

TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

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.....29.12.1977.

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 JANUARY 2.. 1978. at 8.0 a.m.

Yours faithfully,

Percy *Percy*

Clerk.

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BUDGET FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 1.4.78 - 31.3.79

<u>INCOME</u>	<u>£</u>	<u>EXPENDITURE</u>	<u>£</u>
Opening Balance	950	Village Hall - Capital	600
Interest	40	Insurance	105
V.A.T. Refund	65	Clerks Salary	528
Consul Bonds & Wayleave	1	Clerks Expenses	100
PRECEPT at 1p rate	1'814	Westerham Parish Council	25
		Parish Council Insurance	5
		S.C.A.P.T.C. subscription	28
		" expenses	15
		Village Directory	45
		Electoral Register	1
		United Reform Church	35
		District Auditor's Fee	60
		Oxted Voluntary Service	50
		Surrey Voluntary Service	10
		National Commons Association	2
		FOR LOCAL PURPOSES	1'161
		Closing balance	100
	<u>£ 2'870</u>		<u>£ 2'870</u>

Notes:

1. To levy a Parish Rate of 1.0 p as against 1.8 p in 1977. The sum for local purposes to cover such amounts as may be decided for the two major projects within the village - The Playing Fields Association and the Pond Preservation Association.
2. The opening balance is net of estimated expenditure for the remainder of 1977/1978 and is net of the sum of £250 agreed as a conditional grant to the Pond.

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TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Pynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Monday, January 9, 1978, at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Mr. P.N. Owen (Chairman), Mrs. M.V. Crofts, Mrs. M.L.G. Hession, Mrs. L.H. McHugo, Mrs. M.L.G. Plover and Mr. R.W. Hunt with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid) and four parishioners.

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

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on December 14, 1977 were confirmed and signed with the amendment of the word 'District' to read 'County' (paragraph 31, fourth word.)

2. MATTERS ARISING.

a. Planning (Item 3a minutes of 14-12-77)

i. Working Men's Club (3a11).

and Mr Hunt
Mrs. McHugo was appointed to represent the Council at the appeal to be heard on Wednesday, January 25.

Clerk to write reiterating the Council's opposition to this proposed development on the grounds that it would alter the whole aspect of the village centre and constitute an unjustifiable use of agricultural land in the Green Belt.

ii. Current Applications (3a1).

Mr. Hunt reported on applications notified during the month.

1. Oak Lodge, Lusted Hall Lane.

Objection had been lodged in respect of application No. AT/A/77/2794 for two detached houses to be built on this site, on the grounds that replacement should be on a one-for-one basis because of traffic hazards likely to be created. - Acknowledgement received from Bromley Council.

iii. New Applications.

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

b. Westmore Pond. (3b)

The Chairman said he would be consulting Mr. Hoskins (Chief Technical Officer) in the immediate future.

c. M25 Motorway Service Area (3c).

Letter (15-12) from Chief Executive & Clerk formally notified the Council of the District Council's Planning Committee's decision to oppose this project and its intention, if the matter is pursued, of pressing for a non statutory public inquiry.

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

Draft circular inviting local organisations to be represented at meeting to be held at the United Reformed Church on February 15, approved but time to be 8.0p.m., not 9.0p.m.

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- e. Village Directory (3e).
Questionnaire as drafted approved. Replies to be received by Mr. Hunt.
Circular to be sent out early in February for return by March 30.
- f. Parking, Westmore Green (3g).
Letter (22-12) from Mr. Hoskins (CTC) noted. This pointed out that earth reported dumped on the Green was to deal with erosion on the north west side. The Chairman pointed out that he would be meeting Mr. Hoskins to discuss the matter on the following Wednesday.
- g. Village Hall (3h).
The Chairman reminded members of vacancies likely to occur on the Village Hall Management Committee and the need to ensure that a strong committee was appointed.
- h. Youth Club (3i).
Chairman reported that the club had been launched at a disco held the previous week, in respect of which the Council's offer to pay the cost of the hall was likely to be taken up.
- i. Unauthorized Businesses (3k). - No further information available.
- j. Stiles (3l).
Letter (22-12) from County Area Engineer suggested site meeting, and Mrs. Crofts reported that this had been arranged.
- k. Planning Permission Planplot (3m).
Chairman supplied Clerk with information on which to pursue this matter.
- l. Playgroup, Village Hall (3n).
Clerk reported telephone call from Mr. Duval, whose wife now organises this playgroup. Mr. Duval was most co-operative and said notices had been posted and other efforts made to draw the attention of parents to the complaint.
- m. SEE Board (3p).
No contact had been made with Chairman. Clerk to pursue matter further.
- n. Titsay Hill Junction (3r). - No reply had been received.
- o. King Edward VII Memorial Garden (6a). - Mrs. Crofts pursuing this matter.
- p. Annual Parish Meeting (5b).
Agreed that this should be held in the Village Hall on Wednesday, April 12 at 8.0p.m. and not on March 29 as previously arranged.
- q. Budget, 1978-9. (5c).
Estimates for the coming financial year were discussed and it was agreed to notify the District Council that the Council expected to require the equivalent of a 1p rate (12/14) during the year. Details estimates are filed.
1. Clerk's Salary.
Agreed that the Clerk's salary be increased by 10% ie to £528 per annum as from March 31.

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r. Road Sweeping (7a).

Letter (21-12) from Area Engineer pointed out current difficulties and said particular attention would be paid to the complaint.

1. Waste Paper.

Clerk to write to Scout master (Mr. Dredge) pointing out nuisance arising apparently from waste paper blowing away from scout hut.

s. Pilgrims Way/32024 Junction (7b).

Letter acknowledged. Matter passed to County Surveyor.

4. CORRESPONDENCE.

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a. Outed Work Centre.

Letter (12-12) forwarded copy of accounts, thanked Council for past support and expressed the hope that this would be continued - to be circulated for the information of members.

b. Boundary Review.

SCAPTC forwarded copy of Department of the Environment's Circular No 121/77. - To be circulated for the information of members.

c. Gotwick Area Conservation Campaign.

Newsletter No. 11 received. Copies passed to all members.

d. S.C.A.P.T.C.

