

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday January 12<sup>th</sup> 1909

At 8pm.

Present. Messrs Burke (Chairman). Woodburn (Vice-Chairman). Fletcher, Thomson, Beadle, Norman, A.M. Smith, Mason, R. Smith, Hodgkinson, Hawks, Wilford and the Clerk T. Hilder.

Mr. Godfrey sent a message asking to be excused.

Minutes.

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

The Late Rector.

The Chairman announced the death of the Rector of the Parish, and the Council in recognition arose in silence.

Mr. Mason proposed that a letter of condolence be sent to Mrs. Ernest Dalby Finch Smith and Mrs. Finch Smith, expressing the sympathy of the Council in their great trouble. Seconded by Mr. Hodgkinson and carried.

Brook Committee.

Mr. Thomson reported that nearly all of the work on the Brook had been completed, but stated that the ditch round the Allotments should be dredged out, and it was desirable that willows should be planted along the Willow Walk. He proposed that this work should be done. Mr. Mason seconded and it was carried.

Mr. Beadle proposed that it be left to the Brook Committee to do what was necessary to the Brook on the East Side of the Willow Walk. Mr. Mason seconded and it was carried.

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported that the number of bathers for the last seven weeks was 199 and that the fees amounted to £1-19-6d. For the same period last year the figures were 211 & £2-1-9d

Convalescent Homes Committee.

Mr. Fletcher reported that Miss Fletcher was at present occupying the bed at Wear Bay Home & Mr. Wm. May the bed at Herne Bay. John Gomar and Harry Beach were patients waiting, and it was decided that John Gomar should succeed William May.

Cemetery Committee.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Hawks seconded that the usual amount of seeds, not exceeding 10/- in value, be purchased for the Cemetery. Carried.

Finance Committee.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded and it was resolved that Cheques be drawn to pay the following Accounts.

Seaborne Coal Co.	Coal & Coke for Baths	!.	5.	0
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“ “ “ “ “	“ “ “ “ Cemetery.	13. 0	4. 15. 0
Hilder T.	Taxes “	2. 8. 8	
“	“ “	9	
“	“ Baths.	1. 13. 3	4. 2. 8
Reed. Rev' G.	Minister Fees.	5. 0	
Grey Rev' J.	“ “	2. 6	
Moore T. J.	Soap, Oil & Swabs. Baths.	6. 1	
“ “ “	Oil & Wick Cemetery	3. 4	
Watt. T.J.	Repair to Fireman's Boots.	4. 4	
Judges.	Caretakers Salary.	2. 18. 4	
Fletcher. W.	Caretakers Salary.	9. 2. 0	
Flint, Waller, Judges & Malt	Wages of men on Brook.	13. 16. 3	26. 17.10
Ashby. Edgar.	Manure & Carting.	2. 8. 0	2. 8. 0
	Total.		38. 6. 6

### Lighting Committee.

Mr. Woodburn reported that 8 letters had been received from the various Councils written to for information respecting the cost of Lighting.

These had been considered by the Committee who had resolved.

“ That the Committee taking into consideration all the information they had acquired the Cost of Street Lighting in Snodland and other Parishes, are of the opinion that in the next Contract with the Gas Co', a considerable reduction in the price should be obtained.”

He also reported that the Committee had interviewed the Manager of the Gas Co', who had promised to do his best with the Directors to obtain a reduction.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded that the report be adopted.

Carried .

### Correspondence.

1. Letter from Mr. Ball re:- price of Gas.

2. Letter from Mr. Maybury re:- path in the Malling Road.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that Mr. Maybury be asked to give the price for making up the path in the Malling Road in order that the owners may know what the improvement would cost them. Carried.

3. Letter from Mr. Maybury re:- Area in front of Bull Hotel.

Mr. Wilford proposed that Mr. Maybury be thanked for the trouble he is taking in this matter, express hope that he will be able to do the work, and suggesting that if required the Parish could Council are quite willing to tender him any assistance. Mr. Beadle seconded. Carried.

4. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- tender for Scavenging.

5. Letter from S.E. & C Ry' Co'. re:- road in front of Station.

6. Letter from Mid Kent Water Co' giving analysis of water for the month of December,

“The usual high standard of purity was fully maintained”.

Conveyance of Grave Space.

Mr. Fletcher proposed and Mr. Mason seconded that the Conveyance of Grave Space, No' 433 to Henry Acott be signed. Carried.

