

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

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road on Monday, November 11, 1974 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Dr. M. Hession (Chairman), Mrs. M. Crofts, Mr. K.W. Clarke and Mr. D. Hayes with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid), five members of the public and a Press representative.

APOLOGIES were received from Mr. J. Softley and the Rev. M. Urwin.

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on October 14, 1974 were confirmed and signed.
2. MATTERS ARISING.

a. Recreation Ground (Item 3a of last minutes)

Letter (17/10) from District Council set out plans for helping clubs, suggested that the Playing Fields Association watch for a Press notice inviting applications for help and promised that the Parish Council letter supporting the Association would be kept in mind. Decided after discussion (1) to pass a copy of the letter to the Association and (2) to point out to the District Council which local papers principally circulate in Tatsfield.

b. Rag Hill/Church Road (3b)

Still no reply. Clerk to expedite answer to last letter.

c. The Limes (3c).

Mr. Hayes reported that it now seemed clear that the land was being used for commercial raising of livestock and produced a handbill in support of his contention. Clerk to pursue with District Council planning, public health and other aspects.

d. Goatsfield Road (3d).

Following a report by the Chairman the Clerk was authorised to inform Messrs Tweedie that the Council accepted liability for costs in respect of advise tendered. The view was reiterated that the site should be borne in mind with a view to a formal claim to a possessory title being made in April 1986. Mr. Clarke reported on current sporadic activity on the site.

e. Miss Kennedy's Land (3e).

Mr. Clarke reported on a study of the deeds of which a photostat had been received. In the light of the restrictions placed on the Parkwood Road site under the agreement which governed the laying of a high pressure gas main across it the Council accepted Mr. Clarke's recommendation not to proceed with the purchase of this site. Negotiations to proceed in relation to the second site (SY64810).

f. Crown Road (3g)

Letter from Surrey County Council set out method of claiming this as a footpath and forwarded copies of necessary claim forms, which were taken by members concerned for return at the next meeting.

g. Footpath 12 (3j).

Mr. David had been informed of Council views. No further information.

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h. Flanning (3l)

i. Valley Supermarket

The Clerk was instructed to express opposition to plans for a supermarket, car park etc., on land opposite Sunningvale Garage pointing out to Bromley Council that this is extremely close to the rural area of Tatsfield and that local shopping amenities would appear to be adequately catered for within reasonable distance.

ii. Policy.

Clerk reported on letter (30/10) from Surrey County Association of Parish Councils forwarding a letter from the National Association of Local Councils replying in detail to this Council's queries and indicating that the District Councils' Association favoured applicants being asked to provide five copies of plans - the fifth presumably being for the benefit of parish councils.

iii. Current Applications.

The Chairman was appointed to deal with applications of which notice was received during the coming month.

l. Manhole Covers (3j)

Following a report by Mrs. Crofts the Clerk was instructed to forward a letter as drafted to the District Council.

j. Road Safety Advisory Committee (3o)

Reported that the nomination of Mr. Hayes to serve on this Committee had now been accepted by Limpsfield Parish Council.

k. Maesmawr Road (3rii)

Letter (29/10) from Messrs Strutt and Parker said Titsey Estate owned Westmore and Tatsfield Greens: promised discussions if desired. Clerk to hold informal discussions to ascertain the possibility of further co-operation.

l. Insurance Claim (3riv)

Clerk reported that this had now been settled and cheque passed to Village Hall Management Committee.

m. Seats (3rvii)

Reported that this was being dealt with by the District Council's Technical Services Officer.

n. Heavy Commercial Vehicles (3rviii)

Press statement issued by Surrey County Council noted.

o. Twinning (3rix)

Reported that Joint Twinning Committee was seeking 'a suitable partner' for Tatsfield.

p. General Knowledge Quiz. (3rx)

Mrs. Crofts reported that Tatsfield took part and reached second round.

q. Footpath: Nineshams Road/Ricketts Hill Road (3rxi)

Clerk reported that letter sent to Mr. Selway regarding this had been returned marked 'gone away'.

