

JANUARY 1950

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Minutes of the proceedings of a Parish Council Meeting held at the School, Monday, Jan: 2nd 1950.

Present. Mr. E. Weatherley (Chairman) Mrs. Laslett, Messrs. Beagley, Geary, Little & Ridler, with Mr. Maguard G.R.D.C. & Clerk.

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

Foot
Dress

School Managers. The Clerk reported that she had received a letter from Mr. Brazier stating his willingness to represent the P.C. on School Managers Committee till 31st July 1952.

Mrs. Kerrison thought that as she "would soon have completed 4 years on the Board of Managers that she should retire in favour of a member of the new & promising Parents Association."

proposed by Mr. Little, see Mrs. Laslett that "in view of her valuable services in the past, Mrs. Kerrison should be asked to re-consider her decision, until such time as the newly founded Parents Ass: be well established."

Carried.

Hillside Road. The Clerk read a letter from Mr. S.D. Coombs saying that his two sons would attend to the fencing of this road in due course, and asking the Council clearly to peg out the road, to avoid putting the fence in the wrong place. The footboard on the stile at The Hermitage had been replaced, & a temporary stile erected at the W. end of Hillside Rd. proposed by Mr. Little, see Mr. Geary that "a letter be written Mr. Coombs thanking him for his co-operation, & assuring him of the assistance of the Footpaths Committee in pegging out the road, at his early convenience."

Carried.

Greenline The Chairman read a letter received by him from the Public Coaches. Relations Officer, London Transport, assuring him that no alteration in the course of the Green Line Coaches was being contemplated.

Footboard on Stile Mr. Geary drew attention to the lack of a footboard on the stile at the Westerham end of footpath from Tabfield Court Farm. He said he would provide the clerk with a list of others.

Footpath Divisions The Clerk read 2 letters from the Commons, open spaces & Footpaths Preservation Society stating that "a public right of way having once come into existence, is never lost by mere disuse and that they had no knowledge of the ruling of Lord Justice Coke."

The Chairman read extracts from Hailsham's Book of Common Law regarding this question.

No 3 The Clerk reported that she had received no acknowledgment ^{to} regarding her letter to Mr. Goodall about diversion at "Firsdale"; but she had heard that he had been ill.

No 1 A letter was read from Mr. Little regarding the diversion of footpath at "Franklyn". When the property was conveyed to Mrs. Little in Nov 1944, it was stated by the vendor, Col. Wyatt that the footpath ran along part of the N. boundary of the garden, and since then the surface of the path had been improved by the present tenants, cleared for the whole of its length & certain hedging renewed. As it now appeared that technically the present footpath was "unauthorised" Mr. Little, on behalf of Mrs. Little, now made application for the Parish Council's official approval of the footpath in its present clearly defined position.

It was decided that this letter should lie on the table until a satisfactory conclusion was arrived at in matter of other diversions now under review.

No 6 Mr. Geary was asked to obtain an assurance from his mother of the continued existence of a dedication of a

footpath along Plot 19 of Estate map.

No 12. Mrs. Laslett presented her report on this path. From Tabfield Court Farm to the New Rd it was clear. Thence it was completely lost. She recommended that stakes be put up at Tabfield Court Farm end also at the New Road, as the footpath had been used as a cart track.

The Clerk was asked to search the records, to find out when this path was closed.

Report National Conf. 1949

The Clerk was instructed to apply for one copy of the Report of the National Conference of the Surrey Ass. of Parish Councils of 1949, on the proposal of Mr. Ridler, seconded by Mr. Beagley.

Carried.

Allotments.

Clerk reported paying into Bank Allotment Punds £2.14.0 She was instructed to make out an agreement for allotments 374 in favour of Mr. Buck.

The Clerk was asked to pay Mr. Doherty, former Clerk, 10/-, in respect of a bill he had paid for the clearance of allotments in Nov '48. (see P27 of this book).

School Guard Rail

The Clerk read a letter from G.R.D.C. stating that the Highways Sub. Committee were of the opinion that this was a matter for the educational authorities proposed by Mr. Little, see Mr. Ridler "that the School Managers be asked to press this matter again at the beginning of the financial year, & that the Clerk refer the matter to Kingston. (Educational Authorities)

Carried

School Letting

The Clerk read a letter from the Divisional Executive Officers stating that he "had been informed by the headmaster of Tabfield Court Primary School, that the P.C. meeting of 5th Dec. lasted until 11 p.m.

is for payment

He pointed out that under the letting regulations of the C.C. school lettings must, in ordinary way, terminate at 10 p.m. Difficulty arose from the fact that the caretaker had to wait until the hirers had left premises before school could be locked, & caretaker received payment for only one hour's overtime duty. The Div: Exec: officer said that if P.C. wished to start meeting earlier than 7.30 he would give the caretaker instructions accordingly."

