

TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road on Monday, April 12, 1976 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Dr. M. Hession (Chairman), Mrs. M.E. Crofts, the Rev. M. Urwin, Mr. K. Clarke, Mr. K. Goodchild and Mr. D. Hayes with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid) 12 parishioners and a Press representative.

1. APOLOGIES were received from Mr. J. Softley.
2. MINUTES of the meeting held on March 8, 1976 were confirmed and signed.
3. MATTERS ARISING.
 - a. Planning (Item 3a of last minutes).

Mrs. Crofts reported on applications notified during the month. She volunteered to examine these notified during the coming month.
 - b. Twining (3b).

The Chairman reported that a party of six representing the Parish Council visited Vern D'Anjou the previous week-end and were warmly entertained. There were some doubts at the moment about whether the reciprocal visit of a French party to Tatsfield planned to commence on April 29 would take place then. Following the Chairman's report it was proposed by Dr Hession, seconded by Mr. Clarke and agreed that up to £20 be devoted from Council funds towards the entertainment of the French party. - Agreed. The Chairman further reported that two football teams from Tatsfield would be visiting Vern D'Anjou over the Easter week-end.
 - c. Parish Meeting (3c)

Matters arising from the parish meeting were discussed. It was agreed to recommend that the minutes of the 1975 parish meeting and of a special parish meeting during the year which were, by a misunderstanding, not formally presented to the meeting should be so presented to the parish meeting 1977.
 - d. Dispensing of Prescriptions.

The Chairman having reported on a letter received from a pharmacist who was prepared to help, the Clerk was instructed to enquire whether Mr. R. Watson of the Bakery would be prepared for his premises to be used for the receiving of prescriptions and the distribution of medicines after they had been prepared, it being understood that Mrs. Mackenzie of 27 Shipfield Close was prepared to provide an interim service of this nature.

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ii. Village Hall Lettings.

Letter (10/4) from Mr. W. Slatter, secretary to Village Hall Management Committee discussed the problem of varying charges for hire on what were described as 'village occasions'. Applicants, it was suggested, should be advised first to consult the management committee who would take into consideration any views expressed by the parish council. The Committee would seek the council's views before finally rejecting an application. During a public discussion Mr. H. Wilmet explained the Management Committee's views in some detail. The Council agreed to adopt the policy as outlined by Mr. Slatter and explained by Mr. Wilmet.

iii. Vern D'Anjou Association.

On the proposition of Mr. Hayes, seconded by Mr. Goodchild it was agreed to recommend to the Village Hall Committee that the Tatsfield/Vern D'Anjou Association should be credited with any payment made in respect of use of the hall on the evening of the parish meeting.

iv. Concessionary Bus Fares.

Following discussion of the position arising following the ending of concessionary bus fares for old people on local buses the Clerk was instructed to write to the Minister for the Environment (Mr. Peter Shore) drawing attention to the grotesque situation arising in which those living in adjoining areas enjoyed free bus passes throughout Greater London, whilst facilities in the Tandridge District had been ended; with the result that old people had to pay a fare of 20p to reach the nearest larger community.

d. Church Road/Westerham Road Junction (3f)

Letter (18/8) from County Council said Titsey Estates had agreed to the removal of the beech tree and regrading of the embankment on the inside of the road. This work would be carried out at the earliest opportunity. - Noted, Mr. Hayes registering his view that the work was unnecessary.

Following a suggestion by Mrs. Wilmet during a public adjournment the Clerk was later instructed to suggest to the county council that a replacement tree should be planted at a point which would not interfere with visibility.

e. Village Sign (3h)

The Chairman submitted drawing of lettering to be used, which was approved.

f. Clerk's salary (3n).

Letter (16/3) from District Auditor considered by the Council in Committee. Reporting back in public session the Chairman stated that a resolution confirming that the resolution passed at the February meeting correctly interpreted the intention of the Council had been agreed to with one abstention.

The report was accepted.

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g. Hall Insurance (3q)

Letter (22/3) from Messrs Lender DeLells said it would cost £58,000 to replace the hall at present costs: the figure should be kept under annual review.

The Clerk was instructed to obtain estimates from the present insurers, Municipal Mutual Insurance Ltd., Iron Trades Mutual Assurance (Croydon), Messrs Graham Brown of Guilford and Messrs Noble Lowndes. The firms to be asked to quote on the basis of the valuation given and also to quote a percentage rate to cover contents of the building.

h. Johns Road (3k)

Clerk reported on telephone conversation with Mr. Gilham of Windyridge who appeared anxious to help, but wished to retain the stones outside his property. Mr. Clarke reported also.

Reports accepted. Comments of new Council to be sought.

i. Footpath Trail (4b)

Letter of acknowledgement received from Clerk & Chief Executive, District Council.

j. County Library (7b)

Letter (22/3) from County Librarian said no proposals were in hand for changing present arrangements for mobile library. Due notice would be given if any became necessary.

During discussion the proposal to close Oxted Library on Saturday afternoons was discussed.

The Clerk was instructed to write expressing concern over the proposals, particularly in view of the nature of the area with a rural population with many commuters whose best opportunity of using the library was on Saturdays: Clerk also to enquire the likely saving to be achieved by closing on Saturday afternoons as compared with doing so on a weekday afternoon.

k. No Further Information was available in respect of:

- i. The Greens (3g);
- ii. Surgery Hours (7a).

4. CORRESPONDENCE & REPORTS.

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

Mr. Hayes reported on the recent meeting at Oxted at which stronger representation of parish councils on road safety committees was urged, along with a closer liaison with the Area Highways department.

b. M25 Motorway.

Side road orders etc for Godstone/Savanonks section presented. These made no provision for an interchange at Westerham.

c. Trees in Surrey Landscape.

Copies of Surrey County Council publication circulated.

d. District Council committee minutes received and noted.

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5. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were approved for payment and the necessary cheques signed: Tatsfield Women's Institute (Social group meetings), £6.25; Petty cash, £10.00; Clerk's salary, £13.75.
Payment of the annual subscription of SCATPC was deferred until the May meeting to enable the information desired by the Association to be included.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Social Group.

Continuance of support for this to be referred to the next meeting for discussion.

b. Rubbish.

Mr. Unwin drew attention to deposits of rubbish in the woods adjoining Rickotts Hill Road and on the left hand side of Church Lane between the school and Church Farm.
Clerk to write (1) to Mr. Godard and (2) to the District Council.

c. The Limes.

Mr. Clarke reported on an advertisement which appeared to relate to the Limes.
Clerk to inform District Council in relation to planning limitations imposed on this site.

d. Seepage, Goatsfield Road.

Following report by Mr. Clarke the Clerk was instructed to write further to the District Council asking for action to be expedited.

e. Goatsfield Road.

Mr. Clarke pointed out that no action seemed to have been taken to restore boundaries although the extended time limit would shortly expire.
Clerk to contact County Council.

f. Minchens Road.

Mr. Goodhill reported an alleged nuisance arising from the depositing of horse manure near Wild Cherries. - Clerk to write to occupier.

g. Crossways Footpath.

Mrs. Crofts referred to the desire of residents at Crossways Court to have a footpath. In view of the change in ownership of certain property the Clerk was instructed to re-open the matter with the District Council.

h. Barnfield Road. (Item 3b, December 1975 minutes).

Clerk to enquire present situation.

i. Approach Road Signs.

Clerk to thank County Council for erecting signs and inform them that no further accidents have so far been reported.

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j. Other Items.

Mrs. Crofts referred to a number of matters of unfinished business and after discussion the Clerk undertook to brief members of the new Council on all matters referred to them by this Council.

k. Thanks.

Mr. Goodchild expressed the thanks of members to the Chairman for his work during his term of office. In reply Dr. Hession reciprocated the good wishes of members.

The meeting closed at 10.58p.m.

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to be 'P. Hession', is written over a horizontal line. The signature is cursive and somewhat stylized.

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j. Social Group (6a).

Following discussion during which members of the public pointed out that the group was attracting attendances of 25-30 the view was taken that the group had now successfully passed the experimental stage and should be self-supporting.

Decided to give formal notice that the Council would accept liability for paying the rent of the WI Hall for meetings only up to the end of June.

k. Rubbish. (6b)

i. Church Lane.

Letter (22/4) from District Council said Technical Services Officer had been asked to arrange for the area in question to be cleared up. - Noted.

ii. Ricketts Hill Road.

Letter (6/5) from Alexander-Stear Construction Ltd said any rubbish deposited as the result of works executed by the firm would be 'removed immediately'. - Noted.

l. Advertised site (6c).

Letter (4/5) from Chief Planning Officer to District Council said advertisement forwarded did not concern the Limes, but applied to a property in Gotsfield Road. The Planning Officer was investigating. Vice-Chairman to investigate.

m. Seepage, Gotsfield Road (6d).

No reply from District Council. Copy of letter (26/4) sent by Mr. Abraham renewed his complaint to District Council.

Clerk to write to District Council in strongest terms supporting Mr. Abrahams, expressing concern at lack of action in view of possible nuisance to public health and to ask for urgent action to be taken.

i. District Council member.

Decided that copy of this and any other letters seeking action from District Council should be sent to Mrs. Dunn as District Council member.

n. Encroachment, Gotsfield Road (6e).

Letter (21/4) from County Council forwarded copies of further letters to owners/occupiers of Seaton and Storrington requiring them to complete re-instatement; otherwise County Engineer's department would undertake it and cost would be charged to owners.

Reported that re-instatement appeared now to have taken place.

o. Ninshams Road (6f).

No reply. Mrs. Crofts to investigate.

p. Crossways Footpath (6g).

Acknowledgment (30/4) from District Council promised further investigation. Clerk to express new Council's continued concern in this matter, pointing out in particular hardship caused to users of invalid chairs. Mrs. Flayer to see frontagers and enlist their support.

q. Barnfield Road (6h).

Letter (7/5) from County Council said all such encroachments, including that at Barnfield Road were being investigated to enable Clerk and Chief Executive to take action. - Noted.

r. No Information was available on the following items brought up at April meeting:

- a. County Library (3j). b. The Greens (3ki).

8. MATTERS REFERRED TO COUNCIL BY FORMER COUNCIL.

a. Tatsfield Playing Fields Association.

Letter (5/5) from Secretary updated situation and enclosed copy of Association's balance sheet. Clerk to thank Mr. Bradshaw. Matter to be pursued following investigation of Council's financial position and commitments.

b. Administrative Expenses. (Item 5d, February minutes).

The invitation of Westerham Parish Council to Council to consider making contribution towards the Clerk's expenses considered. Chairman to discuss situation with Chairmen of Westerham and Sundridge Parish Councils and report back.

c. Financial Arrangements (3n, February minutes).

Consideration deferred pending consideration of whole financial situation.

9. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Telephone Service (3b minutes of November meeting).

Letter (13/4) from Telephone Manager said it was regretted that on economic grounds the proposed transfer of Tatsfield telephone exchange to Biggin Hill must go ahead. During considerable discussion continued opposition to the use of Biggin Hill numbers for Tatsfield subscribers was expressed and the Clerk was instructed to write pointing out (1) that the cost of the transfer had not been specified and (2) asking that consideration be given, if a transfer to Biggin Hill is inevitable, to the continued use of Tatsfield numbers.

b. Audit.

Reported that notice had been received that the annual audit would take place at Oxted Council offices commencing on Monday, June 28 at 10.00a.m.

c. Official Correspondence.

i. Surrey Association of Town and Parish Councils.

Minutes of meeting held at Oxted on April 9 received along with ancillary documentation.

ii. Surrey County Council.

Letter (22/4) re, Surrey Structure Plan received; letter (8/4) re. Community Land Act received.
Clerk to order copy of detailed report on public participation in Surrey structure plan discussion.

Clackett Lane.

Letter (6/5) sought consultation regarding County Council's opposition to registration as common land. Chairman to consider and report.

iii. District Council.

Minutes/Agendas of Council and committee meetings received.

a. Former BEC Station.

Clerk draw attention to detailed proposals for the construction of an underground natural gas storage area on this site. Position to be further investigated.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. V.A.T. - Clerk reported receipt of £128.08 refund of VAT paid by Council, which had been duly banked.

b. Jubilee. - Mrs. Crofts reminded the Council that no action had yet been taken to celebrate the Queen's silver jubilee, due next year.

10. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were approved for payment and the necessary cheques signed: Burnham & Co (Village sign), £41.75; Surrey Association of Town and Parish Councils (subscription), £21.65; Tatsfield Women's Institute (Social group meetings), £5.50; P.G. Reid (salary), £36.25; Surrey County Council (structure plan report), £0.50; Tandridge District Council (Crossway Court, donation towards telephone), £50.00; Commons & Open Spaces Society (annual subscription), £2.00; National Trust (Vera D'Anjou visitors to Chartwell), £17.60.

11. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

Matters raised during public adjournments included:

a. Parking, Westmore Green.

Mr. Wedgwood drew attention to the parking of vehicles on Westmore Green in front of the Council houses and the extended erosion of the green.

Clerk to draw this to the attention of the District Council.

b. Footpath leading to church.

Mrs. Crofts drew attention to the state of the footpath leading from the police house to the church. - Clerk to approach Mr. Robinson.

c. Footpaths.

Clerk to write to Women's Institute invited them to maintain continued interest in village paths and to organise further walks.

d. Westmore Pond.

Reported that Pond Preservation Society now had 144 members.

The meeting closed at 11.45p.m.


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Telephone:
Westerham 62147.

12 Westways,
Westerham,
Kent,
TN16 1TT.

June 3, 1976.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Notice is hereby given that the next meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL will be held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road on Monday, June 14, 1976 at 8.00p.m.

Yours faithfully,
Percy G. Reid,
Clerk.

A G E N D A

1. Apologies.
2. Minutes of meeting held on May 10, 1976.
3. Matters Arising
(In accordance with custom it is suggested that these be taken in the order arising from the last minutes. Matters on which business is expected to arise include:
 - a. Planning (Item 7a of last minutes).
 - b. Bus Service (7d)
 - c. Church Road/Westerham Road junction (7e)
 - d. Hall Insurance (7g)
 - e. Johns Road (7h)
 - f. Advertised site (7l)
 - g. Scopage, Goatsfield Road (7m)
 - h. Ninhams Road (7o)
 - i. Crossways Footpath (7p)
 - j. The Greens (7rb)
 - k. Tatsfield Playing Fields Association (8a)
 - l. Administrative Expenses (8b)
 - m. Financial Arrangements (8c)
 - n. Telephone Services (9a)
 - o. Clackott's Lane (8cii)
 - p. Parking, Westmore Green (11a)
4. Correspondence and reports.
5. Accounts for payment.
6. Any Other Business.

Members of the public are invited to attend and will be able to ask questions during a public adjournment. If the business to be transacted makes it necessary the Press and public can, by resolution, be excluded.

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 - a. Planning (Item 7a of last minutes).

Mr. Pearce reported on applications notified since the last meeting and on recommendations he had forwarded to the District Council. His report was adopted.

 - i. The End, Westmore Green.

Letter (14/9) addressed to the Chairman sought confirmation that Westmore Green is owned by the Council and that no future building is envisaged.
Clerk to give information and assurance requested.
 - ii. Former BBC Site.

Mrs. Dunn, at the invitation of the Chairman, explained the nature of the proposals to construct an underground gas storage unit on the former BBC site and described her own visit to a similar station at Biggin Hill. All the aeriels but one would be dismantled. About 20 underground tanks would be constructed. Very strict safety regulations were in force and she could see no objection that should be raised.
Mrs. Dunn was thanked and her report accepted.
 - iii. Current Applications.

Mr. Hunt was appointed to deal with applications notified during the month.
 - b. Bus Service (7d).

Letter (15/5) from Oxted Parish Council invited Council to be represented at a meeting with representatives of Surrey Transportation Unit to be held at the Council offices, Oxted on Tuesday June 22 at 7.30p.m.
Mrs. Crofts was appointed to represent this Council.



c. Church Road/Westmore Road junction (7e)

Letter (26/5) from County Area Engineer said site meeting was being arranged with Mr. Pearce. Police and the Area Officer would be represented at the meeting.

Mr. Pearce reported that the meeting had now been arranged to take place on Wednesday, June 16 at 2.0p.m. and it was agreed that the Vice-Chairman and Mrs. Hession should represent the Council at the meeting, their briefing being that the Council agrees that the removal of the trees will not solve the traffic problem at this point.

ii. Grass Cutting.

Clerk to ask District Council to undertake grass cutting on roadside verges and to draw particular attention to the danger caused by the overgrown nature of this corner.

d. Hall Insurance (7g).

Clerk presented oral report from Mrs. Hession based on a preliminary study of estimates and letter (10/6) from Mr. W. Slatter placing a value of £3456 on the contents (including the timber shed).

In order that the renewal of the insurance should not be delayed it was agreed to authorise the Chairman and Mrs Hession to act after further consideration of the estimates.

e. John's Road (7h)

Following further consideration the Chairman and Vice-Chairman were asked to consult frontagers and report back to the Council.

f. Advertised Site (7i).

Mr. Pearce reported that the District Council Planning Department were enquiring into the situation regarding Court Wood, Goatsfield Road.
- Noted.

g. Seepage, Goatsfield Road (7m).

Letter (11/5) from Chief Environmental Health Officer described work carried out by the Water Authority which it was hoped would effect a permanent solution.

Further correspondence between Mr. Abraham and the District Council threw doubts upon this and brought the comment from the Environmental Health Officer that it seemed the water was sub-soil water and suggested that the owners might want to consider some form of drainage to control the flow.

The Chairman reported on his own inspection of the site. After discussion the Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. Abraham saying that there seemed at the moment little this Council was able to do, but inviting him to forward any further comments if it is felt the Council can help.



h. Ninehams Road (7c).

Mrs. Grotts reported that the footpath between Ninehams and Maesowar Roads was overgrown. Clerk to request occupier to cut this back as soon as possible.

i. Crossways Footpath (7p).

Mrs. Payer reported that the majority of residents of Crossways desired a footpath and that two occupants were confined to wheeled chairs and would reap especial benefit. Occupants on the south side (where there is a public footpath) favoured a path: those on the other side, though less anxious for one would probably be prepared to co-operate. Clerk to re-open matter with District Council and to ask them to renew negotiations for the laying down of a path, bearing in mind the attitude of frontagers and residents as reported by Mrs Payer, who was thanked for her enquiries.

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After discussion the Clerk was authorised to ascertain from the District Council details of their arrangements with the former owner for consideration by the Council.

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Letters (21/5, 31/5 and 9/6) from Mr. Bra'shaw reiterated request for financial assistance, recorded planning position with Bromley Council and announced appointment of Mr. R. Blake as field manager. Chairman to arrange meeting the Club representatives on site, if possible on Wednesday, June 16.

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After some preliminary discussion this matter was deferred for consideration 'in committee' at the end of the meeting.

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n. Telephone Service (9a).

Letter (19/6) from head of Operational Planning acknowledged Council letter and promised fuller reply '... in the near future.'

o. Clackett's Lane (8c11)

Reply to County Council letter deferred pending further consideration by Council members.

p. Parking, Westmore Green (11a).

Letters (19/5 and 9/6) from District Council considered. No funds were available this year: what action was possible would be taken to prevent erosion of the Green. - Noted.

q. Footpaths (11c).

Letter (5/6) from Mrs. J. Johnson (secretary) on behalf of the Women's Institute, considered. This drew attention to the bad state of Daisy Bank and Clark reported that the Institute were also concerned about stiles near the church and on footpath between police house and the church. It was pointed out that the first complaint had been dealt with under paragraph 3h above and that a reply was awaited from Mr. Robinson in respect of one of the stiles.

Clark to draw Mr. Robinson's attention also to the stile on the path between the church and the police house: also to write to WI thanking them and seeking reply to earlier letter.

4. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Bus Fare Concessions (3civ).

Letter (12/5) from Department of the Environment said a joint working party had been set up between the Department and the local authority associations "... to make urgent examination of the main issues in this important field and provide a sound basis for deciding how best they might be dealt with in the future." - Noted.

b. Oxted Social Centre.

Letter (19/5) forwarded annual report and appeal for support. - To be considered later in the light of the revised budget presented later in the meeting.

c. Surrey County Council.


Copies of leaflet Open Spaces in Surrey circulated to members; 'Major Roads Ahead' with questionnaire to be circulated to members; reports presented to County Council meeting on May 25 received.

d. Village Hall.

