase of right of pedestrian and vehicular access, Mr. Collis to pay cost of construction of access and all legal costs  
It was decided to accept the terms as agreed and the Clerk was instructed to ask the Council's solicitor to complete legal formalities, on the additional understanding that maintenance of the access remained the responsibility of the purchaser.

- ii. Current Applications.

- a. Tatsfield Working Men's Club (2aii).

Clerk reported that he had received a telephone call from Mr. Glass (Messrs Eric Main & Partners, Orpington) suggesting a meeting with Council representatives. He had said it would be possible to move the new building back off common land.

The Chairman said a member of the District Council's Planning Department had inspected the site. - Reports noted.

- b. Walma, Westmore Road (79/324/0/486).

Mr. Hunt reported that opposition had been expressed to this proposal (in outline) to demolish the present bungalow and replace it by three dwellings with double garages. - Approved.

- c. Rear of 24, Sutherland Avenue, Biggin Hill.

Mr. Hunt reported that Bromley Council had been told of this Council's opposition to this proposal to build seven houses on the site mentioned. The site had been the subject of consideration also in June 1978. - Approved.





d. Mole End, Chestnut Avenue-

Letter (23/4) from District Council notified that an appeal had been lodged against the refusal of planning permission to construct a covered swimming pool, a two storey extension and to extend garage accommodation at Mole End, Chestnut Avenue. - Agreed, after discussion to note letter.

e. Rear of Ankell Cottage, Westmore Road (79/380/0/549 & 79/380/0/550).

These were alternative proposals to build either one or two semi-detached bungalows with garages. *Let's compare*  
After discussion the Clerk was instructed to inform the planning officer that, this being on the periphery of what the Parish Council views as the area to which further development should be restricted the Council would view the erection of one bungalow with some concern and would be quite opposed to two.

iii. New Applications.

The Chairman was appointed to deal with any applications notified during the coming month.

b. Village Appraisal (2b)

At the invitation of the Chairman, Mr. D. Hayes, Chairman of the Appraisal Committee, reported. He said there seemed to have been an overall response to the questionnaire of between 70% and 75%. It was hoped the final print-out would shortly be received and a report available before the summer break. The Chairman thanked Mr. Hayes and congratulated him and his Committee on the progress that had been made.

c. Stiles: Horse Riding (2d).

Acknowledgement from Surrey Area Engineer said stiles would be delivered when he was advised they were required.  
The Clerk having reported that no reply had been received from the Scouts, he was instructed to forward a copy of his letter to Mr. Vale to Mrs. Hughes, group secretary.

d. King Edward VII Memorial Garden (2e)

No further information had yet been received.

e. Notice Boards (2f).

Clerk reported that an account for £32.43 had been received from the District Council for the re-erection of the notice board near the school. This it was agreed to pay.

f. Tree Planting (2g) & Silver Birches, Westmore Green (2g1)

Clerk reported that grant of £320 had been received from Countryside Commission and account rendered for £58.37 for silver birches on Westmore Green. - Report accepted.

g. Footpath: John's Road (2h).

It having been reported that this path remained blocked, the Clerk was instructed to report the facts to Surrey County Council and to ask that contact be made with Mrs. Crofts.

h. Surface Water: Ricketts Hill Road (2i).

Acknowledgment from County Area Engineer said potholes would be dealt with 'as labour and finance' became available.  
Mr. Hunt reported that some work had already been carried out. - Noted.

i. Avenue Road: Abandoned Cars (2k)

Acknowledgment from Bromley Council said matter had been referred to Borough Engineer.  
Later in the meeting Mrs. Flayer reported that she had received complaints of offensive smells arising from the dumped cars. She was asked to investigate further with a view to raising a further complaint to the Borough Environmental Health Officer.

j. Crown Road (2c).

Mrs. Crofts said she had met Mr. Stear (Surrey County Council) and he had suggested that the problem could be dealt with under the Highways Act, 1959 by the posting of a 'footpath' notice.  
The Clerk was authorised to write to Mr. Stear to seek details of the precise way of proceeding.

k. Alleged Obstruction: Kemsley Road (2p).

No reply from Planning Officer. Clerk to send reminder.

l. Precept (5b) & V.A.T. (5c)

Clerk reported that both had been received and banked.

m. Dangerous Tree: Approach Road (6a)

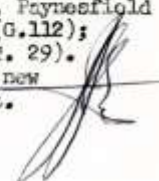
Letter (23/4) from County Area Engineer said Clerk & Chief Executive, County Council had been instructed to serve notice on landowner to fell this tree.

n. Fish Farm (6d)

The Chairman reported on buildings erected behind the hedge and recalled other development. It seemed likely that this would rank as agricultural development not requiring planning permission.  
After some discussion it was decided to take no further action, but to maintain a careful watch on the site.

o. Tree Preservation Orders (7b).

Clerk reported letter (24/4) from Mr. Brunton listing Tatsfield Tree Preservation Orders as follows: Various woodlands (plan forwarded) (Godstone Order No 6); Limchouse Bottom (G. 19); Concord, Paynesfield Road (G.65); Ashlands, Paynesfield Road (G. 97); Shipfield Close (G. 104); Parsiuncular, Parkwood Road (G.112); Kylmore, Paynesfield Road (Tandridge No. 27); and Limchouse Bottom (T. 29).  
The Chairman suggested that a full survey should be undertaken by the new Council, possibly with the advice of the District Parks Superintendent.



3. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Gatwick Area Conservation Campaign.

Circular letter requested payment of subscription, which it was pointed out had remained unchanged for 13 years.

b. Surrey County Council.

i. Mobile Library.

Letter (23/4) forwarded details of revised time tables for local calls: Mondays: Ricketts Hill, 2.20-2.35; Ship Hill, 2.40-2.55; Old Ship, 3.10-4.30. The Clerk reported that he had requested and received and displayed posters setting out times on notice boards.

ii. Footpath No. 27.

Letter (12/4) from County Council said inspection had shown that the obstruction to this path had now been removed. It was hoped the matter was now concluded to this Council's satisfaction. - Noted.

iii. Surrey Public Transport Plan.

Letter (20/4) forwarded copy of plan (to be circulated among members) and said comments regarding first annual revision in 1980-81 would be asked for between August and October next. - Noted.

iv. Petroleum Exploration.

Letter (20/4) from County Planning Officer said a petrol exploration licence covering most of Surrey had been granted to Conoco Ltd and asked the view of the Parish Council. A copy of the leaflet prepared by the firm accompanied the letter and this explained the method to be used. A map, also enclosed, indicated that some roads on the southern approach to Tatsfield were included in the survey.

After discussion the Clerk was instructed to inform the District Council that this Council desires to make no comment at this stage.

c. Surrey Association of Parish & Town Councils.

Minutes of meeting held 6-4-79 and circulars received and circulated to members.

d. Gorsey Down Farm.

Letter (8/5) from Returned Letter Branch, Post Office apologised for failure to trace delivery of recorded delivery letter posted on October 13, 1978 and forwarded re-imbursment of charges incurred (£0.43) which the Clerk reported had been banked.

e. Arising from Parish Meeting: Posting of Byelaws.

Correspondence with District Council said copies of byelaws would be posted in consultation with the Clerk. Decided that the following sites should be suggested: near Hodgewows (A'rouch Road); on the back of the new notice board at Westacre Green; at the Whitewood Cottages end of Westacre Green; and on Tatsfield Green near the Old Lane junction and in the area opposite the Rectory.



4. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were presented and the necessary cheques approved for payment: Tatsfield Village Hall (Youth Club meetings - March), £9.0; Commons Preservation Society (Subscription), £h.50; Gatwick Area Conservation Campaign (Subscription), £5.00; Tandridge District Council (replacement of notice Board), £32.43; Gustin Gardens (Trees, Westmore Green), £58.37; Cornhill Insurance Ltd (renewal premium), £3.00; P.G. Reid (Wages - May), £46.20; P.G. Reid (Expenses), £6.15; Mrs. M.E. Crofts (refreshments, Parish meeting), £3.00.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Re-Union.

The Chairman welcomed the re-union of old and present Tatsfield residents to be held on Saturday, June 2, which is being organised by Mrs. D. Geary.

b. Possible Caravan Proposals.