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r. Former B.B.C. Site (4a)

Letters from SE Gas Board and District Council indicated nature of proposals for storage and dealing with gas. Both promised to keep Council informed. 1 Noted.

s. School Managers. (4b)

Acknowledgement from County Council of appointments made by this Council.

t. Village Hall Committee (4c)

Appointment of successor to Mr. Forward deferred.

u. Surrey County Association of Parish Councils (4d)

Mr. Hayes reported that he represented the Council at the annual meeting.

w. Casual Vacancy (5)

Clerk reported that, no regulations having yet been issued under the Local Government Act, 1972 the Council had to co-opt to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. P. Forward. It was agreed to defer filling the vacancy until the December meeting. Later, following the public adjournment, the matter was again discussed and the Clerk was instructed to post notices inviting names to be submitted in advance of the meeting along with a short biography (not more than 100 words), the co-option to be by a 'diminishing ballot' following the presentation of names and the reading of biographical details.

x. Site at Greenways (6a)

Letter (31/10) from District Council explained position and said that Council could not take action regarding general condition of site. - Clerk to investigate position regarding original application and report to next meeting.

y. No Further Information could be reported on the following items:

a. Notice Board (3f); b. Dangerous Trees (3k); c. King Edward VII Garden (3q).

3. CORRESPONDENCE.

A. Footpaths.

Copy of report of village footpaths prepared by Women's Institute and sent to District Council, presented. Clerk to thank WI for their help in this matter.

v. Church's 900th Anniversary.

Invitation received for Council to be represented at meeting to be held on December 10. - Mrs. Crofts appointed.

c. District Council Year Book.

Receipt reported. - Clerk to forward list of Council members for future reference by District Council.

d. Village Hall.

Management Committee forwarded copy of minutes and drew attention to the suggestion that that committee should be responsible for the external re-decoration of the hall, now becoming necessary

Clerk to notify Council's approval.

M. A. H.

e. Surrey Structure Plan.

Preliminary document received. Decided to order copies of four relevant forthcoming papers at a cost of £2, the necessary cheque being authorised and signed.

f. Countryside Officer.

Clerk reported that following an introductory letter he had met the county Countryside Officer who wished to make some study of Tatsfield.

4. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Directory.

Decided after discussion to proceed with a further issue of the village directory, the Clerk to obtain estimates for type setting and printing for presentation to Council.

b. The Square.

Mr. Clarke drew attention to the state of some of the houses in the Square and the Clerk was instructed to ask the District Council whether they were considering proposals for re-decorating the exterior of these houses.

5. IN COMMITTEE.

The necessary resolution having been passed, the Council went into Committee to discuss matters relating to Coollen.

The meeting closed at 11.15p.m.

M. J. Mason

9.12.24

PRESENT: Dr. M. Hession (Chairman), Mrs. M. Crofts and Mr. D. Hayes with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid), nine parishioners and a Press representative.

1. APOLOGIES were received from the Rev. M. Umwin and Mr. J. Softley.
2. MINUTES of the meeting held on November 11, 1974 were confirmed and signed.
3. MATTERS ARISING.

a. Casual Vacancy (Item 2w of last minutes).

Clerk reported that following the posting of notices in the village ten names had been received as candidates for the vacancy occasioned by the resignation of Mr. P. Forward. Statements setting out the qualifications of all ten were circulated to Council members and read out by the Chairman, who expressed satisfaction that so many people had come forward. Following preliminary and informal soundings of opinion the Chairman moved the co-option of Mr. K. Goodchild to fill the vacancy. This was seconded by Mr. D. Hayes and agreed unanimously. Mr. Goodchild having signed the formal acceptance of office, forthwith took his seat as a member of the Council.

b. Recreation Ground (2a)

Clerk reported that notification of the procedure to be adopted in applying for grant had been forwarded by the District Council and sent on to the Tatsfield Playing Fields Association.

c. Rag Hill/Church Road (2b)

Clerk reported that no reply had been received despite reminder. He was instructed to write a further letter pointing out that this local problem was not to be confused with that of heavy commercial vehicles in general, and again to seek action.

d. The Limes (2c).