Letter (1/6) from Mr. W. Slatter sought volunteer to act as warden. - Clerk to suggest that this be publicised in parish magazine.

Letter (13/5) suggested appointment of joint committee to consider matters arising from proposed re-decoration. - Mr. Hunt and Mrs. McHugo to represent Council.

Copy of accounts for year ended 31/3/76 presented.



e. Tatsfield Green.

Letter forwarded by District Council sought permission for PTA to use Tatsfield Green for parking of cars on June 19. Association to be informed of Council support.

f. S.C.A.P.T.C.

Formal notification received of June meeting.

5. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were approved for payment and the necessary cheques signed: Tatsfield Women's Institute (Social group meetings), £5.00; P.G. Reid (wages), £36.25; Surrey Association of Parish & Town Councils (handbooks for members), £1.12; P.G. Reid (expenses), £10.39; Tatsfield Drama Group (admission fees: Vern D'Anjou visitors), £6.00.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Revised Budget.

The Chairman submitted a revised budget for the year, which was accepted. This included provision for printing (other than Village Directory), £30; Ricketts Hill signpost £42; and provision for discretionary grants, £367 and revealed an estimated balance of £150 at the end of the financial year.

b. Twinning.

The Chairman reported that he had visited Vern D'Anjou the previous week and had reiterated the support of the Council for the twinning.

i. Sign, Approach Road.

The Tatsfield/Vern D'Anjou Association had expressed a wish to present a village name sign for erection on the Approach Road. Details were under consideration.

ii. 'Oaths'.

The Chairman expressed the hope that the two copies of the 'oath' signed by the Councils of Tatsfield and Vern D'Anjou should be framed and hung in the Village Hall. - This was agreed, the Chairman to make enquiries and report.

iii. Tatsfield/Vern D'Anjou Association.

It was reported that the Association would like the Council to be directly represented on the Association's Committee. This was agreed to and Mrs. Crofts agreed to act.

c. Greater London Incursion.

Mr. Pearce expressed his continued concern at the incursion of development towards Tatsfield from the Greater London area. Following discussion he was authorised to consult with Mrs. Dunn in the drafting of a letter for the Clerk to send to the Chief Executive, Surrey County Council.

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d. Travelling Library.

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Clerk to write expressing the Council's hope (1) that it would be possible to continue a stop near the school and (2) that the service should continue till 5.0p.m. in the village centre.

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MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Pynesfield Road on Monday, July 12, 1976 at 8.00p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. P.N. Owen (Chairman), Mr. E.W. Pearce, Mrs. E.M. Crofts, Mrs. E. M.G. Player, Mrs. M.L.G. Hession, and Mr. E.W. Hunt with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid), Mrs. H. Dunn, (Tandridge District Council representative), about 15 parishioners and a Press representative.

1. APOLOGIES were received from Mrs. A.N. Mollugo.
2. MINUTES of the meeting held on June 14, 1976 were confirmed and signed.
3. MATTERS ARISING.
 - a. Planning (Item 3a of last minutes).

Mr. Hunt reported on applications notified during the month and representations made on behalf of the Council, mentioning in particular application in respect of a garage in Grove Road.
In relation to land bounded by Borough Road and Ship Hill he had indicated this Council's support for the erection of a single detached house, but its opposition to alternative plans for a larger number of dwellings.
Mr. Hunt's action was approved and his report adopted.

ii. Current Applications.

Mrs. Player was appointed to deal with applications notified up to the September meeting, and Mrs Hession those during the following period.
 - b. Bus Service (3b).

Mrs. Crofts reported on meeting held at Oxted on June 22 from which it was hoped a service to Oxted would eventually result. A further meeting was to be held. In her view a minimum stay of two hours in Oxted was necessary to make the service reasonably useful to local people.
The Chairman reported that he had had a request for a late service bus on Friday evenings, and this request Mrs. Crofts agreed to put forward. - Mrs. Crofts' report was adopted.
 - c. Church Road/Westerham Road junction (3c).

The Vice-Chairman and Mrs. Hession reported on a meeting held on the site on June 22, at which they represented the Council.
There was a consensus of opinion among representatives of the police and the highways department that there would be a considerable improvement if the tree was removed, the bank cut away, and some road widening carried out and with these views the Parish Council representatives agreed.
An informal approach was being made to secure the dedication of a small piece of land. - report accepted.
During a public adjournment Mrs. Wilmet again drew attention to the desirability of planting another tree to replace that to be felled, and the Council reiterated its earlier view and instructed the Clerk to express to the County Council the hope that a tree would be planted in a suitable situation.

d. Grass Cutting (3cii).

Letter (7/7) from County Council indicated that cutting of verges etc was now restricted to once a year. Work at Church Road/B2024 junction had already been carried out. - Noted.

e. Hall Insurance (3d).

Detailed quotations from Cornhill Insurance Company discussed and approved with the variation that the company be asked to increase public liability cover from £100,000 to £250,000. Cover as originally proposed had been accepted by the company as from June 29.

f. John's Road (3e).

Following a further visit Chairman and Vice-Chairman to report to next meeting.

g. Advertised Site (3f)

Mr. Pearce reported that no further action appeared to be called for. It now appeared that the advertisement did refer to the Limes.

h. Seepage, Gotsfield Road (3g).

Further correspondence from Mr. S. Abraham considered. After discussion the Clerk was instructed to inform Mr. Abraham that it appears that the responsibility for further action must rest with the frontagers and suggest that he pursue the matter with this in mind.

i. Minchans Road (3h).

Following reports by the Clerk and Mrs. Crofts and consideration of letter (7/7) from District Council saying matter had been passed to County Council the Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. Hines asking for the hedge to be cut back by July 25. If this is not done, Mrs. Crofts to take matter up with County Council with a view to that Council taking action.

j. Crossways Footpath. (3i)

Letter (2/7) from District Council indicated that matter would come before a committee meeting in either August or September.

k. The Groens (3j).

Clerk reported that completed deed of gift was returned to solicitors on June 19.

Letter (2/7) conveyed accounts for costs of donor amounting to £161.30 which it was agreed to accept.

l. Management. (3ji)

Letter (5/7) from District Council said it was likely to be some time before the information asked for could be supplied.

Clerk to reply pointing out the need to clarify this Council's legal position and (2) to seek interim cover from brokers in respect of third party liability.

1. Tatsfield Playing Fields Association (3k).

Reported that club representatives met six members of Council on June 16: also that District Council might be making grant of £150. Clerk to confirm that two members of Council will attend next meeting of Association to hear details of proposed work. Q

m. Administrative Expenses (31).

The Chairman reported on the proceedings of the Council in Committee on June 11 and Mr. Pearce on information he had received. Resolved by five votes to one in accordance with the recommendation of the Council in Committee to offer an annual payment of £25 to Westerham Parish Council in respect of the allowance made to the clerk whilst present arrangements continue.

n. Clackett's Lane (3o).

Following further consideration of County Council's letter of 6/5 the Clerk was instructed to inform the County Council that the Chairman and Mrs. Hession would be prepared to meet Mr. Robinson (Surrey County Council) on a date to be arranged.

o. Footpaths (3q).

Clerk reported that Mr. Robinson claimed that the footpaths in question were the responsibility of the County Council, with whom he had promised to get in touch. Chairman and Mrs. Ployer further to investigate the position.

i. Overhanging Trees.

Mr. Robinson also complained of obstruction caused to his vehicles by overhanging trees between Park Farm and the school, and had said he would raise this also with the County Council.

p. Oxted Social Centre (4b).

Decided after discussion to make a contribution of £5. Clerk to point out Council's need to restrict such gifts in current financial position.

q. Twinning (6b).


Mrs. Crofts was authorised to incur expenditure up to £6 in the framing of the twinning 'oaths' for hanging in the Village Hall.

r. Travelling Library (6d).

Letter (29/6) from County Librarian explained economies in service. Clerk's reply (5/7) seeking explicit replies to questions regarding purely local service approved. Mrs. Crofts also reported.

s. Car Parking (7b).

During a discussion on car parking in the village centre a copy of a letter sent to the County Council by Mr. S. Abraham was read. This opposed yellow lines as proposed and stressed the desire to retain the rural character of Tatsfield. Following considerable the Chairman moved a resolution reiterating the decision of the previous Council to seek double yellow lines around the island in the village centre. Three voted in favour and three against and the Chairman declared the motion carried on his casting vote. At the suggestion of Mrs. Crofts the Clerk was instructed to invite the brewers coming the Old Ship to consider providing a larger car park.



4. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Village Hall.

Letter (2/7) from District Auditor suggested that in future detailed audit of hall accounts should be undertaken at the same time as Council accounts are audited: a summary to be included in parish accounts as is now done.

The Auditor pointed out that the sum was included in the scale fee charged to the Council though no work was undertaken by the auditor. The Council agreed in principle and Mrs. Hession agreed to present a copy of the letter to the Village Hall Management Committee.

b. Mr. S. Abraham.

Letter (29/6) from Mr. S. Abraham raised various matters relating to development in the Gontsfield Road area.

Clerk to acknowledge letter pointing out that points raised are under consideration.

c. Other Correspondence noted for circulation to members included: Report and accounts, Surrey Playing Fields Association; Report, Footpaths & Open Spaces Society; District Council abstract of accounts.

5. REPORTS.

a. Audit.

Clerk reported satisfactory completion of audit on July 2.

b. Surrey Association of Parish & Town Councils.

Mr. Pearce reported. He mentioned a forthcoming training course for parish council members and intimated that the next meeting would be in October.

6. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were approved for payment and the necessary cheques signed: Department of the Environment (Audit fee), £52.92; Tatsfield Women's Institute (Social group), £6.25; P.G. Reid (Postage etc), £5.02; P.G. Reid (Wages), £36.25; Messrs Rowe and Naw (costs: transfer of greens), £161.30; Cornhill Insurance Co. Ltd (Village Hall insurance), £95.00; Oxted Social Centre (donation), £5.00.

7. PRECEPT.

A precept for £900 was drawn on Tandridge District Council

8. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

The Chairman assured a parishioner during the public adjournment that the design of the village sign which the Vern D'Anjou Association had offered to provide for erection on the Approach Road would be subject to the prior approval of the parish council and of the county council.

ii. Camping Facilities.

Some discussion took place on the provision of camping sites for the use of visitors from Vern D'Anjou and differing views were expressed. It was suggested that the Playing Fields Association enquire as to the legal requirements if any, should they invite visitors from Vern to camp on the playing field.

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9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Piggeries.

Mrs. Player reported on piggeries in Maesmawr Road, to which the attention of the Environmental Health Officer had been drawn.

b. Jubilee.

Mrs. Crofts again spoke of the need to plan the village's celebration of the Queen's jubilee in 1977.
Members to canvass village opinion and report back to September meeting.

c. Next Meeting.

Agreed that the next meeting should be held on the second Monday in September, Chairman being authorised to convene earlier meeting if necessary.

The meeting closed at 10.50 p.m.

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1. MINUTES of the meeting held on July 12, 1976 were confirmed and signed.

2. MATTERS ARISING.

a. Planning (Item 3a of last minutes).

i. Mrs. Payer reported on applications notified since the last meeting.

ii. Applications refused.

Reported that notification had been received that applications in respect of Ash View, Painesfield Road and Windridge, Johns Road had been refused.

iii. Telephone Exchange Site.

Mr. Hunt reported that he had received a reply from the Property Services Agency to a request to explain why there had been a re-positioning of the southern boundary fence. The Agency said this was to enable vehicular access to be obtained from Borough Road and thus enable the site to be re-developed. - Reply noted.

b. Bus Service (3b)

Mrs. Crofts reported that the 9.55p.m. bus from Croydon and also the 23.10p.m. from Monday to Saturday would be running to Tatsfield as from Saturday, October 30. No further information was available regarding the proposed Oxted service.

Clerk to write to London Country buses expressing appreciation of the extension of evening services and to stress that when an Oxted service is introduced it is important that it should extend to Ricketts Hill. Copy to Surrey County Council for information.

c. Church Road/Westerham Road Junction (3c).

Letter (6/8) from Surrey County Council said tree would be felled and bank re-graded as soon as labour was available. It was not proposed to proceed with road widening at the present stage, but Clark's Lane east of Church Hill was to be brought up to motorway haulage standards and this would enable some further improvements to be carried out. The planting of a replacement tree would be considered when the tree planting programme was reviewed.

Clerk to seek details of work involved in 'motorway haulage route' proposals and other proposed work and to ask that cutting down of the tree be deferred pending discussion of the new situation revealed.

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Letter (22/7) said increase in public liability insurance from £100,000 to £250,000 would cost a further £1 premium. This it was agreed to pay.

i. Fidelity Cover.

Clerk reported that the District Auditor had queried whether fidelity cover was included in insurance. Clerk had confirmed that this was so in relation to the Parish Council policy and that the village hall treasurer being a qualified accountant it was assumed that his professional status provided adequate guarantee. - Correspondence noted.

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Following discussion the Clerk was instructed to write (1) to Mrs. Dodd explaining the position and (2) to Mr. Gillam confirming the Chairman's report and pointing out his legal responsibilities, the position having been pointed out to him.

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Letter (29/7) from Mr. Abraham said he was 'somewhat disappointed' at the Council's attitude.

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h. Crossways Footpath (3j).

Reported that this matter was due to have been discussed at the District Council's Housing Committee meeting on September 9. - Mrs. Playor to enquire the current position.

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o. Travelling Library (3r).

Letter (20/8) from County Librarian read. Mrs. Crofts reported that she had received a precisely similar letter. After discussion the Clerk was instructed to write pointing out that points made by the Council had not in fact been replied to: that the Council still wished for a stop at Tatsfield Green (which could be provided without extra cost and timed before children left school). Mrs. Crofts said she would be continuing her own correspondence and would pass letters to the Clerk.

p. Car Parking (3s).

Letters from Mr. S. Abraham (29/7) and from Surrey County Council (30/7) considered.

Mr. Abraham suggested that the Village Hall and the Mens' Club contributed to the parking problem and thought the Council should consider Village Hall facilities: the remedy might lie in its own hands. The County Council asked if the Council wished to proceed with the yellow lines in the light of objections lodged by the Freight Transport Association and an un-named individual. The Association thought that in legislating for a minor problem a greater hazard might be caused and spoke of the possibility of greater congestion being created in Paynesfield Road, Ship Hill and Shipfield Close.

Vintage Inns Ltd., owners on the Old Ship hotel in a letter dated 12/8 intimated that they did not propose to increase their car parking space. They felt the proposed changes might solve the problem.

After considerable discussion the Clerk was instructed to inform the County Council that this Council wishes to amend its suggestions and would wish double yellow lines to be laid down only at that part of the circumference of the island site where the words 'No Parking' are now painted.

q. Jubilee Celebrations (9b).

On the proposition of the Chairman it was agreed that all local organisations should be invited to a meeting to discuss arrangements for the celebration of the Queen's jubilee with the view to the appointment of a special committee.

3. REPORTS.

a. Village Hall Re-decoration.

Reported that only one estimate had been received by September 10, the closing date. Agreed that further estimates be sought with a view to consideration at the earliest convenient time.

b. Footpath Trail.

Reported that a draft trail, prepared by Mr. H. Wilnot, had been forwarded to the District Council with a request that a proof be passed to the Council prior to publication. The Chairman expressed the thanks of the Council to Mr. and Mrs. Wilnot for their efforts.

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October 1, 1976.

Dear Sir/Madam,

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Yours faithfully,
Percy G. Reid,
Clerk.

A G E N D A

1. Apologies.
2. Minutes of meeting held on September 13, 1976.
3. Matters Arising (To be taken in order of last minutes).
Items on which business is expected to arise include:
 - a. Planning (Item 2a of last minutes).
 - b. Bus Service (2b)
 - c. Church Road/Westerham Road Junction (2c)
 - d. Hall Insurance (2d)
 - e. Minchens Road (2g)
 - f. Crossways Footpath (2h)
 - g. The Greens (2i)
 - h. Tatsfield Playing Fields Association (2j)
 - i. Administrative Expenses (2k)
 - j. Footpaths (2m)
 - k. Travelling Library (2o)
 - l. Car Parking (2p)
 - m. Jubilee Celebrations (2q)
 - n. Footpath Trail (3b)
 - o. Gentsfield Road Site (4a)
 - p. Scout Hut Trustee (4b)
 - q. Telephone Exchange (4c)
 - r. Old Lane Trees (6b).
4. Correspondence and Reports.
5. Accounts for payment.
6. Any Other Business.

Members of the public are invited to attend and will be able to ask questions during a public adjournment.

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TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Pynesfield Road on Monday, October 11, 1976 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. P.M. Owen (Chairman), Mr. R.W. Pearce, Mrs. H.E. Crofts, Mrs. H.L.G. Hession, Mrs. A.L. McLugo, Mrs. E.M.G. Payer and Mr. H.W. Hunt with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid), Mrs. R. Dunn (District Council representative) about 12 parishioners and a Press representative.

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on September 13, 1976 were confirmed and signed with the following amendment to item 2i (iii): in line two of minute, after 'placed' delete 'Crane Cottage' and insert 'the north west corner of Westmore Green'. Add at end: 'District Council to be asked to see that the bye-laws are properly displayed near Crane Cottage.'
2. MATTERS ARISING.
 - a. Planning (Item 2a of last minutes).
 - i. Report.

Mrs. Hession reported on applications notified during the month and on action taken. - Her report was adopted.
 - ii. Current Applications.

Mrs. Crofts was appointed to deal with applications notified during the coming month.
 - b. Bus Service. (2b)

Mrs. Crofts reported that the matter was reported now to be with the police and the Traffic Commissioners. It was hoped that details might be settled by the end of the month. She was still pressing for the service to be extended to Ricketts Hill.
 - c. Church Road/Westmoreham Road Junction (2c)

No further information. Clerk to send reminder to County Council.
 - d. Hall Insurance: Fidelity Cover (2d)

Letter (16/9) from Assistant District Auditor indicated that he was content to rely on the present treasurer's professional qualifications on the understanding that the position will be reviewed if the office changes hands. - Noted.
 - e. Wincham Road (Footpath 20) (2g)

Letter (1/10) from County Council considered. - Members reported that work was now in progress. - Noted.

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f. Crossways Footpath (2h).

Letter (15/9) from Distr 1st Council said it was being suggested to the County Council that they might lay down a simple footpath to provide for old people without making up the street as a whole. Mrs. Dunn and Mrs. Player both reported and after discussion during which the urgent nature of the problem was emphasised the correspondence was passed to the Chairman who agreed to consult with Mrs. McHugh and to draft a letter to be sent to Mr. MacFarlane and to the County and District Councils in an endeavour to expedite action.

g. The Greens (2i)

Reported that the deed of gift was received on October 4, along with the solicitors' account for £75.60. - Noted.

i. Bye-laws.

Clerk to ask District Council to see that a copy of the bye-laws is properly posted at the western end of Tatsfield Green.

h. Tatsfield Playing Fields Association (2j).

The Vice-Chairman reported that a meeting had taken place with the committee of the Association, of which the Rev. H. Unwin was now Chairman. A further report was to be anticipated. - Report noted.

i. Administrative Expenses (2k).

Letter (25/9) from Westerham Parish Council noted this Council's decision and awaited payment of the £25 agreed on due dates. - Noted.

j. Clackett's Green (2l).

Clerk reported that having received notification that this matter was due to come before a Commons Commissioners' hearing at Guildford on November 10, he had been in touch with the County Council whose views were expressed in a letter dated October 8. This made it clear that the county were concerned to preserve a total width of 25 feet as highway and, apart from this and a small storage area were prepared to accept registration of the remainder of the ground as common land. If this Council agreed, this could be put before the Commission as the basis of a settlement by consent.

Having further examined the documents and discussed the position the Council agreed to accept the County Council's suggestion.

k. Twinning (2n).

The twinning 'oaths', duly framed by Mrs. Bett were on display at the meeting. It was agreed that they should be hung in the Village Hall.

l. Footpaths (2a).

Letter (8/10) from County Council said Mr. Robinson had been asked to repair the stile concerned and told the authority would consider contributing 25% towards the cost.

The County Council are investigating the overgrown beech trees of which Mr. Robinson had complained and notice could be served on the owners. Chairman to contact Mr. Robinson.