Mrs. Player drew attention to publicity given regarding Furze ~~Cover~~ <sup>green</sup> Frontages which appeared to refer to a suggested caravan site, partly in Tatsfield and partly in the London Borough of Bromley. The Clerk was instructed to write to the Planning Officers of both authorities expressing this Council's opposition to any such proposals and asking to be kept informed fully of any suggested developments of this nature.

c. Gas Supplies.

In reply to Mr. Hunt the Clerk said no further information had been received from the Gas Board regarding the survey they were undertaking.

d. Rubbish Dumping: Rickotts Hill Wood.

Mrs. McHugo complained of rubbish dumping in the Rickotts Hill Wood area and the Chairman said that if some identification could be made of offenders, action would be possible.

e. Business for New Council.

The Chairman referred to matters with which the new Council would be asked to deal, including a survey of footpath and bridleway facilities; a survey of tree preservation orders; and a review of the subsidy made to the Youth Club for its meeting place rent.

5. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. Election.

Mr. D. Hayes drew attention to the forthcoming election and asked whether the Council would undertake a campaign to stimulate public participation. - The Chairman said there was likely to be publicity by candidates and did not think it a matter in which the Council should act further.

b. Potholes.

Mr. R. Harnby recalled that potholes in the Rickotts Hill area were in part a legacy of the manner in which main drainage was laid in 1965.

c. Bus Shelter.

Following complaints of the condition of the bus shelter the Clerk was asked to draw this to the attention of the District Council with a request for action.

d. Road Sweeping.

Mrs. Geary drew attention to the need for more frequent road sweeping through the village.

e. Rubbish: The Green.

Clerk to ask District Council to clear up rubbish remaining on Westmore Green following the recent stationing and recovery of a skip used there.

f. Kerbing: Westmore Green.

Following a complaint by Mr. Hornby of the erosion of the edge of Westmore Green on the right hand corner at the approach to the village. Clerk to ask for kerbing to be laid to protect the Green.

6. THANKS.

This being the last meeting of the present Council the Chairman expressed thanks to his colleagues and members of the public who had regularly attended Council meetings for their support during the last three years.

The meeting closed at 10.05p.m.

 " 11 June 79.

TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the annual meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, June 11, 1979 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Mrs. M.E. Crofts, Mrs. A.M. McHugo, Mrs. E.M.G. Player, Mr. H.W. Hunt, Mr. P.N. Owen, Mr. R.W. Pearce and Mr. J. Softley, with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid), Mr. S. Dethle (District Council representative) and nine parishioners.

1. ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE forms having been signed by all members, the meeting opened with Mr. P.N. Owen presiding as incumbent chairman.
2. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN.  
Mr. Softley having been elected Chairman, signed his acceptance of office in that capacity.
3. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN.  
Mr. Owen was elected vice-chairman on the proposition of Mrs. McHugo, seconded by Mrs. Crofts.
4. ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES.  
The following were elected to represent the Council on the organisations indicated:  
Surrey County Association of Parish & Town Councils: Mr. Pearce;  
Village Hall Management Committee: Mr. Softley & Mrs. Crofts.  
Vern d'Anjou Association: Mrs. Crofts.  
Tatsfield Playing Fields Association: Mr. Owen & Mr. Hunt.  
Village Pond Association: Mrs. Player & Mr. Hunt.
5. MINUTES of the meeting held on May 14, 1979 were confirmed and signed, with minor amendments as made in manuscript.
6. MATTERS ARISING.

a. Planning (Item 2a of last minutes)

i. Easement (2ai)

Draft agreement as submitted by Council's solicitor, read and discussed. The Clerk was instructed to inform the solicitor that, whilst agreeing the terms in principle, the Council reiterated the view already expressed that the grantee should accept responsibility for maintenance of the access way and, additionally, that the public rights over the area should be safeguarded.

ii. Tatsfield Working Men's Club (2aii)

Mr. Owen reported that the new building was to be moved back six feet to take it clear of the common. Following two visits by a member of the District Council's planning department it seemed that the plan would now be approved. During considerable discussion Mr. Pearce stressed the desirability of the Council having a clear idea what the new building would look like and how it would affect the village scene.

The Clerk was instructed to remind the Planning Officer of the Council's request to be more fully consulted and, in particular, to be given an opportunity of inspecting samples of materials to be used in the external finish (no formal reply having been received to the Council's letter requesting that this should be done). The Council's wish to inspect some impression of the final appearance of the building also to be stressed.



iii. Walma, Westmore Road (2b).

Letter (1/6) from Planning Officer said this application had been amended to: '... two detached houses with garages'. - Approved as amended.

iv. Current Applications.

Mr. Owen reported on applications notified during the past month, none of which called for specific comment.

v. New Applications.

Mr. Pearce was appointed to deal with applications notified during the coming month.

b. Village Appraisal (2b).

Reported that replies to the questionnaire were being processed by the County Council.

c. Stiles (2c).

The Clerk reported that after consultation with Mrs. Hughes he had been in touch with Mr. Goliot, Group Scout Leader, who had promised to contact Mrs. Crofts and the County Council.

Mrs. Crofts said Mr. Goliot now had the matter in hand. It was not possible to indicate at the moment what would be a reasonable contribution to scout funds on completion of the work.

d. King Edward VII Memorial Garden (2d).

No reply from District Council. - Clerk to send reminder.

e. Footpath No. 19: John's Road (2g).

Letter (5/6) from County Area Engineer explained situation and said that Mr. Day of Hornbeams would construct steps to enable people to use the grass verge in front of his property.

Mr. Chittenden said the definitive statement showed John's Road as 30' from fence to fence, of which three feet were claimed as a right of way. At Hornbeams the road was 36' from fence to fence so that complications could arise if Mr. Day was asked to remove his recent construction. - Noted.

f. Avenue Road: Abandoned Cars (2i).

Mrs. Plover reported that the situation had now improved and residents had expressed appreciation of the help given by the Parish Council. It seemed that the smell complained of arose when vehicles were burnt out.

g. Crown Road (2j).

Reply awaited from County Council. - Clerk to send reminder.

h. Beaver Fish Farm (2n).

Mr. Owen reported that a large mobile home was stationed on this site, towards the rear, and a number of other buildings appeared to be in use. Clerk to report facts to both Bromley and Tandridge Councils and ask that Parish Council be fully informed. Copy of letter to go to Mr. Bethic, whose help was enlisted.

i. Tree Preservation Orders(2o).

It was decided to review tree preservation orders covering areas in the village at the next meeting.

j. Petroleum Exploration (3biv)

Clerk reported that the District Council had been informed that the Parish Council had no comments to make at the present stage, but reserved its right to express such views as seemed needed at a later date. - This had been acknowledged by Mr. Brunton.

k. Posting of Byelaws (3c).

Letter (10/5) from Mr. Brunton said additional copies of byelaws would be posted by Technical Services Officer in consultation with the Clerk - Noted.

l. Possible Caravan Proposals (5b).

Letter (4/6) from Planning Officer said no application had yet been received. No reply having been received from Bromley Council, the Clerk was instructed to send a reminder.

m. Gas Supplies (5c).

Decided that, unless intimation is received from the Gas Board of the results of its feasibility study, this matter should be dealt with when the results of the Village Appraisal questionnaire are available.

n. Matters Referred to New Council (5c).

i. Footpaths & Bridleways.

A sub-committee comprising Mr. Pearce, Mrs. Crofts and Mrs. Payer was appointed to investigate the need for greater bridleway provision in the parish, bearing in mind also the needs of pedestrians and their rights over footpaths.

ii. Youth Club.

Bearing in mind that the authority to meet the cost of Youth Club meetings at the Village Hall had now lapsed, it was agreed to extend the payments for a further three months, during which the whole position is to be reviewed. Mr. Hunt reported on problems arising at the Hall and after discussion the Clerk was instructed to write to Mrs. Jupp as secretary, seeking information as to the support received by the club and the possibility of it now becoming viable economically.

iii. Scout Group.

The Council considered the request made by the 1st Tatsfield Scout Group for financial aid in respect of re-roofing its headquarters. Materials are estimated to cost £385 and it was recalled that an interim grant of £50 was made in December. Mrs. McHugo offered to liaise with the group. Agreed to make a further donation of £100 forthwith.

o. Bus Shelter (5c p.10).

Letter (22/5) from Mr. Hoskins said he would arrange for the shelter to be inspected and any remedial work carried out as requested. - Noted.

p. Rubbish, Westmore Green (5c) & Kerbing: Westmore Green (5b)

i. Rubbish.