Notice received of meeting to be held at Firbright Village Hall on January 14. - Clerk to convey apologies of Council at its inability to be represented on this occasion and to indicate that the Village Hall would be available if desired for a future meeting.

e. Best Kept Village Competition.

Particulars received of 1978 contest. - Decided to take no action.

5. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were approved for payment and the necessary cheques signed: National Playing Fields Association (subscription), £2.00; Westerham Parish Council (Administrative expenses), £12.50; P.G. Reid (expenses), £3.78 P.G. Reid (wages - January), £40.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Rose Cottage.

Problems regarding Rose Cottage, Westmore Green to be dealt with by Chairman.

b. Whitewood Cottages.

Chairman reported complaint from tenant at Whitewood Cottages, where tar pours from the chimney.

c. Footpath 27.

Mrs. Crofts to investigate blockage of FF27 between Old Rectory and Tatsfield Court Farm.

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d. B269.

Clerk to point out to Mr. Deagley that visibility of traffic travelling towards Croydon is affected by piles of earth in the field beside the road apparently awaiting spreading.

7. RESIGNATION.

The Chairman read a letter of resignation which he had received from Mrs. Hession.

Dr and Mrs. Hession were leaving Tatsfield within the next few days for Dr Hession to take up an appointment as psychiatrist to the county of Gwent. Mr. Owen paid tribute to the work of both Dr and Mrs. Hession on the Parish Council and to Dr. Hession's work in establishing the link with Vern D'Anjou. Clerk to take necessary steps towards filling the vacancy caused on the Council.

The meeting closed at 10.30p.m.

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

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

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on January 9, 1978 were confirmed and signed with minor drafting amendments as inserted by the Chairman.

2. MATTERS ARISING.

- a. Planning (Item 2a, minutes of 9-1-78)

- i. Working Men's Club (2a1)

Mrs. McHugo and Mr. Hunt reported on the public inquiry at which the appeal against planning permission refusal was heard on January 25. During the inquiry it was stated that of 450 members of the club 192 came from Tatsfield, the remainder being spread over ten other areas. The reports were accepted and the possibility of improved parking facilities being provided for the club on its present site discussed.

- ii. Current Applications.

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

- iii. New Applications.

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

- b. Westmore Pond (2b)

The Chairman reported that a modified scheme using bentonite clay was now under consideration. The Pond Association were in touch with the Technical Services Officer and were anxious to make an early start on the improvements, the cost of which they did not expect to exceed £1000. - The report was noted.

- c. M25 Service Area.

Letter (30/1) from Department of the Environment said no further action was being taken until the report of the committee investigating service areas in general had been considered. This was noted, along with communications from CATSA and a letter offering support in opposing the proposals from Woldingham Branch, East Surrey Conservative Association.

- d. Surrey Structure Plan: Village Appraisal (2d).

Reported that all local organisations had received invitations to be represented at the special meeting to be held on February 15.

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e. Village Directory (2e).

Clark reported that questionnaires had been circulated at the same time as noticed of meeting on February 15, to economise in postage. - Noted.

f. Parking: Westmore Green (2f).

Letter (3/2) from Mr. Brunton said District Council would be prepared to carry out improvements estimated to cost about £600 if this Council was prepared to meet one third of the cost, irrespective of what the cost might ultimately prove to be.

The Chairman supplemented the letter with some further information and after discussion it was agreed by three votes to one to accept the District Council offer, the Clark so to inform the District Council.

g. Village Hall (2g).

Mr. Hunt was elected to represent the Council on the Village Hall Management Committee, in succession to Mrs. Hession. Clark so to inform Mrs. Stevenson, secretary.

h. Youth Club (2h).

Following a report by the Chairman the Council agreed to meet the cost of hiring the hall for a further dance (at the agreed rate of £1 for such events).

i. Unauthorized Businesses (2i).

In the light of the current situation it was agreed to defer further consideration of this matter until June.

j. Stills (2j).

Mrs. Crofts reported that she had met Mr. Andrews and was awaiting further progress.

k. Planning Permission Pamphlet (2k).

These had now been received from the Department of the Environment and circulated to members. The Clark had a further supply available on demand. - Noted.

l. SEE BOARD (2m).

The Clark reported on negotiations regarding charges made for the supply to the Village Hall and presented letter (27/1) setting out conditions under which restrictions on use could be altered for the benefit of hall users. It was agreed to refer the SEE Board letter to the Hall Management committee for consideration.

m. Titey Hill Junction (2n).

Letter (23/1) from County Council said arrangements had been made for the edge-of-carriageway markings at Clarke's Lane junction to be renewed when contractors were next in the area. - Noted.

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

Mrs. Crofts reported that she had been in touch with Mr. Wilson, who had promised to deal with this matter as soon as possible.
Clark to write expressing the hope that some early action would be possible.

o. Annual Parish Meeting (2p).

Clark reported that Mrs. Hallott had been informed of the change of date to Wednesday, April 12.

p. Waste Paper (2ri)

Letter from Mr. Dredge expressed regret that the matter had not been dealt with by a personal approach and outlined new arrangements being made to prevent a repetition of the problem. - Noted.

q. Pilgrims Way/B202h Junction (7b).

No reply had been received. Clark instructed to pursue matter.

r. Boundary Review (1a).

After a short discussion the Clerk was asked to make informal enquiries on the implications and procedures involved in effecting minor boundary changes.

s. Rise Cottage (6a). - Chairman reported that this matter was in hand.

t. Footpath No. 27. (6c).

Clark to write to Mr. Howard Thomas of Coleates, drawing attention to obstructions on Footpath 27, which Mrs. Crofts reported existed at both ends of the path.

u. B262 (6d).

Letter (31/1) from Mr. Wholan of Cheveralls Farm said work had been stopped to prevent mud being taken on to the road. The whole area would be cleared up as the weather cleared and grass seed sown in the spring.

v. Casual Vacancy (7).

Letter (30/1) from District Council reported that two electors had asked for an election to fill the casual vacancy caused by the resignation of Mrs. Hession. Nominations would close on February 22 and if an election was necessary polling would be on March 16.

w. International Union of Local Authorities.