Acknowledgement (21/11) from District Council saying that complaint is being investigated.

e. Goatsfield Road (2d).

Letter (25/11) from A.F. & R.W. Tweedie said Council should continue to make its claim clear and not acknowledge the claims of other people, with a view to claiming title after 12 years. Their account was enclosed for payment.

f. Miss Kennedy's Land (2e).

Further correspondence reported. Messrs Elford's had rejected an offer of £50 for the remaining site. Agreed, in the light of their further suggestions to offer £65 for the land plus a contribution of £30 towards legal costs.

g. Crown Road (2f).

Application forms to be completed. Clerk then to forward them to District Council claiming that the original line of the footpath had been diverted by the putting in of a line of posts following tipping and that it was now desired to claim the existing path.

h. Manhole Covers (2i)

Letter (29/11) from District Council said it might be necessary to ask owners of adjoining property to help in avoiding a recurrence of the problem. Mr. Goodchild said work appeared to have been undertaken by the District Council.

Reported that the Council's submissions had been accepted in a number of applications, including the refusal of permission for proposals for a cattery at Anglecroft, Borough Road; the erection of a house on Plot 264 Greenways, and the erection of a house on land adjoining 2 Mara Villas, Westmore Road.

A two-storey extension at the rear of Chartland, Greenway, to which the Council had objected had been approved.

Chairman reported on action taken on recent applications. - Reports adopted.

ii. Current Applications.

Mr. Goodchild was appointed to deal with applications of which notice was received during the coming month.

j. Titsey Estate (2k)

Clerk reported that Mr. J. Laing of Messrs Strutt and Parker had offered to meet Council representatives at Westmore Green at 2.15p.m. on Friday, December 20.

Mrs. Crofts, Mr. Goodchild and Mr. Hayes hoped to attend and were briefed on information to be sought.

k. Village Hall Management Committee (2t)

Mrs. Crofts, who reported on her attendance at the last meeting, was appointed to represent the Council on this Committee.

l. Site at Greenways (2X) (adj. Bombbye)

Clerk reported that a search of the minutes had failed to reveal that the Council had expressed any earlier views on this. - Noted. MWA

m. Village Directory (4a)

Clerk submitted estimates. Moved by Mr. Hayes, seconded by Mr. Goodchild and agreed (Mrs. Crofts abstaining) that the directory be re-issued as early as possible in the New Year.
Mr. Goodchild to make enquiries as to an alternative source of printing.

n. The Square (4b).

Letter (26/11) from District Council read. Clerk to point out that this Council's letter quite clearly referred to external re-decoration and to say that it is hoped this work will be included in the estimates for 1975-6.

o. Coolleen (5)

Chairman reported that, meeting 'in Committee' at the conclusion of its last meeting the Council decided not to purchase part of this site, which had been offered to the Council. The area concerned, offered by the Property Services Agency, was surplus to requirements for the new telephone exchange.

p. King Edward VII Garden (2yc)

Mrs. Crofts reported that no further action seemed called for.

q. No Further Information was available on the following matters:

- a. Footpath 19 (2g);
- b. Valley Supermarket (2hi);
- c. Twinning (2o);
- d. Former B.B.C. Site (2r).
- e. Notice Board (2ya).

4. CORRESPONDENCE

a. Westmore Pond

Letter (6/12) from District Council recorded that rose trees recently planted around the pond had been removed as 'not entirely appropriate.' Chairman also reported on the incident. MWA

b. Footpath: Paynesfield Road/Ricketts Hill

Letter (26/11) from District Highways Engineer said this was not a public footpath or bridleway. - Mrs. Crofts to report to the enquirer.

c. District Council: Chain of Office.

Letter (26/11) from District Council invited Council to consider contributing a link bearing the name of the village of Tatsfield to the Chairman's chain of office, at an estimated cost of about £11.
Clerk to reply expressing willingness to contribute if this was also the attitude of a majority of villages; to enquire also as to the use being made of the chain of the former chairman of Godstone Rural District Council (if any).

d. Review of Electoral Arrangements.