Letter (25/5) from Mr. Hoskins said he would arrange for this to be cleared, and it was reported that this had now been done.

ii. Kerbing.

Letter (1/6) from Mr. Chittenden said this would be attended to as labour and finance are available. ~~... as seen~~



q. Road Sweeping (5d).

Letter (31/5) from County Area Engineer said a maintenance gang had recently tidied up roads in Tatsfield 'which included grass cutting and sweeping'.

7. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Parish Church.

Letter (19/5) from Mr. A.J. Boyd (secretary, Parochial Church Council), invited Council to contribute towards the upkeep of the churchyard, as on former occasions. - Agreed, after discussion, to make a grant of £50.

b. Stile: B2024.

Letter (29/5) from Mr. J.C. Slade of Abbey Wood drew attention to the disappearance of a stile on B2024 on a path leading to Church Farm and said path was now being used as a bridle path and was in a deplorable state where the stile should be. The path having been identified as PF22 the matter was deferred to next meeting, the clerk to inform Mr. Slade that matter is receiving attention.

c. Gatwick Area Conservation Campaign.

Notice received of annual meeting to be held at Horley on June 14. - Mr. Pearce to represent Council.

d. Speed Limits: Rural Roads.

Letter (22/5) from Mr. D.G. Bray (Charlwood Parish Council) pleaded for the introduction of a speed limit on rural roads and forwarded copy of a questionnaire circulated in that parish. The letter asked for Council support to be presented to the June meeting of SCAITC. Mr. Pearce, to whom the letter was passed, was authorised to support the general principle expressed and to voice the views of the Council at the Association meeting.

e. Oxted Citizens Advice Bureau.

Letter (8/9) notified that annual meeting would be held on June 5 and expressed the hope that the Council would continue to be represented on the Committee. Mrs. Plover was appointed to represent the Council during the ensuing year.

f. Oxted Social Centre.

Letter (15/5) forwarded copy of accounts for 1977/8, thanked Council for past support and hoped it would be possible to continue this. Agreed to make a donation of £50.00.

g. Village Hall Accounts.

Clerk reported that copy of statement of accounts had been received and incorporated in Council accounts, which had now been completed for 1978/9. Mr. D.K. Johnson (treasurer) had indicated that he might be forced to resign because of pressure of work.

h. Village Hall V.A.T.

Clerk reported letter (4/6) from Mr. Johnson forwarding cheque for £585, being nett cost of new chairs, and requesting Council to add cheque for £46.80 in respect of VAT.

After discussion the Clerk was instructed to return the cheque to Mr. Johnson asking the Village Hall committee to meet full cost and pointing out that if abstracted and specified in the Hall accounts all VAT could be re-claimed by the Parish Council as owners of the hall.



i. S.C.A.P.T.C.

Notice received of meeting to be held on June 15, 1979.

j. Village Hall: Central Heating.

Letter (7/6) from Mrs. A. Hayes (secretary, Village Hall Committee), said that because of Compress the possibility of introducing central heating was under consideration. The views of the Council were invited. After discussion, the Clerk was instructed to reply that the Council would look into the whole problem of heating and ventilation at the hall, the Chairman recalling, during discussion, earlier problems which arose when the hall had central heating.

k. Table Tennis Club.

Letters from Mr. C.H. Bradshaw (Chairman) and Mrs. R. Bradshaw (secretary) asked for assistance from the Council for Tatsfield Table Tennis Club, which has been in existence since January 1967 and currently caters for 10 boys and six adults. It was pointed out that Council support had mainly been offered to local bodies either on a 'pump priming' basis or to help to meet capital expenditure, but not, in general, to meet day-to-day running costs of established organisations. The Clerk was instructed, after discussion, to inform the Club that the Council was prepared, as a gesture of sympathy to meet the cost of hiring the hall for club events during the next three months: Village Hall treasurer to be similarly informed.

l. Youth Club.

Letter from Mrs. A. Jupp asked permission for Youth Club to hold barbecue on Westmore Green. Agreed to grant permission, subject to the green being left in as good a condition as it is found. Clerk to ask to be informed of date of proposed event.

8. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were presented for payment and the necessary cheques approved for signature: Cornhill Insurance (Village Hall premium), £96.00; Tatsfield Village Hall (Youth Club meetings: April), £9.00; P.G. Reid (wages - June), £16.20; P.G. Reid (Postage, car mileage), £6.67; Tatsfield Village Hall (Youth Club meetings: May), £12.00; Surrey Association of Parish & Town Councils (Subscription), £33.80; Oxted Social Centre (donation), £50.00; Tatsfield Parochial Church Council (churchyard grant), £50.00; Tatsfield Scout Group (grant towards roof repairs), £100.00; Mr. E. Crofts (letterheads), £12.50.

i. Hall Insurance.

Clerk to seek increase in public liability cover to £500,000 and ask for estimate for cover up to one million pounds: and to inform company that cover is being reviewed.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Abandoned Car.

Mr. Pearce reported abandoned car (HR791C) in Nonesmawr Road, near piggeries. Clerk to request action by District Council.



10. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. Junction: Sunningvale Avenue/Ricketts Hill Road.

Mr. Head produced copies of a plan setting out proposed new road lines at the junction of Sunningvale Avenue and Ricketts Hill Road. The matter was gone into in some detail and Mr. Pearce undertook to pursue enquiries with Bromley Council and to liaise with Mr. Dethie.

b. Working Men's Club.

Mrs. Geary raised further points regarding the re-building of the club and the judgement given in her favour and was assured by the Chairman that these were being borne fully in mind.

c. Sign: Approach Road.

Mr. R.F. Payne drew attention to the new sign erected at the junction of the Approach Road and the B2024. He was informed by Mr. Owen that this had the permission of the Titsey Estate and that planning permission was in process of being obtained.

d. Parking: Johns Road.

A lady parishioner drew attention to parking in Johns Road and at the Chairman's suggestion Mr. Hunt undertook to seek the co-operation of the car owner concerned.

e. Parking: White Lane.

Following further points raised by Mr. Payne the Clerk was instructed to seek information as to whether the parking area at the top of White Lane has been dedicated to this use by the Titsey Estate.

The meeting closed at 11.40p.m.

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TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Fynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, July 9, 1979 at 8.00p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. J. Softley (Chairman), Mr. P.N. Owen, Mrs. M.E. Crofts, Mrs. A.M. McHugo, Mrs. E.M.G. Plover, Mr. H.W. Hunt and Mr. R.W. Pearce, with the Clerk, (Mr. P.G. Reid).

Mr. B.D. Stearn (Chief Planning Officer, Tandridge District Council) attended by invitation. Also present were Mr. S. Dethio (District Council representative), ten parishioners and two Press representatives.

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on June 11, 1979 were confirmed and signed.
2. THE CHIEF PLANNING OFFICER was welcomed by the Chairman and invited to express his views on both local matters and those of more general interest. A long discussion ensued during the later stages of which the public were invited to participate, and a great many topics of local interest were raised. References are incorporated as appropriate on specific items in the minutes.  
On general matters Mr. Stearn said applicants were now being sent 'site notices' which they were invited to display on premises when applications had been lodged.

a. Greater London Incursion.

Mr. Pearce asked Mr. Stearn how much further building would take place along The Grove and during a wide ranging discussion the meeting was reminded that development in Biggin Hill would be within the provisions of the Town Map for that area. Emphasis was placed by parishioners on the need for close co-operation between the District Council's planning Department and that of Bromley and Mr. Stearn explained the position.  
Mr. Stearn left the meeting at 9.45p.m. after being thanked by the Chairman.

3. MATTERS ARISING from meeting held 11-6-79.

a. Planning (Item 6a).

i. Tatsfield Working Men's Club (6a1).

This was dealt with in consultation with Mr. Stearn, who said planning permission had now been granted. He promised to provide the Council with a photograph of the scene with the elevation of the new building superimposed with the materials indicated in appropriate colouring as soon as these details were known. Various matters in relation to the building were mentioned and the hope was expressed that there would be no large notice on the facade.

ii. Easement (6a1).

The Council considered amendments to the proposed agreement submitted by the Council's solicitor to meet the points raised at the last meeting. These were approved and the Clerk was authorised to inform the Solicitor that he can proceed to complete the agreement in the form now submitted.

iii. Essex Cottage, Old Lane (2a11 of 12/3/79)

Following a report by Mr. Pearce the Clerk was instructed to inform the Planning Officer that the amended plan (reported by letter of 15/6) was approved.

iv. Oakdell Cottage, Shaw Road (rear) (2a11 of 14/5/79).