Proposed by Mr. Little, sec. Mr. Ridler that the Div: Exec: officer be written "that the P.C. takes notice of the difficulty mentioned in his letter, but would draw his attention to fact that caretaker does not wait until members of P.C. leave the School. The Clerk puts out all lights & locks the door, & puts key thro' letter-box of caretaker's house. The P.C. did not propose changing hour of meetings which met convenience of majority, & added that it was a rare occurrence for meetings to be as prolonged as the one on Dec. 5th. They, therefore, did not feel bound to terminate ^{their} meetings strictly at 10 p.m. should there be any business still to be discharged, as this did not inconvenience caretaker"

Carried.

as for payment

Proposed by Mr. Little, sec. Mrs. Laslett that following ^{as} be passed for payment.

Clark's salary Oct 1st - Dec 31st	L10 - 0 - 0
'Bus fares to Westminster Bank (allotment rents)	1 8 P.C.
School Lettings S.C.C.	£11 - 16 - 0
Mr. Dohie (see Pages 27 + 73 this book)	1 10 - 0 P.C.

Carried

R.G.B. Weatherley
Chairman
6.2.1950.

FEBRUARY 1950.

Minutes of the proceedings of a Parish Council meeting held at the School, Monday, Feb: 6th 1950.

Present Mr. E. Weatherly (chairman) Mrs. Laslett, Messrs. Beagley, Little & Ridler, with Mr. Maynard G.R.D.C. & the Clerk, Miss Kelly.

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

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

School Managers. Proposed by Mr. ^{Little} ~~Ridler~~, sec. Mr. Beagley that Mrs. Ridler be elected as P.C. representative on School Managers, in the place of Mrs. Hurison, resigned. Carried.

Green Line Coach The Chairman reaffirmed that there was no intention of diverting the Green Line Coaches from the village.

Area Committee of Parish Councils. The Clerk read a letter from the Hon. Sec. Parish Council Area Committee informing the P.C. that the next Meeting would be held at Council Offices Annex, Oxford, Mon: March 13th at 8 p.m. & asking for any items which the P.C. might wish to be placed on the Agenda.

Proposed by Mrs. Laslett, sec. Mr. Ridler that Mr. Weatherly act as P.C. representative on the Area Committee Carried.

School Rail Clerk reported acknowledgement by Education Dept of her letter 3rd Jan. matter receiving attention

School Letting. Clerk reported an acknowledgement by Div: Exec: Officer of her letter 3rd Jan. matter receiving attention.

Festival of Britain Circular 12/50 The Chairman read this Circular.

- Footpath Committee Mrs. Laslett reported that she had received a complaint about the muddy condition of the footpath opposite the Manor House after discussion, it was proposed by Mr. Ridler, sec. Mr. Little, that the matter be referred back, for the Footpath Committee to discover the respective responsibilities of the P.C. & owners of the land on either side Carried.
- Notice Board (new) The Clerk read a letter from G.R.D.C. granting permission to P.C. to erect a suitable Notice Board opposite the Manor House. Proposed Mr. Little, sec. Mr. Ridler, that Mr. Elbourne & Mr. Brown be asked to submit estimates for the erection of this board to same design as one at School Cross-roads, & for the repair of Notice Board at The Parade. Carried
- Kerb Cords at Parade The Clerk read a letter from G.R.D.C. saying that the Surveyors had been instructed to consider the advisability of constructing a Kerb to define the limits of the green, at The Parade.
- 'Bus Shelter' The G.R.D.C. having no knowledge of the date when London Transport signs were affixed to the 'bus shelter, it was proposed by Mr. Little, sec. Mr. Beagley, that G.R.D.C. be asked to have them removed, so that the dedication plaques could be re-instated. Carried.
- Annual Parish Meeting Proposed by Mr. Beagley, sec. Mrs. Laslett that the Annual Parish Meeting be held at 8 p.m. on March 8th, preceded by Parish Council meeting at 7 p.m. Carried
- Annual P.C. Meeting Proposed by Mr. Little, sec. Mr. Ridler that the Annual P.C. Meeting be held on Mon: April 17th at 7.30 p.m. Carried
- Precept Proposed by Mr. Little, sec. Mr. Ridler, that the Chairman & Clerk examine the $\frac{a}{s}$ in order to ascertain the amount needed. Carried

Notice Boards Proposed by Mr. Little, sec. Mr. Ridley that when the Clerk is approached about affixing Notices to P.C. boards, it be made clear that these be removed afterwards by the users.
 Proposed by Mr. Little, sec. Mr. Beagley that the Election Agent of the Liberal Party be informed that permission must be first obtained from the Clerk before any Notices may be affixed to P.C. Notice Boards. Carried.