The Chairman reported on an invitation to affiliate to the European Federation of Mayors. An enquiry via the British Council had elicited the comment from the British Section of the International Union of Local Authorities that it was very much doubted whether any advantage would accrue to a Parish Council from joining the Federation. It had therefore been decided to take no action. - Report noted.

3. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Proposed Police Exhibition.

Letter (17/1) from Mr. Dredge said it had been suggested that a police exhibition dealing with Crime Prevention and Road Safety should be held in the Village Hall between the beginning of May and the end of August. Members welcomed the suggestion and the Clerk was instructed to invite Mr. Dredge to get into touch with Mrs. Hallett and to indicate that the Council would be prepared to meet the cost of renting the Hall at the customary rate of £1; it also to be suggested that the exhibition should if possible be held outside the holiday season.

b. Appeal: Pynesfield Road.

Letter (20/1) from Department of the Environment announced the dismissal of an appeal by Mr. R. D'Bath against refusal of permission to build a detached bungalow in Pynesfield Road.

c. Leisure & Recreational Facilities.

Letter (25/1) from District Council forwarded pamphlet dealing with facilities in the district noted.

d. Locally Determined Sector Allocations.

Circular from SCAPTC asked if Council wished to make a 'bid' against this year's allocation. The council having no projects in mind involving capital expenditure, it was decided to take no action.

e. Dr. and Mrs. Hession.

Letter (7/2) from Dr. and Mrs. Hession thanked past and present members of the Council for their gifts and the 'most memorable and enjoyable occasion' at which these were presented and expressed the hope that some members of the Council would be able to visit them at their new home.

f. United Reformed Church.

Letter (14/2) from Mr. P. Forward invited the Council to give financial help in providing an extension to the rear of the United Reformed Church at an estimated cost of £5000. The Chairman explained the attitude adopted by the District Council in respect of offering financial aid to religious organisations and the Clerk was instructed to inform Mr. Forward that, regrettably, the Council felt unable to offer assistance.

4. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were approved for payment, and the necessary cheques signed: United Reformed Church (donation re. use of church for Council meetings), £50; P.G. Reid (wages, February), £40; P.G. Reid (expenses) £11.49.

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5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Greenways/Gontsfield Road Footpath.

The Chairman reported that this matter was under discussion, but action was not to be expected until the next review of the definitive footpath map.

b. Ice: Crossways.

Following a report on difficulties caused by the formation of ice following a water overflow at Crossways, the Chairman said the Housing Officer would be dealing with this as soon as possible.

c. Roads.

Complaint having been made of the dangerous state of both Ricketts Hill and the Approach Road at Furze Corner, the Clerk was instructed to draw the situation to the attention of the County Council with a request for early action.

d. Horse Riding.

Complaint having been made of horse riding through the woods near Old Lane and Tatsfield Common and also on Westmore Green, the Clerk was instructed to write to Miss J. Garnham pointing out that riding on commons and footpaths was not permitted. Chairman to deal with complaints regarding Westmore Green.

e. Phone Box.

Mrs. Player to deal with complaint that telephone box in the village centre is not regularly cleaned.

f. School Manager.

Mrs. Crofts was appointed school manager to replace Mrs. Hession for the unexpired part of her term of office. - Clerk to inform Divisional Education Officer.

6. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

During the public adjournment Mr. Goody raised questions regarding an alleged encroachment in Barnfield Road, and received advice.

The meeting closed at 10.40p.m.

5g) Mr Hunt inquired as to the progress on rebuilding the泥 road by the bus stop - chairman to investigate.

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MINUTES of a special meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Wednesday, February 15, 1978.

PRESENT: Mr. P.N. Owen (Chairman), Mr. R.W. Pearce, Mrs. M.E. Crofts, Mrs. E.M.G. Player and Mr. H.W. Hunt, with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid).
The following representatives of local organisations and private individuals were present by invitation: Mrs. D.M. Geary; Mrs. R.E. Forward (representing the Women's Institute); Mrs. Joan Dothie, Mrs. D. Hallett (Not-So-Young Club); Mrs. Eileen Pearce (Liberal group); Mr. W.D. Begg (Working Men's Club); Mr and Mrs Denis Hayes; Mr. Simon Dothie (Conservative Association); Mr. D.E. Strange (Tatsfield school PTA); Mr and Mrs. M. Wilmot; and the Rev. Michael Urwin (St Mary's church).

The Chairman said the meeting which had been called to consider the preparation of a village appraisal, would be informal. He hoped they would be able to decide whether a village appraisal was desirable and, if so, to appoint a small group to prepare such an appraisal.

Such a group would be asked to collect information about the village covering a wide range of matters, among them to discover the work pattern, residential and transport needs of the community, the shopping pattern and needs of the village and the recreational needs of both young and old.

Such matters as education and the schools children attended after leaving the village school - and the desires of parents and potential parents and problems arising from the possible closure of village shops and the medical services in general and the care of old people would come within the survey which would lead to a considered assessment of the needs and future shape of the village: including the vexed question of how large they wanted Tatsfield to be and where, if anywhere, building should be allowed.

He hoped the proposed group, if established, would report to and work in close liaison with the Parish Council and other authorities.

Mr. Strange opened the ensuing debate. Parents, he claimed, wanted freedom of choice and were concerned that the school bus service would stop when the last Tatsfield child had completed the course at Oxted. Mr. Strange suggested that a survey should be made to ascertain the views of parents. There was concern that children were leaving the village to be educated in a more suburban atmosphere.

Following some further discussion the Chairman remarked that education would clearly form an important part of any questionnaire.

Mr. Hayes expressed doubts as to the value of the survey and instanced a number of developments which had been permitted against the wishes of the parish council.

The Chairman pointed out that attitudes had changed in recent years and he hoped Mr. Hayes was not being unduly pessimistic.

Mr. Begg spoke of the proposed new working men's club, emphasising that the club had moved away from the former image of a 'gambling, drunken hell'. During discussion the Chairman made it clear that the Parish Council, though opposed to development on the suggested site, were anxious to help the club to solve its problems in a way which would be acceptable to all.

Mr. Pearce pointed out the importance of deciding the population and area which was desirable for the village. Did they want a population of 2000 around that at present, or some limited expansion, say to 3000?