Letter (7/6) from Planning Officer said both applications had now been refused.

v. Walna, Westmore Road (TL/79/324(0)/486)

Letter (21/6) from Planning Officer said this had now been approved.



b. Current Applications.

Land Adjoining Hay Bank, Old Lane (79/32h(0)/486).

(Two Detached houses with double garages)

Mr. Pearce reported that in 1964 permission was given to an outline application for three houses and Mr. Stearn, who pointed out that this had now expired, said said there would be a presumption, in the light of this, that the land was suitable for development.

After a full discussion the Clerk was instructed to inform the District Council of the Parish Council's reservations regarding the application, pointing out that in view of the terrain new dwellings will be widely seen, especially if of more than a single storey; that they are likely to have an 'un-neighbourly' impact on nearby properties and also to stress the desirability of retaining as many as possible of the trees. The tree position in the meantime to be further investigated by Mrs. Melluge.

c. New Applications.

Mr. Owen was appointed to deal with applications notified during July, and Mrs. Melluge those received during August.

d. Village Appraisal (6b)

Deferred for consideration at September meeting.

e. Stiles (2c).

The Clerk reported on a telephone conversation he had had with Mr. Gelliot, who was prepared for the Scouts to co-operate in erecting the stiles, but had pointed out that he felt they would need some adult assistance. - The Chairman agreed to consult Mr. Gelliot.

f. King Edward VII Memorial Garden (6d)

Deferred to next meeting, no reply having been received.

g. Beaver Fish Farm (6h)

Letter (25/6) from District Council said this had been drawn to the attention of Bromley Council, and Mr. Stearn confirmed the concern of his department. Mr. Owen drew Mr. Stearn's attention to specific matters and the Chairman read a letter he had received complaining of a 'conglomeration' of caravans and miscellaneous buildings and questioning whether planning permission had been sought.

h. Possible Caravan Proposals (6i)

Letter (27/6) from Bromley Council said no planning application had been received.

i. Scout Group (6niii), Parish Church (7a) & Oxted Social Centre (7f)

Letters of thanks were received from each of the above bodies in respect of donations received following decisions reached at the previous meeting.

j. Village Hall V.A.T. (7h)

Clerk reported on correspondence with Mr. Johnson, who said he had now paid the account for new chairs and reiterated his intention of resigning as treasurer. The Clerk was authorised to pursue the matter of re-claiming VAT paid by the hall later in the financial year.

k. Abandoned Car, Massman Road (9a)

During a public adjournment, Mrs A. Hayes said formal notice had now been posted on the vehicle.

l. Hall Insurance (8i)

Clerk reported that the insurance company had been asked to increase public liability cover to £500,000 and to provide an estimate for raising it to one million pounds. A reply was awaited.

m. Junction: Sunningvale Avenue/Ricketts Hill Road (9a)

Clerk read copy of letter sent to Mr. Mead by Mr. S. Dethie following his investigation of the complaint made by Mr. Mead at the last meeting. It appeared that the proposals dated from the time when it appeared to the neighbouring authority that Tatsfield would develop in the same way as Biggin Hill had done.

Mr. Dethie's letter said it seemed that a local search would not reveal any road proposals so far as Surrey properties were concerned, but he advised Mr. Mead that he would be wise to secure a written statement from the London Borough of Bromley.

Mr. Pearce spoke of the possibility of Polsteadle Hill being much improved with a consequent increase of traffic and felt Surrey County Council should keep the possibilities in mind.

n. Parking: Johns Road. (10i)

Mr. Hunt reported and said the occupier concerned would co-operate to the best of her ability.

o. Parking: White Lane (10c)

Letter (3/7) from Messrs Strutt & Parker said land at the top of White Lane was let to Surrey County Council on 1/12/73 for use as a picnic site and asked to know whether there was any problem in relation to the site.

Clerk to point out to Surrey County Council (copy to Messrs Strutt & Parker) pointing out that dumping of materials on the site has considerably reduced the area available for car parking and the general amenities of the site, and asking that it be improved.

p. Stile: B202h (7b)

This was reported to be on Footpath No. 26. Mrs. Flayer to inspect and report.

q. Table Tennis Club (7k)

Letter (4/7) from Mr. Bradshaw thanked Council for its help.

r. Matters Deferred to the September meeting, either because of pressure of business or because replies were still awaited included (in addition to those indicated above), included the following:

- i. Crown Road (6g);
- ii. Tree Preservation Orders (2i);
- iii. Posting of Byelaws (6k);
- iv. Gas Supplies (6m);
- v. Paths & Bridleways (6n);
- vi. Youth Club (6ni);
- vii. Village Hall: Central Heating (7j).

4. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Alleged Encroachment: Kemsley Road (item 2p, minutes of 9/4/79)

Letter (6/6) from District Council said their arboricultural expert had inspected the site and had advised that, the area being similarly wooded to adjoining areas it would not be proper for a tree preservation order to be placed upon it in isolation.  
Deferred for consideration with other Tree Preservation Orders affecting the village.

b. Licence Change.

Notice received of application for transfer of licence of the Old Ship, tele made at Oxted on August 13.

c. Appointment: S.C.A.P.T.C.

Reported that, through the Clerk, an invitation had been extended to Mr. Pearce to join the Standing Committee of the Association, Mr. Pearce being agreeable, the appointment was approved.

d. Annual Quiz.

Letter (26/6) from Oxted Work Centre invited Council again to participate in annual quiz, to be held this year at St Michael's school, Limpsfield.  
Agreed to accept invitation, Clerk to advise organisers that all members of the Council hope to attend.

e. Highway Maintenance: Surface Dressing.

Letter (3/7) from Mr. Chittenden forwarded document setting out details of the type of work about to commence on re-surfacing of roads and footways. - Report to be circulated for the information of members.

5. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were presented for payment and the necessary cheques approved for payment: P.G. Reid (wages - July), £46.20; P.G. Reid (Wages - August), £46.20; P.G. Reid (Postage etc), £5.42; Westerham Parish Council (Administrative contribution), £12.50; Tatsfield Village Hall (Youth Club - June), £12.00; S.C.A.P.T.C. (Sub. to Local Council Review), £3.50; Cancer Research (in memory of Miss P. Knight), £10.00.


6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Mowing of Greens.

Mrs. Payer reported that Westmore Green had been satisfactorily mowed: a complaint she made about the outlying areas being put right shortly afterwards. The Chairman commented that Tatsfield Green between Old Lane and Ricketts Hill was not on a good condition and the Clerk was instructed to ask the District Council to treat it similarly to Westmore Green.

b. Late Miss P. Knight.

The death was reported of Miss P. Knight, a member of the Parish Council for 15 years and its Chairman from 1963/65. It was agreed to make a donation of £10 to cancer research in her memory.





c. Signs: Approach Road.

Some discussion took place regarding signs advertising the Old Ship and the Old Bakery at the junction of the B2024 and the Approach Road, it being reported that planning permission was being sought in respect of the Old Bakery sign. Mr. Pearce said that whilst he agreed it was an attractive sign in itself he was opposed to the proliferation of signs at this junction.

7. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. Old Lane: Proposed Development.

Mr. Martin of Hazelbank, Old Lane said the proposed development seemed very close to other dwellings and suggested that bungalows would be less obtrusive.

b. Cudham Lane: Horse Riding Establishment.

During considerable discussion, during which a number of complaints were made regarding an alleged horse riding establishment in Cudham Lane, Mr. Stearn explained that any enforcement procedure had to be held in abeyance if and when a planning application was lodged, pending a decision on that application. This particular matter was to be reported to the Planning Committee at its meeting the following week and if no planning application had been received he thought it possible enforcement procedure might be decided upon.

c. Johns Road: Footpath No. 19.

Mrs. Hayes raised further matters regarding this footpath and it was suggested that the step provided was too steep.

The meeting closed at 11.50p.m.

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T A T S F I E L D   P A R I S H   C O U N C I L

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, September 10, 1979 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. J. Softley (Chairman), Mrs. M.E. Crofts and Mr. H.W. Hunt, with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid), Mr. S. Dohie (District Council representative) about ten parishioners and a Press representative.

APOLOGIES were received from Mr. P.N. Owen, Mrs. E.M.G. Player, Mrs. A.M. McHugo and Mr. R.W. Pearce.