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n. Travelling Library (2o).

Letter (27/9) from County Librarian promised '... full reply very shortly.' - Mrs. Crofts reported that she was still pursuing the subject.

n. Car Parking (2p).

Letter (4/10) from County Council said: "... length of road now put forward is so short that I am unable to support this amendment" and asked the Council to decide whether it wished to proceed with the original proposal or to withdraw it. The Council did not accept the County Council viewpoint and after discussion the Clerk was instructed to write to the Chief Constable (copy to County Council) setting out the Council view that it wished to control parking by instituting this short length of double yellow line and thus retaining the rural aspect of the village to the utmost extent consistent with a measure of control. The Chief Constable's views to be sought.

o. Jubilee Celebrations (2q)

Reported that plans would be discussed and the formation of a special committee suggested at a special parish meeting to be held on October 15, 1976. Mr. Pearce reported on a discussion at a recent meeting of SCAPTC. Decided that in principle Council expenditure should be limited to providing free use of halls needed in connection with the celebrations.

p. Village Hall Re-Decoration (3a).

At the invitation of the Chairman, Mr. Wilnot reported that further estimates had been sought. Mr. Pearce suggested that the work might be carried out by self-help with the co-operation of local organisations, as had happened in the past. After a discussion in which views were divided, Mrs. Hession agreed to inform the Management Committee of Mr. Pearce's suggestion.

q. Footpath Trail (3b).

Letter (17/9) from District Council returned Mr. Wilnot's script with suggestions of amendments needed to bring it into line with the format being adopted for these publications. Mr. Wilnot having made it clear that he did not desire any personal acknowledgement to be included in the final draft, Mrs. Hession to whom the correspondence was passed, agreed to deal with the preparation of the necessary drawings.

r. Gentlefield Road Site (4a).

Mrs. Hession, with whom the correspondence rests, agreed to consult with Mr. D. Branton (Clerk & Chief Executive, Eandridge District Council) as to any further possible action.

s. Scout Hall Trustees (4b).

Clerk reported on conversation with Mr. K. Godard from which it appeared that the former trustees had voluntarily disbanded to enable the new scheme to be implemented - Mrs. Crofts expressed her agreement. - Noted.

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t. Telephone Exchange (4e)

Chairman reported on an interview with the head of Operational Planning for the area which showed that alternatives proposed by the Council would cost twice as much as the official scheme for incorporating the Tatsfield exchange with Biggin Hill.

Clerk to suggest to telephone authorities that a scheme be considered whereby the Tatsfield name would continue to appear in the directory but the dialling would be as for Biggin Hill.

u. Old Lane Trees (7b)

Mrs. McRuge reported that trees dealt with were all either dead or dying. Discussion ensued regarding trees near Dr. Bennison's property which were shown on maps as being just outside the boundary of the Green. - Mrs. Bennison to investigate further and report back.

v. Greater London Incursion (8a)

Acknowledgement of Council letter received from County and District Councils. - Noted.

w. Drainage, Old Lane (8b)

Letter (29/9) from Chief Environmental Health Officer agreed about source of trouble and said that as the roads concerned were private ones they were the responsibility of the joint owners. - noted.

3. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Definitive Rights of Way Map.

Letter (17/9) from County Council said notice of second provisional map and statement would be published on October 29 and specified documents to be available for public inspection during the ensuing 28 days.

Agreed after discussion that the documents should, additionally, be available at the next Council meeting, notification of this to be given in public notices of meeting.

b. Oxted and Tandridge District Swimming Pool Association.

Letter (20/9) asked for details of this Council's grants to sporting and recreational organisations during the last financial year. Notice was also given of the Association's annual meeting.

Clerk's interim reply approved. - It was pointed out that no donations of the kind mentioned were made during the year in question and the Clerk was authorised to inform the association.

c. Oxted Work Centre.

Letter (4/10) invited the Council to participate in annual quiz to be held at St. Michael's school, Linsfield on December 3 at 7.45p.m. - Mrs. Bellas to arrange for team to represent Tatsfield.

d. Old Ship.

Formal notice received of transfer of licence for which application will be made on December 13, 1976. - Noted.

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e. Prevention and Health.

Notice received of conference called by the District Council to be held at Caterham on November 16, 1976. - Chairman, Mrs. Hession and Mrs. McHugo to represent the Council. Chairman to make necessary arrangements.

f. Other Correspondence. - This included enquiry by candidate at last election regarding casual vacancies (Clerk's reply noted); notice of annual meeting of Surrey Association of Town and Parish Councils; District Council minutes etc.

4. REPORTS.

a. SCAPFC.

Mr. Pearce reported on last meeting and said Tatsfield's letter regarding urban incursion was deemed worthy of further discussion.

b. Village Hall Management Committee.

Mrs. Hession reported that Mrs. Laxwell-Jones had been co-opted to committee. An invitation had been received to the annual meeting of Surrey Voluntary Service Council. - Mrs. McHugo to represent Council.

c. Work Centre.

Mrs. McHugo reported on opening of Oxted Centre and on progress made at the centre.

d. Churchill School Evening Classes.

The Chairman reported that he had taken up the question of the attendance of Tatsfield residents at evening classes at Churchill school, West-chen and had ascertained that they were eligible on payment of the economic fee.

5. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were approved for payment and the necessary signed: P.G. Reid (wages) £36.25; P.G. Reid (expenses) £8.12; M. G.R.V. Tweedie (legal charges), £75.50; Mrs. Bett (framing training 'booths') £12.00; Mr. W. Pearce (travelling, SCAPFC meetings), £3.00.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Bus Shelter Seat.

Damage to the seat in the bus shelter on Westmore Green had been reported to the District Council and action had been promised.

b. Play Area: The Parade.

Attention was drawn to the dangerous condition of the pavement at the Parade. - Clerk to ask District Council to pursue matter on grounds of public safety.

c. Grit.

Attention of County Council to be drawn to the need to replenish grit bins in preparation for wintry weather.

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d. Crossways.

Attention was called to the position at Crossways Court owing to the absence of a warden and to the inaccessibility of the telephone between 10.0p.m. and 9.0a.m.

e. Village Directory.

Following a discussion initiated by Mr. Pearce it was agreed to proceed with the publication of a new issue of the Village Directory in January, Mr. Pearce to proceed with the necessary arrangements. The period to elapse between further editions was discussed but no decision was reached.

7. PUBLIC ANNOUNCEMENT.

Among items raised by members of the public during public adjournments were:

a. Minchans Road.

Mrs. Swistle drew attention to problems caused by a drop in the surface because of the flow of rain water etc. - Clerk to write to County Council asking that drainage in the locality should be checked and pointing out the danger caused by the drop in the surface level in Minchans Road and the consequent dangerous exit.

b. Approach Road.

Attention was drawn to an alleged incursion on to the roadside verge on the Approach Road between the White House and the Scout Hut. - (Chairman to investigate.)

b. Cats Eyes.

Following a complaint about the lack of cats eyes between Bosconshaw and Westmore Green, the Clerk was instructed to write to the County Council asking that this be dealt with.

c. Notices, Westmore Green.


Mr. Milnot drew attention to the proliferation of notices on Westmore Green and to the deplorable condition of the Parish Council notice board. He wondered whether the boards could not be consolidated, the surface of the three-faced board made more suitable to accept the posting of notices and the parish council board done away with. The Chairman undertook to make enquiries with a view to taking any necessary action.


d. County Border News.


Mr. Hayes complained of the persistent use of 'unsupported sneers' in the County Border News. The Chairman having previously reported that the publication had failed to publish a correction to inaccurate statements regarding the Council's recent negotiations with Westmore Parish Council, the Clerk was instructed to minute Mr. Hayes' comments.

The meeting closed at 11.37p.m.


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s. Greater London Incursion (2v).

Detailed reply from County Council (12/10) stated that County Planning Officer was investigating the extent of consultation which took place between Hendridge District Council and the London Borough of Bromley and had asked for a report from his divisional office about the situation. The circumstances under which the Biggin Hill Sun Gap was prepared were recalled and it was pointed out that County Council policies for Tatsfield would prevent intensification of development in the northern part of Tatsfield.

On the suggestion for an intermediate zone of development the view of the Clerk and Chief Executive was that each area should be looked at separately and the most appropriate policy adopted.

He did not think the problem would be solved by changes in the law. Copies of the County letter had been sent to Sir Geoffrey Howe and to the District Council.

Letters from Lingfield, Metchingley, Burstow, Limpsfield and Chelsham and Farleigh Parish Councils were also considered, along with replies from Sir Geoffrey Howe MP, and Mr. J. MacFarlane.

Mr. Pearce having reported that he would be attending an informal meeting arranged by the SPAPTC, further consideration was deferred.

t. Oxted Mark Centre (4c).

Mrs. McHugo reported that the Tatsfield team for the quiz would comprise Mr. Dunn, Mrs. Pearce and Mr. D. Hayes. - Noted.

u. Churchill School Evening Classes (4d).

The imam reported terms on which Tatsfield people were admitted to classes. The matter had been taken up by Mr. MacFarlane who had interviewed with satisfactory results. A letter of thanks had been sent to him.

v. Bus Shelter Seat (5a).

No reply. Clerk to send reminder and at the same time to call attention to the need to repair the roof.

w. Pavement: The Parade (6b).

Letter (20/10) from District Council said this had been passed to County Council. - If not dealt with, Clerk to send reminder in view of added danger in wintry weather.

x. Grit (6c).

Letter (20/10) from County Council said supplies would be replenished within the next few weeks. - Noted.

y. Village Wire story (6e).

Mr. Pearce preparing material. Clerk authorised to investigate the possibility of publication on commercial lines.

z. Approach Road (7a).

Chairman reported that he had approached Mr. Graham who had promised to investigate the position.

za. Notice Boards, Westmore Green (7c).

Matter passed to District Council with a request for action.

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zb. Hineham Road (7a).

Letter (2/11) said remedial works would be carried out within the limits of the repairable highway, but pointed out that the Highway Authority was only responsible up to a point parallel to and in line with the back edge of the footway in Ship Hill, Hineham being a private street and therefore the responsibility of the frontagers.

Clerk to point out that the erosion has been made worse by the removal of a soakway, apparently by the County Council.

3. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Surrey County Council.

i. Structure Plan.

Letter (19/10) gave notice that the draft structure plan would be released for public participation in April 1977. A series of public meetings included one at Oxted in June. - Noted.

b. District Council.

i. Meeting with Parish Council Representatives.

Notice of meeting for Chairmen and Clerks of Parish Councils to be held on December 17 at Otterham. - Chairman and Clerk to attend.

ii. Civic Service.

Invitation to Chairman and Clerk to civic service to be held at Arlingtonham Parish Church on December 12, 1976, noted.

c. Other Correspondence for circulation to members included minutes etc. from District & County Council, etc.

4. REPORTS.

a. White Lane.

Following complaint of the use of White Lane by heavy vehicles the Clerk had drawn attention of the County Council to the fact that no prohibition notices for M25 traffic at entrances to White Lane. Reply (7/11) from County Area Engineer pointed out that the lane was already subject to a width restriction. - Noted.

b. Westmore Pond.

Reported that estimates were being sought for a plan prepared for the Pond Association.

5. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were presented for payment and approved and the appropriate cheques signed: Tatsfield Womens' Institute (hire of room), £1.25; P.G. Reid (Wages, November) £36.25; P.G. Reid (Expenses), £4.78.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Ricketts Hill Road.

Mrs. Crofts drew attention to apparent subsidences in Ricketts Hill Road outside the Ark and Oakdene.
Clerk to notify County Council and seek action.

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b. Thanks to Vern D'Anjou.

The Chairman reported that two young men from Tetsfield had been involved in a serious car accident whilst on a visit to Vern D'Anjou. He was authorized to write to M. Gillier, Mayor of Vern D'Anjou expressing warmest thanks for the help and attention provided to the two men.

7. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. Crossways Telephone.

Complaint was made that the telephone at Crossways Court had been out of order. Problems arising from the fact that the key has been kept at a nearby residence were dealt with by the Council as minuted (2dii refers).

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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December 2, 1976.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Notice is hereby given that the next meeting of the Tatsfield Parish Council will be held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, December 13, 1976 at 8.0p.m.

Yours faithfully,

Percy G. Reid,
Clerk.

A G E N D A

1. Apologies.
2. Minutes of meeting held on November 8, 1976.
3. Matters Arising (To be taken in order as last minuted.)
4. Correspondence and Reports.
6. Any Other Business.

Members of the public are invited to attend and will be able to ask questions during a public adjournment.

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TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road on Monday, December 13, 1976 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. P.N. Owen (Chairman), Mr. R.W. Pearce, Mrs. M.E. Crofts, Mrs. M.L. Hession, Mrs. A.M. McHugo, Mrs. E.M.G. Player and Mr. H.W. Hunt, with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid), Mrs. H. Dunn (District Council member) and eleven parishioners.

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on November 8, 1976 were confirmed and signed.
2. MATTERS ARISING.
 - a. Planning (Item 2a of last minutes)
 - i. Report.

Mrs. McHugo reported on applications notified during the month. Discussion ensued upon application No 76/93h/1463 (extension to Scrundoons, Greenway) and the Clerk was instructed to inform the planning officer that the work envisaged appeared to extend into the public right of way which would seem to be indicated on the Ordnance Survey map between Scrundoon and Anhedral. The Clerk at the same time to seek information regarding proposed relaxation on limits below which planning permission is not needed.
 - ii. Current Applications.

Mr. Hunt was appointed to deal with applications notified during the coming month.
 - b. Bus Service to Oxted (2b)

Mrs. Crofts reported that the new service had been used by an average of 12/14 passengers since it began. It represented a saving of about 21p per journey over the alternative route via Westerham. A review was suggested at the end of about three months.
 - c. Church Road/Westerham Road Junction (2c)

Nothing to report.
 - d. Crossways Court (2d)
 - i. Footpath.

Mrs. Player reported that the District Council had approved provision of the path by authorising a supplementary estimate for £450. The path, on which work was expected to commence shortly, would be on the south side. - Clerk to express the appreciation of this Council to Mr. Brunton (Clerk and Chief Executive, District Council).
 - ii. Telephone.

Letter (6/12) from District Council said no objection was offered to the Council's scheme to provide keys to telephone box for all residents. Clerk reported on discussion with Housing Manager. After discussion Mrs. Player undertook to borrow the present key and the Chairman to get copies cut. - Clerk to thank District Council for their co-operation.

- e. The Greens (2c)
Decided to take no action in relation to existing bye-laws.
- f. Tatsfield Playing Fields Association (2f)
Letter (15/11) from Mr. Bradshaw thanked Council for its support. During a short discussion the Chairman asked the Council's representatives on the Association's Committee to confirm the nature of the planning permission granted in respect of the Association's pavilion.
- g. Travelling Library (2j).
Copies of amended schedule, due to operate from January 12, circulated.
- h. Footpath No. 21 (2i).
Letter (7/12) from County Council said arrangements had been made for stile to be repaired.
Clerk reported that similar service could be made available as needed on approach through Mr. Andrews (Reigate).
- i. Car Parking (2k).
Letter (22/11) from Assistant Chief Constable said the only solution to the problem was to prohibit parking all round the island site. Mrs. McHugo having had by this time to leave the meeting, it was decided to defer a decision until the next meeting when it was hoped a; members would be present.
- j. Jubilee Celebrations (21).
Mrs. Player reported that the first full meeting of the committee would be held the following evening. Officers were: Mrs. Jupp (Chairman), Mrs. Hallett (secretary) and Mr. C. Davis (treasurer).
- k. Village Hall Re-decoration (2j)
Mrs. Hession reported. - Chairman and Vice-Chairman authorised to sign any necessary documents.
- l. Footpath Trail (2n).
Mrs. McHugo produced completed drawings and map, as prepared by Mrs. David. Clerk to forward material to District Council and to thank Mrs. David for her help.
- m. Telephone Exchange (2p).
Letter (11/11) from Director of Operational Planning said some changes in planning were taking place. There were 'decided drawbacks' in this Council's proposals. A further reply was promised when definite information becomes available. - Noted.
- n. Greater London Incursion (2s).
No further information.
- o. Bus Shelter (2v).
Chief Technical Officer, District Council said this was receiving attention (letter 18/11). There had been some delay because of the need to concentrate on work on Council houses. - Noted.

p. Pavements, The Parade (2w).

Letter (22/11) from County Council said footpath was privately owned and not the responsibility of the highway authority. Clerk to write to occupiers pointing out that accidents have occurred caused, apparently by the condition of the pavement and to point out the responsibility of the owners.

q. Village Directory (2y)

Letter (19/11) from Forward Publicity Ltd. said they could not anticipate sufficient advertising to justify a commercial publication. Mr. Pearce to proceed with preparation of new issue.

r. Notice Boards, Westmore Green (2a).

Nothing further to report.

s. Ninehams Road (2sb)

Letter (30/11) from County Council claimed erosion had occurred within the limits of a private street. - Noted.

t. Rickettd Hill Road (6a).

Letter (2/12) from County Council said subsidence was being investigated and any necessary repairs would be carried out. - Noted.

3. REPORTS.

a. Posts, Westmore Green (Item 21 (iii) Sept minutes & (1) October minutes).

Letter (10/11) from Chief Technical Officer, District Council explained continued difficulty in locating these. Clerk to write to individuals known to park on the Green on being given details and to make suitable reply to District Council.

b. Approach Road (October minutes (7b))

Letter (5/11) from County Area Engineer promised to replace cats eyes 'at earliest opportunity'. - Reported that this had now been done.

c. Clackett's Green (2g)

Decision of Commons Commissioner officially notified December 2. - Noted.

4. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Councillors' 'Symposium'.

Preliminary details received of 'symposium' to be organised by Surrey Association of Parish and Town Councils on April 2 (with possible further meeting on April 23). Decided to notify Council participation and consider further, including whether this Council wishes to suggest further items for inclusion.

b. Transfer, Grasshopper, Moorhouse.

Formal notification of transfer of licence received. (At this point the Chairman remarked, for the record, that there had been no change in the actual landlord of the Old Ship at the time of the recent transfer; the change had been in the managing director of the firm concerned).

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c. Appeal: Ash View, Paynesfield Road.

Letter (3/12) from District Council gave notice of a planning appeal in respect of Ash View, Paynesfield Road, which is due for hearing at the Council offices, Catarham on April 5, 1977 at 10.00a.m.

5. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following cheques were approved for payment and signed: P.G. Reid (wages, December), £36.25; P.G. Reid (expenses), £10.66.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Annual Parish Meeting.

It having been intimated during a public adjournment that early booking of the hall for the parish meeting was desirable, it was agreed to discuss this at the next meeting.

b. King Edward VII Memorial Garden.

Mrs. Crofts having drawn attention to a reference to the King Edward VII Memorial Garden in the District Council's Health and Recreation Committee's agenda the Clerk was instructed to ask the District Council what proposals it has for this piece of ground. During a public adjournment Mrs. Geary recalled that the garden was given to the village by Mr. Kellaway (then Postmaster General) and was opened amid village festivities.

c. Gas Supplies.

It having been reported that some residents had been asked whether they would wish for a private supply of gas, the Clerk was instructed to ask the Gas Board to explain the position regarding a general supply of gas to Tatsfield.

d. Complaints re. W.I. Hall.

A discussion took place on complaints made by a resident of noise arising from social events held at the WI Hall. It was agreed that this was not a matter of direct concern to the Council but one to be dealt with by personal approach.

e. Budget.

On the Chairman's proposal it was agreed that this year's revised budget and that for 1977-8 should be considered by a sub-committee comprising the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Mrs Hession: the committee to meet in advance of the next Council meeting and its report, if practicable, to be circulated before the meeting.

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7. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. Westmore Pond.

During public adjournments, Mrs. Geary reported on behalf of the Pond Association. Her report, as supplemented by Mr. Hunt indicated a scheme to remove the existing wall and the concrete base of the pond, lower its existing base and re-line with blue clay, sloping the sides so that children can crawl out of it. Estimated cost: £1000.

It was suggested that a pond improvement scheme could form part of the jubilee celebrations and reported that an expert was to inspect the pond and advise on the scheme.

Mr. Hayes drew attention to a forthcoming meeting which would be invited to determine on January 19 the future of funds raised by the Residents' Association.

b. Litter Bins.