Mrs. Crofts pin-pointed the problem as a choice between a small, select village or one which was allowed to grow enough to encourage businesses to remain open, and the Rector also spoke of the choice between a rural community and something approaching a suburban one.

In reply to further debate the Chairman said present policy was basically to leave well alone.

Mr. Hayes asked that the question of the village's unmade roads should be included in any survey and Mr. Begg claimed that there was a good deal of squatting going on.

The principle of preparing a village appraisal having been approved by the meeting without dissent, the election of a committee to deal with the matter in the way suggested was proceeded with.

Those elected were: Mr. P.N. Owen, Mrs. E. Pearce, Mrs. E.M.G. Player, Mr. S. Dothie, Mr. D. Hayes, Mr. H.W. Hunt and the Rev H. Urwin. The Chairman indicated that Mr. Pigram (District Council planning department) would be willing to co-operate with the Committee.

The meeting closed at 9.45p.m.

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 - i. Current Applications.

Mrs. Payer reported on applications notified during the month and action taken.
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Reported that an appeal had been lodged and was being dealt with on the basis of written representations.
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 - iii. Ricketts Hill Road.

Letter (7/3) from Mr. A.S. Grover sought right of access to land north of Oakbank, Ricketts Hill Road, in respect of a proposed dwelling.
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 - iv. New Applications.

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 - b. Surrey Structure Plan: Village Appraisal (2d).

Decided to convene the initial meeting of the committee appointed at the meeting held on February 15 for Thursday, May 11, 1978 at the United Reformed Church at 8.0p.m. Clerk to make necessary arrangements and to notify members of the committee and, through the Chief Executive, to invite Mr. Hignon (District Council's Planning Department) to attend.
 - c. Village Directory.

Mr. Hunt reported progress. Information awaited from a number of organisations.
 - d. Parking: Westmore Green (2f).

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n. Phone Box: Village Centre '5e)

Mrs. Playor reported on arrangements for the regular cleansing of the phone box and for window cleaning. The box was subject to surface water flooding. After discussion the clerk was instructed to draw the attention of the telephone authorities and ask if steps can be taken to deal with the flooding problem.

3. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Scout Fete.

Letter from Mr. Dredge (Group Scout Leader) asked permission for scout fete to be held on Westacre Green on Saturday, July 6. - Agreed.

b. County Council: Re-Organisation of Highway Services.

Letter (9/3) from County Engineer outlined re-organisation of services, noted.

c. Derelict Van.

Letter (13/3) from Mrs. A. Hayes drew attention to derelict van at the end of Massamur Road. - Clerk to report to County Council with a request for action, in accordance with terms of County Council circular of March 9.

4. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were approved for payment and the necessary cheques signed: Bank of England (loan repayments & interest), £294.97; P.G. Reid (expenses), £6.32; P.G. Reid (wages- March), £40.00.

5. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Phone Box: Junction of Ricketts Hill Road & Lusted Hall Lane.

Reported that the area around this phone box, which had been used for the storage of materials during work carried out on behalf of the water authority was still in a bad state.
Clerk to seek action to tidy this up.

b. M25 Service Area.

Following a report by the Chairman in further letter from the Minister of Transport to Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Clerk was instructed to seek a pro-forma on which the Council can submit evidence to the Prior Committee which is considering motorway service areas.

c. Vern D'Anjou Visit.

The Chairman reported that arrangements were in progress for a party of 61 people from Tatsfield to visit Vern D'Anjou: 53 by coach and eight by car.

d. Speed Limit.

Mrs. Crofts suggested that a speed limit should be sought on Ricketts Hill. Diverse views were expressed during a discussion and it was eventually decided to defer the matter until the next meeting.

e. White Lane.

Mrs. McHugh complained of dumping taking place at White Lane and agreed to investigate the matter further.

f. Youth Club.

Mrs. McHugo spoke of the difficulties experienced by the youth club in finding a regular meeting place. After some discussion during which mention was made of the regular bookings taken up by the badminton club, the Chairman said this seemed a suitable matter to be aired at the annual parish meeting.

g. 'Clear Up' Day.

Agreed that arrangements for a united village 'clearing-up day' should be discussed at the annual parish meeting.

h. Gas Supply.

Mr. Hunt said many people would like a supply of gas to the village. It was pointed out that on the most recent enquiries it appeared clear that it would be impossible to secure a supply at terms likely to be financially attractive. Clerk to report on earlier correspondence at next meeting.

i. Lorries Turning on Green.

Mrs. Flayer reported on damage caused to Westmore Green apparently by brewers' lorries delivering to the Men's Club. Clerk to draw complaint to the attention of the club with a request that drivers should be asked to cease this practice.

j. Chairman.

The Chairman asked members to accept his apologies for his inability to attend the April Council meeting.

6. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

a. Bus Shelter.

Clerk to report to Technical Services Officer complaints of vandalism to the bus shelter with a request for action.

The meeting closed at 11.00p.m.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING ETC

Tatsfield Parish Council

Clerk to the Council

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
WILL BE HELD AT

TATSFIELD VILLAGE HALL

ON

WEDNESDAY APRIL 12, 1978

AT 8.0 P.M.

AGENDA

1. APOLOGIES.
2. MINUTES of Annual Parish meeting of 30-3-77
3. MATTERS ARISING.
4. REPORTS:
 - a. Chairman.
 - b. Village Hall Management Committee (Election of Committee members)
 - c. School Managers.
 - d. Village Hall Association.
 - e. Playing Fields Association.
 - f. C.A.T.S.A.
 - g. District Council.
 - h. County Council.
5. OPEN FORUM.
6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

TO BE FOLLOWED BY THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE TATSFIELD/VERN D'ANJOU ASSOCIATION.

ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED TO ATTEND

LIGHT REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED DURING AN INTERVAL

MARCH 25, 1978.

Percy G. Reid,

Clerk.

TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

A

PUBLIC MEETING

TO DISCUSS

M25 MOTORWAY SERVICE AREA PROPOSALS

(At Clacketts Lane/Titsey Wood)

will be held at

TATSFIELD VILLAGE HALL

ON

MONDAY DECEMBER 5, 1977.

AT 8.15P.M.

