

DECEMBER 1957

Minutes of the Proceedings of a Parish Council Meeting
held at The Bakery, Mon. Dec. 2nd, 1957

- present Dr. Sturton (Chairman), Mrs. Dohie, Miss Knight,
Messrs. Geary & Leslie
- Apology for
Absence An apology for absence was received from Mr. G. Smith.
- Minutes The Minutes of the last meeting were read, & confirmed.
- Sign The Clerk reported that the sign had been varnished.
- Drainage
Roads The Clerk said that she had been assured that
work on unadopted roads disturbed during main
Drainage work, would commence shortly. It
was agreed to review the matter again at the
next meeting.
- Signature of
Mr. Smith It was agreed that the signing of acceptance of
office be postponed until the next meeting.
- Transport Mrs. Leslie said that it was hoped that the
Bus & Coach Committee would shortly be able to
discuss Tabfield's Transport problem, with two
representatives of L.P.T.B.
- near
pond The Clerk said she had brought the matter to the
notice of the Highways foreman, & the Deputy
Surveyor.
- Replacement
Trees The Chairman brought forward the matter of
the replacement of trees that have to be
cut down, when these had been scheduled for

presentation. The Clerk was instructed to seek information on this point.

Naming of
Roads

Mrs. Dohie asked who had been responsible for the naming of The Square. As other members did not think this a very appropriate name it was proposed by Mrs. Dohie, sec. Mr. Leslie that Godstone R.D.C. be asked whether, in future, the Parish Council could be consulted in the naming of new roads in Tapfield.

Carried.

Painting of
Council Houses

The question of whether it would add to the amenity of the village, if Council Houses were painted different colours, as in other areas, was discussed. The Clerk was instructed to ask R.D.C. if this could be done, when these houses became due for re-painting.

Yes for
payment

Proposed by Miss Knight, sec. Mrs. Dohie, that foll: Yes be passed for payment.

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| R. Watson, hiring of room 3 occasions | £1-2-6 |
| Postmaster Gen. Rental & charge connection phone | £7-0-5 |
| Hooker Bros. Ltd, 250 Agendas | £2-4-6 |

Carried.

R. V. Suman.
6th Jan 58

JANUARY 1958

Minutes of the Proceedings of a Parish Council Meeting held at
The Bakery, Mon: Jan: 6th, 1958

Present Dr. Sturton (Chairman), Mrs. Doherty, Miss Knight,
Messrs. Geary, Leslie, Smith & the Clerk

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

Signing of
Acceptance of Office Mr. Smith signed an Acceptance of Office form.

Minutes The Minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed

Re-Instatement
of Roads A copy of a letter sent by Mrs. Cox to R.D.C. was
read, and a discussion of the condition of
Crossways, Ham Hill & Old Lane followed. Mr. Leslie
felt that if re-instatement meant merely the laying
down of several loads of hardcore, the present condition
would re-appear. It was agreed that the Clerk
ask R.D.C. what was planned for these places, and
what the Terms for the frontagers would be, if they
were willing to have these roads brought up to
standard, and adopted.

Local Transport Mr. Leslie said that he hoped there would be
concrete results from a recent interview with C.P.T.O.
representatives.

Replacement of
Trees A letter from R.D.C. was read, saying that
the Council could not require the replacement
of individual trees where these were scheduled
for preservation. They did, however, where the
area of land on which Trees were preserved,

made it a condition that trees felled should be replanted. The Clerk was asked to seek clarification of this paragraph.

Naming of Roads

In the same letter it was stated that the District Council are responsible for the naming of roads, and it was they who chose the name for "The Square". The request of the Parish Council for prior consultation before the naming of future roads was to be put before the Committee.

Painting of Council Houses

As the Surveyor had recently introduced varied colours in the redecoration of Council Houses, it was thought that this scheme would be adopted when it came to the repainting of homes in Tatsfield.

Footpath School - Village

The County Divisional Surveyor said in a letter that his Committee had instructed him, as & when suitable hard material became available, to form the foundation for an extension of the F/P on Ship Hill so far as possible within the existing highway limits.