A resident having drawn attention to the need to review the supply of litter bins in the centre of the village, the Council instructed the Clerk to ask the District Council to review the whole situation and particularly to supply a bin on the island on which the bus shelter stands.

c. Parking, Westmore Green.

Several residents expressed views about parking on Westmore Green, Mrs Geary claiming that the former Rural District Council had failed to restore the grass surface after main drainage was laid.

d. Greenway/Goatsfield Path.

When this was further discussed, Mrs. Hession said this might well be a matter in which, if the land was not registered, the Council might register a caution on the lines she had suggested might have been done in relation to the site at Goatsfield Road.

The meeting closed at 10.40p.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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APOLOGIES were received from Mrs. H. Dunn (District Council representative).

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on December 13, 1976 were confirmed and signed.
2. MATTERS ARISING.

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

i. Report

Mr. Hunt reported on applications notified during the month and on action taken in respect of these.

ii. Permitted Development.

Letter (30/12) from Chief Planning Officer set out in considerable detail the present procedure and possible alterations in the future. The Clerk was asked to circulate copies to all members with a view to a full discussion at the next meeting.

iii. Current Applications.

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

b. Budget, 1977-8. (6c)

Proposals made by the sub-committee appointed at the last meeting were discussed at length. These had previously been circulated to all members and a copy is filed with these minutes.

It was agreed unanimously to amend the proposals in respect of the amount to remain available for local purposes and to inform the District Council that this Council expects to precept during the year for the sum of £3250 i.e. the product of approximately a rate of 1.8p.

c. Bus Services to Oxted (2b).

Reported that good use continued to be made of this service which was attracting up to 20 or more passengers per journey.

Clerk to write to the Gazette in relation to a recent article, pointing out that the service appears to be successful and that this Council has no complaints to make of the arrangements.

d. Church Road/Westerham Road junction (2c)

Mr. Pearce reported that no widening of the main road was to take place north of the waterworks. The tree was still due to be felled and when this was done the bank would be lowered. - Report noted.

h.w.

e. Crossways Court (2d)

i. Footpath.

Reported that work was proceeding on the provision of a footpath.

ii. Telephone.

The Chairman reported that four additional keys had been provided at a cost of £3.06, payment for which was formally agreed. The new warden, who had now taken up residence, felt that these were adequate.

f. Car Parking (2i)

Letter (22/11) from Assistant Chief Constable further considered. Following further discussion it was agreed by four votes to three that the County Council be informed that this Council favours the laying down of yellow lines round the island site in the village centre. Those voting for the resolution were The Chairman, Mrs. Crofts, Mrs. Hession and Mrs. McHugo and those voting against were Mrs. Flayer, Mr. Hunt and Mr. Pearce.

g. Jubilee Celebrations (2j).

Mrs. McHugo reported that a further meeting was to be held the following week, at which it was hoped that the programme would be decided. It was planned to provide a programme of sports and games in the afternoon; entertainment and a bonfire in the evening. - Noted.

h. Village Hall Re-decoration (2k).

The tender of Mr. Ling had been accepted and work was due to start on January 17. Mr. Hubbard, the new warden, would oversee the work. - Reports noted.

i. Footpath Trail (2l).

Clerk reported that this had now been reduced in length by Mr. Wilnot and would be forwarded to the District Council.

j. Pavements: The Parade (2p)

Letters had been sent to occupiers as instructed but no replies had been received.

k. Village Directory (2q)

Chairman reported that an estimate for £38 plus VAT for 650 copies had been received, and this was approved. Arrangements for distribution to be made by the Chairman and Mrs. Hession.

l. Notice Boards, Westmore Green (2r).

Chairman reported on action taken by the District Council, following this Council's request. Clerk to inform Tatsfield Rovers FC that they should apply for planning permission in respect of their notice board. This Council had no objection to offer.

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m. Appeal: Ash View (4c).

Clerk to write indicating this Council's opposition to the proposals subject of the appeal and to reiterate to the Inspector objections previously put forward.

n. Annual Parish Meeting (6a).

Agreed that the annual parish meeting be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday, March 30, 1977 at 8.0p.m.

o. King Edward VII Memorial Garden. (6b).

No reply from District Council, Mrs. Geary produced an historical note on the garden and promised to provide further copies for information and record. - Her offer was accepted with gratitude.

i. Possible Incursion.

It was suggested that an incursion on to the garden might have taken place by the owner of a neighbouring property and the Clerk was instructed to draw this to the attention of the District Council and to suggest that an appropriate officer should visit the site armed with a plan and, if possible, with a local resident to be nominated on behalf of this Council.

p. Gas Supplies (6c)

Clerk reported that a Mr. Gunner had visited him on behalf of SBE Gas and explained the position.
An extension of the main near the Bign Hill boundary had enabled the Board to offer a supply to 17 properties in Tatsfield.
Because of the distances involved any further extension was likely to be on the basis that contributions towards the cost of laying the needed main would be requested from potential users and these were likely, in present circumstances, to be relatively high. - Report noted.

q. Litter Bins (7b).

Letter (4/1) from District Council said replacements would be made as soon as possible. - Reported that this had already been done.

3. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Gritting: Village Roads.

Clerk reported that at the request of the Chairman he had asked that attention should be given in wintry weather to roads like Westmore and Pynesfield. Reply (16/12) promised attention after major roads had been dealt with and pointed out difficulties arising from present economic conditions.

After discussion the Clerk was instructed to reply that the gritting of roads was not, in this Council's view, the provision of an amenity but a means of dealing with an emergency. Clerk to request that as a through road Rickett Hill should receive some priority and to ask that in instances where it is unlikely that a gritting service can be provided supplies should be made available to enable residents to provide a 'self-help' service.

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b. Outed & District Social Centre.

Letter (16/12) forwarded statement of accounts and an appeal for support. During discussion reference was made to the help given to Tatsfield residents.
Donation for 1977-8 to be considered at April meeting.

c. Best Kept Village Competition.

Entry form for 1977 contest forwarded by Surrey Voluntary Service Council. - Decision deferred till next meeting: details meanwhile to be circulated for consideration by members.

d. Other Correspondence circulated to members included SCAPTC circulars and minutes and circulars from County and District Councils.

4. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were presented and the necessary cheques approved for payment: Westerham Parish Council (agreed contribution to administrative expenses), £12.50; P.G. Reid (Wages, January), £36.25; P.G. Reid (expenses), £4.71; United Reformed Church (contribution for use of church for council meetings), £35.00.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

Mrs. Payer drew attention to accidents which occur when vehicles approaching the village along the Approach Road strike the deep kerb adjoining the Green.

Clerk to ask that this be referred to Road Safety Committee with a request for possible improvements to be considered.

6. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENTS.

a. Vandalism etc.

During a public adjournment complaints were made by residents and supported by council members of a series of incidents including acts of vandalism and burglaries which have recently taken place in the village.

The Clerk was instructed to draw these to the attention of the police superintendent at Caterham expressing the concern of the Council and the hope that whatever possible will be done to deal with the situation.

b. Car Parking.

Mrs. Geary and Mr. P. Watson expressed concern at the Council's decision to approve yellow lines round the island in the village centre and the Chairman replied that if there had been any other way of dealing with the problem he would have been happy to support it.

The meeting closed at 10.47p.m.

W. Lane
14th February '77
W. Lane

TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

PROPOSED BUDGET FOR 1977/78 FOR PRESENTATION AND APPROVAL
AT COUNCIL MEETING ON MONDAY, 10th JAN. 1977

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	<u>£</u>
		✓ Opening Balance (Debit)	100
Precept (2p Rate)	3'592	Vill. Hall: Loan repayments	620
Refund of V.A.T.	40	Redecorations	450
Consul 2½% Bonds)		- allow excess	100
SEEB Wayleave)	1	Insurance	96
Interest	40	Clerks Salary (sub.to confirm.)	480
		Administrative expenses	96
		Westerham Parish Council	25
		Parish Council Insurance	3
		S.C.A.P.T.C. Subscription	25
		Expenses	12
		Village Directory	60
		Register of Electors	- .50
		United Reform Church donation	35
		Audit Fee	55
		Oxted Social Centre	5
		Surrey Voluntary Service	2
		National Playing Fields Assn.	- .50
		Commons & Open Spaces	2
		FOR LOCAL PURPOSES	1'406 ✓
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Notes:

Committee appointed to recommend Budget for 1977/78 for Tatsfield Parish Council

RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. To increase the Parish Rate from 1.1p to 1.6p to cover increases in expenditure in view of decisions taken concerning the Village Hall & Sports Pavillion.
2. To increase the Parish Rate a further 0.4p in order to provide a sufficient balance for such additional local amenities as may be approved by the Parish Council in 1977/78.
3. The 2p Rate will raise £3'592 which on a rough estimate will represent approximately 2.9% of the actual Rates paid by a resident of Tatsfield. Any such balance remaining at the end of the year may be carried forward to reduce the rate required in 1978.

TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

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February 3, 1977.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Notice is hereby given that the next meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL will be held at the United Reformed Church, Pynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, February 14, 1977 at 8.0p.m.

Yours faithfully,

Percy G. Reid,

Clerk.

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3. Matters Arising.
4. Correspondence and Reports.
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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, Pynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, February 14, 1977 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. R.W. Pearce, vice-chairman, presiding, Mrs. M.E. Crofts, Mrs. H.L.G. Hession, Mrs. A.M. McHugo, Mrs. E.M.G. Player and Mr. H.W. Hunt with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid), 13 parishioners and a Press representative.

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

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on January 10, 1977 were confirmed and signed.

2. MATTERS ARISING.

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

i. Report: Tatsfield Working Men's Club.

Mrs. Hession reported on applications notified during the month and referred particularly to the outline planning application made on behalf of the Working Men's Club regarding a site facing Westmore Green. The application, which would involve about half the field concerned included parking for 50 cars.

Agreed after discussion that the objection already lodged on behalf of the Council should be underlined as supported by a full Council meeting, it being pointed out that the site was in the Green Belt and an area of outstanding natural beauty.

ii. Permitted Development. (2ii).

The detailed letter of 30/12 from the Chief Planning Officer having now been studied by all members a full discussion ensued.

Two proposals caused concern: the possibility of a 'rolling limitation' which would permit extensions at intervals of ten years and the authority proposed for 'any dwelling to be converted into two or more separate dwellings.'

Clerk to point out to the District Council this Council's concern on these points and to ask that, if possible, representations should be made against their inclusion in the altered General Development Order of which publication is awaited.

iii. Decisions.

Letter (12/1) from District Council said application for two storey extension at Goddards, Manor Road (TA/1976/1516R) had been approved. Letter (31/1) said application TA/1976/934/1463 (extension at Scrumdons, Greenway) had been refused.

iv. Status of path.

Following discussion regarding the footpath which runs across the space between Anhedral and Scrumdons the Clerk was instructed to seek the guidance of the County Council as to the status of the path and the possibility of adding it to the footpath map. Mr. Pearce to provide photostat of site for forwarding with letter.

v. Current Applications.

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

b. Bus Service to Oxted (2c).

Letter (4/2) from County Council apologised for breakdown in service on Thursday, February 3. During discussion other partial failures in the service were reported and it was suggested that an additional stop might be considered at the Hoskins Arms for the benefit of those using the Social Centre. Clerk to thank County for their letter and point out matters raised.

c. Crossways Court Footpath (2d)

Mrs. McHugo drew attention to the lack of a tarmac footpath between the entrance and the new path just laid down. - Clerk to point position out to District Council.

d. Car Park (2f).

Acknowledgement (21/1) from County Council said matter was being investigated.

e. Jubilee Celebrations (2g).

Mrs. McHugo said a jumble sale was being arranged to raise funds. Plans for the day were going ahead. Permission given to Mrs. Hallett for a bonfire to be held on Westmore Green, subject to the removal and subsequent replacement of the turf.

f. Village Hall Re-decoration (2h).

Letter (8/2) from Mr. M. Wilmot forwarded donation of £1240 from Village Hall Management Committee along with details of work so far completed and request for payment of £1350. Total estimated cost was £2014.52 of which the Council's share would be £774.52 (of which £201.45 would be subject to a six months deferment). - Report accepted and payment agreed.

g. Footpath Trail (2i).

Proofs of the footpath trail prepared by Mr. Wilmot were before members and were approved. Mr. Wilmot, who was thanked for his help, agreed to return the final proofs to the District Council after checking.

h. Pavements, The Parade (2j).

No replies having been received, the Clerk was instructed to inform occupiers that the Council remain most concerned at the situation and would be glad to know that their concern is shared.

i. Village Directory (2k).

No reply having been received from the County Border News it was agreed that if none is received shortly the Scouts should be approached to carry out distribution with the understanding that a donation will be made to their funds.

j. Notice Boards, Westmore Green (2l).

No reply had been received from Tatsfield Rovers FC, but it was reported that action was being taken by the club.

k. Appeal, Ash View (2m).

Letter (19/1) from District Council said Council's letter would be handed to the Inspector at the public inquiry. - Noted.



1. Annual Parish Meeting (2m).

Booking of Village Hall for Wednesday March 30 confirmed. Mrs. Crofts offered to provide light refreshments as last year.

m. King Edward VII Memorial Garden (2o).

Letter (24/1) from District Council saying matter was being attended to noted.

Historical notes on the garden prepared by Mrs. D. Geary and presented at the meeting are filed with these minutes.

n. Gritting Village Roads (3a).

Letter (1/2) from County Area Engineer said Ricketts Hill Road would be added to list of those to be gritted after major roads had been dealt with. The engineer offered to provide storage bins on a limited basis in the village.

Mr. Hunt agreed to investigate the position and report to the next meeting.

o. Best Kept Village Competition (3c).

Following discussion of terms of entry and consideration of reports of outstanding minor works remaining at the hall it was agreed to defer a decision on entry in the 1977 competition (in particular in relation to the village hall) until the next meeting. (See also minute 6a).

p. Korbing, Westmore Green (5).

Letter (4/2) from County Council said this was being investigated. - Noted.

q. Vandalism etc (6a).

Reported that Inspector Wood of the Surrey Police had visited the Chairman and pointed out that a very large proportion of the complaints made to the police locally had been satisfactorily dealt with. It was stressed by the Inspector that the co-operation of the public in making complaints and providing information was essential for satisfactory action to be possible.

The Chairman read a letter sent to the County Border News following Inspector Wood's visit and the Clerk reported on letter (28/1) sent by Mr. S. Abraham to the same publication (copy to Council). - Reports noted.

3. CORRESPONDENCE AND REPORTS.

a. Gatwick Area Conservation Campaign.

Letter inviting Council to join at an annual subscription of £5 reported. - To be considered following circulation of letter to members.

b. District Council.

i. Appeal: Windy Ridge.

Letter (17/1) notified appeal against the District Council's refusal of planning permission for extension. - Clerk to express Council's support of District Council.

ii. Bus Shelters.

Letter (12/1) asked who owned village bus shelters. - Clerk's reply approved. P

c. County Council: News Releases.

Letter (8/2) asked whether this Council wished circulation of county council news releases to be continued as at present. After discussion the Clerk was instructed to say that the Council appreciates receiving the circulars and would like the service continued.

d. Goatsfield Road.

Letter from Mrs. J. Dotlic drew attention to the use of a hut in Goatsfield Road as sleeping accommodation and also to the erection of what appeared to be stabling on another site in Goatsfield Road. Clerk reported that he had consulted the Environmental Health department on receipt of the letter and a Mr. Irvine of that department was visiting Tatsfield the following day. He had promised to investigate the position from the public health and planning aspects and report back to this Council.

4. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were approved for payment and the necessary cheques authorised for signature: National Playing Fields Association (subscription) £2.00; P.G. Reid (expenses), £4.61; P.G. Reid (Wages - February), £36.25; Ling Building Contractors Ltd (Village Hall re-decoration), £1350.00.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Pond Association.

The Chairman presented a report from the Pond Association announcing that it was planned to hold a public meeting at which a constitution would be put forward for adoption on March 8. Mr. Pearce also pointed out that the remaining funds of the former Residents' Association were to be passed to the Pond Association following the recent winding-up meeting.

b. Misuse of Footpaths.

Mrs. Player reported complaints of the riding of cycles on parts of Westmore Green to the detriment of the surface and the danger of pedestrians. Mrs. McHugo made a similar complaint regarding motor cycles using the way between Old Lane and Ricketts Hill. After the Chairman had pointed out that action could be taken against offenders if they could be identified, Mrs. McHugo agreed to approach the local policeman.

c. Scouts.

Mrs. Crofts presented a request that the Boy Scouts should be permitted to use the site at the foot of paynesfield Road purchased by the Council some years ago. - Agreed on condition that it be left in a similar condition to that in which it is found. Clerk to contact Mr. Godard.

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6. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. Best Kept Village.

During the public adjournment Mr. Wilmot brought up the question of entering the village hall in the best kept village competition and it was pointed out that this would involve entering the village as a whole. Mr. Wilmot pointed out that a number of minor works remained to be completed and it was suggested that these might be undertaken on a 'self help' basis.

It was suggested that Mrs. Hession be asked to consult the Village Hall Management Committee and that consideration should be given to the preparation of a letter to circulate to village organisations and a letter for insertion in the Parish Magazine.

b. Speed of Vehicles.

Following complaint of the speed of vehicles approaching the village from the Ricketts Hill and Lusted Hall Lane directions the Clerk was instructed to draw this to the attention of Bromley Council, suggesting, in particular the need for the provision of a suitable sign at the Lusted Hall Lane approach.

c. Foot of Ricketts Hill Road.

The general condition of the roadside verge and the problem caused by quantities of building material in danger of collapsing on to the verge and highway was reported and it was agreed after discussion to instruct the Clerk to draw this to the attention of the highway authority.

d. Village Hall.

The need for cooking facilities at the Village Hall having been mentioned, the Chairman agreed to consult Mrs. Hession as the council's representative on the management committee.

The meeting closed at 10.23p.m.

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14/3/77

MEMORIES CONNECTED WITH THE DEDICATION OF EDWARD VII MEMORIAL GROUND
RICKETTS HILL / OLD LANE TATSFIELD.

Remembered and recorded here. As it was told to Mrs. Doris Geary of Pond Cottages, Tatsfield, by some of the older inhabitants of Tatsfield who were living in Tatsfield at that time and were present at the Dedication Ceremony.

We were given special lessons in school about King Edward VII. That he succeeded to the throne of England when his mother Queen Victoria passed away in 1901. King Edward VII reigned for only nine years and died in 1910 after a brief illness. He was known as Edward the Peacemaker. We were told that his coronation had to be postponed from June 1902 until August 1902 owing to his sudden illness just two days before his coronation day. We said special prayers for his recovery after his operation, which we understood had been the first appendix operation performed. One interesting story told us was that before the Boer War soldiers wore red uniforms but red was found to be too noticeable so khaki was substituted, and that as our soldiers had fought in the war during part of the Queen's reign and also part of the King's reign that when the war was over some soldiers were given the Queen's Medal and some were given the King's Medal - while some received both Medals. We were not very well informed of news during the war that was going on in South Africa. Although news was eagerly awaited. With no wireless then, and the newspapers had to be fetched by cycle - on foot - or horseback. Tatsfield was in those days rather isolated, but when news reached us that the war was over in May, 1902 celebrations were held in Tatsfield, and we can recall dancing in the Old Tin Chapel near "Colegates" House which used to be called "Cold Courts" and Maypole dancing by the schoolchildren on the grass in front of Monk's Cottages by the school, and the school was decorated with flags and red white and blue ribbons. The village school was in those days a Church School and the Parson came to the school and we had a Thanksgiving Service. All the children of the village had to attend school from five years of age to fourteen years, but many boys left school early at 12 or 13 years old to go to work to help the family, those were hard times indeed. In 1910 the top end of Paynsfield Road round "Covens" Corner and Emily Road "now called Westmore Road" instead of big ruts in these roads they were made up. We thought this was very grand. From London we heard news of "Crippen" and the suffragettes and flights by Zeppelin and the Wright Brothers Biplane, but Tatsfield remained a quiet country village the Parish Hall was being built and the Bakery in the centre of the village. The men worked long hours for very little money.

The Edward VII Memorial Ground is situated on that piece of land that when approached from Old Lane and is on the left side of the old rough road that connects Old Lane with Ricketts Hill. The boundary of the Memorial Ground reaches to the boundary of Mr. and Mrs. Winson's land upon which their house is built. This is the house that is reached from the slip road off Ricketts Hill. The main entrance to the Memorial Ground is from Ricketts Hill itself, at the far end of the wood which is on Tatsfield Green.