OPEN TO ALL

THE PROPOSED AREA IS CLOSE TO THE SURREY/KENT BORDER
IT WOULD OCCUPY ABOUT 40 ACRES OF OPEN COUNTRYSIDE.

THE MEETING IS CALLED TO ENABLE

ALL RESIDENTS TO EXPRESS THEIR VIEWS

AND, IF THE MEETING WISHES TO

DECIDE ON FURTHER ACTION.

TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL.

MINUTES of a public meeting called by Tatsfield Parish Council to discuss the proposal to establish a motorway service area on the M25 at Clacketts Lane/Titsey Wood held at Tatsfield Village Hall on Monday, December 5, 1977 at 8.15p.m.

Mr. P.M. Owen, Parish Council Chairman and District Council representative presided over a crowded attendance which residents of a number of neighbouring areas in Kent and Surrey.

Drawings and maps of the locality of the proposed service area and illustrating its likely effect were on display.

The Chairman explaining the procedure to be adopted said he would be inviting Mr. Richard Carey of Limpsfield (whose family formerly lived at the Old Rectory) to discuss the environmental aspects of the proposal. After a general discussion it was proposed to put the following resolution: "That this meeting rejects all proposals to build a service area in or near the Clacketts Lane/Titsey Wood area".

If that proposal was accepted on separate votes by Tatsfield residents and others it was proposed that the meeting should proceed to form an organisation to co-ordinate resistance to the proposals.

Mr. Owen said details were still not available and went on to outline the known history of the suggestions. It was most unlikely that any decision would be reached before January or February, but it was important that individual views should be made known to Tandridge District Council as soon as possible.

It was estimated that if a service area was created it would be used by about 14,000 people every 24 hours - a prospect which, without any doubt, must make a very deep inroad into the rural amenities of the locality.

Mr. Carey expressed his views on environmental matters, pointing out that this area in the Green Belt was also one of outstanding natural beauty and its future was of considerable concern to all. The National Trust was among the bodies interested in a project which would be visible as far away as Limpsfield Chart, as well as from the escarpment of the North Downs.

He was prepared to accept that the Department would make what efforts were possible to screen the site, but it was bound to be visible over a wide area by night as well as by day.

During a discussion lasting about an hour many points were made by local residents against the proposal.

Mr. Carey pointed out that the motorway was bound to be open for four years without a service area at this point - giving ample opportunity to assess the needs in view of the facts revealed and Mr. Greening (Oxted & Limpsfield Amenities Association) expressed doubts about the estimated traffic on the motorway - officially given as 60,000 vehicles a day in 1979.

At the close of the discussion the resolution put by the Chairman was passed a majority of both Tatsfield residents and of the meeting as a whole voting in support of it.

Mr. Carey then read to the meeting the draft constitution of the Campaign Against Tatsfield Service Area (CATSA).

These were adopted and the following officers and committee were elected: Chairman, Mr. W.R.C. Carey; treasurer, Mr. R.L. Davies; secretary, Mrs. A. Scott; Committee: Mrs. A.M. McHugh, Mrs. P. Wrightley, Mr. E. Leslie, Mr. S.W. Pearce, Mr. P. Hartley and Mr. P.M. Owen.

Closing the meeting the Chairman announced that 5000 circulars had already been distributed and the District Council had already received 113 letters opposing the proposal.

At the end of the meeting those present were invited to enroll as members of the new body.

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. F.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.G. 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 19, 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 progress 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. Wilcox.

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 Uwin (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. R. 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.

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ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Tatsfield Village Hall, Wednesday, March 30, 1977.

A G E N D A

1. Apologies.
2. Minutes of Annual Parish Meeting held on March 31, 1976.
3. Minutes of special parish meetings held October 13 and November 10, 1976.
4. Matters Arising.
5. Reports:
 - a Chairman.
 - b Village Hall Management Committee (Mr. Wilmot).
 - c School Managers (Rector) Election of Committee member s.
 - d Village Pond Asctr (?Mr Clarke)
 - e District Council (Mrs. Dunn)
 - f County Council (Mr. MacFarlane).
6. Any Other Business.

To be followed by annual meeting of Vern D'Anjou Association.

RULES AND CONSTITUTION OF "THE TATSFIELD VILLAGE POND ASSOCIATION".1. TITLE.

"The Tatsfield Village Pond Association".

2. OBJECTS.

To encourage restoration and maintenance of village pond so that it continues to be a centre of the village for posterity.

3. MEMBERSHIP.

Membership is open to residents of Tatsfield or other interested persons and organisations by payment of an entrance fee.

4. FUNDS.

Funds shall be raised by donations and social events. The financial year of the association shall run from January 1st to December 31st.

5. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING.

The annual general meeting of the Tatsfield village pond association shall take place during March or April each year, at the discretion of the Committee. Twenty one days notice of the A.G.M. shall be given by public notice. The Quorum for an A.G.M. shall be 10.

The annual general meeting shall have the following duties:

- (a) To approve the annual report.
- (b) To approve the properly audited accounts.
- (c) To elect the Chairman, Secretary, and Treasurer and 5 other committee members. Nominations in writing with the nominees consent, shall be notified to the secretary not less than seven days before the A.G.M.
- (d) To approve any amendments to the rules and constitution.
- (e) To appoint an Hon. Auditor.

6. EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETINGS.

Extraordinary General Meetings may be called by not less than 10 members with twenty eight days notice to the secretary and the purpose stated.

7. THE COMMITTEE.

The Committee shall consist of eight members including the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer. The committee shall invite the Parish Council to nominate an additional member. In the case of equality of votes the Chairman shall have the casting vote. No member shall have more than one vote.

The committee retires annually and may seek re-election.

The quorum at a Committee meeting shall be 5.

8. ALTERATION TO RULES AND CONSTITUTION.

No alteration to the rules and constitution shall be made except by a resolution carried by at least two thirds of the members.

9. FREQUENCY OF MEETINGS.

There shall be a minimum of two meetings of the committee every year, of which at least one shall be open to the public.

10. SIGNING OF CHEQUES.

The bank mandate shall contain the signatures of the Chairman, Secretary and Treasurer of which any two signatures be required on documents.

TATSFIELD COUNTY FIRST SCHOOL (Children 5-8 years)

PUPILS Spring Term 93
Summer term increase to 103.