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on July 9, 1979 were confirmed and signed.

2. MATTERS ARISING.

a. Visit of Chief Planning Officer (Item 2 of last minutes).

The Clerk reported that he had written to Mr. Stearn thanking him for his visit. In reply Mr. Stearn had promised to provide information of materials to be used in the re-building of the Men's Club when these were available. (Item 3a1 of last minutes).

b. Easement (3a1).

The formal agreement had been received, signed and returned to the Council solicitor for the completion of formalities.

c. Land Adjoining Oak Bank, Old Lane (3b).

Letter (16/8) from Planning Officer said this application had now been approved. Letter (27/8) from Mr. D. Hayes protested against this decision taken in opposition to local views as expressed by the Parish Council and local residents. Mr. Dohie said only the Parish Council's objection was placed before the Committee.

It having been stated during a public adjournment that at least one letter was sent by a parishioner relating to this application, the Clerk was instructed to inform the Planning Officer of the Council's support for Mr. Hayes' point of view (copy of letter to be sent to Mr. Hayes).


d. Beechwood, Cudham Road (Riding Stables)(732/1071).

Following consultation a letter prepared by the Chairman had been sent to the Planning Officer saying that whilst the Council would not in normal circumstances have objected to this application, they felt bound to do so in the light of complaints received and lack of co-operation over a long period. During the public adjournment the applicant and a group of residents who supported her application replied to the points made in the letter (of which a copy was passed to her).

After a general discussion which lasted about an hour the Chairman accepted Miss Garnham's explanation on point 3 (that she had not been responsible for any substantial flow of water along the roadway).

She was advised to forward her reply to the points made by the Council direct to the Planning Officer and indicated that she would supply the Parish Council with a copy of her letter.

Miss Garnham said there were 160 horses in Tatsfield of which only seven belonged to her.



e. Mount Pleasant/Polesteepie Hill (19/79/2267 - Bromley).

Letter (22/8) from Bromley Planning Officer said landscaping proposals for this development of 70 houses were available for inspection. The Chairman reported on an inspection of the plans, and, at his suggestion it was decided to write asking the Borough Planning Officer what plans were in mind for dealing with the increased flow of traffic (Copy to Mr. Dethie). Mr. Dethie said it was very unlikely there would be any change in Polesteepie Hill.

f. Land Fronting Shaw Road (79/901(0)/1305).

This application, just received, was for a dwelling with garage at the rear of Hawthorns, Goostrays. - Consideration deferred for investigation.

g. New Applications.

Mrs. Crofts was appointed to deal with applications notified during the coming month.

h. Village Appraisal (3d).

Consideration deferred for report at next meeting.

i. Stiles (3e).

The Chairman reported that he had met Mr. Gelliot. It appeared that there were no scouts sufficiently senior to carry out this work. - To be further considered at next meeting.

j. King Edward VII Memorial Garden (3f).

Letter (31/8) from Mr. R.C. Wilson (District Council solicitor) forwarded comments of Technical Services Officer as to maintenance of this and adjoining ground and suggested the position should remain as it was. To be considered at next meeting, Clerk in meantime to investigate situation regarding gift of £100 for maintenance believed to have been made at the time the land was dedicated to the public.

k. Beaver Fish Farm (3g).

Letter (13/7) from London Borough of Bromley said site meeting had been arranged and promised comments following this. - Clerk to send reminder, no further information having been provided.

l. Village Hall V.A.T. (3j).

Clerk reported that Village Hall accounts showed that VAT amounting to £1.24 had been paid by the hall committee during the financial year 1978-9 and this he proposed to re-claim along with that directly paid by the Council.

m. Hall Insurance (3l).

Letter (9/7) from Cornhill Insurance asked for information regarding building and assurance that it had been approved by Fire Officer before quoting for one million pounds public liability cover. Increased premium of £2.50 for increase to £500,000 agreed for payment.

n. Junction: Sunningvale Avenue/Ricketts Hill Road (3m).

The Clerk reported that he had informed the Area Engineer of the position as reported to this Council and received an intimation that this had been passed to the County Surveyor.

o. Parking: John's Road (3n)

Mr. Hunt reported on bricks placed on highway and undertook to pursue matter with occupier concerned.



p. White Lane (3o).

Correspondence with Messrs Strutt & Parker and with Area Engineer reported. The latter, in letter 26/7 said arrangements had been made to clear up area and make a small bank on the perimeter to prevent fly tipping. Reported that this had now been done.

Clerk to report dumping of domestic rubbish to Area Engineer and ask that arrangements be made for this to be removed.

q. Stile, B2024 (3p).

The Chairman reported that Mrs. Player had inspected the stile and the stile now appeared to be in position.

r. Matters Deferred (3r).

i. Crown Road (3ri).

Consideration of letter (30/7) from Area Engineer deferred to next meeting. This set out details of procedure and said a specific resolution from the Parish Council would be of assistance to the County.

ii. Tree Preservation Orders (3rii) & Alleged Encroachment, Kemsley Road (4a).

Deferred to next meeting.

iii. Posting of Byelaws (2riii)

No further information. Clerk to send reminder.

iv. Gas Supplies (2riv).

Letter (16/8) from SEE Gas said it would be impossible to proceed at the moment but the matter would be kept under review. Subject to be considered along with report on Village Appraisal, which included question to ascertain local demand. - Clerk to provide report for parish magazine.

v. Paths & Bridleways (2rv) & Youth Club (2rvi).

Deferred to next meeting.

vi. Village Hall: Central Heating (2rvii).

The Chairman reported that this was considered by the Management Committee. He felt it unlikely that any change would be made in the heating system, but it might be wise to investigate ventilation.

s. Mowing of Greens (6a).

Letter (26/7) from T.S.O. said arrangements had been made for a farmer to mow for hay, but in the event of delay the District Council would themselves undertake the work. - Reported the mowing had now been carried out.

t. Late Miss P. Knight (6b).

Letter (25/7) from Hostel of God thanked Council for contribution.

3. CORRESPONDENCE.

a.  Gatwick Area Consultative Committee.

Report for 1978 received, along with invitation to seminar to be held at Crawley on October 3. - Invitation to be passed to Mr. Pearce.

b. S.C.A.P.T.C.- Minutes of meeting held 15/6/79 to be circulated to members.

c. Playing Fields Association.

Letter (2/8) seeking grant deferred to next meeting. Notice received of annual meeting to be held September 28.

4. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were presented for payment and the necessary cheques approved for signature: P.G. Reid (Wages - September), £46.20; P.G. Reid (Postage & car mileage) £9.10; Bank of England (Loan repayment & interest), £275.36; Cornhill Insurance (additional premium), £2.50).

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. John's Road.

Following a further report by Mrs. Crofts the Chairman undertook to inspect the step provided on this footpath.

b. Village Policeman.

Clerk to write to Police Superintendent, Caterham asking when Tatsfield can expect again to have a resident policeman.

c. Paynesfield Road.

Area Engineer to be asked to have 'No Through Road' sign in Paynesfield Road to just beyond junction with Crossways.

d. Garage, Avening, Paynesfield Road.

Copy of letter (23/8) from Mr. B.J. Ling to Planning Officer in reply to objection to his proposal to build a double garage behind Avening passed to Clerk for record.

6. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. Tree Planting Programme.

Mr. Payne said trees planted last year needed attention and offered to arrange this with Gustin Gardens under the terms of their contract. - His offer was accepted.

b. Notice Boards.

An offer by Mrs. D. Geary to keep a watch on parish notice boards and see that they are properly maintained and kept up to date and tidy was accepted.

c. Village Pond.

Mrs. Geary reported that Mr. Montith had promised to supply ducks for the village pond. A duck house was being prepared. - Headmaster of school and members of Youth Club to be invited to co-operate in caring for ducks.

d. Footpaths Committee.

It having been commented that the Parish Council's footpath committee was investigating the footpath/bridle way position in Tatsfield, Miss Garnham asked that sporting interests should be consulted.

e. Old Bakery Sign.

Mr. Dethic asked for Council views on the sign at the junction of the Approach Road and main road. After discussion he agreed to ask District Council to defer consideration to enable matter to come up at next Parish Council meeting.

f. Proposed Rag Hill Closure.

Mr. Dethic reported that Rag Hill would be closed to vehicles from October 15 to allow a water main to be laid. The proposed alternative was by way of the centre of Westerham. - Clerk to seek information from Mr. Chittenden.

g. Messum Road: Possible Development.