The Dedication Ceremony of Edward VII Memorial Ground took place on a Wednesday morning. The children from the village school were taken to the ground across Tatsfield Green and on to the ground through the large wooden folding gates = The ground was at that time fenced in by oak posts. There was a terrace and a flat platform made of concrete large enough for the village bandstand. Tatsfield had a brass band then, but the players were all at work. There was also a dwelling that resembled a summer house. Around the ground were Laurel bushes, flowering currant Laburnum trees and mock Orange trees. A laid out garden with flowers. There were two water tanks both filled with water and on the patio were brick pillars.

The Rector conducted a short service and the children sang the Hymn "Now thank we all our God" which they had practised in school. The squire addressed us and Mr. Kellaway also. We saluted the Union Jack, and sang the National Anthem and when it was all over we were given the rest of the day off as a half holiday.

This Memorial Ground was at one time owned by a Mr. White who worked for the General Post Office and lived in Old Lane. Mrs. White was well known for the wedding dresses and christening robes she made, being a dressmaker. Mr. Kellaway at one time Postmaster General acquired this land and gave it to Tatsfield for a Memorial Ground. Mr. Kellaway took a great interest in Tatsfield, although he lived in a lodge at the Westerham Heights which is at the top of Westerham Hill. He is now buried in Tatsfield Churchyard and has a stone to his memory.

There was quite a few people at the Dedication = The Rector, The Lord of the Manor, who in those days was known as the Squire of Titsey. Mr. Billy Fisher, who had the forge in Emily Road, Mr. Willener, from the cycle repair shop in the dip of Ship Hill who arrived with his three wheeled bike. Aubrey Lee, the village constable who wore his big blue cape feared by many a boy. The Publican and Fanny Gesson, with Lena Lvscombe and Tom Dann.

Should there be any of the older inhabitants who would like to add any further memories to this record about Old Tatsfield affairs please contact.

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March 3, 1977.

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TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, March 14, 1977 at 8.0p.m.

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

APOLOGIES were received from Mrs. M.L.G. Hession.

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on February 14, 1977 were confirmed and signed.

2. MATTERS ARISING.

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

i. Tatsfield Working Men's Club (2ai)

Letter (2/3) from District Council informing this Council that outline planning application permission had been refused, noted.

ii. Permitted Development (2aii)

Letter (25/2) from District Council said representations had been made by the District and County Councils Associations on matters raised by this Council: if individual authorities were given an opportunity to comment the views of the parish council would be borne in mind. After discussion the Clerk was instructed to invite Mrs. Dunn to pursue the points made by the Council,

iii. Status of Path (2aiiv).

Reply awaited from County Council.

iv. Appeal, Windy Ridge (3bi).

Letter (24/2) from District Council said Council's letter had been forwarded to the Department of the Environment. - Noted.

v. Current Applications: Crossways.

Reporting on current applications Mr. Pearce drew attention to application No 77/110/185 (erection of detached dwelling and garage/car port in the garden of 17 Crossways.)

After considerable discussion the Clerk was instructed to inform the District Council of the Council's Disquiet at development in this locality and to ask if precise details can be provided as to the area around the village centre in which the District Council is prepared to permit development.

vi. New Applications.

Mrs. Crofts was appointed to deal with applications notified during the ensuing, and Mrs. Payer those notified during the April/May period.

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vii. Appeal: Ash View, Paynesfield Road (2m, January minutes)

During a public adjournment Mrs Dunn emphasised the importance she attached to this appeal and following discussion the Council agreed that it should be represented at the appeal.

Mr. Pearce and Mrs. McHugo to represent the Council. Clerk so to notify the District Council.

b. Crossways Court Footpath (2c).

No reply having been received from the District Council, Mrs. Player was asked to pursue this matter, pointing out additionally the dangerous slope which had been left for occupants to negotiate where the path joins Westmore Road.

c. Village Hall Re-decoration (2f).

Letter (1/3) from Mr. M. Wilmot forwarded final account for £543.90 (plus a 5% retention of £95.18 payable later).

After some discussion it was agreed to approve the 5% retention, which accords with RIBA practice and to draw the appropriate cheque to be payable on April 1.

d. Pavements: The Parade (2j).

No reply having been received to further letters, the Clerk was instructed to draw the whole matter to the attention of the Environmental Health Officer.

e. Village Directory (2i)

The Chairman reported that the new edition had been delivered and circulation was being undertaken by the scouts.

Agreed to donate £8 to scout funds in appreciation of the work performed.

f. Notice Boards, Westmore Green (2j).

Action was awaited to repair damaged board. This was reported to the District Council by telephone on February 28 and a message of reminder delivered on March 14. - Report noted.

g. Annual Parish Meeting (2l).

The Clerk reported on arrangements for the annual parish meeting, of which notice had been posted. Invitations to present reports had been sent to Mr. Wilmot (Village Hall), the Rev M. Urwin (Primary school), Mrs. Dunn (District Council), Mr. MacFarlane (County Council) and Mrs. Geary (Fond Association). The annual meeting of the Vern D'Anjou Association would follow the parish meeting.

A report by Mr. Wilmot on the Village Hall would be circulated at the meeting.

h. King Edward VII Memorial Garden (2m).

No reply having been received, the Clerk was instructed to send a reminder to the District Council pointing out that the alleged intrusion appeared to be in process of consolidation and that fairly urgent action was desirable.

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i. Gritting Village Roads (2n).

Mr. Hunt reported that there was little sign of former bins and agreed after discussion to prepare a list of suitable sites at the Green, the bottom of Ship Hill, Church Hill, Ricketts Hill and the bottom of Rag Hill for submission to the County Council.

j. Best Kept Village Competition (2o).

Agreed after considerable discussion to enter the Best Kept Village Competition, placing special emphasis this year on the Village Hall and planning a long term approach for the village as a whole for next year. (See also hc below).

k. Kerbing, Westmore Green (2p).

Letter (9/3) from County Council suggested the erection of '... a few reflector posts behind the kerb to draw motorists' attention to the presence of the bend.'

Clerk to reply asking whether reflector studs cannot be placed on the kerbing, as being preferable to the erection of posts some feet high.

l. Gatwick Area Conservation Campaign (3a).

The question of affiliating to the campaign was deferred to enable all members to study the documentation in circulation.

m. Goatsfield Road (3d).

Clerk reported that he had been told that no action was possible on the matters raised by Mrs. Dethle from the Environmental Health point of view. Planning aspects were being investigated by the District Council. Mrs. Dethle had been kept informed. Clerk to expedite reply from planning department.

n. Misuse of Paths (5b).

i. Westmore Green.

Mrs. Player reported that ruts had been filled in but fillings had been washed away by rain. - Clerk to seek further action from District Council Parks Department.

ii. Old Lane/Ricketts Hill.

Mrs. McHugo reported. The police were keeping an eye on the situation which shows some improvement. If necessary a personal approach might be made to parents of youths concerned.

o. Speed of Vehicles (6b).

Letter (3/3) from Bromley Council offered to erect 'bend' signs in Lusted Lane at county boundary. - Clerk to acknowledge and accept the offer.

p. Foot of Ricketts Hill (6c).

Acknowledgement (1/3) from District Council noted.

3. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Greater London Incursion (November minutes, page 37).

Letter (15/2) from District Council said Bromley Council had been asked for an assurance that the District and County Councils would be fully consulted when any future development is proposed along the county boundary and that discussion will take place before a decision is taken which conflicts with any views expressed by either authority. The District Council would of course consult with the parish council before making any comments to Bromley Council. After some discussion the correspondence was passed to Mr. Pearce to consider what further approaches were desirable.

b. Clacketts Green.

Formal notice received of registration by Commons Commissioners of Clacketts Green as previously agreed by this Council.

c. Mrs. Amelia Cook's Charity.

Clerk reported that at the request of solicitors he had posted notices of the proposed appointment of trustees. He had no further information. - Report noted.

d. Councillors' 'Symposium'.

Details received of 'symposium' for parish councillors to be held at Dorking on April 2. Agreed that Mr. Pearce, Mr. Hunt and Mrs. Player represent the Council and that the fee of £4 each be paid by the Council.

e. Surrey County Council: Rates Meeting.

Leaflets advertising meeting to be held at Oxted on Thursday, April 14 distributed.

f. Mr. S. Abraham.

Copy of letter (14/2) sent by Mr. Abraham to County Border News noted.

g. Kent Structure Plan.

Letter (9/3) from District Council forwarded summary of Kent Structure Plan and a supplementary leaflet dealing with the Sevenoaks District. - Noted.

h. Surrey Structure Plan.

Letter (9/3) from County Council giving details of public participation meetings noted.

4. REPORTS.

a. Jubilee Celebrations.

Mrs. McHugo reported on the plans of the local committee which were progressing satisfactorily. Letter (10/3) from District Council gave details of district plans and support available for local events. Mrs. Player said it was hoped to plant some trees as part of the permanent commemoration of the jubilee. The Council approved in principle the planting of trees at agreed suitable sites on the greens. Clerk to intimate this council's approval to the District Council.

b. Twinning.

The Chairman reported that the Mayor and seven of his colleagues in Vern D'Anjou had been re-elected in the first ballot of the French local elections the previous week-end. Plans were well ahead to welcome a party of more than 50 from Vern D'Anjou over the Easter week-end, when the visitors would include two football teams.

c. Village Hall.

The provision of cooking facilities at the hall was discussed in the light of the annual report of the Management Committee. The Chairman agreed to discuss with Mr. Wilmot (representing the Hall Management Committee) and SEE Board representatives the possibility of dealing with the problem of 'over-loading' which might be posed by the provision of a cooker. During discussion consideration was given to the list of minor works outstanding at the hall which Mr. Wilmot, in his report, expressed the hope might be undertaken by volunteers. So far as the Best Kept Village Contest was concerned Mrs. Crofts agreed to act as Council representative to be contacted as necessary by the contest organisers, and the Clerk was instructed to seek the co-operation of the licensee of the Old Ship with a view to including it in the 'village pub' contest.

d. Westmore Pond.

Reported that an official plan for improving the pond was awaited by the Pond Association.

5. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were approved for payment, and the necessary cheques signed: Ling Building Contractors Ltd., £543.90 (payable April 1); Bank of England (loan repayments and interest), £307.38; Crowns Printing Services (Village directory), £40.99; P.G. Reid (Wages, March), £36.25; P.G. Reid (Expenses), £10.41; Tandridge District Council (register of electors), £0.19; Surrey Association of Parish & Town Councils (Fees for Councillors' symposium), £12.00; Surrey Voluntary Service Council (Entry fee, Best Kept village competition), £1.50; 1st Tatsfield Scout Group (donation, delivery of village directory), £8.00.

6. PRECEPT.

A precept for £500, payable on April 1, 1977 was issued on Tandridge District Council.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Parking, Westmore Green.

Mr. Hunt drew attention to the parking of a coach near Westmore Green and the situation was discussed. - A personal approach to be made to the driver.

b. Alleged Car Repairing.

The Chairman undertook to investigate allegations that a car repairing business was being conducted from premises in Paynesfield Road.

8. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. Town Map.

During the public adjournments Mrs. Dunn pointed out that a 'town map' to be prepared for Tatsfield. She expressed her view that the Council should be represented at the coming appeal in relation to Ash View proposals (see minute 2avii) and during further discussion Mr. F. Watson undertook to prepare a petition to be presented at the public inquiry.

The meeting closed at 10.45p.m.

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TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING held at the Village Hall, Tatsfield on Wednesday, March 30, 1977 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. P.N. Owen (Parish Council Chairman), presiding. The following members of the Parish Council were also present: Mr. R.W. Pearce, Mrs. M.E. Crofts, Mrs. M.L.G. Hession, Mrs. A.M. McHugo, Mrs. E.M.G. Player, and Mr. H.W. Hunt, with the Clerk (Mr. P.C. Reid). Also present were Mrs. H. Dunn (District Council representative), Mr. J. MacFarlane (County Council representative) and 23 parishioners.

MINUTES of the annual parish meeting held on March 31, 1976 and of the special parish meeting held on November 10, 1977 were confirmed and signed.

REPORTS.

a. Chairman.

Reporting on the year's work, Mr. Owen said an unusual situation arose after the election when there were six new members of the Council. He expressed thanks to Mrs. Crofts (the remaining member), former members and the Clerk for help given to the new members in taking up their task. The introduction of a thrice-weekly bus service to Oxted had been welcomed, though there had been some requests for a longer stay in Oxted. Planning matters had occupied a good deal of Council time. All applications had now to be notified to the Parish Council which had made comments as appropriate.

Considerable concern had been expressed at the growing urbanisation of Biggin Hill and representations had been made to Sir Geoffrey Howe, as well as County and District Councils. Parish Councils in the Tandridge District had supported the Council's approach.

The District Council had been asked to clarify the area in the village centre in which they were prepared to permit development and a reply was awaited. A footpath had been provided for the use of Crossways Court residents at the Council's request and efforts were being made to improve this facility. An increased rate had been requested from the District Council to enable the Council to meet reasonable demands ~~which~~ made by local organisations and to prevent the Council having to face the alternative of falling into financial arrears or of making a demand on the District Council which could only be met from borrowed money.

Parking around the island in the village centre had caused much debate and by a majority parking lines had been requested as the only way of dealing with the problem.

Following representations by the Council the County library stop near the school was re-instated by reducing the times at other stops slightly. The twinning with Vern D'Anjou progressed satisfactorily and about 60 visitors were expected in Tatsfield the following week-end.

The re-decoration of the Village Hall had persuaded the Council to enter the Best Kept Village Competition (with special reference to the hall) and it was hoped to make a special effort with the village as a whole, with the co-operation of local residents and organisations, in 1978.

Mr. Owen concluded by expressing his thanks to his colleagues on the Council, the village hall management committee and all others who had helped forward communal life during the past year.

His report was adopted by the meeting.

b. Village Hall.

The report of the Village Hall Management Committee, as circulated and filed was presented by the Chairman, Mr. H. Wilnot.

The Clerk reported that no nominations had been received for the management committee, despite an announcement on village notice boards. Mr. Wilnot's report was adopted and during discussion it was agreed that in future copies of planning application lists should be supplied to Mr. Hubbard for posting at the hall.

c. Primary School.

The Rev. Michael Uasin (Rector) presented a report on the primary school, a copy of which is filed with these minutes. His report was adopted.

d. Village Pond Association.

Comprehensive reports on the work of the Pond Association were presented by Mr. A. Clarke and Mrs. D. Geary. Mrs. Geary detailed a number of proposals made to improve and beautify the pond.

It was reported that the Association which had been voted the remaining funds of the former Residents' Association had £240 in hand. The reports were adopted.

d. District Council.

Mrs. Dunn reported on her work on Tandridge District Council. She reiterated the concern expressed by Mr. Owen as to the urban sprawl extending from the direction of Biggin Hill and deal, among other matters, with problems arising from a judgement of cesspool charges.

e. County Council.

Mr. J. MacFarlane reported on County Council matters and stressed the problems caused in Surrey by reason of the reduction of the rate support grant.

The county was nevertheless endeavouring to maintain essential services at a time of raging inflation coupled with the decrease in government support.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

A general discussion ensued on a number of matters. When Mr. Softley questioned the additional rate provision sought by the Parish Council, the Chairman pointed out that the addition amounted to about 60p or 70p per household. Funds so made available would only be applied to matters calculated to be for the benefit of the village as a whole.

Dr Michael Hession welcomed the policy now adopted.

After some further discussion the meeting ended at 10.0p.m. with refreshments served by Mrs. Crofts. The annual meeting of the Vern D'Anjou Association followed.

TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

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April 1, 1977.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Notice is hereby given that the next meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL will be held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield on WEDNESDAY, April 13, 1977 at 8.0p.m.

Yours faithfully,

Percy G. Reid,

Clerk.

A G E N D A

1. Apologies.
2. Minutes of meeting held on March 14, 1977.
3. Matters Arising.
4. Correspondence and Reports.
5. Accounts for Payment.
6. Any Other Business.

Members of the public are invited to attend the meeting and will be able to ask questions during a short adjournment.

If the business to be conducted renders it necessary the Council may, by resolution, ask members of the public and representatives of the Press to withdraw.

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 Wednesday, April 13, 1977 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. P.M. Owen (Chairman), Mr. E.W. Pearce, Mrs. M.E. Crofts, Mrs. A.M. McHugo, Mrs. E.M.G. Flayer and Mr. H.W. Hunt, with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid) and seven parishioners.

1. APOLOGIES were received from Mrs. M.L.G. Hession.
2. MINUTES of the meeting held on March 14, 1977 were confirmed and signed with the amendment of minute 7a to delete reference to a personal approach being made.
3. MATTERS ARISING.

a. Planning (Item 2a of meeting held March 14, 1977)

i. Status of Path (2aiii).

Letter (6/4) from County Area Engineer said he was ascertaining the views of the owner and other interested parties. He was forwarding Rights of Way evidence forms for completion. Clerk to forward copies of forms on receipt to Mrs. Flayer, Mrs. Crofts and Mrs. J. Dohie.

ii. Current Policy (Crossways etc). (2v).

No reply had been received from the District Council. - The Chairman reported on protest forwarded to District Council by five residents in Crossways. Clerk to acknowledge this and point out action already taken by this Council and also to investigate the nature of earlier planning permission granted in respect of this site.

iii. Current Applications.

Mrs. Crofts reported on applications notified during the past month. Objection had been made to the London Borough of Bromley regarding a proposal to build two semi-detached houses on a site in the Grove, Wiggin Hill.

iv. Appeal, Ash View (2avii)

Mrs. McHugo and Mr. Pearce reported that they attended this appeal and presented the views of this Council.

v. Appeal: Borough Road/Ship Hill.

Letter (28/3) gave notification of appeal by Post Office against the rejection of plans for building two or three houses on land fronting Borough Road and Ship Hill. Opposition to the proposal had been expressed on behalf of the parish council.

b. Crossways Court Footpath (2b).

Letters (17/3 & 31/3) from Chief Executive, District Council reported. That of March 31 said that nothing could be done to improve the surface of Crossways because of legal considerations affecting unadopted roads. It was pointed out that permission had not originally been given by frontagers on the north side of the road for a path on their land. Mrs. Flayer reported on the situation. *P*

c. Pavements: The Parade (2d).

No reply had been received from the Environmental Health Officer. Clerk to send reminder. In the event of no action being taken, the Chairman to make a personal approach to owners.

d. Village Directory (2e).

Chairman reported that scout officials were investigating a case in which copies were apparently being offered for sale with a price of 4p marked on them.

e. Notice Board, Westmore Green (2f)

Letter (29/3) from District Council said this was the responsibility of the parish council. Broken parts had been removed. The District Council would repair or replace the board at the request of the council, but asked whether this council wished to make other arrangements.

Clerk to seek quotation from District Council of the cost of (1) repairing or (2) replacing the board in its previous condition. Jubilee committee to be approached for their views if complete renewal proves necessary.

f. Annual Parish Meeting (2g).

i. Village Hall.

It appearing that the only matters arising from the annual parish meeting calling for decision by the Council were those concerning the Village Hall considerable discussion took place on these, and upon a letter sent to the Chairman by Mrs. Stevenson (secretary). Mrs. Stevenson said the committee had failed to fill the office of chairman. It was agreed that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman should consult Mrs. Hession as the Council's representative on the committee before further steps were taken to appoint a Chairman. The question of investigating the constitution of the hall and its operation, raised by Mr. Wilmet in his report to the annual meeting, was considered.

Agreed that a sub-committee should investigate the position and report back, the Council to be represented by the Chairman, Mrs. Hession and Mr. Hunt and the Management Committee to be invited to nominate two further members.


g. King Edward VII Memorial Garden (2h)

No reply having been received to further letter, the Clerk was asked to follow this matter up and report back.

h. Gritting Village Roads (2i).

Mr. Hunt reported and presented a list of possible sites, which was accepted.

Clerk to forward to County Council request for bins at the bottom of Rag Hill, on Ship Hill (opposite Kinshams Road), Tatsfield Green (by signpost and notice board), Ricketts Hill Road (one between the Paynesfield Road junction and the mushroom farm and another near Cudham Road), Hill Park/Chestnut Avenue (corner site), opposite the parish church and in Paynesfield Road (junction with Johns Road and Crossways).



i. Korbing, Westmore Green (2k).