STAFF Mr. Hillier continues as Head Teacher.

There are FOUR members of staff.

There are FOUR classes.

There is a secretary and a school cleaner, (Mr. Rumley appointed Dec. last year).

MANAGERS Three appointed by the County Council, three appointed by the Parish Council-- The Headteacher, a staff representative and a member nominated by the parents. Making a total of 8 Managers. The new Chairman is Mr. D. E. Strange and the Vice Chairman Mrs. Joan Dohie. Mrs Dohie has been thanked for long and valuable service to the school.

SCHOOL ACTIVITIES Activity within the school continues busily, as parents know well. This term pupils visited the Fairfields Halls for a puppet show. Last term pupils and staff presented the Christmas and Harvest Festival services, with displays, readings, songs and sketches. In the Summer Term there was the June Fair (raising £300+), the school sports and visits to the Crystal Palace Zoo, The Natural History Museum, Sheffield Park and the Blue Bell Railway, and the Regent's Canal. NB MAY FAIR this year on 21st May. notices out for stalls etc.

SCHOOL CANTEEN With the promotion of the Canteen Supervisor and nobody available to take her place, it was necessary to close the Kitchen at the school and to receive school meals from Warlingham central Kitchen. Mr. Hillier has noted that they are very satisfactory.

IMPROVEMENTS TO THE BUILDINGS New cisterns have been installed in both the Boys and Girls outside toilets. Oil fired central heating is being installed so that from Summer term onwards there will be no further need for a stoker of the boiler.

PUPILS TRANSFER at the age of 8 from Tastsfield to Hamsey Green M.S. or

St Leonard's School, Chelsham (C. of E. Aided) if choose and their choice has been accepted by the School.

TASSFIELD SCHOOL AND THE EDUCATION CUTS . So far as our school is concerned the effects are slight. The school lost the services of two part time teachers who covered work with individuals and small groups of children. Some of their work is being covered by the Headteacher. ^{But} it should be noted that numbers of children entering the school are falling, so that class^{es} 4 and 2 numbers are down by approx. 5 pupils on last year- and are some 20 and 23 pupils in each. The school's library service for primary schools has paid its last visit. The school is offsetting the loss of this service by buying in some 100, new books. According to the headteacher the school is well stocked and has good resource has an adequate number of teachers and a slightly falling roll (10 down of last year) and these factors offset to a considerable extent the effects of the cuts in the classroom situation.

Mr. Chairman I beg leave to offer this report for acceptance and in so doing ask that Mr. Hillier, his staff of teachers, canteen helpers, school cleaner, the stoker and members of the PTA be thanked for their services to the community, especially the children of our village.

TATSFIELD VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

ANNUAL REPORT

1976 - 1977

MEMBERS as at March 1, 1977.

Mrs. D. Hallett (booking secretary), Mrs. M. Hession, JP (Parish Council representative), Mr. K. Hubbard (hall supervisor), Mr. D. Johnson (hon. treasurer), Mrs. A. Jupp, Mrs. E. Maxwell-Jones, Mrs. E. Softley, Mrs. W. Stevenson (hon. secretary), Mr. H. Tapsell and Mr. M. Wilmot (Chairman).

1. MEMBERSHIP.

We suffered a great loss when Mr. and Mrs. Slatter left Tatsfield. They had been the mainstay of the hall for very many years, filling for various periods all the offices of the Management Committee. There is no doubt that their work saved the committee and, therefore, the ratepayers, hundreds of pounds and maintained a hall of which the village should be proud. The Committee wished them happiness in their new home and presented them with a cheque contributed by members of the committee.

We were very fortunate in adding last September Mrs. D. Hallett and Mr. K. Hubbard to our membership. Mrs. Hallett has proved to be a very efficient booking secretary and Mr. Hubbard's excellent work as hall supervisor must be apparent to all users of the hall.

We were without an honorary secretary until February when Mrs. Stevenson volunteered for the job and is proving to be very competent and helpful.

Our membership at present is up to strength, in fact it is one over the number provided in the draft constitution.

For some years it has been necessary to exert a certain amount of persuasion to obtain a committee at all and volunteers have been co-opted to the management committee instead of following strictly the terms of the draft constitution. The co-opted members are: Mrs. D. Hallett, Mr. K. Hubbard, Mr. D. Johnson, Mrs. J.E. Maxwell-Jones and Mrs. Stevenson. It is now appropriate to regularise the position.

Two members of the Committee, Messrs Tapsell and Wilmot stand down in accordance with the draft constitution. Mr. Tapsell offers himself for re-election.

We Recommend.

- a. That the total membership of the Tatsfield Village Hall Management Committee be increased from nine to ten members.
- b. That the following co-opted members be re-elected members of the Tatsfield Village Hall Management Committee: Mrs. D. Hallett, Mr. K. Hubbard, Mr. D. Johnson, Mrs. J.E. Maxwell-Jones and Mrs. W. Stevenson.
- c. That Mr. H. Tapsell be re-elected a member of the Tatsfield Village Hall Management Committee.

2. CONSTITUTION.

It appears that the constitution approved by the Parish Council on February 13, 1967 was found to have a number of gaps and a draft of a revised document was forwarded to the Parish Council on April 6, 1968 but no formal approval can be traced by the Management Committee. The Committee has, however, endeavoured to follow this draft which, in turn, has proved to have a number of defects. We are of opinion, therefore, that a fresh attempt should be made to bring this matter up to date.

3. INTERNAL RE-DECORATION.

The work of internal re-decoration of the hall has been completed at a cost of £1990.

4. CHARGES.

We reviewed the charges made for the use of the hall in July last and were able not to seek any increase. We hope to hold charges down for a further period but that will depend upon the matters mentioned in paragraphs 5 and 6 below.

5. OUTSTANDING WORK, ETC.

Following the completion of the internal re-decoration, a detailed inspection of equipment, etc., was carried out with the result that a number of additional jobs need to be done and some equipment repaired or replaced.

Some items will need professional treatment, some will be done by members of the Committee, but it is felt that the help of users of the hall and other interested persons should be sought to deal with the following:

Committee room: ease doors to sink cupboard and repaint inside and out.