Road at Well House Mr. Beagley drew attention to the bad condition of the road just below Well House. He proposed that the attention of the Highways Committee, at Kingston, be drawn to this matter. Mr. Maynard J.R.D.C. to report the matter at the next meeting in Oct. Carried

License at The Chairman reported having received notice of Grasshopper Inn a change of licence at the Grasshopper Inn.

6/6 for payment Proposed by Mr. Little, sec. Mrs. Laslett that the following 6/6 be passed for payment:-

1/2 yr's Allotment Rent to Michaelmas, Tibby Estate Co. £2-0-0

The Clerk reported having paid 5/6 Railway Pass: Assoc. Co. + 1/- Cellulose tape from Petty Cash. These 6/6 were accepted.

E. G. Weatherley Chairman
 8.3.1950

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MARCH 1950

Minutes of the proceedings of a Parish Council Meeting held at the School, on Wednesday March 8th 1950, at 7 p.m.

Present Mr. E. Weatherly (Chairman) Mrs. Laslett, Messrs. Braagley, Geary, Little & Ridler, with Clerk, Miss M. Kelly.

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

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

Footpath opp. Manor House Mrs. Laslett said that she had seen Mr. Coombs about the condition of this footpath, & had found him very co-operative. She was satisfied the matter would be seen to.

Notice Board Mr. Brown & Mr. Elbourne submitted estimate for erection of new Notice Board opp. Manor House & repair of one at The Parade. Both £8.15.0
proposed Mr. Geary see Mr. Ridler that Mr. Elbourne's estimate be accepted. Carried.

'Bus Plaques The Clerk reported that she had seen Mr. Walpole, who had promised to replace the dedication plaques, & remove L.P.T.B. signs.

Repair of

Well House Clerk reported that these channels had been repaired.

Footpath No 12 In reply to a question, the Clerk said that the P.C. in Sept 1936, had decided that, in view of the length of time the footpath had been neglected by the public, & the provision of a road round the property Compton Chase, they would waive their claim to the footpath after it left the New Road, from

Condition south of School

Mr. Ridler drew attention to the channels made by the

Delbridge contractor's lorry when emptying the School cesspools.

proposed by Mr. Ridler, see Mr. Little that the C.C. Highways Authority's attention be drawn to matter.

Carried

as for payment

Proposed by Mrs. Laslett, see Mr. Little that following as be paid for payment.

Hire of School, Oct. Nov. & Dec.

(Surrey County Council)

18 = 0

One copy ¹⁹⁴⁹ National Conference of Parish Councils Report.

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Carried

B.G.B. Weatherby, Chairman
17.4.50

Attendance

Minutes

Summary

year's

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Letter

Proposed

No. 1

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Board

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School

Manager

Annual Parish Meeting. 1950

Minutes of the Proceedings of the Annual Parish Meeting held at the School, on Wed. March 8th, 8 p.m.

Attendance. about 14 people, including 5 Parish Councilors.

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

Summary

year's work. The Chairman reported on the year's work, & asked those present to come to P.C. meetings regularly, & bring others.

Lusted Lane Mrs. Geary asked if something could not be done about the village end of Lusted Lane, which was dangerously narrow. Various suggestions were put forward; the matter to be brought up later.

Footpath No. 1

Mr. Mayes asked when the footpath at Franklyn would be opened up again to the public. Mr. Little explained the situation, at the Chairman's request, & promised to put down rubble to make the path easily passable.

Notice Board

The Meeting was notified that an estimate for the erection of a new Notice Board opposite the Manor House had been accepted, & it was hoped the board would soon be in position. Mr. Brazier expressed his gratification, & asked what stipulations there were for its use. Some discussion then took place about the advisability of allowing Political Notices to be put up.

Mr. Brazier's report as School manager

Mr. Brazier, P.C. representative on School Managers, made a report for the year, & paid tribute to work of Mrs. Kerrison, who as Chairman, & expressed his pleasure in the good tone & discipline at the School. Due to the

Co-operation of all concerned. He thought the School amenities could compare favourably with any other Schools, & referred to the interest in the new Parents' Association.

Goatsfield & Haesmans Rds.

Mrs. Dohie asked what chance there was of these two roads being made up. It was decided that the Council should obtain all information possible, regarding liability of owners of property on these roads.