Letter (29/3) from County Council pointed out that studs as kerbside level were liable to become ineffective because of dirt. Clerk reported on telephone conversation with Mr. Williams of the county area office.

Decided after discussion to ask for the erection of one advance junction sign on the Approach Road indicating that the more important road swings to the right at this point.

j. Gatwick Area Conservation Campaign (2l).

This matter having been considered in conjunction with a circular from Surrey County Council drawing attention to the anticipated growth of the two London airports it was decided to affiliate to the campaign and payment of the £5 affiliation fee was agreed to.

k. Goatsfield Road (2m).

Clerk reported letter (7/4) from District Council which said that if planning contravention was discovered in relation to the hut action would be taken. Planning approval was given for a stable at Fairwind in 1975. - Noted.

l. Misuse of Paths (2n).

i. Westmore Green (2ni)

Letter (22/3) from District Council said ruts were again to be filled.

ii. George's & Ninehams Roads.

Complaint having been made of the driving of an uninsured car by drivers apparently under age the Clerk was instructed to report the incidents to the police, pointing out that it appeared that there was an impression that, the road not being adopted, it was not necessary for drivers to be qualified and insured.

m. Foot of Ricketts Hill (2p).

Clerk to seek further action, pointing out the increasing danger of materials by the roadside.

n. Greater London Incursion (3a).

Mr. Pearce reported that he had sought the assistance of Mr. MacFarlane at the annual parish meeting.

o. Mrs. Amelia Cook's Charity (3c).

The Clerk reported that it now appeared that this related to Farnborough Gospel Hall.

Mrs. Gentry commented, during the public adjournment, on Mrs. Cook's association with Tatsfield and said the matter was being pursued through solicitors.

p. Councillors' 'Symposium'.

Mr. Pearce & Mr. Hunt reported on attendance at the event organised by the Surrey Association of Parish Councils, which they felt to have been profitable.

Matters discussed included 'social impartiality', bridle and footpaths, the Green Belt and the conduct of parish meetings.

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g. Jubilee Celebrations (4a).

Mrs. McHugo reported on events being organised and the Clerk read letter (5/4) from District Council asking for consultation as to the positioning of proposed trees on the green so that they did not interfere with mowing arrangements.

f. Best Kept Village Competition.

Posters passed to Chairman for display in village.

e. Twining (4b).

The Chairman reported on the successful visit of a party from Vern D'Anjou the previous week-end and it was reported that it was hoped a smaller party, including a number of older citizens, would visit Tatsfield during the jubilee celebrations.

t. Alleged Car Repairing (7b).

The Chairman reported that he had an assurance that no commercial repairing was being undertaken, such work as did go on being in the nature of a private hobby.

4. CORRESPONDENCE.

c. Proposed Gipsy Site.

Letter (21/3) from Sevenoaks District Council informed council of inspection of site near the county boundary as a possible venue for a gipsy encampment. - Noted.

5. REPORTS.

a. Oxted & District Social Centre (Item 3b, January minutes).

The Clerk having reported that payment was still awaited of the precept issued at the last meeting it was decided to defer further consideration till the next meeting.

b. Telephone Service (Item 2a, December 1976 minutes).

Letter (5/4) received in reply to reminder from Clerk said that Tatsfield was still programmed to merge with the Biggin Hill exchange, but not till a new electronic exchange was provided there: in 1986 as at present planned. By then it was possible all exchanges would be 'all numbers.' It was suggested that the matter might be re-opened, say in six years' time. - Noted.

c. Development, Furze Corner.

Reported that, at the Chairman's request, letters had been sent (18/3) to Tandridge and Bromley Planning Officers expressing concern at development taking place near Furze Corner.

The Chairman, to whom the correspondence was passed for action, suggested that officers from both councils ought to meet on the site and discuss the situation.

d. Footpath Trail.

Copies of the new footpath trail for Tatsfield forwarded by the District Council were distributed.

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6. FINANCE.

a. Precept.

The Clerk reported that he had that day been promised early payment of the precept upon the District Council issued at the last meeting.

b. Clerk's Salary.

Agreed that the Clerk's salary be increased to £480 per annum as from April 1, 1977 in line with the agreement between the National Association of Local Councils and the Society of Local Council Clerks.

c. Accounts for Payment.

The following accounts were approved for payment and the necessary cheques signed: P.G. Reid (postage etc), £5.79; P.G. Reid (Wages, April), £40.00; Village Hall (parish meeting rent), £1.66; Cotwick Area Conservation Campaign (affiliation fee), £5.00.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Street Cleaning.

Mrs. Payer reported on complaints arising from early morning street cleaning. - Noted.

b. Footpath 19A.

Mrs. Crofts reported that parts of this path were almost impassable. - Mrs. McHugh to pursue the matter.

c. Footpath: Manor House-George's Road.

Clerk to seek County Council action regarding this footpath on which all three stiles were reported broken.

8. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. Town Planning.

Mr. Goodchild said his information was that development was permitted within a quarter of a mile of the village centre and elsewhere was to be restricted to replacement on a one-for-one basis.

b. Maesawr Road.

Reported that the pig farm continued to be a problem with effluent collecting at the junction of George's, John's and Maesawr Roads. In spite of correspondence by individuals living nearby no action had yet resulted.

The meeting closed at 10.00p.m.


9.5.77.

TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

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April 28, 1977.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Notice is hereby given that the annual meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL will be held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, May 9, 1977 at 8.00p.m.

Yours faithfully,

Penny C. Reid
Penny C. Reid,
Clerk.

A G E N D A

1. Apologies.
2. Election of Chairman.
3. Election of Vice-Chairman.
4. Appointment of representatives:
 - a. Village Hall Management Committee.
 - b. Surrey Association of Town and Parish Councils.
5. Minutes of meeting held on April 13, 1977.
6. Matters Arising.
7. Correspondence and Reports.
8. Accounts for payment.
9. Any Other Business.

Members of the public are invited to attend the meeting and will be able to ask questions during a short adjournment.

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TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the annual meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, May 9, 1977 at 9.0p.m.

PRESBY: Mr. P.N. Owen, Mrs. M.E. Crofts, Mrs. M.L.G. Hession, Mrs. A.M. McHugh, Mrs. E.M.G. Player and Mr. H.W. Hunt, with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid), eight parishioners and a Press representative.

1. APPLICAINS were received from Mr. R.W. Pearce.
2. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN.
On the proposition of Mrs. Crofts, seconded by Mrs. Hession, Mr. Owen was elected chairman for the ensuing year.
3. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN.
On the proposition of Mrs. Crofts, seconded by the Chairman, Mr. Pearce was elected vice-chairman for the coming year.
4. APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES.
Mrs. Hession was appointed to represent the Council on the Village Hall Management Committee and Mr. Pearce to represent it on the Surrey County Association of Parish and Town Councils.

This concluded the annual business and a normal monthly meeting of the Council followed.
5. MINUTES of the meeting held on April 13, 1977 were confirmed and signed.
6. MATTERS ARISING.
 - a. Planning (Item 3a of last minutes).
 - i. Status of Path (3ai)
Clerk reported that six completed forms of evidence of use had been received. A further supply had been requested.
 - ii. Crossways (3aii)
Letter (20/4) from District Council said this application had now been approved. No reply had been received to a request for information regarding the area in which development would be approved. Decided that this Council should continue to adopt the policy of opposing development more than a quarter of a mile from the village centre.
 - iii. Waylands Fish Farm (Furse Corner) (5c).
The Chairman reported that he had been in communication with both Tonbridge & Bromley Councils. Bromley had confirmed that their enforcement officer was to visit the site.
 - iv. Current Applications.
Mrs. Player reported on applications notified during the month and action taken, particularly in regard to proposals at the Grove and Lusted Hall Lane, Biggin Hill. - Her report was adopted.

v. Appeal: Borough Road/Ship Hill (3av)

Letter (12/4) said Council's comments had been forwarded to the Department of the Environment. - Noted.

vi. New Applications.

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

b. Pavements: The Green (3c).

Clerk reported on advice given by legal department of District Council and said the County Council had now addressed a similar letter to the owners to those forwarded by the parish council.

Mrs. Payer reported that her information was that the Working Men's Club were to undertake certain work, it being alleged that damage had been caused by lorries on club business.

c. Village Directory (3d).

Mrs. Crofts reported that a number of households did not appear to have received copies of the new village directory. - The Chairman promised to investigate.

d. Notice Board, Westmore Green (3e).

Letter (26/4) from District Council said it would cost £50 to repair or £150 to replace the board.

After discussion the Chairman and Mrs. Crofts were authorised to accept a local estimate for repairs up to £25, the Clerk to ask the District Council to return the damaged parts to the contractor when this had been arranged.

Later, during a public adjournment Mr. K. Goodchild offered to undertake the repairs and his offer was warmly accepted.

e. Village Hall (3f1)

The Chairmann reported that he took the chair at the last meeting of the Management Committee and was prepared to do so at the next meeting.

As an interim measure he was prepared to share this duty with Mr. Peares until such time as the situation cleared in relation to the constitution. Mr. Owen pointed out that the Committee would like to see the Council more strongly represented.

The Clerk was instructed to inform the secretary of the Management Committee of Council views and, specifically, to express appreciation to Mr. Willmet for his services as Chairman.

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

Clerk said District Council representatives had found difficulty in identifying site because of the small scale of the plan attached to the deeds. Mr. Wilson (District Council legal department) had promised to get in touch with either Mrs. Crofts or Mrs. Geary. This it appeared he had not yet done.

g. Gritting Village Roads (3h).

Letter (29/4) from County Council acknowledged receipt of list of proposed sites for grit bins '... which will receive consideration.'

q. Precept (6a)

Clerk reported that the precept raised at the start of the financial year had now been paid. Further funds were now needed and he suggested a precept be issued for £1125, making up the remainder of the first half of the sum estimated for the financial year 1977-8. - Agreed.

r. Footpath 19A. (7b).

Letter (27/4) from County Council set out procedure to be followed the first stage being a formal approach to the owners requesting the repair of the stiles.

Doubts were expressed as to the ownership of the land over which the path runs and the Clerk was instructed to seek the help of the District Council in elucidating this and to proceed with the matter.

s. Piggeries, Maesmawr Road.

Mrs. McHugo reported that she had visited the Environmental Health Officer, Mr. Jones and the problem of effluent seeping on to the footpaths near the junction of John's Road and Maesmawr Road appeared to be on the way to solution as it was likely that the premises may shortly be properly drained.

7. CORRESPONDENCE.

1. Village Appraisal.

Letter (13/4) from Mr. Harding (Countryside Officer) asked whether village appraisal could now be forwarded.

It was recalled that this was a subject on which two students from the Brasted Place College had prepared a paper and decided after discussion this should be further studied by Council members with a view to the preparation of a suitable document for forwarding to Mr. Harding, who is to be informed of the situation. The Chairman offered to contact Mr. Harding to obtain further details.

2. Audit.

Clerk reported that notices had been received and posted that the audit would take place at Oxted Council offices on June 13. The accounts, which were presented to the Council, showed an overall balance of £692.25.

3. Surrey Structure Plan.

Letter (18/4) from County Council forwarded written statement and asked for comments by July 15. Matter to be discussed at next meeting following circulation of document to members. Clerk meanwhile to seek further copies of accompanying leaflet for wider distribution.

4. Signposting and Waymarking of Footpaths.

Letter (23/4) from County Council asked for co-operation in waymarking of footpaths and sought information by September. - To be circulated to members for further consideration.

5. Jubilee Events.

Letter (22/4) from District Council forwarded details of jubilee celebration events arranged throughout the district. - To be circulated for the information of members.

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6. Waiting Restrictions (Item 2d, February minutes).

Letter (26/4) from County Council said after considering objections it had been agreed that the scheme should proceed, and it would do so when the necessary order had been made and contractors were available. It was pointed out that the minute of the County Committee of which a copy was forwarded referred to the perimeter of Westmore Green and the Clerk was instructed to point out that this was not what had been agreed and to make clear that only the perimeter of the island was intended to be the subject of restrictions.

7. National Farmers' Union.

Letter (29/4) asked for details of local organisations. - Clerk authorised to forward copy of Village Directory.

8. Town Planning Conference.

Documentation forwarded by SCATCO to be circulated to members. Clerk to obtain details and application forms regarding town planning conference being organised at the Polytechnic of the South Bank with a view to the attendance of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman.

8. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were presented and the necessary cheques approved for payment: Cornhill Insurance (parish council), £3.00; P.G. Reid wages, May, £40.00; S.C.A.P.T.C. (annual subscription plus two copies of journal) £27.80; Commons Preservation Society (subscription), £2.00; Village Hall (Jubilee event), £4.00; Oxted & District Social Centre (donation), £10.

9. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Caravans, Kemsley Road.

Attention having been drawn to a proposal to come before a District Council Committee the following day for the stationing of five caravans on a site in Kemsley Road under powers possessed, apparently, by the Caravan Club, the Chairman undertook to express the Council's strong opposition to Mrs. Dunn (local District Council member) in advance of the committee meeting.


Mr. D. Hayes, during a subsequent public adjournment, drew attention to the powers apparently vested in the Caravan Club and expressed his personal objection.


b. Tatefield Playing Fields Association.


The Chairman reported on a recent meeting of the Playing Fields Association. He confirmed that they had temporary planning permission up to 1980, which appeared to present no difficulties. A cesspit was being built to comply with regulations and a further self-help campaign was about to start.


The Association would welcome the promised donation towards the expenses incurred in installing electricity and this is was agreed to meet following payment of the precept.


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TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

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June 30, 1977.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Notice is hereby given that the next meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL will be held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, July 11, 1977 at 8.0p.m.

Yours faithfully,
Percy G. Reid,
Clerk.

A G E N D A

1. Apologies.
2. Minutes of meeting held on June 13, 1977.
3. Matters Arising.
4. Reports.
5. Correspondence.
6. Accounts for Payment.
7. Any Other Business.

Members of the public are invited to attend the meeting and will be able to ask questions during a short adjournment.

If the business to be conducted renders it necessary the Council may, by resolution, ask members of the public (including representatives of the Press) to withdraw.

TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, July 11, 1977 at 8.0p.m

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

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on June 13, 1977 were confirmed and signed.
2. MATTERS ARISING.
 - a. Royal Jubilee Message.

Telegram acknowledging message sent to the Queen on the occasion of the Royal Jubilee received by the Chairman to be displayed on notice board in Village Hall.
 - b. Planning (Item 2a of last minutes).
 - i. Status of Path (2ai).

Clark reported that forms of evidence of use had been forwarded to the County Council and formally acknowledged.
 - ii. Hillbrow, Paynesfield Road (2aiii).

Notification (20/6) from District Council that this application had been refused.
 - iii. Current Applications (2avi).

Mrs. McHugo reported on applications notified during the month and on representations made, in particular in relation to developments in the Tatsfield/Biggin Hill fringe area of the London Borough of Bromley.
 - iv. Nettlepatch, Lusted Hall Lane.

Letter (22/6) from Bromley Council indicating change in roof design noted.
 - v. Waylands Fish Farm (Item 6aiii, May Minutes).

Chairman reported on letter (14/6) received from Bromley Council. This reported on an inspection which showed little change in the situation, but noted large structure in course of erection at Glongarry. - Noted.
 - vi. New Applications.

Mrs. Crofts was appointed to deal with applications notified between this meeting and that to be held in September.

c. Village Directory (2b).

The Chairman reported that he had been assured by officers of the Scout Association that the village had been covered. If those who had not received a copy would let the Scouts know, one would be supplied. After discussion the Chairman was authorised to order any reprint needed to complete distribution.

d. Notice Board, Westmore Green (2c).

Mr. Pearce reported that it seemed desirable that the board should be completely re-constructed, using wood instead of metal. Mr. Goodchild had offered to carry out the work without charge during the autumn, the Council meeting the cost of any materials. Agreed to accept Mr. Goodchild's offer with appreciation; Mr. Pearce authorised to liaise with Mr. Goodchild in carrying out the work.

e. Village Hall (2e).

Following completion of the annual audit a letter (27/6) had been received from the District Auditor regarding the Village Hall. This queried who actually controlled the hall and suggested that the constitutional situation should be considered bearing in mind the model as approved by the National Association of Local Councils. It was suggested that consideration should be given to the shortfall of income compared with expenditure and that a review of hiring charges might be undertaken.

The Clerk reported that he had now received documentation regarding the model constitution from the Surrey Council of Social Services. Following discussion it was agreed that the whole position should be fully investigated at a joint meeting of the Management Committee and the Parish Council to be held at the Village Hall on Wednesday, August 31. The Chairman undertook to circulate copies of the Auditor's letter and of the model constitution to members of both bodies in advance of the meeting.

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

Mrs. Crofts had nothing further to report.

g. Footpath 19 (21).

Clerk reported that the situation had been set out in detail in a letter to the County Council. A letter addressed to the Occupier, Gorsey Down Farm had been returned undelivered. The County Council had been advised of this and asked to take action. Their acknowledgement said the matter was being investigated. Clerk to keep matter under review and, if necessary, expedite reply in time for September meeting.

h. Audit (2n).

Clerk reported that this had been satisfactorily completed, the only comments being in relation to the Village Hall, as noted in paragraph 2e (above).

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i. Surrey Structure Plan (2c) & Village Appraisal (2m).

The public participation draft of the Surrey Structure Plan having been considered by all members, the Chairman presented a report setting out the Council's views.

These were in general in line with County policy, except in relation to bus services, which the county feel should, in the long run, be self-supporting.

The report was agreed, with the recommendation that this Council feels that bus services should, if necessary, continue to be subsidised and the services be improved by the introduction of rover tickets and the careful scheduling of services.

During discussion the success of the 465 village service was emphasised but it was pointed out that whilst providing a highly desirable and much used public service it was not likely to become financially viable.

Clerk to forward Council's comments to County Council, with copy to Mr. A. Cackle (SCAPTC Working Party Chairman).

a. Village Appraisal.

Further discussion took place regarding the Village Appraisal suggested by the Countryside Officer.

It was agreed to proceed with this on the basis of a detailed study of the village and further examination of the 'non statutory' area of development shown in plan provided by District Council (June minutes item 211)

j. Signposting & Waymarking of Footpaths (2p).

The County Council letter of April 22, 1977 having been studied by all members it was agreed to inform the County Council that in view of the relatively small need in Tatsfield the Council would be prepared to erect such signstones as seem necessary using voluntary labour, the county council supplying the materials.

k. Horse Riding (2a).

Letter (25/6) from M.A. Wickham promised to draw the attention of riders to Council's letter of May 14 and asked for a map of local bridleways. Clerk to reply that the only bridleway in Tatsfield, as shown on the definitive map is Chestnut Avenue and to point out that enquiries are at present being made by the Council in an endeavour to improve the situation.

l. Appointment of School Managers (4a).

Following further consideration of County Council letter of May 30 it was decided to invite Mrs. Hession and the Rev. N. Ussin to be two of the Council's nominees; the PTA to be invited to present a further name for this Council's approval. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman were authorised to confirm the PTA nomination on behalf of the Council.

m. Purchase of Union Jack (6a).

Decided to purchase Union Jack 6' X 3' for use at Village Hall.

Following a comment during the public adjournment it was agreed to consider providing a suitable flagstaff.

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n. Parking, Westmore Green (6d).

Clerk to ask District Council to cut away bank so that cars can park in a way which will permit of the passage of other vehicles.

O. Matters Outstanding.

Matters on which no information was available or on which progress is awaited after the vacation include:

- i. Width Restriction, Church Hill (6d, minutes of May meeting).
- ii. Gritting Village Roads (2g, June meeting).
- iii. Bridleways (6b).

3. REPORTS.

a. Westmore Pond (6d last minutes).

The Chairman reported that he had received an oral request asking for financial support for the Pond Association.

The Association now had about £350, with a further £300 promised towards the eventual probable cost of improvements of about £900. A sum of £50 had been raised by an exhibition the previous Saturday and a lunch organised by Mrs. Crofts had raised a further £6.