Kitchen: Paint insides of cupboards and paint edge of threshold to back door. Paint bolts etc.

Hall: Strip and re-varnish window sills.

Stage: Paint edge, stain floor, varnish floor flap and step risers.

Small Committee Room: New 'Formica' top to one stacking table.
Remove old paint splashes and re-polish window sill.

Chairs: Wooden: varnish.
Stacking: repair or renew five canvas seats.

Entrance Porch: Re-decorate inside.

Offers of help, please to the Hall Supervisor (Mr. E. Hubbard of Greensleeves, Messamer Road - telephone: Tatsfield 491).

6. COOKER.

We have been asked to instal cooking facilities in the kitchen for use on a small number of occasions each year. We have considered the various methods which could be adopted, namely:

1. An electric cooker: the average 4-ring cooker consumes 12kw 'all on' and used at this rate for only 20 minutes during the winter would involve an extra charge of £134.88 per annum plus a charge for the electricity consumed by the cooker. To expect only those who use the cooker to meet this extra cost is **not** feasible and it would follow, therefore, that the charge to all users would have to be raised.
2. Butane gas cooker permanently installed. We would not wish to have butane cylinders permanently within the hall and to site them outside the hall would involve too high a security risk.
3. Portable Butane gas cooker. We came to the conclusion that the fairest way of dealing with this matter was for those who wish to undertake cooking to hire a portable butane gas cooker themselves for use at such events as they may wish.

We would emphasise that no additional electrical apparatus of any kind may be used in the hall without the prior agreement of the hall supervisor who may have to arrange for some of the heaters to be disconnected to compensate for the extra current consumed.

7. GENERALLY.

I would conclude this report by thanking the various members of the Committee for their support and for taking on the many jobs which require to be done. This is a working committee, not a talking one.

M. Wilmot,

Chairman.

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ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 1977

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT

MEMBERS ARE REQUESTED TO BRING TO THE NOTICE OF THE

COUNCIL ALL MATTERS CONCERNING

THE PARISH WHICH SHOULD BE DISCUSSED AT THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

HELD AT THE PARISH HALL ON THURSDAY, MARCH 30, 1977

AND TO BRING TO THE ATTENTION OF THE COUNCIL ANY MATTERS

WHICH THEY WISH TO BE CONSIDERED AT THE MEETING

THE DATE OF THE PARISH MEETING IS MARCH 30, 1977.

Per *Percy G. Reid*
Clerk.

TATSFIELD - VERN D'ANJOU-ASSOCIATION
 INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT FOR THE PERIOD
 JUNE 1975 to 31st DECEMBER 1976

<u>EXPENDITURE</u>		<u>INCOME</u>	
Hall Hirings	£22.45	Grants, Gifts & Donations	£65.50
Gifts to Vern	32.26	Bistro Evenings	94.64
Donation	50.00	Surplus on Vern visit	85.16
Stall fete rental	2.00	Raffles, fetes, etc.	30.05
Visit with guests	13.50		
Bank Balance	<u>155.14</u>		
	<u>£275.35</u>		<u>£275.35</u>

N.B. With effect from January 1st 1977 a deposit account has been opened in the amount of £100 from the balance in the association's current account.

Treasurer K.A. Goodchild

4th February, 1977. I have examined the above statement for the period June 1975 to 31st December 1976 with the books and vouchers of the Association and certify them to be in agreement.

Hon. Auditor W. H. S. S. S.

TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of a PARISH MEETING held at the United Reformed Church, Pynesfield Road, Tatsfield on Wednesday, November 10, 1976 further to discuss arrangements to celebrate the Queen's Silver Jubilee on June 6 and 7, 1977, and to appoint a Committee to carry through the arrangements.

PRESENT: Mr. P.N. Owen (Chairman, Tatsfield Parish Council), presiding, with the following members of the Parish Council: Mr. R.W. Pearce, Mrs. M.E. Crofts, Mrs. A.M. McKugo, Mrs. E.N.G. Payer, and Mr. H.W. Hunt, the Clerk (Mr. P.C. Reid), Mrs. H.A. Dunn (District Council representative), 14 parishioners, most of whom represented local organisations.

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

PROPOSED PROGRAMME.

The Chairman said the object of the meeting was twofold: to receive comments on the proposals made at the meeting held on October 13, 1976, and additional suggestions from representatives present and secondly to arrange how the programme should be carried through.

Those reporting included: The Chairman (Vern O'Manjou Association), Mr. Pearce (Liberals), Mrs. Payer (Pond Preservation Society), Mr. Baker (Football Club), Mrs. Bull (Playgroup), Mr. Hornby (Conservative Association), Mrs. Bradshaw (T.T. Club and Colts FC), Mrs. Jupp (Drama Group), Mrs. Amesbury (P.T., Guides and Brownies), Mr. Buxton (Badminton Club), Mrs. Maxwell-Jones (Little Acorns kindergarten), Mr. Hunt (Pond Preservation Society), Mrs. Hallett ('omens' Institute) and Mrs. Dodds (Wednesday Social Group).

Reports indicated general support for the outline programme as put forward at the meeting on October 13.

Additional suggestions included a more permanent memento of the occasion by the placing of a suitable 'rural' map of the village on Westmore Green the naming of a suitable place or object to commemorate the occasion, a social evening for senior citizens, the sale of beer on the Green and a procession from a bonfire near the village centre to a signal bonfire to be lit at a spot near the church at midnight.

Funds.

Mrs. Jupp announced that the Carnival Association was prepared to make a donation of £20 to enable the proposed committee to meet initial expenses, and for this the Chairman expressed the gratitude of the meeting. Mrs. Hallett suggested a jumble sale to raise funds.

APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN.

Mrs. Jupp and Mr. Hornby were nominated as Chairman of the proposed committee and on a ballot being taken Mrs. Jupp was declared elected by 13 votes to seven.

COMMITTEE.

The Chairman announced that Mrs. McKugo and Mrs. Payer had been nominated to represent the parish council on the committee, and it was agreed that the Chairman should serve ex officio. No other members were formally appointed but those who intimated a willingness to serve included: Mrs. Bull, Mrs. Dunn, Mrs. Amesbury, Mrs. Hallett, Mrs. Dodd and Mr. Hornby and Mrs. Sharp.