Draft scheme submitted, showing no change in arrangement of electoral divisions.
Clerk to enquire the actual years in which it is anticipated that parish council elections will take place.

5. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

On the proposition of Mr. Goodchild, seconded by Mr. Hayes the following were approved for payment and the necessary cheques signed: Messrs. A.F. & R.W. Tweedie (Legal costs), £16.20 (including £1.20 VAT); Petty Cash, £5; P.G. Reid (salary, plus expenses), £56.87; Shaw & Sons (meeting notices, £1.08 (including £0.08 V T)).

6. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

During the public adjournment the Chairman explained the circumstances under which the Council had been compelled to co-opt to fill the vacancy as well as earlier ones and said it was anticipated that a Ministry order would be issued later under which it would be possible to take a poll to fill vacancies.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Old Folks' Flats.

i. Telephone.

Clerk again to approach District Council with a request that telephone facilities should be provided at the old folks' flats.

ii. Naming of Flats.

Clerk to write to District Council suggesting that the flats should be given a proper name, and offering consideration by this Council with a view to forwarding suggestions.

b. Road Grit.

Clerk to write to County Council pointing out the need to provide adequate supplies of grit at such places as Ship Hill, Church Hill, Ricketts Hill and Old Lane before wintry weather arrives.

The meeting closed at 10.20p.m.

M. H. H. H.
Chairman
13.1.75

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

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church, Paynesfield Road on Monday, January 13, 1975 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Dr. M. Hession (Chairman), Mr. J. Softley, Mrs. M. Crofts, the Rev. M. Urwin, Mr. D. Hayes and Mr. K. Goodchild with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid), Mrs. H. Dunn (Tandridge District Council member), five parishioners and two Press representatives.

AN APOLOGY was received from Mr. K. Clarke.

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on December 9, 1974 were confirmed and signed with the deletion of the words between 'diverted' and 'and that ...' in line 3 of paragraph 3g (page 26) and the clarification that item 3l referred to a site next to Brambletye.

2. MAITERS ARISING.

- a. Filling of Vacancy (3a of last minutes).

The Clerk reported that he had notified all those whose names were before the Council of the result of the co-option, and had thanked them for their interest.

The District Council had also been notified of Mr. Goodchild's election. Clerk to take necessary steps to see that Mr. Goodchild's name is known to the bank and his signature honoured.

- b. Rag Hill/Church Road (3c)

Letter (3/1) from Surrey County Council reiterated the history of this matter.

Decided after discussion (1) that the Greater London Council should be asked to say why they would not agree to restrictions on Rag Hill and (2) to reply to County Council pointing out that the Council finds their reply unacceptable: that the number of accidents in Church Road appears to be out of proportion to the number of vehicles using the road; that the road was completely blocked by an accident on the occasion of a recent wedding because of an accident; that the village school as well as the church fronts the road and that the widening of the entrance from the Westerham/Croydon Road has had the effect of inviting traffic to use it without giving warning of its narrowness.

The County Council to be asked to reconsider their decision and informed that this Council would seek to appeal against any continued refusal to act.

- c. Miss Kennedy's Land (3f)

Letter (16/12) from Messrs Elford accepted the Council's offer and asked for 'a draft transfer'.

After discussion the Clerk was instructed to pass the documents to Messrs Tweedie and ask them to complete the transaction on the Council's behalf.

- d. Crown Road (3g)

Mrs. Crofts to study documents and prepare a further letter to be sent to County Council.

- e. Planning (3h)

- i. District Council Policy.

Letter (16/12) from District Council said plans could be 'borrowed' from Council offices, Oxted, overnight and asked who would be entitled to collect and return these.

Clerk to notify District Council that all members of this Council plus the Clerk would be so authorised. Names to be supplied to Planning Department

M.A.

ii. Decision.

Notification received that an application respecting land adjoining St. Elmo, Maesmawr Road had been refused by District Council.

iii. Current Applications.

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

iv. Report.