He proposed that the Association be invited to approach the District Council for assistance and that the Parish Council should make a further £250 available subject to the provision of satisfactory details of the work to be carried out: the Clerk so to inform Mr. Clarke, Pond Association chairman. - The Chairman's suggestions were approved. During a public adjournment Mr. Clarke explained the Association's plans in greatest detail and said they now had £377 in hand.

b. Playing Fields Association (3a).

The Chairman reported on the recent annual meeting of the Playing Fields Association, which was dependent for its development work on the help of the District and Parish Councils.

It was planned to have two football pitches, plus a cricket table to meet a demand now apparent.

It would cost the Association £315 to provide water to the pavilion. Of this half would be paid by an adjoining owner. Mr. Owen suggested that the Parish Council should indicate its willingness to contribute £100 towards the installation of water. This was agreed.

c. Jubilee Celebrations (3a).

Mrs. McHugo reported that a further, and final meeting was to be held when the financial position was clear.

d. Town Planning Conference (2r)

Mr. Pearce reported on the conference held at the Polytechnic of the South Bank at which Mrs. Payer and he represented the Council. Great awareness of the problems was clear at the conference. Mr. Pearce hoped that within the next two months it would be possible to put forward a detailed plan for Tatsfield. - Report accepted.

e. Best Kept Village.

Clerk reported that he had been notified that the village hall had not been selected to go forward to later stages of judging. - Noted.

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4. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Village Bus Service (Route 465).

Letter (22/6) from County Council reported that Tatsfield produced the greatest number of users of this service. An alteration was suggested which would permit of a longer stay in Oxted on one day a week. The Council was asked whether, if this was desired, they would prefer it to be on a Tuesday or a Friday. Considerable discussion ensued during which Mrs. Crofts maintained that people now accepted the times and would be happy with a minor improvement of about ten minutes in the time spent in Oxted. Her opinion was based on the views expressed to her by users of the service. It was eventually decided to thank the County Council for their offer, to forward the views expressed by Mrs. Crofts and indicate that the Council feels that any extension should be on an experimental basis and take place on the Friday journeys. Copy of letter to go to Mrs. Crofts.

5. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were approved and the necessary cheques signed for payment: Department of the Environment (Audit fee), £52.92; Westerham Parish Council (agreed contribution to administrative expenses), £12.50; P.G. Reid (Wages - July), £40.00; P.G. Reid (Wages - August), £40; P.G. Reid (Expenses), £7.19; Surrey Voluntary Service Council (Village Hall constitution documentation), £0.15; Tatsfield Village Hall (Jubilee meeting), £1.00; Mr. R.W. Pearce (Expenses SCAGTC & Conference), £4.50; Messrs Turtle & Pearce (Union Jack), £9.72).

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Parking of Motor Cycles.

Mrs. Hession drew attention to the problem caused by the parking of motor cycles near the village centre.

b. Vandalism.

Mrs. Pleyer having drawn attention to a recent case of vandalism, the Chairman reported that at least three other recent cases had been notified and the police had promised extra vigilance and additional night patrols.

c. Boundary Review.

Mr. Pearce referred to the imminence of a review of county boundaries and asked members to be prepared to make suggestions.

d. Rubbish Dumping.

Mrs. McHugo drew attention to the dumping of rubbish in an area behind the Square, Pynesfield Road. Decided that there should be a formal inspection and that, if the situation was suitable, the District Council be invited to erect signs prohibiting dumping.

&. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. Development Area.

Mr. D. Hayes said that a map previously provided by the District Council - of which Mr. Clarke had a copy - included an outer development area, in addition to that indicated on the map now provided.

b. Planning Details.

Mr. Hayes drew attention to the false impression sometimes given in planning matters when the size of the proposed alterations or of new buildings were not clearly indicated.

The meeting closed at 10.55p.m.

R. P. Lane.

12th September 1977

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Dear Sir/ Madam,

Notice is hereby given that the next meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL will be held at the United Reformed Church, Pynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday *September 12* 197*7* at 8.0 AM.

Yours faithfully,

Percy *Percy Reid*
Clerk.

A G E N D A

1. Apologies.
2. Minutes of meeting held on *11-7-77*.....
3. Matters Arising.
4. Reports.
5. Correspondence.
6. Accounts for payment.
7. Any Other Business.

Members of the public are invited to attend the meeting and will be able to ask questions during a short adjournment.

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TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, September 12, 1977 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. R.W. Pearce (Vice-Chairman, presiding), Mrs. M.E. Crofts, Mrs. H.L.G. Hession, Mrs. E.M.G. Player and Mr. H.W. Hunt with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid), five parishioners and a Press representative.

1. APOLOGIES were received from Mr. P.W. Owen and Mrs. A.K. McHugo.
2. MINUTES of the meeting held on July 11, 1977 were confirmed and signed.
3. MATTERS ARISING.

a. Planning.

i. Status of Path (Item 2b of last minutes).

Letter (21/7) from County Area Engineer said report was being prepared for consideration by Tandridge Area Partnership Sub-Committee. Further letter (9/9) asked if Parish Council could help to identify owner. Clerk to reply that the Council is bound to emphasise that it is desired to press the claim for the footpath to be officially recognised, even if no land owner can be found. It cannot help identify landowner.

ii. Current Applications.

Mrs. Crofts reported on applications notified since the last meeting and action taken.

The Clerk was instructed to inform Bromley Council of this Council's continued opposition to the extension of development near the county boundary, in particular in relation to plans notified in respect of a detached bungalow and garage at 58, the Grove, Biggin Hill.

iii. Site Adjacent to Anglecroft, Borough Road.

Reported that Mr. Owen, on behalf of the Council, had expressed opposition to these proposals. Letter (23/8) from District Council said that permission had been refused.

iv. New Applications.

Mrs. Hession was appointed to deal with planning applications notified during the month.

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v. Service Area, M25. Motorway.

Reported that following a Press report that it was proposed to establish a service area on the M25 in the area of Clackett's Lane and Titsey Wood the Council chairman had sent a reasoned protest to the County Planning Officer (copy to Mr. Macfarlane).

About 40 acres of attractive countryside was expected to be used for the area and, apart from distraction likely to be caused by noise and lighting, additional local traffic was likely to be generated to service the area.

Mr. Macfarlane had forwarded a copy of a letter sent to him by the South East Road Construction Unit.

After considerable discussion in which many aspects of the problem were put forward, there was general agreement that the proposal should be resisted.

The following action was decided upon: (1) to seek from SERCU a copy of the plan forwarded by them to Mr. Macfarlane; (2) to protest strongly to Surrey County Council that a decision appeared to have been taken in secret to allow in principle the construction of a motorway service area in the Tatsfield parish, thus completely refuting the democratic process; (3) to seek the views of neighbouring Councils (Limpsfield & Westerham) and of Titsey Parish meeting; (4) to acquaint Sir Geoffrey Howe MP (who was understood already to have visited the site) of the Council's attitude; (5) to seek the support and advice of the Surrey Amenities Council.

Whilst members recognised the necessity for a service area, there was a general view that the location apparently chosen was particularly unsuitable in view of the major damage likely to be caused to the rural amenities.

Mrs. Player suggested that a public meeting should be called and this suggestion was supported during the public adjournment.

The Chairman felt that such a meeting would be premature and it was agreed to postpone such action until further information was available.

b. Village Directory (2c).

Further reports having been received that residents had not received copies of the Village Directory, it was decided to ask the Chairman and Vice-Chairman to investigate the position and order a suitable additional supply to enable circulation to be completed.

c. Notice Board, Westacre Green (2c).

Mr. Pearce said he hoped to produce a drawing of the proposed new board at the next meeting for Council approval.

d. Village Hall (2e).

Minutes of the joint meeting between the Parish Council and the Village Hall Management Committee held on August 31, as circulated and filed were approved.

The necessary authority to enable the Clerk to withdraw the deeds from the bank was approved and it was agreed that a further joint meeting should be held to consider the position revealed after a study of the deeds.

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

Mrs. Crofts said she would be seeking further information.

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f. Footpath 19 (2g).

Letter (21/7) from County Council agreed that the stiles were in need of repair but pointed out that, unusually, there was no obstruction to the public right of way. To that extent the problem was a complicated one - Reply noted.

g. Surrey Structure Plan & Village Appraisal (2i).

Mr. Pearce felt a special meeting would be needed to deal with the village appraisal and it was agreed that this might suitably be held in mid October. Mr. Pearce agreed to copy the 'unofficial planning map' provided by the District Council for circulation to members so that they could formulate their views in advance of the meeting.

h. Waymarking of Footpaths (2j).

The Clerk pointed out that the Council had been asked to indicate which paths they felt should be waymarked. Mrs. Payer, to whom the Clerk was to provide a copy of the definitive map, undertook to collate suggestions.

i. School Managers.

The Parents Teachers Association had nominated Mr. R. Dolan of Shipfield Close for consideration for appointment as school manager. - Agreed to accept Mr. Dolan's nomination. Clerk to notify County Council and thank PTA.

j. Union Jack (2n).

Mrs. Hession accepted the flag on behalf of the Village Hall Management Committee which is consider the provision of a suitable flagstaff.

k. Parking, Westmore Green (2n).

Letter (22/7) from Technical Services Officer said matter was being investigated and promised further reply. - Clerk to send reminder.

l. Width Restriction, Church Hill (Item 6d, May minutes).

Notification (18/7) that 'matter will receive attention.' - Clerk to send strong reminder pointing out that matter has become more urgent with the opening of a new school term.

m. Gritting Village Roads (2g, June meeting).

Reply (11/7) from County Council gave reasons why bins were not being provided at Tatsfield Green, near Gudham Lane junction with Ricketts Hill Road, at the corner of Hill Park & Chestnut Avenue; opposite the Parish Church and at the junction of Pynesfield Road with Johns Road & Crossways. Clerk to thank County for their reply and indicate that Council will keep matter under observation during the coming winter.

n. Westmore Pond (3a).

Letter (8/9) from Chief Executive & Clerk to District Council considered. Mr. Brunton said CTO was preparing comments on which the Council's views would be welcomed.

Clerk to reply saying that Council hoped to be able to consider these comments at its October meeting. Mr. Hunt expressed surprise that a copy of the Pond Association's application to the District Council had not been made available to the Council, and it was agreed to seek a copy.

o. Playing Fields Association (3b).

Letter from Mr. Bradshaw thanked Council for their offer to help with cost of connecting water to pavilion and pointed out the District Council grant this year would only be £50.

The Chairman reported that with Mr Owen and Mr. Hunt he attended a recent meeting and had been impressed with the enthusiasm displayed. It was decided to approve payment of the £100 already agreed towards the water supply, Mr. Pearce undertaking to hand over the cheque following inspection of the estimates.

p. Jubilee Celebrations (3c).

Reported that a final meeting was still to be held at which disposal of outstanding balance would be decided upon. - Mrs. McHugo was dealing with a request that local records should be made available to the County Archivist.

q. Best Kept Village (3e).

Results and comments on Tatsfield village and village hall reported. Copies of comments to be forwarded to Rector with a suggestion that he may wish to make some use of these in parish magazine.

r. Village Bus Service (Route 465). (4a).

Letter (20/7) from County Council said no change would be made pending the end of the experimental period. - Noted.

s. Dumping of Rubbish (6d).

Discussion adjourned to enable all members to inspect site behind the Square.

h. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Gotsfield Road (Item 3k, April minutes).

Following a request (25/7) from District Council for information regarding use of timber building, Mrs. Dethle had written (29/8) giving details in her own knowledge. This had been passed to the District Council. - Noted.

b. Approach Road (6b, June minutes).

Letter (2/8) from County Council quoted Section 70 of the Highways Act, 1959 and said that in the light of this it was not proposed to change the status of the verge.

Following further request from the Clerk documentation had been received regarding the status and establishment of bridleways and this it was agreed to circulate among members.

c. District Council.

Invitation to Chairman and Clerk to meet Chairman of District Council on Friday October 28 reported. - Both hoped to attend.

d. Licence Transfer.

Formal notice received of transfer of the licence of the Old Ship public house.

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e. Oxted Work Centre.

Accounts and notice of annual meeting received. - To be circulated for the information of members.

f. Scout Group.

Letter (8/9) from Mr. Dredge, Group Scout Leader, asked if Council would be willing to make a donation towards work on headquarters building. Decided after discussion to make a contribution of £30.

g. Surrey Amenities Council.

Letter received requesting support. - Agreed to make a donation of £10.

5. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were approved for payment and the necessary cheques signed: Ling Building Contractors (retention re. Village Hall and ancillary repairs), £123.18; P.G. Reid (Wages - September), £40; P.G. Reid (Expenses), £9.87; Bank of England (loan repayments and interest), £301.17; P.G. Reid (telephone rent), £4.32; Mr. P.N. Owen (re-imbursment re. National Council for Social Service), £1.50; Tatsfield Playing Fields Association (grant re. water supply), £100.00; Surrey Amenities Council (subscription), £10.00; Tatsfield Scout Group (donation), £30.00.

6. RECEIPT.

A receipt for £1125 was issued on the District Council.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Rag Hill.

Mrs. Crofts felt the question of traffic restrictions on Rag Hill should be re-opened, but it was decided to defer this until the Church Hill situation had been dealt with.

7. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. Street Light: Crossways/Westmore Road Junction.

A resident having complained during the public adjournment that this light was not operating properly, Mrs. Crofts agreed to report this to the Electricity Board.

b. Cyclists: Crossways Court.

A nuisance caused by cyclists riding close to the windows of Crossways Court having been reported by a resident, the Clerk was instructed to report this to the local policeman with a request for help.

The meeting closed at 11.03p.m.

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TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL.

MINUTES of a joint meeting of Tatsfield Parish Council and members of the Village Hall Management Committee held at the Village Hall on Wednesday, August 31.

(presiding)

PRESENT: The following members of the Parish Council: Mr. P.N. Owen, Mr. R.W. Pearce, Mrs. M.L.G. Hession, Mrs. A.M. McHugo, and Mr. H.W. Hunt, with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid).

Members of the Village Hall Management Committee present were: Mrs. A. Jupp, Mrs. W. Stephenson, Mr. H. Tapsell and Mr. K. Hubbard (supervisor).

CONSTITUTION.

The meeting considered letter (27/6) from the District Auditor and model rules for village halls as prepared by the National Council for Social Service. Copies of the relevant documents were circulated to all members and a copy of the original draft constitution was also available.

It became clear that future action must depend on the precise terms of the conveyance and the Clerk was instructed to take steps to procure this for further consideration.

Subject to what might be revealed by a study of this document there was general agreement that the model constitution offered a satisfactory means of progressing and the meeting spent some time in considering such amendments in detail as might be needed to meet the local situation.

These the Chairman agreed to codify in a precise form for further consideration with a view to their adoption.

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Yours faithfully,

Percy *Percy Rain*
Clerk.

AGENDA

1. Apologies.
2. Minutes of meeting held on 12-9-72...
3. Matters Arising.
4. Reports.
5. Correspondence.
6. Accounts for payment.
7. Any Other Business.

Members of the public are invited to attend the meeting and will be able to ask questions during a short adjournment.

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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, October 10, 1977 at 8.00p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. P.M. Owen (Chairman), Mr. R.W. Pearce, Mrs. M.E. Crofts, Mrs. M.L.G. Hession, Mrs. A.M. McHugo, Mrs. E.M.G. Player and Mr. H.W. Hunt, with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reud) and about 14 parishioners.

1. DISTRICT COUNCIL REPRESENTATION.

The Chairman announced that Mrs. H. Dunn had been compelled by pressure of work to resign as local member of Tandridge District Council. Mr. Owen expressed appreciation of the co-operation and help which Mrs. Dunn had given to the Parish Council.

2. MINUTES of the meeting held on September 12, 1977 were confirmed and signed.

3. MATTERS ARISING.

a. Planning (Item 3a of last minutes).

i. Current Applications.

Mrs. Hession reported that no applications calling for comment had been notified during the month.

ii. Mount Pleasant/Polesteeples Hill, Biggin Hill.

Letter (5/10) from Bromley Planning Officer (Acting) drew attention to application No. 17/77/2093: outline application for 22 two-bedroom and 14 three-bedroom houses to be built at junction of Mount Pleasant and Polesteeples Hill.

Clerk to express the Council's opposition to the intensification of development in an area overlooking and approaching the county boundary.

iii. New Applications.

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

b. Westmore Pond (3n).

During the public adjournment Mr. K. Clarke reported on a conversation with Mr. Hoskins, Chief Technical Officer, Tandridge District Council. He felt it important that there should be a meeting with Mr. Hoskins at which the Parish Council should be represented as well as the Pond Association. Mr. Clarke pointed out that Mr. Hoskins had experience of a number of ponds in the district.

His report coincided with a similar conversation with Mr. Hoskins reported by the Clerk.

Agreed that Mrs. McHugo, Mrs. Player and Mr. Hunt represent the Council at the suggested meeting.

Clerk to point out to District Council that the Parish Council is in general agreement with the Pond Association's ideas.

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c. Service Area, M25 Motorway (3av).

Replies received from Sir Geoffrey Howe, MP, Surrey County Council, the Surrey Amenity Council, the SE Road Construction Unit, Messrs Strutt & Parker (on behalf of Major R. Lawson ~~Conway~~ & Limsfield and Westerham Parish Councils were considered.

Sir Geoffrey Howe forwarded copy of letter addressed to the Secretary of State for Transport, posing four questions, to which replies were awaited.

Surrey County Council had indicated support in principle to the Clacket Lens site, subject to consideration of detailed proposals.

Their reply indicated, in supporting documentation, that agreement in principle was first intimated by their predecessors in 1972.

SERCUC forwarded a plan showing the general area concerned.

Surrey Amenity Council promised to discuss the matter; Messrs Strutt & Parker indicated support on behalf of the Titsey Estate and Limsfield Parish Council had already acted in support of this Council's view.

During a long discussion it was pointed out that the subject was due for debate the following evening at a meeting of the Planning Committee of Tandridge District Council. The meeting would be in public and a representative of the government department would be present. Mrs. Dunn had indicated the views of the Parish Council to Mr. R.H. Drake, the Committee Chairman, and members of the Parish Council would be present. Mr. Pearce posed a series of questions to which he felt the Parish Council were entitled to an answer: when did Tandridge District Council first become aware of the proposal, and what steps were taken to inform local opinion; why did Surrey County Council take no steps to consult with the Parish Council (or so far as is known with the District Council), if necessary in confidence, at an earlier stage; on what basis was it considered that environmental considerations in the Walton-on-the-hill area (where the county have rejected a service area) outweighed similar considerations in the Westerham Valley; why on this type of road are service deemed necessary at 25-mile intervals; why the proposed area at Sevenoaks was no longer available; and why was secrecy maintained about this proposal when it was first mooted in 1972.

The Clerk was instructed to write to Surrey County Council and Tandridge District Council taking up the points raised by Mr. Pearce; to seek that replies to the questions raised by Sir Geoffrey Howe, are, in possible, available at the next Council meeting.

It was agreed that the views of the parish should be sought and that this could properly be done by calling a special parish meeting at a time to be fixed in the light of developments.

d. Surrey Structure Plan & Village Appraisal (3g).

Mr. Pearce circulated copies of the former Rural District Council's 'unofficial' plan and of parallel proposals provided by Mr. K. Clarke used as guidelines by the previous Parish Council.

It was agreed that these should be considered at the next Council meeting.

e. Village Directory. (3b).

The Chairman reported that a further supply was on order and it was hoped that copies would soon be available to those to whom they had not yet been delivered. - Report noted.

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f. Notice Board, Westmore Green (3c).

Mr. Pearce produced a drawing of the proposed new notice board. This was approved and Mr. Pearce said Mr. Goodchild would be carrying out the work in coming months.

g. Waymarking of Footpaths (3h).

Mrs. Player reported that five paths appeared to require waymarking with a total of 19 waymarks and said she and her family would be prepared to place these in position.

Clerk to notify County Council of proposals and ask that a total of 24 waymarks be supplied, if possible for delivery direct to Mrs. Player, who will also be seeking some co-operation from the Bromley Consumer Group. Mrs. Player retained the definitive map for reference.

h. Parking, Westmore Green (3k).

Letter (21/9) from District Council promising attention 'as soon as possible', noted.

i. Width Restriction, Church Road (3l).

Letter (22/9) from County Council said this matter would be brought to Tandridge Partnership Highways Sub-Committee and if approved would go into a three-year plan preparation pool of minor improvements for the preparation of a plan.