Mrs. A. Hayes asked for information about proposed development near the piggeries in Messum Road and the Chairman promised to investigate.

The meeting closed at 10.30p.m.

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TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Pynsfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, October 8, 1979 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. J. Softley (Chairman), Mrs. M.E. Crofts, Mrs. I.M. McHugo, Mrs. E.H.G. Payer, Mr. H.W. Hunt and Mr. R.W. Pearce with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid), Mr. S. Dohio (District Council representative), about 12 parishioners and a Press representative.

APOLOGIES were received from Mr. P.N. Owen.

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on September 10, 1979 were confirmed and signed.

2. MATTERS ARISING.

a. Easement (2b of last minutes)

The Clerk reported that this matter had now been completed. The £2500 had been paid and placed in the Council's deposit account and the deeds, properly completed were in the Clerk's custody. - Noted.

b. Land Adjoining Maybank, Old Lane (79/601/811) (2c)

Reported that a detailed application for two detached houses had now been lodged. Following a long discussion upon the manner in which objections should be dealt with, during which the Chairman reported on an informal meeting of Council members and Mr. Dohio urged anyone with objections to make to write to the District Council Planning Officer and provide him with a copy of their letter, the Clerk was instructed on the comments to be made on this application. These were to say that the proposed plan does not accord with the village scene and is opposed on the grounds that it does not comply with the County Structure Plan, which stresses the desirability of encouraging smaller type dwellings. The Parish Council feels the site could well be developed by permitting say three dwellings of smaller size, paying suitable attention to the existing building line.

c. Fairwinds, Goatsfield Road (79/908/24)  
Mount Pleasant, Old Lane (88/953/1362)

Reported that opposition had been expressed to both applications, following consultation between members on the grounds that the Parish Council does not favour increasing the size of existing dwellings - a practice now reaching a scale which is threatening to change the character of the village, and appears contrary to the Surrey Structure Plan.

d. Mount Pleasant/Polesteeple Hill (39/19/2267 - Broomley) (2e).

Letter (2/10) from Broomley Planning Officer said amended plan might have to be submitted after consideration by various Council committees. The Parish Council would be kept informed. - Noted.

e. Land Fronting Shaw Road (79/901(0)/1305) (2f)

Reported that copies of letter opposing this application having been received from Mr. Barnes of Maygates and Mr. Baron of Chartland, both in Greenways, this matter had been considered by a group of members and a detailed letter supporting their opposition and setting out Council views had been sent to the Planning Officer by Mr. Pearce in the name of the Council. - Action confirmed.



f. Mount Pleasant, Old Lane (79/953/1362).

This was an application for permission to add two bedrooms and a bathroom in roof space, and a covered porch.

Mr. Pearce said there was no alternative but to object in principle on grounds put forward in the Survey Structure Plan. He said 66% of those replying to the Village Appraisal questionnaire had expressed willingness to accept limitations on the extension of their own properties. - Clerk to express Council's opposition.

g. Land Adjoining Pynesfield House, Pynesfield Road (79/969/1379).  
(Detached house with integral garage).

Clerk to express Council's opposition to this application as being outside the development area and also on Green Belt grounds.

h. Worhouse Sandpits (79/983/1312).

(Extension to portal frame building for storage of machinery)

Mrs. Crofts to investigate.

i. Appeal: United Reformed Church.

Letter (1/10) from District Council gave notice of appeal against refusal to permit extension to form a WC and lobby at the United Reformed Church and set out reasons for refusal (loss of amenities by neighbouring properties). Appeal to be dealt with in writing. - Decided to support District Council's refusal.

j. New Applications.

Mrs. Payer was appointed to deal with applications notified during the coming month.

k. District Planning Committee.

Mr. Pearce suggested that a member of the Parish Council should attend each meeting of the District Council planning committee, and this was agreed in principle.

l. Village Appraisal (2h).

Mr. Pearce reported that an analysis of replies to the questionnaire had now been received and Mr. Hayes told the meeting he hoped the Village Appraisal Committee would be able to present a report at the next meeting.

m. Stiles.(2i)

Mrs. Crofts to investigate sources of labour for erection. During the public adjournment Miss Garham offered to provide some assistance.

n. King Edward VII Memorial Garden (2j).

Clerk reported that the Council minute book did not record the gift for maintenance. The Chairman said there was a reference in the old correspondence files. - Decided to take no further action at the moment.

o. Hall Insurance (2n).

Formal endorsement received increasing public liability cover to £500,000. Information still awaited regarding fire officer's report, which was required before the company was prepared to quote for further increase to one million pounds. Mr. Hunt reported that this was being attended to by the committee of the hall.

p. Crown Road (2r).

Deferred for informal consideration and further discussion at next meeting.

- q. Beaver Fish Farm (2k)  
Letter (26/9) from Bromley Planning Officer reported on visit. The portable building on the site is to be removed. The owner has been warned that the land must not be used for non-agricultural purposes without permission. Mobile home was likely to be vacated within six weeks. It was claimed that there had been two caravans on the site for 50 years. The only obviously new building on the site was not in the London Borough of Bromley.  
Mrs. McHugo said there had never been two caravans on the site in her memory, but only one. - Clerk so to inform Bromley Planning Officer.
- r. White Lane (2p).  
Letter (1/10) from Area Engineer said fly tipping would be dealt with when labour and plant were next in the area. - Noted.
- s. Tree Planting Programme (6a).  
Mr. Payne reported on his discussion with Gustin Gardens, who were carrying out replacement under the terms of their contract. - Mrs. Player, who reported on damage to some trees agreed to follow this up.
- t. Tree Preservation Orders (2rii).  
Deferred for informal discussion and decision at next meeting.
- u. Alleged Encroachment, Kensley Road (2rii)  
This was similarly dealt with, correspondence on both matters being passed to the Chairman.
- v. Posting of Byelaws (2riii).  
Clerk to send further reminder to District Council.
- w. Paths & Bridleways (2rv)  
Mr. Pearce having indicated that he would be unable to continue as Chairman of this Committee because of pressure of work, it was agreed to continue the Committee with the remaining members as appointed: specific matters to be dealt with as they arise.
- x. Youth Club (2rvi)  
Discussion as to continued payment of hiring charges deferred to next meeting.
- y. Village Hall Central Heating (2rvi)  
Under consideration by Village Hall Management Committee.
- z.  Gatwick Area Consultative Committee (3a)  
Mr. Pearce reported on seminar held at Crawley on October 3, from which it seemed that overflying in this area resulted from aircraft approaching and being 'stacked' on approaches to Heathrow, rather than Gatwick. A useful exhibition was now being staged at Gatwick. - Report noted.
- za. Playing Fields Association (3c)  
Clerk to seek information as to Association's financial position and proposed programme to enable application to be considered.
- zb. John's Road (5a)  
Deferred for further information.

zc. Village Policeman (5a).

Letter (21/9) from Assistant Chief Constable said new constable would be moved in as soon as possession was obtained of police house.

zd. Faynesfield Road (5c).

Letter (3/10) from Area Engineer said sign was in correct position and he could not agree to move it. - Noted.

ze. Village Pond (7c)

Clerk to send letter of thanks and appreciation to Mrs. D. Geary regarding the provision of ducks on the pond.

zf. Old Bakery Sign (6e).

Correspondence between Mr. Johnston and both the Clerk and the Chairman reported. after discussion it was decided to make no recommendation to the District Council.

zg. Rag Hill Closure (6f).

Letters (3/10) from Thames Water and Area Engineer received. That from Thames Water stated that closure would start on October 22 and last for about four weeks. - Clerk to inform occupier of Grenoble.

zh. Maesmar Road: Possible Development (6g).

Clerk to ask Planning Officer position regarding possible development of land near to former piggeries.

3. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. S.C.A.P.F.C.

i. October Meeting, 1980.

Letter (13/9) said Association secretary hoped to arrange meeting on October 6, 1980 to be held at Tatsfield, subject to approval at annual meeting. Clerk reported that he had notified Mrs. Hallett provisionally that the Village Hall might be needed. - Action approved.

ii. Annual Meeting.

Notice and invitation to nominate officers received. Mr. Pearce to represent Council at meeting, which is to be held at Pipbrook, Dorking on November 3.

iii. October Meeting. - Mr. Pearce reported on meeting held October 6.

b. Oxted Work Centre.

Notice of annual meeting (October 10) received. Mrs. McHugo to represent Council.

c. Amelia Cook Charity.

