

JANUARY, 1939.

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Minutes of the proceedings of a Parish Council meeting held at the School on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> January, 1939.

I Present.

Mr A. G. W. Baker — Chairman.

Messrs Chairman, Elbourne, Cliffe & the Clerk (T. Hill)

II Absence.

Apologies for absence were received from Messrs Bee, Maynard, & Mountith.

III Minutes.

The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.

IV N. C. S. Service.

A letter was read from the Secretary N. C. S. S. inviting members of the Council to a Parish Councils Conference to be held in "The Council Chamber, The Town Hall, Reigate" on Saturday February 4<sup>th</sup>, 1939, at 2-30 pm. with a view to the establishment of a Parish Councils Advisory Service in Surrey.

Sir Philip Henriques, Chairman C. C. to preside.

The Chairman, Mr W. Baker Cliffe, & Mr J. S. Chasman agreed to represent the Council at the meeting.

V Accounts for Payment.

Proposed by Mr Elbourne & seconded by Mr Chairman "that the following account be passed for payment:—

Mr F. Thairwall.

Workmens Comp. Insurance. £0-10-6.

Carried

A. G. Baker.

Chairman

6<sup>th</sup> February, 1939.

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Present.

Mr. A. G. W. Baker — Chairman.  
Messrs Bee, Chauman, Elbourne, Sliffe,  
Monteith & The Clerk (T. Kelly).

Absence.

An Apology for absence was received from  
Mrs H. Maynard.

Minutes.

The minutes of the last meeting were read &  
confirmed.

Rating Val<sup>ue</sup>  
Act, 1925

A letter was read from the Financial Officers  
R. D. C. asking for particulars as to requirements  
for the financial year commencing 1<sup>st</sup> April,  
1939.

It was proposed by Mr Bee & Sec<sup>d</sup> by Mr Monteith  
"that a sum of £50 would be required by way  
of precept to meet the Parish Councils expenses  
for year commencing 1<sup>st</sup> April, 1939." Carried

Accounts for  
Payment.

Proposed by Mr Chauman & Sec<sup>d</sup> by Mr Elbourne  
"that the following account be passed for  
payment"

Messrs Hooker Bros.:-

Stationery. £0-10-6.

Carried.

Bus Shelter Seat.

Mr Sliffe agreed to see Mr Payne about the fixing of  
seats at the Bus Shelter.

A. G. Baker.

Chairman

6<sup>th</sup> March, 1939.

MARCH, 1939.

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Present. Mr A.G.W. Baker — Chairman  
Messrs Chairman, Elbourne, Maynard, Monteith  
& The Clerk (T. Kelly).

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

II Mrs Sherrard  
& damage to her Private Road etc. A letter was received from Mrs Sherrard complaining about the damage to the Private Road across her land through storm water from the Tatfield Road. It was agreed that the ~~complaint~~ <sup>letter</sup> be forwarded to Mr G. Bowler, & request him to see into this matter.

III Annual Parish Meeting  
It was agreed that the Annual Parish Meeting should be held on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 1939, at 8 o'clock in the evening.

Annual Parish Council Meeting  
It was agreed to hold this meeting on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April, 1939, at 7-30 in the evening.

IV Accounts for Payment.  
Proposed by Mr Maynard & seconded by Mr Elbourne "that the following accounts be passed for payment: -

V The question of a new site for notice Bd on Westmore Green was deferred to next meeting.

(1) Mr T. Kelly.

Salary for Quarter ending 31-3-39. £7-10-0.

(2) Messrs Shaw & Sons -

Stationery

£0-6-3.  
Carried

E. A. Sec Presiding Chairman  
25<sup>th</sup> April, 1939.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING, 1939.

Minutes of the proceedings of the Annual Parish Meeting held at the School on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March, 1939.

Chairman. Mr A. G. W. Baker.

Attendance. A fairly representative meeting was in attendance.

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

Resumé of the work done. The Chairman gave a review of the work done by the Parish Council during the past two years under the following headings:—

- (a) Road Improvements. The widening & kerbing of the "bottle neck" on Ricketts Hill.
- (b) Widening & kerbing the dangerous corner at "Booleen" — Ship Hill.
- (c) The kerbing of the Bus Shelter Island and parts of Westmore Green — to prevent damage to the Green by coaches, Lorries etc.
- (d) Improvement to the road surface at Old Lane.

Among other points dealt with were the System of election for Parish Councillors; Playing Field at back of Council Houses; Street Lighting; Coach Services etc.