Mr. Goodchild reported on applications received during past month and said he was investigating further application in respect of Naishipur just notified by Bromley Council.

e. Titsey Estate (3j)

Mr. Hayes and Mr. Goodchild reported on the meeting held with Mr. Laing of Messrs Strutt and Parker.

The estate, it appeared, had no claims to make in respect of unadopted roads in the parish.

They were prepared to consider a request from the Council to take over Westmore and Tatsfield Greens.

Clerk instructed to inform the firm that the Council would be interested in taking over the greens, (Westmore and Tatsfield Greens) if details could be mutually arranged and agreed.

f. Village Hall (3k).

Clerk reported on correspondence with the Management Committee, who reported worm damage to part of the roof of the hall. This was being investigated with Rentokil in the terms of the guarantee under which work was carried out on the hall in 1964.

A provisional estimate of the cost of current work was presented and a further discussion took place on the appointment of agents for the work.

g. Village Directory. (3m)

Agreed to accept an estimate submitted by Mr. Goodchild from a firm prepared to print 500 copies at a cost of £31.

A print order of 600 was agreed to at a cost not exceeding £40: the Chairman to mark up the copy prepared by Mr. Hayes.

Clerk to investigate the possibility of saturation distribution by postmen. Mrs. Crofts reiterated her opposition to a further publication this year.

h. Coolleen (3c)

Letter (18/12) from District Council said it was not expected that permission for more than one house would be granted and recalled that earlier applications had been refused.

i. Twinning (3qc)

Chairman reported receiving a letter from the Mayor of Vern d'Anjou (Maine et Loire) a village of 1304 inhabitants inviting a twinning arrangement with Tatsfield.

After discussion it was agreed to invite the Mayor and his wife to visit Tatsfield and attend the parish meeting/moot to be held on April 30 and also the son et lumiere the following week-end; photographs and other local information to be forwarded with the invitation.

Council members to consider the arrangements at an informal meeting on January 27 at Neville House (by invitation of the Chairman) and to report back to the Council at its next meeting, in particular on details of the parish meeting.

j. District Council Chain of Office (4c).

Clerk reported on informal discussion with Mrs. Percy (Chairman, Lymington Parish Council).

k. Review of Electoral Arrangements (4d)

Letter (31/12) from District Council said that parish council elections would be at four-yearly intervals and inspection of schedule made it appear that next election was likely in 1977.

l. Road Grit (7b).

Letter (3/1) from Divisional Surveyor said this was being attended to.

m. No Further Information. was available in respect of the following items:

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| i. Recreation Ground (3b) | ii. The Limes (3d) |
| iii. The Square (3n) | iv. Valley Supermarket (3qb). |
| v. Former B.B.C. Site (3Qd) | vi. Notice Board (3Qe). |
| vii. Old Folks' Flats (7a8 and 7aii) | |

3. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Mrs. C.J. Geary.

Reply to letter of sympathy sent by Chairman on death of her husband (a former Parish Council chairman).

b. Mrs. R. Tapsell.

'Thank you' letter for Christmas box.

c. Clackett Green.

Notification from Commons Commissioners of reference to them of this Council's dispute with County Council regarding registration of Clackett Green as common land.

d. M.25 Side Roads Order.

Appropriate order covering that part of the M25 which will pass through Tatsfield parish forwarded by South East Road Construction Unit showed that Clackett Lane would be re-routed over the proposed motorway and indicated proposed alternative for common land as claimed by this Council.
- Noted.

e. Footpath Law.

Clerk instructed to obtain copy of handbook setting out law relating to footpaths and bridleways.

f. Noted.

Circular from SCAPTC regarding locally determined schemes; appeal for support from Gatwick Area Conservation Campaign; letter from Surrey County Council regarding Architectural Heritage Year, 1975.

4. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

The following accounts were approved for payment and the necessary cheques signed:

Surrey Voluntary Service Council (subscription), £1; United Reformed Church, (for use of church for Council meetings), £25.00; Mrs. Abel (wreath, Mr. Geary), £5.44; Mr. D. Hayes (expenses, attending SCAPTC meetings), £2.34.