Pres.

Elect. Chair

Hall

Mrs. Geary asked whether the Parish Council could settle the vexed question as to whether the Hall was "Parish" or "Church". A long discussion took place, of the vicissitudes, & letting terms of the Hall in the past, & information for & against its being originally "Parish". Prop. Mr. Geary, sec. Mr. Little, that P.C. investigate matter as far as Local Gov. Act allowed for expenses.

Vice.

Allotment Committee

Footpa. Committee

Carried.

Footboards

Mrs. Bown asked if the Council would see to the matter of missing footboards on stiles in village.

Note Thanks

Mr. Brazier prop: sec. Mrs. Dohie, that the meeting's thanks to P.C. for its services in past 12 months be placed on record.

Minutes last Meet.

Carried.

R. J. G. Weatherley
Chairman 7.3.1951

Precept

Notice Board

Births Deaths

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Dartfield.

APRIL 1950

Minutes of the proceedings of Annual Parish Council Meeting held at the School, Monday, April 17th 1950

- Present Mr. Weatherley, Mrs. Laslett, Messrs. Beagley, Geary, Little & Ridler, with the Clerk (Mr. Kelly).
- Election of Proposed by Mrs. Laslett, sec. Mr. Ridler, that Mr. Weatherley be elected Chairman for ensuing year. Carried.
- Vice-Chairman Proposed by Mrs. Laslett, sec. Mr. Ridler that Mr. Little be elected vice-Chairman. Carried.
- Allotments Committee Proposed by Mrs. Laslett, sec. Mr. Geary, that Messrs. Beagley & Ridler be elected. Carried.
- Footpaths Committee Proposed by Mr. Ridler, sec. Mr. Beagley that Mrs. Laslett & Mr. Geary be elected for ensuing year, and in view of extra work entailed by Footpaths Survey, that they have powers to co-opt other members of Parish Council, to assist them. Carried.
- Minutes of last Meeting The Minutes of the last meeting were read & confirmed.
- Precept Proposed by Mr. Little, sec. Mrs. Laslett that precept of £40 be issued on Y.R.D.C.
- Notice Board The Clerk was asked to find out when the new Notice Board would be ready.
- Earth Closets The Clerk read a letter from Godstone Area Committee enquiring about emptying of buckets etc. The Clerk to answer that similar conditions do not obtain in Datchfield.

Footpaths Proposed by Mr. Little, sec. Mrs. Laslett, that a special Committee meeting be convened for 7.30 on May 1st to discuss footpaths, & that the next Council meeting be held June 5th. Carried

Polling Station

Some discussion took place on advisability of having Polling Station at Village Hall, instead of at the School, proposed by Mr. Ridler, sec. Mrs. Jeary, that the Clerk write to The Clerk to the Council, Reigate on the matter. Carried.

Mr. Brown

It was decided that the Chairman should ask Mr. Brown if it were his wish to continue as Parish Councillor, in view of his frequent absences.

Refuse Collection

Proposed by Mr. Ridler, sec. Mr. Little that G.R.D.C. be written, asking whether a more frequent refuse collection could be made in Tatsfield. Carried.

Widening Lusted Lane

Proposed by Mr. Little, sec. Mr. Beagley that G.R.D.C. be written, drawing attention to the narrowness of Lusted Lane, and asking whether it could be widened. Carried.

Footpaths

proposed by Mrs. Laslett, sec. Mrs. Little that G.R.D.C. be asked what was the procedure in the matter of diversion of footpaths, as this knowledge would be useful in coming footpaths Survey. Carried.

Political Notices

proposed by Mr. Ridler, sec. Mr. Little that political notices be banned from P.C. Notice Boards, but that Notices of meetings be allowed by Clerk. Carried

Making up of
Malsman &
Goatsfield Rds.

Proposed by Mrs. Little, sec. Mr. Ridler that G.R.D.C. be asked The cost of making up these

roads, & in the event of owners of land being willing to pay his cost, whether there was any possibility of their being made up. Carried.

Village Hall

On the suggestion of Mr. Beagley it was agreed that the Chairman, Mr. Beagley & Mr. Ridler visit the Rev. Martin in Oxted on the matter, & the Clerk to ask the Auditor whether expenses for an enquiry into ownership of the Hall would be allowed.

Notice of Audit

The Clerk gave notice that an Audit of $\frac{a}{cs}$ for year ended 31st March 1949 would be held at Oxted 20th April.

Road fronting

Tabfield

Primary School

The Clerk read a letter from County Engineer, Kingston-on-Thames, stating that he had arranged for a portion of the bank to be cleared, & a tarmac surface laid which would have the effect of slightly widening the carriageway for a short length where the width is very restricted. The Clerk reported that the footpath had also been macadamized.