Mr. Pearce pointed out that this Council's request was merely for a width restriction, not for a major reconstruction.

j. Playing Fields Association (3c).

Reported that the Council's cheque for \$100 towards the cost of installing water was handed over at a Committee meeting of the Association attended by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman. Mr. Pearce passed to the Clerk supporting documentation on which the payment was authorised.

k. Jubilee Celebrations (3q).

Mrs. McHugo reported that a winding-up meeting was to be held the following week. - Noted.

l. Dumping of Rubbish (3s).

This matter was further raised during a public adjournment, following which the Clerk was instructed to draw the attention of Mr. Monteith to the situation, suggesting that he may wish to consider the erection of a suitable notice.

m. Gostfield Road (4a).

Clerk reported on further correspondence, in particular in relation to the earlier alleged earlier use of the site for dwelling purposes. With Mrs. Dohie's permission he had suggested that the District Council get in touch with her direct. - Report noted.

n. Approach Road: Bridleways (4b).

Deferred to enable members to complete study of documents in circulation.

x and Dr Hunt.

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o. Oxted Work Centre (4e).

Letter (13/9) appealed for support, preferably on a continuing annual basis. Mrs. McHugo reported that six workers and three helpers attended the centre from Tatsfield.

Agreed to donate £40 to the centre for this year and to indicate that the Council, which is unable to make a long-term commitment, is likely to look with sympathy on a further appeal next year.

i. Quiz.

Letter (17/9) invited parish to co-operate in annual quiz to be held at St. Michael's school, Idmington on November 25.

Agreed after a discussion to invite Mrs. Pam Cawley of Shipfield Close, the Rector and Mr. D. Hayes to represent the parish.

p. Surrey Amenity Council. (4g).

Letter (16/9) acknowledged Council's donation and forwarded copies of last two annual reports. - Reports to be circulated among Council members.

q. Precept (6).

Clerk reported that cheque had been received and banked.

4. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. National Association of Local Councils.

National questionnaire, completed by the Clerk as regards factual information. passed to Mr. Pearce for completion of policy questions.

b. Portrait of District Council Chairman.

Letter (22/9) from Mrs. J. Courtenay appealing for funds for the painting of a presentation portrait of District Council, noted.

c. Surrey Voluntary Service Council.

Notice of annual meeting received. - Clerk to forward Council's apologies.

d. Multiple Sclerosis Society.

Notice received of inaugural meeting of Tantridge District Branch to be held at Oxted.

5. REPORTS.

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

Mr. Pearce reported on the last meeting from which it appeared that only nine parish councils in Surrey had commented on the county structure plan.

b. Village Hall Management Committee.

Mrs. Hession reported that estimates had been invited for tarmac the exterior of the hall. It would cost about £2000 to cover the whole surrounding area (£89 for the front; £530 for east side and £1150 for back area.) During general discussion the desirability of tarmac the whole area was questioned.

Agreed to defer further consideration pending receipt of further estimates by the committee.

Clerk to enquire of County and District Councils whether they would be prepared to carry out the work.

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6. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were presented and the necessary cheques signed for payment: P.G. Reid (Wages - October), £40.00; P.G. Reid (Postage etc), £6.95; Oxted Work Centre (donation), £40.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Furze Corner.

Attention was drawn to dead trees opposite the Scout Hut on the Approach Road and the Clerk was asked to contact the owners with a view to these being felled on safety grounds.

b. Unauthorised Businesses.

The Chairman drew attention to the apparent proliferation of unauthorised businesses in the village and instanced sites at Edgar Road and The Square. After discussion Mr. Owen agreed to seek the advice of the District Council.

c. Village Amenities.

Mrs. Player drew attention to the ploughing up of footpath 564 leading to near the police house.
Mrs. McHugo pointed out that hedges at Ash View and at the rear of the Bakery needed cutting back.
Mrs. McHugo stressed the need to tidy up the village in general and expressed the hope that it might be possible to launch a sponsored 'clean up'.

8. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.


a. Oak Saplings.

Mr. H. Wilmot said he had a number of small oak saplings available for planting. The Approach Road seemed a suitable place for them. The Chairman was in general agreement.

b. Stiles.

Mrs. Pearce drew attention to a stile missing from a position at the foot of Ricketts Hill near its junction with Faynesfield Road.
Mrs. Crofts to investigate.

The meeting closed at 11.25p.m.


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NOVEMBER 3... 1977.

Dear Sir/ Madam,

Notice is hereby given that the next meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL will be held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday *NOVEMBER 14. 1977. at 8.0am*

Yours faithfully,

Percy *Rayfield*
Clerk.

AGENDA

1. Apologies.
2. Minutes of meeting held on *OCTOBER 10. 1977.*
3. Matters Arising.
4. Reports.
5. Correspondence.
6. Accounts for payment.
7. Any Other Business.

Members of the public are invited to attend the meeting and will be able to ask questions during a short adjournment.

If the business to be conducted renders it necessary the Council may, by resolution, ask members of the public (including representatives of the Press) to withdraw.

TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, November 14, 1977 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. F.N. Owen (Chairman), Mrs. M.E. Crofts, Mrs. M.L.G. Hession, Mrs. A.M. McHugo, Mrs. E.M.G. Player and Mr. H.W. Hunt, with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid) and about eight parishioners.

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

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on October 10, 1977 were confirmed and signed.

2. MATTERS ARISING.

a. Planning (3a of last minutes).

i. Current Applications.

Mrs. McHugo reported on applications notified during the month and action taken.

Mrs. Crofts undertook to investigate an application in relation to Plot 429 Kemsley Road and initiate any necessary action.

ii. Mount Pleasant/Dolesteep Hill, Biggin Hill (3a11).

Acknowledgement received of this Council's letter opposing development.

iii. 58, The Grove, Biggin Hill (Item 3ii of September minutes).

Letter (8/11) from Bromley Council gave details of conditions on which planning permission had been granted.

iv. Land Adjoining Hillbrow, Paynesfield Road.

Letter (1/11) from District Council gave notice of appeal against refusal to permit detached bungalow on this site.

The Clerk had reiterated this Council's opposition to the extension of the built up area of the village which would be caused if the application was granted, and these views had been forwarded to the Department of the Environment by the District Council.

v. New Applications.

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

b. Westmore Pond (3b).

Mr. Hunt reported on a meeting at which members of the Pond Association and the Council met Mr. Hoskins (Technical Services Officer). It had been suggested that a programme of improvements (including the provision of a membrane to line the pond) would cost from £2000 to £3000 but Mr. Hunt felt a modified scheme costing £1500 or less should be adequate. His report was adopted.

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c. M25 Motorway Service Area (3c).

The Chairman read a considered reply from the Minister of Transport forwarded by Sir Geoffrey Howe, MP. The letter set out the position as seen by the Ministry and was accompanied by copies of the minutes of the relevant committee meetings of the Surrey County Council. Letters received from the County and District Councils, Limpsfield Parish Council and Cxted and Limpsfield Amenities Association were also considered. The Amenities Association suggested that Tatsfield Parish Council should take the initiative in calling a meeting to organise opposition to the use of this site as a service area. Notes prepared by Mr. Pearce were also considered.

The Chairman said a preliminary meeting of those interested, including those concerned with opposition to the Westerham Interchange proposals had already been arranged.

Official correspondence made it clear that formal complaints should be made to Tandridge District Council when a planning application was being considered.

The Chairman suggested, and it was agreed, that an early meeting on the lines suggested by the Amenities Association was desirable.

It was unanimously decided to call a public meeting to which all interested in the proposal should be invited at the Village Hall on Wednesday, November 30 at 8.30p.m., and authority was given for the expenditure of not more than £10 in organising this.

Arrangements were left with the Chairman and Clerk in consultation and it was decided to leave the meeting to decide whether further action in relation to the proposal should be led by the Parish Council or by any new organisation to be established at the meeting.

d. Surrey Structure Plan & Village Appraisal (3d).

Decided to defer detailed consideration till early in the New Year, the Chairman pointing out to members that Mr. Harding, Countryside Officer would be discussing the preparation of village appraisals at a meeting to be held at Cxted Council offices on December 8. Members of the Council would be welcome.

e. Village Directory (3e).

The Chairman reported that it had not been possible to secure reprints of the current issue and it was decided that a new edition should be prepared to be circulated early in 1978.

f. Waymarking of Footpaths (3g).

Mrs. Flayer reported that the waymarks requested had not yet been received. - Clerk to remind County Council.

g. Playing Fields Association.

Letter (16/10) from Secretary thanked Council for donation towards the cost of providing water and drew attention to Council's earlier consideration of this matter. - Clerk's reply approved.

h. Jubilee Celebrations (3k).

Mrs. McHugo said a donation of £10 had been made to the Queen's Silver Jubilee appeal fund from the balance remaining. It was hoped to provide a photograph of the local celebrations for retention in the Council archives.

i. Parking, Westmore Green (3h).

Letter (21/9) from District Council pointed out legal position and said it had to be decided whether the proposals were for the protection and improvement of the common or to provide parking facilities for neighbouring residents.

The District Council, which invited the Parish Council's comments, had also to consider whether it was desirable to establish a precedent.

The Council accepted the force of the legal arguments set out and it was decided to suggest that consideration should be given to meeting the situation by making some adjustment to the boundaries of the gardens of nearby Council houses. It was agreed not to pursue the original suggestion.

j. Dumping of Rubbish (3l).

No reply had been received from Mr. Monteith. Following some further discussion it was agreed that a personal approach be made to him.

k. Oxted Work Centre (3o).

Donation formally acknowledged. - Clerk reported that the Rector and Mrs. Cowley had accepted the invitation to join Mr. Hayes to form a Tatsfield team in the annual quiz.

l. S.C.A.P.T.C. (5a).

The Chairman reported on the annual meeting of the Surrey County Association of Parish & Town Councils held the previous Saturday.

m. Village Hall Management Committee (5b).

In letters, both the County and District Councils said they were unable, because of the labour situation, to undertake tarmacing of exterior of the hall, but District Council forwarded the names of possible contractors, which the Chairman had passed on to the hall management committee.

The Chairman reported that a copy of the draft constitution as now amended, had been sent to the Surrey Voluntary Service Council for their comments. Mrs. Hession, who had studied the deeds, said they did not appear to affect the proposals.

The Chairman said it was clear that once the proposals were adopted full accounts would have to be provided by the hall committee for the District Auditor to audit along with the Council accounts.

Mr. Owen made a special appeal for new voluntary officers to service the hall committee in the light of vacancies to be anticipated at the next annual meeting by the retirement of the present officers.

Mr. Owen's report was adopted, the Chairman having indicated that it should be possible for the new rules to be adopted at the annual meeting.

i. Youth Club.

The Chairman reported that a new Youth Club was about to be launched under the leadership of Mr. Dredge and it was agreed that the Council should meet the cost of the initial meeting at the Village Hall.

n. Furze Corner (7a).

The Clerk reported that he had not yet been able to trace the ownership of the dead trees at Furze Corner and Mrs. McHugo agreed to help to do so.

P

o. Unauthorized Businesses (7b).

The Chairman reported that he had discussed this matter with the Planning Officer and subsequently had set out details of what appeared to be a business of some significance operating from premises in Edgar Road.

p. Stiles (8b).

Following a report the Clerk was instructed to write regarding the erection of a stile on Footpath ¹⁹ near its junction with Paynesfield Road.

3. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Bye-laws.

Letter (18/10) from District Council forwarded copy of new bye-laws on straw and stubble burning made under Local Government Act, 1972.

b. Planning Permission.

Copy of booklet entitled Planning Permission: A Guide to Householdors had been forwarded by District Council and the Clerk reported that, copies being free, he had asked for a supply from the Stationery Office.

4. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were approved for payment and the necessary cheques signed: P.G. Reid (wages - November), £4.0; P.G. Reid (expenses), £7.49; Mr. R.W. Pearce (expenses), £4.04; Mr. P.N. Owen (expenses, SCAPTC), £1.50.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. December Meeting: Structure Plan.

Agreed that the December meeting be held on Tuesday, December 13 and also that the Structure Plan and Village Appraisal be considered at a special meeting to be arranged.

b. Playgroup: Village Hall.

Mrs. McHugo said she had received complaints about the way in which cars were parked by the parents or other escorts of children using the playgroup at the Village Hall.

Agreed that a request be made to the organisers to remind parents and others to show consideration for other road users.

c. Warning System: Old Folks' Flats.

Mrs. McHugo expressed doubts regarding the comprehensiveness of the warning system operating in the old folks' flats and during discussion it was stated that whilst warning bells were provided in bedrooms and bathrooms there were none in living rooms. - Mrs. McHugo agreed to investigate the matter further and report back.

d. S.E.E. Board.

Clerk to write seeking interview between See Board representative and Chairman to discuss matters relating to overhead cables and the supply of current to the Village Hall.

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e. Bus Fares: Increase.

Mrs. Crofts said the fare on the village bus service had increased from 15p to 20p. although it was stated that the average increase in fares was only 14%.

Clerk to write to County Council drawing attention to the fact that this increase, well above the average, weighs heavily upon those who use the service, many of whom are old aged pensioners.

6. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. Motor Cycling.

Following further complaints of the use of footpaths in the Shipfield Close and Ninehams Road area by motor cyclists the Chairman pointed out that the attention of the police had already been drawn this matter. He asked for further offences to be reported to the police and, if there was then no improvement, to the Council.

b. Piggeries.

Further questions regarding the piggeries in Ninehams Road were also raised.

c. Titsey Hill Junction.

Mrs. Geary drew attention to dangers arising at the junction at the top of Titsey Hill and the Clerk was instructed to draw this to the attention of the highway authority.

The meeting closed at 10.53p.m.

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Yours faithfully,

Percy *Percy Reid*
Clerk.

AGENDA

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TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Wednesday, December 14, 1977, at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. P.N. Owen (Chairman), Mrs. N.E. Crofts, Mrs. E.M.G. Player and Mr. H.W. Hunt, with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid), four parishioners and a Press representative.

APOLOGIES were received from Mrs. N.L.G. Hession, Mrs. A.M. McHugo and Mr. R.W. Pearce.

1. CHAIRMAN.

At the opening of the meeting the Chairman received congratulations upon his election to the District Council immediately after the last meeting.

2. MINUTES of the meeting held on November 14, 1977 were confirmed and signed.

3. MATTERS ARISING.

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

i. Current Applications.

Mrs. Player reported on applications notified during the month and on action taken.

ii. Plot 429, Kemsley Road.

Letter (7/11) from District Council said this application had been refused. - Noted.

iii. Working Men's Club.

Letter (21/11) from District Council gave notice of appeal regarding the proposal to build a new working men's club with living accommodation on the south side of Westmore Green. The appeal is to be heard at the Council offices, Caterham on Wednesday, January 25, 1978. The Council's views having already been conveyed to the District Council it was decided to defer the question of representation at the inquiry until the January meeting.

iv. New Applications.

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

b. Westmore Pond (2b).

The Chairman reported that the District Council were not prepared to provide financial support at the level envisaged at the present time. - Further consideration deferred.

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c. M25 Motorway Service Area (2c).

The meeting noted the outcome of the successful public meeting held at the Village Hall on Monday, December 5, 1977, the minutes of which are filed separately and the Chairman reported that the District Council meeting held the previous evening had unanimously decided to oppose the project. Clerk reported on letters received from Surrey Amenity Council (30/11) and Westerham Parish Council (15/11).

The Amenity Council had asked the Ministry of Transport whether there was 'an escapable need' for a service area at this spot, or in any part of Surrey to serve the M25 and had asked that there should be full consideration and consultation with the Amenity Council and with local amenity interests.

The reports and correspondence were noted, the Chairman commenting that the District Council had received 292 letters regarding the proposals, all but two of which opposed it.

d. Surrey Structure Plan: Village Appraisal (2d).

Mrs. Payer reported on the meeting arranged by the Joint Parish Councils Conservation Committee held at Oxted on December 8, at which Mr. Harding (Countryside Officer) and Mr. Pigram (District Council Planning department) spoke.

Decided to hold a special meeting to which representatives of all village organisations will be invited at the United Reformed Church on Wednesday, February 15 at 9.0p.m.

e. Village Directory (2e).

Consideration deferred till January meeting. Local organisations to be invited to provide details of officers and other matters of interest at the same time as invitation is sent to meeting to be held on February 15 (see paragraph above).

f. Waymarking of Footpaths (2f).

Letter (23/11) from County Council said no formal decision had yet been taken and waymarks were not at the moment available from the Council. - Noted.

g. Parking, Westmore Green (2i).

Letter (24/11) from Chief Technical Officer, District Council suggested that if the problem was caused by parking by local residents it might best be solved by a personal approach to those concerned.

Following a report of the depositing of quantities of earth at the spots concerned and the expression of concern that adequate pedestrian facilities were retained the Chairman agreed to investigate the position with Mr. Hoskins, the Clerk formally to acknowledge the letter of November 24.

h. Village Hall (2m).

The Chairman reported letter (23/11) from Surrey Voluntary Service Council, whose views had been sought regarding new constitution. The Council asked for a sight of the deeds and these were handed to the Chairman who undertook to deal with the matter.

i. Youth Club (2ni).

The Chairman reported that it was hoped to hold the initial meeting in January. - Noted.

- j. Furze Corner (2n).
Reported that the dead trees had now been felled. - Noted.
- k. Unauthorised Businesses (2o).
Chairman reported that this matter was being dealt with by District Council officers.
- l. Stiles (2p). County *9/11/78*
Letter (24/11) from District Council noted, it having been ascertained that the footpath concerned was in fact No. 570 the Clerk was instructed so to acquaint the County Council pointing out that, as in the case of F119 the path in question was on Gorsey Down Farm.
- m. Planning Permission Pamphlet (3b).
Clerk reported difficulties in securing copies. Matter being investigated.
- n. Playgroup, Village Hall (5b).
It having been pointed out that this was now under the charge of Mrs. Duvall the Clerk was instructed to pursue the matter with her.
- o. Warning System: Old Folke' Flats (5c).
Following an informal report by Mrs. Geary the Chairman commented that if there appeared to be a demand for an improved system the Council would be prepared to consider what assistance could be given.
- p. S.E.E. Board (5d).
No response having been received by the Chairman, the Clerk was instructed to make a further approach to the Crawley office.
- q. Bus Fares: Increase (5e).
Letter (7/12) from County Council expressed regret at increase in bus fares on route 465, but said they were inevitable.
- r. Titsey Hill Junction (6c).
Letter from Council acknowledged - matter referred to County Engineer. During discussion it was reported that white lines which formerly marked the edge of the road on approaches to the junction had now disappeared. - Clerk to request that they be re-instated.
4. CORRESPONDENCE.
- a. S.C.A.F.T.C.
Letter (28/11) from Mr. R.W. Monk (Chairman) referred to coming resignation of Lieut Col G.F. Kup (secretary) and suggested contribution towards gift based on 50p per member. - Agreed to make contribution of £3.50.
5. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.
The following accounts were approved for payment and the necessary cheques signed for payment: Westerham Parish Council (duplicating materials re. public meeting), £3.17; P.G. Reid (Wages - December), £40.00; P.G. Reid (expenses), £9.42; Mrs. A.N. McHugo (re-imbursment re. meeting posters), £10.58; Mr. R.W. Monk (gift, SCAFTC retiring secretary), £3.50.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. King Edward VII Memorial Garden.

Mrs. Crofts asked if any further information was yet available regarding the future of King Edward VII Memorial Garden and, told none had been received promised again to pursue the matter.

b. Annual Parish Meeting.

Agreed that the annual parish meeting be held at the Village Hall on Wednesday, March 29, 1978 at 8.0p.m.

c. Budget.

Estimates for 1978-9 to be considered in committee at the conclusion of the January council meeting.

7. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. Road Sweeping etc.

Mrs. Bradshaw complained the roads in the village were insufficiently swept and the Clerk was instructed to raise this with the County Council. The Chairman agreed to raise matters concerning Westmore Green and its environs with the District Council's Chief Technical Officer.

b. Pilgrims Way/B202h Junction.

Complaint having been made of the dangerous nature of the junction of the B202h and the Pilgrims Way, the Clerk was instructed to write to Surrey County Council asking for action.

The meeting closed at 9.35p.m., the Chairman expressing Christmas greetings to those present.


2/1/78