5. BUDGET, 1975-6.

After discussion it was agreed to tell the District Council that this Council expects to require £1700 during the coming financial year.

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6. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

During the public adjournment Mr. Wilmot as Chairman of the Village Hall Management Committee explained the circumstances which led to the employment of an agent to advise on re-decoration.
Mrs. Dunn reported on her approaches regarding Church Hill and referred to the care of Westmore Pond.

7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Village Hall.

Mrs. Crofts referred to the impending retirement of Mrs. Slatter from her post as treasurer of the Village Hall Management Committee and the need to find a successor.

b. Transport to Oxted.

Mr. Softley suggested that the Council should consider providing a mini-bus service to Oxted for the benefit of shoppers and children who stayed on after school hours.

Agreed to discuss this at the next meeting.

The meeting closed at 11.25p.m.

M. Hession
Chairman
10.11.75

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

MINUTES of a meeting of TATSFIELD PARISH COUNCIL held at the United Reformed Church on Monday, February 10, 1975 at 8.0p.m.

PRESENT: Dr M. Hession (Chairman), Mrs. M. Crofts, the Rev M. Unwin, Mr. K. Clarke, Mr. D. Hayes and Mr. K. Goodchild with the Clerk (Mr. P.G. Reid) and seven parishioners.

1. MINUTES of the meeting held on January 13, 1975 were confirmed and signed.

2. MATTERS ARISING.

a. Rag Hill/Church Road (Item 2b of minutes of last meeting).

Letter (4/2) from Surrey County Council stated that this matter was again being put before the Area Highways Sub-Committee and the Area Engineer had been asked to prepare a report. - Noted.

b. Miss Kennedy's Land (2c)

Correspondence with Messrs Tweedie noted.

c. Crown Road (2d)

Mrs. Crofts to advise on further action if needed.

d. Planning (2e)

Mr. Hayes reported on applications notified during the past month.

ii. Current Applications.

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

e. Titsey Estate (2e).

Letter (23/1) from Messrs Strutt and Parker stated that they were seeking instructions. - Noted.

f. Village Hall (2f).

Letter (31/1) from Management Committee reported on Rentokil inspection and on action being taken.

Clerk to ask Committee to forward information of estimates received from builders and agents along with the Committee's own recommendations.

g. Village Directory (2g).

Clerk reported that there were difficulties in arranging for delivery by postmen.

After discussion the Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. Vale, group scoutmaster asking if scouts and cubs would be prepared to undertake distribution on similar lines to last year, pointing out that it was hoped the directory would be available in about a month.

Details as to timing of distribution etc to be arranged with Chairman, and it to be made clear that the Council would anticipate making a donation to scout funds in recognition of the service.

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h. Twinning (2i)

Letter (24/1) from Joint Planning Committee welcomed proposed twinning with Vern d'Anjou and forwarded details of financial assistance available. No reply had yet been received from the Mayor of Vern d'Anjou. Further documentation passed to Clerk for onward transmission.

i. Annual Parish Meeting.

The Chairman reported the result of discussion by members of arrangements for the parish meeting to be held on Wednesday, April 30, 1975. It was proposed to open the meeting at 8.0p.m. with a half-hour's 'reproduction' of events during the first year of the parish council's existence (the minute book of which was produced by the Clerk). This would be carried out in costume, a script to be prepared by the Chairman.

It would be followed by an interval for refreshments, an opportunity for the Mayor of Vern d'Anjou to speak, and the normal parish meeting.

For the normal business it was proposed that reports should be duplicated and circulated to those attending, to reduce the time taken up, but without in any way curtailing normal business

j. Recreation Ground (2mi)

Letter (30/1) from Mr. C.H. Bradshaw, honorary secretary of Tatsfield Playing Fields Association read, along with the Clerk's reply.

Mr. Bradshaw invited the Parish Council representatives to meet the Association to discuss helping with improvements at Furze Corner. It was agreed to accept the invitation, the Clerk to arrange a suitable acceptable time and place of meeting and confirm with the Chairman and other Council members.