 $\frac{a}{cs}$ for payment

Proposed by Mr. Gary, see Mr. Little, that following $\frac{a}{cs}$ be passed for payment.

£2 Audit Stamp	£2-0-0 P.C.
Clerk's Salary to March 31st, 1950	£10-0-0
Titsey Estate 5 yrs Rent to 25.3.50	£2-0-0
Shaw & Sons, Stationery	4-9

R. J. Weatherley
Chairman 5/6/50.

JUNE 1950

written in April.

Minutes of the proceedings of Parish Council Meeting held at The School, Mon: June 5th, 1950

Present Mr. Weatherly (Chairman), Mrs. Laslett, Messrs. Geary, Little & Ridler, with Clerk, Miss Kelly, & Mr. Hodgson G.R.D.C.

Apology for Absence An apology for absence was received from Mrs. Beagley.

Minutes The minutes of last meeting were read & confirmed.

Mr. Hodgson The Chairman welcomed to the meeting, Mr. Hodgson, the new G.R.D.C. representative.

Polling Station The Clerk read a letter from the Town Clerk, Reigate, stating that he did not think there was anything to be gained by altering the polling station from The School to the Village Hall. The population of the Parish was housed roughly 1/2 of both these buildings, & the number of people who would find the Village Hall nearer would be counterbalanced by the electors who live nearer to the school. Also, the poll cards for the next election had already been prepared.

Proposed by Mr. Ridler, sec. by Mr. Geary that the Clerk write to the Town Clerk, Reigate saying that the Parish Council did not accept the geographical distribution as given by the Town Clerk, & would bring to his notice that there was more motor transport available at The School end of the village, & more room to turn cars at The Village Hall, than at The School.

Carried.

Previous letter G.R.D.C. Proposed by Mr. Ridler, sec. Mr. Little that G.R.D.C. be asked for a reply to the three points of the letter

written in April.

Carried.

Village Hall The Chairman said that he had not yet seen the Rev. Martin on the matter. The Clerk gave the Auditor's reply to the question of expenses incurred in investigations. It was decided that the Chairman should first see the Rev. W. Bywater

Parish Records The Clerk reported the receipt of an enquiry into Parish Records in possession of Parish Clerk. This had been answered May 22nd.

Committee Book The Clerk had been asked by G.R.D.C. to provide list of members of P.C. for Committee Book.

Byelaws Food & Drugs The Clerk reported receipt of Byelaws under Section 15 of Food & Drugs Act 1938.

Annual Gen. Meeting Surrey Ass. P.C. Mr. Ridler was asked if he would attend the Annual General Meeting of S. C. A. P. C. at Hambledon June 17th

Memorial Lawrence Chubb Proposed Mr. Jeary, sec. Mr. Laslett that P.C. send 10/5 towards cost memorial Sir Lawrence Chubb. Carried.

Festival of Britain The Chairman read Letter from Nat: Ass: Parish Councils Festival of Britain 1951 Proposed by Mr. Little sec. Mr. Ridler, that a general meeting to discuss question be held July 5th at 8 p.m. Proposed by Mr. Laslett, → The Chairman to see Mr. Bywater about holding the meeting in The Village Hall.

Allotments vacant Allotments 1 & 2 now vacant, owing to death of Mr. J. Higgs.

Council decided that no rent be asked for 3 months due.

School &

"Little" bus.

Mr. Geary drew attention to the fact that the "little" bus did not stop in the forecourt of Chelsham Garage, but at the Hare & Hounds. This was not on the schedule, & people sometimes missed this bus through waiting outside the garage for it.

The Chairman said that some children going to Chelsham & Warlingham Schools by were often left behind by the 3.48 school bus bringing them home.

Proposed by Mr. Geary, sec. Mrs. Laslett that the Running Superintendent at Chelsham garage be asked to arrange for the "little" bus to start from the forecourt of the garage, & that a double-decker bus be substituted for the single-decker 3.48 school bus, & that this should start at the Police Box, instead of, as at present, at The Hall, the former being nearer to the Schools.

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The following $\frac{a}{c}$ s on proposal Mr. Geary sec. Mrs. Laslett, were passed for payment. &

F.B. Watson, Hire car, Books to Audit	18-6
Memorial for L. Chubb.	10-6
J. Elbourne, erection Notice Board etc.	£8-15-0
Surrey C.C. Hire School, Jan, Feb, March.	18-0

Carried.

R. J. C. Weatherley
Chairman. 3.7.50.