Letter (21/9) from Worrall Fordyce & Iys of Colchester forwarded copy of scheme relating to proceeds of sale of land, along with copies of notice which the Clerk reported he had duly posted on notice boards. The scheme was available at the Clerk's address for inspection until October 17. - Noted.

d. Survey of Recreational Facilities.

Mr. Hunt to complete questionnaire forwarded by Surrey Play Council.



e. Petroleum Exploration Licence.

Letter (11/9) from County Planning Officer forwarded copy of letter from Conoco North Sea Inc. describing method of carrying out 'up hole' survey which would be used in forthcoming survey. This would not be used within 100 metres of any building or service facility. - Noted.

f. County Electoral Arrangements.

Letter (18/9) from Local Government Boundary Commission regarding survey of county council electoral boundaries passed for circulation among members.

g. Surrey Voluntary Service Council.

Notice received of annual meeting to be held at Weybridge on October 18.

h. Gatwick Area Conservation Campaign.

Appeal sought support from corporate members towards meeting cost of presenting case at forthcoming inquiry. The campaign would be dealing with aspects affecting householders and individuals. - Decided to contribute £10.

i. Layby, A25, Moorhouse.

Letter (19/9) from Mrs. M. Jackson of Essex complaining of state of layby referred to Area Engineer.

4. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were presented for payment and the necessary cheques were approved for payment: Department of the Environment (Audit fee), £52.90; Village Hall (fees as agreed for Youth and Table Tennis Clubs), £39.00; P.G. Reid (Wages: October), £46.20; P.G. Reid (Postage and car mileage), £11.75; Gatwick Area Campaign Committee (donation), £10.00.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Crossways.

Mrs. McHugo drew attention to dangerous state of path leading to Crossways Court, already the cause of an accident. - Clerk to report to District Council as urgent.

b. Seats etc: Westmore Green & Ricketts Hill.

Clerk to report condition of seats on Westmore Green and Ricketts Hill to District Council and ask for removal of damaged seats and/or surplus material.

6. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. White Lane.

A suggestion by Mrs Askew that White Lane should be made one way was supported by Mr. D. Hayes, who described it as 'diabolically dangerous'.

b. Johns Road.

Following a complaint by Mr. Hayes that this is not passable, the Clerk was asked to write to the occupier of Hornberns seeking action and inviting him to contact Chairman.

c. Horse Riding.

Following a discussion, Miss Garnham handed the Chairman a list of riders using the commons from her own observation.

d. Trees. - Mr. Payne handed the Chairman photographs of a tree felled at Ricketts Hill as evidence of the need to care for the amenities.

The meeting closed at 11.35p.m.

TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, November 12, 1979 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. J. Softley (Chairman), Mrs. M.E. Crofts, Mrs. A.M. McHugo, Mrs. E.M.G. Flayer, Mr. H.W. Hunt and Mr. R.W. Pearce with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid), Mr. S. Dothie (District Council representative) and seven parishioners.

APOLOGIES were received from Mr. P.N. Owen.

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on October 8, 1979 were approved for signature.
2. MR. P.N. OWEN.

The Clerk reported that in conveying his apologies Mr. Owen had indicated that he would be tendering his resignation because of the pressure of his business commitments. When this had been formally tendered in writing notice would be given which would enable any parishioner to claim an election within 14 days. If no such demand was received the Council was required to fill the vacancy within 60 days of it having arisen.

3. MATTERS ARISING.

- a. Land Adjoining Maybank, Old Lane (79/601/811) (Item 2b of last minutes).

Letter (5/11) from Planning Officer said that, after considering Council's objections, the application had been granted.

- b. Fairwinds, Goatsfield Road (79/908/24 & Mount Pleasant, Old Lane (SE/953/1362) (2c)

i. Fairwinds.

Planning Officer wrote to say that this application, which came within the limits of permitted development, not requiring planning permission, had been granted before council letter was received.

ii. Mount Pleasant, Old Lane.

Letter (17/10) from Planning Officer said Council views would be reported to Planning Committee. Permission was only needed in this case because the roof level was being raised by 18". Parish Council would be informed of decision.

- c. Land Fronting Shaw Road (TK/1979/901(0)/1305(2e)

Letter (31/10) from Planning Officer said this application had been refused.

- d. Land Adjoining Paynesfield House, Paynesfield Road (79/969/1379) (2g)

Letter (5/11) from Planning Officer said grounds put forward for rejection were considered insufficient and approval had been granted. - Mr. Dothie said this had been looked upon as in-filling.

- e. Appeal, United Reformed Church (2i).

Department of Environment notified of Council views. Acknowledgement received.

- f. 32, the Grove, Biggin Hill (19/79/2895: Bromley)

Objection forwarded to Bromley Planning Officer on customary grounds. - Acknowledged.



- g. Beechwood Riding School, Cudham Road (TA/79/2895)(Item 2d, minutes of 10-9-79)  
Letter (19/11) from Planning Officer said riding school had been operated under licence for six years and field had been used for horse grazing for many years. Permission had been conditionally granted.
- h. Rear of Spindleberry House, Pynesfield Road (79/1116/(0)/1616.  
This was an application to build three detached houses with garages. Decided after discussion to register the strongest possible objection on grounds that (1) previous applications regarding this site had been rejected, (2) that it would involve excessive development, doubling the existing density, in what is viewed as a 'green area' well outside that in which, in this Council's view, further building should be permitted.
- i. New Planning Applications.  
Mr. Hunt was appointed to deal with applications notified during the coming month.
- j. Village Appraisal (21)  
Mr. Hayes apologised to the Council and said he would be unable to present a report on the results of the questionnaire until the next meeting.  
Clerk reported letter (2/11) from Mr. W.J. Collett of Ninehams Road saying he had heard of the questionnaire as a newcomer, and wished to express his support for the grading of unmade roads and their topping up with gravel. - Clerk's reply, referring Mr. Collett to Mr. Hayes, approved.
- k. Stiles (2m).  
Chairman to collect stiles from Godstone depot. - Enquires to secure their erection by volunteers to continue.
- l. Hall Insurance. (2c)  
Clerk read reports of Fire Officer as forwarded by Mrs. Hayes and Chairman said much of the work specified had already been carried out.  
Clerk pointed out that the Fire Officer's certificate would be needed before the insurance company were prepared to quote for further increase in public liability cover.
- m. Crown Road (2p).  
The Chairman reported on correspondence he had conducted with Mr. P. Leslie and a long discussion ensued. It was generally agreed that it was desirable to reinstate Crown Road to permit particularly that it can be used as a footpath and bridle way throughout, including access from Tatsfield Green. Mrs. Crofts asked that her objection to its use as a bridleway should be recorded. Clerk to investigate method of securing 'easement' to permit part of common to be used as a bridleway leading to Ricketts Hill. Footpaths Committee further to consider detailed application of proposal.
- n. Beaver Fish Farm (2q).  
Bromley Council had acknowledged letter pointing out that only one caravan had been parked on site in the past. - Noted.
- o. Trees Planting Programme (2s)  
Mrs. Player reported that work remained to be done, but a promise had been given that it would be completed.



p. Tree Preservation Orders (2t)

Clerk to ask District Council to supply copies of maps showing details of areas covered by orders listed in their letter of April 24, 1979.

q. Posting of Byelaws (2v)

No reply. Clerk to remind Mr. Brunton of his undertaking as given in his letter of May 10, 1979.

r. Footpaths & Bridleways (2w)

Mrs. Player presented a detailed report of her survey of certain footpaths, which was accepted.

s. Youth Club (2x)

The Clerk reported that the authority to pay for the hire of the Village Hall by the Youth Club expired at the end of October. He was instructed to write to the Rector saying that the Council felt that the point had now been reached at which the club should be able to stand on its own feet and it was not therefore proposed to renew this authority.

t. Playing Fields Association (2sa)

Letter (7/11) from Mrs. A. Young said the Association had plans to complete proposed extension costing £3200 during Christmas period. To meet this the Association had £600 in the bank and grant aid of about £1500 was anticipated from the Sports Council. The club was also organising its own fund raising efforts. Clerk to reply asking for a more specific request for aid; Mr. Hunt to make personal enquiries and report to next meeting.

u. Johns Road (2sb)

During a public adjournment Mr. Hayes reported on continuing difficulties and the Chairman undertook to pursue the matter further with householders concerned.

v. Maesmaur Road (2zh)