Discussion continued during the

3. PUBLIC ADJOURNMENT.

Mr. Dunn stressed that the Association was most concerned to secure the support of the Council. He said the Association had already been in touch with the District Council.

Both the Chairman and Mr. Hayes emphasised that the Council was fully behind the Association and would do whatever was in its power to help.

ii. Parking, Village Centre.

Discussion ensued also on the problem caused by parking in the village centre, particularly in the vicinity of the Old Ship.

The Clerk was instructed to seek the help of the Chief Superintendent of Police at Caterham. Copies of the letter to the police to be sent also to the brewers and to the manager at the Old Ship.

iii. Red House Road.

A parishioner asked whether it was intended to make up Red House Road. He was advised as to action open to residents either by themselves in co-operation or by approaching other local authorities.

2. k. Footpath Law (3e)

Contd.

Clerk reported receipt of A Practical Guide to the Law on Footpaths and Bridleways.

1. Transport to Oxted (7b)

Following discussion the Clerk was instructed to write to Orpington Rural Transport service and invite them to operate a service to Oxted, pointing out that it would appear likely that such a service on two or three days a week at suitable times would prove viable, that it would make a particular appeal to shoppers and to old people (for whom 36 housing units are already in use and a further 36 are planned for the village).
A similar approach to be made to Westerham Coaches.

m. No Further Information was available in respect of the following items:

- l. Coollen (2h)
- ii. District Council chain of office (2j)
- iii. Electoral Arrangements (2k)
- iv. The Square (2miii)
- v. Valley Supermarket (2miv)
- vi. Former BBC site (2mv)
- vii. Old Folks' Flats (2mvii)
- viii. Notice Board (2mvi).

4. CORRESPONDENCE.

a. Best Kept Village.

Invitation received to enter best kept village competition. Decided to take no action this year.
Village Hall Management Committee to be notified in case they wish to enter next year's competition after redecoration of the hall has been completed.

b. Bus Service.

Letter (24/1) from District Council replied to suggestions made by Mrs. Crofts regarding the failure of buses on routes 483 and 410 to connect at Westerham.

c. 'Village Appraisal'.

Chairman reported on visit and subsequent letter from Mr. F. Harding, countryside officer and on the suggestion that a 'village appraisal' should be undertaken.

d. Structure plan.

Letter (27/1) from Surrey County Council notified new time table. -
Noted.

e. Westmore Pond.

Letter (21/1) from District Council noted.

f. United Reformed Church.

'Thank you' letter acknowledged contribution towards church expenses in respect of use of the building for Council meetings noted.

g. Oxted Social Centre.

Appeal received. Matter to be considered further in the event of a definite need being notified.

5. ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.

On the proposition of Mr. Clarke, seconded by Mr. Goodchild the following accounts were approved for payment and the necessary cheques signed:
Petty cash, £5; National Playing Fields Association (annual subscription),
22 Mr. P. H. (travelling expenses - SCAPC and Road Safety Committee).

m. J. B.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

a. Road Safety Committee.

Mr. Hayes reported upon his attendance at the District Road Safety Committee meeting.

b. Surrey County Association of Parish Councils.

Mr. Hayes reported on the Association's consideration of this Council's representations on unadopted roads.

Both Mr. Hayes' reports were adopted.

c. Borough Road.

The Chairman reported on a letter received from Mr. Northfield complaining of the parking of a heavy vehicle.

Clerk to report matter to District Council, pointing out that this would seem to involve a change of use of the site involved and asking for any necessary action to be taken.

d. Goatsfield Road.

Reported that an enclosure appeared to have taken place taking in land hitherto looked upon as public. Clerk to write to occupier asking for comments and to seek information of boundaries from Land Registry.

e. Tatsfield Green.

Mr. Clarke drew attention to the poor condition of seats on Tatsfield Green.

Clerk to draw this to the attention of the District Council and to ask for an early start to the grass cutting season on both greens.

f. Lighting.

Decided to take no action on a suggestion that a further street lamp be requested at the upper end of Ricketts Hill Road.

The meeting closed at 10.35p.m.

M. affessor

10.3.75