Parish Matters discussed at meeting. (1) Mr Hartwell enquired if something could be done to repair the surface at the Northern end of Old Lane? He had written to the R.D.C and was informed that it had referred this matter

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to the Green Committee, what steps were being taken etc.

The Chairman replied that he had no knowledge because the Green Committee was not a P. C. Committee but a Committee of the R. D. C..

The frontage owners were responsible for maintaining this Road as it was not a separate highway. & that it was an act of grace on the part of the Highway Authority to repair this Lane.

(ii). Playing Field.

Who would be responsible for the maintenance of the Playing Field at the back of the Council Cottages?

The Chairman explained that the R. D. C. would maintain it if some responsible sports organisation would take it over, & agree to look after it.

(iii). Could a road sign, "No Through Road," be put up at end of Old Lane - as motorists used this road thinking it was a "through way" etc.

The Chairman said this question would be referred to the P. C. at its next meeting.

(iv). Main Drainage.

When would the Parish be provided with a Main Drainage?

Mr Sliffe pointed out that Tatsfield must take its turn on the list.

(v). Fire Brigade.

Mr Sliffe said that the Rural Dist Council was the Authority for the provision of Fire Appliances - the position of Tatsfield was a peculiar one, & that most likely later on a Fire Brigade would be established at Tatsfield.

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Provision of Parish Hall.

Owing to the of the Church  
Mr Maynard a  
for Tatsfield

Vote of Thank



(Continued).

Provision of  
Parish Hall.

Owing to the difficulty of obtaining the use of the Church Hall for Social & other purposes - Mr Maynard asked if it would be possible for Tatsfield to have a Parish Hall?

This question was discussed at some length - Mr Maynard proposed & Mr Rusken seconded "that as a result of restrictions on the use of the Church Hall - could the Parish Council take steps to acquire a proper Parish Hall for uses in accordance with the recommendations in the Physical Training & Recreation Act, 1937 and for general social purposes?"

Carried Unanimously.

Vote of  
Thanks.

Mr Rusken moved a hearty vote of thanks to Mr. Sliffe for the efficient way in which he watched the interests of Tatsfield on the Rural District Council.

Carried Unanimously.

Mr Sliffe expressed his appreciation and said Local Government interested him very much.

The meeting concluded with a hearty vote of thanks to the Chairman - Mr A.G.W. Baker.

A.G. Baker.

Chairman.

5th March, 1940



ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of the proceedings of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held at the School on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> April, 1939.

Campers  
continued

after discussion  
should write a

I Present.

Messrs <sup>Bee</sup> Charman, Elbourne, Sliffe, Maynard, Monteith & the Clerk (T. Kelly).

II Election of Chairman.

Proposed by Mr Maynard & seconded by Mr Monteith "that Mr A.W. Baker be elected chairman". Carried

III Vice Chairman

Proposed by Mr Charman & seconded by Mr Elbourne "that Mr J.A. Bee be elected vice chairman". Carried

IV Allotments and Footpaths Committee

It was agreed that the retiring members be re-elected for the ensuing year.

V Minutes

The minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed

VI Campers on Gossey Down Farm.

Letters were received from two residents complaining about the conduct of campers on Mr R Miles Farm - Gossey Down - Ricketts Hill. They request the Parish Council to take such steps as will mitigate the intolerable nuisance created by these campers - pitching their tents etc adjacent to the residences in this locality - singing, shouting & generally disturbing the peace of residents into the early hours of the morning, & using bad language etc. They complain further that there does not appear to be any proper sanitary arrangements provided with the consequent fouling of the hedges, ditches etc - also they damage trees, shrubs, fences &c in search of fire wood &c. They request the Council to do something to stop this scandal.

No Through Road  
notice at Old Lane.

Parish Hall.

P.C. Notice Board  
Westmore Green.

C.S. Service  
conference of  
Surrey P.C.  
at Reigate.

After discussion it was agreed that the Clerk should write a letter to the R. D. C. requesting that the Dist Council take this matter up with a view to putting an end to a state of affairs which has now become an intolerable scandal, and further to point out that this land, surrounded as it is on all sides by inhabited dwellings, is wholly unsuitable as a camping site. Recommend that its use as a camp should be prohibited.

The Clerk was also directed to write to the Superintendent of Police at Oxted, & request that the singing, shouting & rowdyism on the public highways in the Parish - especially in the late hours of the night - be stopped.