Provisional Precept

Proposed from the Chair that a Provisional Precept of £100 be made Carried

Allots Com:

Proposed Mrs Knight, sec. Mr. Jeary, that Mrs. Smith be elected to Allots Com: Carried.

Pond

Mr. Leslie said that he had received a letter from the Engineer & Surveyor saying that within 2-3 months it was hoped to make a start on work at the Pond.

Pay of Fields The Clerk was instructed to seek information on this subject.

Pay of Rates

It was proposed from the Chair that R.D.C. be asked whether facilities such as those afforded by S.E.E. Board for paying Electricity bills, could be given for the paying of rates, and whether, when required, rates could be paid quarterly instead of $\frac{1}{2}$ yearly.

Proposed by Miss Knight, see Mrs. Doherty that foll: Yes be passed for payment: -

Clerk's $\frac{1}{4}$ salary to Dec. 31st £12-10-0 ✓

" Insur. (Rly. Pass: Insur. Co.) 5-0 ✓

Carried

R. V. Simon.
Feb 3rd 58

FEBRUARY 1958

Minutes of the Proceedings of a Parish Council Meeting held at the Bakery, Monday, Feb: 3rd, 1958

Present Dr. Sturton (Chairman), Mrs. Dobie, Messrs. Jones, Hodgson, Leslie & Smith, with the Clerk

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

Re-instatement of roads The Minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed

The Clerk read a letter from the Engineer & Surveyor saying that the roads were to be cleared up, & the reinstatement of the trenches would be to leave them in a state no less satisfactory than they were before the execution of the work of main drainage. A certain amount of work had been done, & pending the Contractor's arrival to carry out final works, instructions had been given for continued maintenance to provide a reasonable surface.

(making up to standard for adoption) A letter from the County Divisional Surveyor said that it was impossible to suggest a figure of probable cost for the repair of roads to such a standard as would enable them to be adopted by the County Council as highways, unless surveys, & very full investigations were first undertaken. It was probable that the cost would work out at something like £2-10-0d to £3 per foot of frontage. Repayment to the Council can normally be spread over a period of 7 or 15 years. In the case of Old Lane, it would appear that there is only necessity for the construction

of a path fronting the various properties, the owner of Common land could not be called upon to meet Private Street Works charges.

The Clerk said that she had been unable to discover who had paid for the S. end of Rickitto Hill Rd. which had Common land on both sides, or of the S. end of Old Lane, both now adopted by S.C.C.

Meeting
Fields

The Clerk said she had been informed by the Clerk R.D.C. that negotiations were still in progress. It was agreed that R.D.C. be asked for a copy of any minutes relevant to the matter that could be read at the A.P.M. in March.

Meeting of
Rates

The Clerk said that she had been told that no arrangement for paying rates such as employed by SEEBoard could be made. Quarterly payment of rates could be accepted in special cases.

Meeting of
Councilors

This matter was not taken up.

Annual
Parish
Meeting

Proposed by Mr. Geary. See. Mr. Hodgson that March 26th be the date of A.P.M. and that the usual P.C. Meeting be held on March 3rd, and the April Meeting be put forward to March 31st, owing to the first Monday of April being Easter Monday. There would be no P.C. Meeting in April.

Carried.

Meeting
Greenways
Field Rd

Mrs. Doherty said that for the past 20 years a F/P across a plot of ground alongside Rose Cottage had been in use by people going

between Greenways and Goatfield Road. It appeared that the owner could not be found, and there was danger of the path being closed by squatters' rights. The Clerk was instructed to make enquiries of R.D.C.

Cats' eyes
Bedstead Lane
to Tabfield
Road

Mrs. Dottie asked whether cats' eyes could be used on the stretch of road between Bedstead Lane & Tabfield Road, when next this part was repaired. The Clerk was asked to bring the matter to the attention of the Highways Dept.

Parking of
Vehicles on
Westmore Green
path

Mr. Leslie said that vehicles were still being parked at the end of the cinder path, thus causing some tearing up of the Green. The Clerk said she would speak to the police on the matter.

R. V. Simon.
March 3rd 56