It was agreed that progress reports should be presented by the committee to the Parish Council.

The meeting closed at 9.25p.m.

P.N. Owen

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN

THAT A

SPECIAL PARISH MEETING

WILL BE HELD

AT THE

WOMENS' INSTITUTE HALL

PAYNESFIELD ROAD

ON

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 13, 1976

AT 7.45p.m.

TO DISCUSS LOCAL CELEBRATIONS OF THE QUEEN'S SILVER

JUBILEE, 1977,

AND, IF SO DECIDED, TO ELECT A COMMITTEE TO ORGANISE

A SUITABLE PROGRAMME.

OCTOBER 1, 1976.

Percy G. Reid,
Clerk.

TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

Telephone:
Westerham 62147.

12 Westways,
Westerham,
Kent,
TN16 1TT.

September 30, 1976.

Dear

JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS.

This letter is to invite your organisation to be represented at a Special Parish Meeting to be held at the Womens' Institute Hall on Wednesday, October 13, 1976 at 7.45p.m.

The meeting will be invited to form a committee to arrange suitable events in the village as part of the Royal Silver Jubilee Celebrations next year.

All ideas will be welcomed at this meeting and it is hoped that support will come from all local organisations. You are earnestly requested to ensure that every possible effort is made to see that your association is represented.

Yours sincerely,

Percy G. Reid,
Clerk.

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

Telephone:
Westerham 62117.

12 Westways,
Westerham,
Kent,
TN16 1TT.

April 20 1976.

Dear

As you probably already know meetings of the Parish Council are normally held on the second Monday of every month (except August) in the United Reformed Church, Pynesfield Road at 8.0p.m.

The first meeting of the new Council is therefore due on Monday May 10.

I am addressing this note to all candidates in the current election as advance notice of that meeting. Immediately the result of the ballot is known I will send a formal notice and agenda to all elected members, along with a copy of the minutes of the last meeting.

By law in an election year the annual meeting must take place on the fourth day after the date of the election or within 14 days thereafter.

The chair must be taken at the opening of the first meeting by either the chairman or vice-chairman of the last Council, whose term of office ends with the completion of the first business - the election of a chairman.

If neither the retiring chairman nor the vice-chairman is present the Council must appoint one of its members to preside.

The chairman and all members of the Council must sign a declaration of acceptance of office at the start of the meeting.

I trust you will find these notes helpful.

Percy G. Reid,

Clerk.

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TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL.

MINUTES of annual parish meeting held at the Village Hall on Wednesday, March 31, 1976 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Dr. M. Hession (Parish Council chairman), presiding, Mrs. M. Crofts, Mr. K. Clarke, Mr. W. Goodchild and the Rev M. Unwin (parish council members), Mrs. H. Dunn (Tandridge District Council) and between 50 and 60 parishioners with Mr. P.G. Reid (Clerk to parish council) and two Press representatives.

APOLOGIES were received from Mr. J. Softley and Mr. D Hayes (parish council members) and from Mr. A Powell and Mr. P. Langford (of Essex Ian Ramsey College, Brasted, who are preparing a study of Tatsfield).

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

The Chairman said this would be the last meeting arranged by this Council, which had lasted for five years instead of the normal three, because of local government re-organisation.

During an interesting and stimulating year ten council meetings had been held. Dr. Hession recalled the 900th anniversary celebrations of the parish church, at the end of which Mr. Iveson Gower had intimated that he wished to present the greens to the council.

During the year the twinning with Vern D'Anjou had been firmly established and had provided what all had hoped it would provide: a valuable link with a French community which had attracted wider village support than many other local activities.

An increasing number of people had attended parish council meetings and become more involved in village affairs.

The chairman recalled major repairs carried out to the village hall, plans to erect a village sign at the foot of Ricketts Hill and the agreement to restrict parking around the 'island' opposite the village hall.

A major failure had been the attempt to inaugurate a bus service to Oxted to help shoppers.

The Social Group led by Mrs Dodds had proved successful, the Council meeting the cost of a meeting place.

Various road safety matters had been taken up but no solution had been found in relation to Rag Hill. The large beech tree opposite the Church Road junction with the Croydon Road might shortly be felled to improve visibility.

Mr. Hayes continued to represent the Council on the Surrey Association of Town and Parish Councils.

VILLAGE HALL.

Mr. M. Wilmet presented the report of the Village Hall Management Committee, a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

PRIMARY SCHOOL.

The Rev M. Unwin presented a report on the primary school which was likely next term to have 130 pupils. A great number of activities and visits went on. As a result of recent cuts announced in education the school would lose a part time teacher and the hours of the caretaker would be reduced.

The County education authority was now insisting that children went on to schools at Hamsey Green or Chelsham.

The Chairman confessed to a feeling of depression at the cuts and recalled that a meeting in connection with the advancement of State Education (CASE) was to be held in the village. He thanked Mrs Othie for her work as chairman of the managers.

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DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Mrs. Dunn reported on her work as District Council member. Dealing with the ending of the concessionary fare system she said she had favoured this and in the course of later discussion made it clear that she felt this was a matter which should be dealt with on a national basis.

VILLAGE POND.

Mrs. Geary reported that the Village Pond Preservation Society formed during the year had a membership of 114. In a concise report she said the pond was once twice as big as today and recalled various endeavours to improve it.

GENERAL.

During general discussion a number of matters were raised, the main discussion arising on lack of bus services to Oxted and the hardship entailed for those who have difficulty in getting doctors' prescriptions made up, it emerging that the informal arrangement to assist in getting these dispensed had now come to an end.

Mr. Jupp moved a resolution asking the Parish Council to pursue with the health authorities means of securing the dispensing of prescriptions for old people. This was seconded by Mr. Goodchild and, an amendment to substitute 'anyone' for 'old people' having been carried on a show of hands, the resolution was passed as amended.

A further discussion took place on the use of the village hall on concessionary terms by certain organisations.

Thanking the members of the Parish Council for their work, Mrs. Dohie said she hoped they would see some of the familiar faces at next year's parish meeting.

The annual meeting of the Tatsfield/Vern 'Anjour Association followed.

P. Dohie
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