No Through Road The Council decided that no action be taken on notice at Old Lane. this matter - as a sign was not considered necessary.

Parish Hall. The question of providing a new Parish Hall was postponed - to be brought up at the next meeting.

P. C. Notice Bd It was agreed that the notice board be moved to a position in front of the end house near the P. O. Westmore Green. Mr Colbourne (JNR) be requested to do the work. The ~~board~~ board to be inside the concrete retaining wall around the pond.

V. C. S. Service It was agreed that the Chairman, & Vice Chairman and, if he can manage it, Mr Sliffe should attend the conference of Surrey Parish Councils to be held at the Town Hall, Reigate on Saturday, 20<sup>th</sup> May, 1939. First Session 2-30 to 4 P.M. to consider the draft constitution &c.  
Second Session. 4-30 - 6 pm. Village Halls & Playing Fields &c



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XI Bus Stopping  
place on Westeham  
Broydon Road.  
N<sup>o</sup>. M. W. B. Well.

Mr Maynard reported that he had received complaints from passengers about the inconvenient position at which the Westeham bound buses now stop.

The buses are compelled to draw up at the "sign" close to the hedge on the near side - to enable oncoming traffic to get past - & passengers have difficulty when leaving or boarding the vehicle etc.

He suggested that a letter be sent to the L.P.T.B drawing attention to this matter & suggesting that the "Stop Sign" should be moved back nearer to Pilgrims Way etc.

It was agreed that the Clerk meet Mr Maynard at the spot mentioned & that a letter be sent requesting the L.P.T.B to see into this matter.

XII Vacant Allotments

The Clerk reported that Allotments N<sup>os</sup> 10, 17, & 30 were now vacant from 1-4-39 as tenants no longer require them. The following Allotments are now void: - 10, 11, 12, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, & 30.

XIII  
Date for next  
Meeting

It was agreed to hold the next meeting of the Council on Monday, June 5<sup>th</sup>, 1939.

XIV  
Accounts for  
Payment.

Proposed by Mr Chadman & seconded by Mr Elbourne "that the following accounts be passed for payment: -

(i). S. C. Council.

Hire of School for meetings - £0-14-0.

(ii). Titsey Estate Company.

Rent for Allotment Land to 25.3.39. £2-0-0.

John A. Bee

Carried

Presiding Chairman

Meeting to meet  
special year 1939-

JUNE, 1939.

Minutes of the proceedings of a Parish Council Meeting held at the School on Monday, 5<sup>th</sup> June, 1939.

Present

Mr J. A. Bee - Chairman.

Messrs Chairman, Elbourne, Cliffe, Maynard, Mountaith & The Clerk (T. Kelly).

Minutes

The mins of last meeting were read & confirmed.

Absence

An apology for absence was received from Mr. A. G. W. Baker.

Campers on

This matter was postponed to the next meeting to await the R. D. C.'s reply.

Garrey Row.

Election of

Parish Councillors.

A letter was read from the S. C. C. asking if the P. C. were in favour of holding a Poll in accordance with the Local Govt Act 1933, Sec 51(1).

The Clerk replied on the 3<sup>rd</sup> May, 1939 - that the Parish Council were opposed to the present method of election by "show of hands". Mainly on the score of expense it was opposed to a Poll - but was strongly in favour of a simple & inexpensive form of "Secret Ballot" at the Annual Parish Assembly. Representations to this effect were made on a number of occasions to the County Council, R. D. C. Members of Parliament & other social bodies. ~~to above effect etc.~~

The Council confirmed the Clerk's letter, & instructed him to reply to that effect, & to send a copy of the last correspondence with the N. C. S. S. on this matter to the S. C. C.

Receipt for

£30.

Proposed by Mr Mountaith & Sec<sup>d</sup> by Mr Cliffe "that a receipt for £30 be issued on the local rating. Authy to meet the Council's requirements for the financial year 1939-40.

Carried

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VI

Accounts for  
Payment.

Proposed by Mr Chairman & Sec<sup>d</sup> by Mr Maynard  
"That the following accounts be passed  
for payment".

(i) Messrs Shaw & Sons.

Stationery £0-4-11. P.C.

(ii) Sub-Postmaster, Tatefield.

Audit Stamp 1938-39. £1-0-0.

(iii) Mr T. Kelly.

Salary to 30-6-39. 7-10-0.

IV Sec<sup>y</sup> Common Preservation Society.

Annual Subscription £0-10-6

Carried.

A.G. Baker.

Presiding Chairman

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