No reply had been received to enquiry regarding future development. Mr. Hayes reported an abandoned truck in the road and this the Clerk was instructed to report to the District Council with a request for removal.

w. Oxted Work Centre (3b)

Mrs. McHugo reported on annual meeting and said the Council's support was greatly appreciated and still needed.

x. Amelia Cook Charity (3c)

Clerk reported that a fee of £5 had been paid for the posting of notices. He had agreed to make draft scheme available for inspection at his home during period required in forthcoming newspaper advertisement. For this he was authorised to make a personal charge.

y. Survey of Recreational Facilities (3d)

Mr. Hunt reported that questionnaire had been completed and returned.

z. Layby, A25 (3i)

Letter (31/10) from Area Surveyor said there was a continuing problem of litter and filth at layby. The position would be kept under review and the area kept as clean as possible with the limited resources available. - Noted.

za. Crossways Court (5a)

Clerk said he had reported Council's concern by telephone to the District Council and been assured that major work could be undertaken 'within a month'. - Mrs. McHugo reported that this was now almost complete.

zb. Seats etc (5b)

Letter (25/10) from Chief Technical Officer promised to do his best to assist. Reported that one new seat had been erected on Tatsfield Green and two on Westacre Green.

zc. Horse Riding (6c)

Agreed that the list of those seen riding on the greens supplied by Miss Garnham at the last meeting be filed for reference. Some discussion followed and it was decided that further action against horse riders was impracticable until byelaw notices were again in place.

CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Borough Status.

Letter (13/10) from Godstone Parish Council forwarded copy of letter sent to District Council opposing suggestion that District Council should apply for incorporation as a borough. - Clerk to write to District Council and Godstone Parish Council supporting Godstone Council views.

b. Seat, Church Hill Road.

Clerk reported that he had received from Surrey County Council an account for £0.65 being rent for a seat on Church Hill Road for the last 13 years at the rate of 5p. a year. County Council to be informed that there has been no seat in this position for many years.

c. M25 Motorway (Godstone/Sevenoaks Section).

Agreed that the Chairman represent the Council at the official opening of this section of the motorway, which was to take place at Westerham on Wednesday, November 14.

d.  Gatwick Area Consultative Committee.

Letter (6/11) forwarded copies of newsletter, Gatwick Views. - Circulated for the consideration of members.

e. Resignation of Clerk.

Letter (27/10) from Clerk to Chairman tendered resignation. The Chairman said the Clerk was willing conditionally to continue until February 1, but would prefer to leave as soon as possible i.e. on December 1. - This was agreed, members expressed appreciation of the Clerk's services. Chairman to arrange for advertising for successor. The Clerk undertook to attend at opening of December meeting to hand over documentation.

5. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following cheques were presented for payment and their signature approved: Tatsfield Village Hall (Youth Club, September & also Table Tennis Club, Sept.), £24.00; P.G. Reid (Wages, November), £46.20; P.G. Reid (Expenses), £7.56.

i. Table Tennis Club.

Clerk pointed out that with this payment authority to pay the Table Tennis Club rent expires and he was instructed to write to the Club on similar lines to the Youth Club intimating that the authority had not been renewed.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. S.C.A.P.T.C.

Mr. Pearce reported that he had been unable to attend the annual meeting, but had been the guest of the Chairman of the County Council along with other members of the Standing Committee.

7. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. United Reformed Church.

Miss Upcott spoke of the desire of the church to improve lavatory facilities. In reply the Chairman said the Council had supported the District Council's opposition to the plan as submitted because it was felt the additional building would be too close to neighbouring property. The Council might well adopt a different attitude if the position of the addition was changed.

b. Footpath: Goatsfield Road/Union Road.

Mr. Hayes drew attention to the condition of this footpath and asked that steps should be taken for it to be claimed at the next revision of the footpath map as a footpath and bridleway. - Chairman to brief Clerk on terms of letter to be sent to District Council.

The meeting closed at 11.40p.m.

  
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TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a meeting of Tatsfield Parish Council held in the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Rd, Tatsfield on Monday, 10th December 1979 at 8pm.

Present J. Softley (Chairman) Mrs. Crofts, Mrs. Mchugo, Mrs. Plover, Mr. Hunt and Mr. Pearce.

Members of the Village Appraisal Committee and other Parishioners. Mr. S. Doherty T.D.C.

1. The Minutes of the last meeting held on Nov. 12th '79 approved and signed. Proposed by Mr. Pearce, seconded by Mrs. Mchugo.
2. Casual Vacancy confirmation was received from the District Council that notices had been posted.

3. Matters arising:

a. "Mount Pleasant", Old Lane

No further information from District Council.

Rear of "Spindleberry House" Paynesfield Rd. 79/1116 (0)1616

No further information

b. "Tzug" Maesmeur Rd. 79/1081/1578

Opposition expressed at <sup>Mrs. Plover</sup> Mr. Hunt's request.

Usual grounds plus un-neighbourly development.

c. New Planning Applications

Mrs. Crofts to deal with next months applications.

d. Village Appraisal

The completed Village Appraisal document was formally presented, Mr. D. Hayes Chairman of Village Appraisal Committee.

Council thanked the Committee for its work and agreed to provide a foreword for the document. Committee agreed to present document to Press, Councils and Associations concerned.

Council agreed to pay for document copies to reach all Parish Dwellings in due course. (Approx. cost £50)

Proposed Mrs. Crofts. Seconded Mrs. Mchugo.

Council agreed to hold special meeting 28th January '80 to consider the Appraisal Document.

Stiles

Chairman to thank Beechwood Riding School for offers of help to erect stiles. Chairman to collect stiles soonest.

Hall

Fire Officers report (certificate) received.  
Council proceed to obtain quote for increased Public  
Liability Cover. (Village Hall Committee)

Crown Road

Council Members to view site prior to further discussions  
Chairman to check progress at District Council.

Tree Planting Programme Report Mrs.Player

Mr. Robertson has agreed to replace 12 trees. Letter from  
District Council. Mr. Pearce to copy plans.

Bylaws Greens

Chairman to chase supply of new notices.

Youth Club

Letter of thanks received.

Planting Fields Association

Proposed Mr. Hunt. Seconded Mr. Pearce.  
Council agreed to subscribe £340 towards cost of joinery.

Johns Road

Chairman to pursue walkers problems.

Messour Road.

District Council taking action re-abandoned Vehicles.

Correspondence

Borough Status. District Council Borough Status confirmed as  
not being proceeded with.

Church Hill Seat

Reply awaited.

G.ACC

Clerk Resignation and Vacancy to be discussed in Committee.  
Proposed Mr. Pearce. Seconded Mrs.Mchugo.

Accounts for payment Proposed Mr. Hunt. Seconded Mrs.Crofts.

T.P.F.A.	£340.00
P.G.Reid	11.51
Cheque Book	
Westerham PC	20.83
P.G.Reid	7.45
TVH	15.00

Table Tennis Club

Letter from Mr.Bradshaw read thanking Council for support.

Footpath Definitive Map

Council to claim Path Goatsfield Rd/Union Rd.

Mrs.O'Brien

Letter re Electricity Supply. Chairman to reply.

No.1. Pond Cottage

Vehicular access letter awaited.

Electoral Areas

Chairman reported proposals. Agreed to appose. Chairman to write  
Draft Public Transport Plan 80/81

Referred to next meeting

Planning Policy U/V Surrey Structure Plan

Vice Chairman.

Village Hall.

Press and Public depart Council in Committee

Mr.Reid's resignation was discussed, considered that Minute  
4 a Nov.12.179 gave adequate coverage.

Chairman to write to Mr.Reid as follows:

Dear Percy,

The Council have asked me to record their thanks  
for your service to them.

We confirm our mutual agreement that you should  
not be held to a formal notice based upon your  
request for early termination. We fully understand  
that due to health and the pressure of other  
commitments, late hours and travelling that you can  
no longer serve us as in the past.

We have decided to make a small token of our  
appreciation and hope you will accept the enclosed  
cheque with our best wishes to you and your Wife.

Agreed that the suggestion of a small token of appreciation  
of his services to the Council be accepted in the form of a  
cheque for £100.00. Proposed Mr.Pearce. Seconded Mr.Hunt.

Vacancy Applicants

Chairman to write to applicants with details including  
Salary £400. Six months Probation. Three months notice  
thereafter.

Meeting Closed at ~~23.30~~ hrs

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