Later Post on Sunday.

Mr. Beadle proposed that the Clerk be instructed to write to the Postmaster General asking to have a later dispatch on Sunday in the evening.  
Seconded by Mr. Woodburn & carried. Nem Con.

The Rector's Funeral.

Mr. Hodgkinson proposed and Mr. Woodburn seconded that the Council be represented at the Funeral of the Rector on Thursday at 2.30 pm. Carried.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded that the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, the Clerk & other members of the Council who choose, represent the Parish Council at the Funeral. Carried.

Joshua Burke.  
9/2/1909.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday February 9<sup>th</sup> 1909.

At 8pm.

Present Messrs, Burke (Chairman), Woodburn (Vice-Chairman), Thomson, Norman, Beadle, Fletcher, Godfrey, A.M. Smith, R. Smith, Wilford, Hawks, Parris, Mason and the Clerk T. Hilder.

Minutes.

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

Cemetery Committee.

Mr. Norman reported that Mr. Ashby had applied for a few loads of mould from the Cemetery, undertaking to remove the Chalk rubbish at the same time.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Wilford seconded that Mr. Ashby be allowed to have the mould on the understanding that he remove the Chalk rubbish also. Carried.

Brook Committee.

Mr. Thomson reported that the bank of the ditch on the West Side of the Willow Walk and been repaired and the Willow Trees' trimmed, and that there were about 70 faggots to be disposed of. Mr. Beadle proposed that the Chairman of the Brook Committee dispose of the faggots for 8/-. This was seconded by Mr. Norman and carried.

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported that the number of bathers for the past four weeks was 135 and the fees £1-9-3d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 156 and £1-15-3d.

The Committee recommended the Council to carry out the following repairs at the Baths –

1. To clean out and overhaul two tanks and boiler.
2. To repair the valves of three baths.
3. To replace firebricks in the Kitchen.
4. To whitewash the Scullery and A.C. and repair pipe in W.C..
5. To cover one panel in each 1<sup>st</sup> class bath with Japanese Matting.
6. To look over and repair the locks, and re-oil the front doors.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Fletcher seconded that the above repairs be executed. Carried..

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Hawks seconded that the iron work of the Spinal Chair be enamelled. Carried.

Mr. Thomson proposed and Mr. Fletcher seconded that Mr. Wilford Jnr. be employed to do the work. Carried.

Mr. Parris moved an amendment that the work be put out to tender. Seconded by Mr. Wilford – Lost.

The resolution was carried by 7 votes to 3.

#### Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Fletcher reported that John Gomer was at the home in Herne Bay, returning on the 16<sup>th</sup> inst.. when H. Beach would go to the home.

There were no patients at Wear Bay, but in about a fortnight Mrs. Backhurst would be well enough to go.

#### General Purposes Committee.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Norman seconded that the Clerk be instructed to call a meeting of the General Purposes Committee on hearing from Mr. Maybury and Mr. Marshall any decision respecting the “Bull Corner”. Carried.

#### Finance Committee.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Godfrey seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts.

Mid Kent Water.	Baths Supply.	1. 9. 0	
“	Fire Station.	3. 0	
“	Cemetery.	6. 6	
“	“	3. 0	2. 1. 6
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Street Lamps.	46. 10. 9	
“	Baths.	2. 11. 3	
“	Fire Station.	1. 0	49. 3. 0
Chalkden. C.	Oil for Baths.	6.	
Draycon. H.	Glass to Fire Station.	3. 6	
Hambrook. A.N.	Notices. Fire Brigade	3. 6.	
Cook. Hy.	Chestnut Bats. Brook	1. 5. 0	
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	2. 18. 4	
Waller, Flint & Semark	Wages of men on Brook.	5. 16. 3	
Fletcher. W.	Caretakers Wages.	5. 4. 0	15. 11. 1
	Total.		£66.15. 7

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Fletcher seconded that the account for advertising the scavenging 17/- be approved by the Council, and forwarded to the District Council for payment. Carried.

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Shand Mason & Co. re:- a/c for Uniforms.
2. Letter from Postmaster General re:- Later Post on Sunday.
3. Letter from Mrs. E. Finch Smith answer to letter of Condolence.
4. Letter from Mr. Maybury. re:- Path in the Malling Road.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Fletcher seconded that the Clerk be asked to write to the owners, asking them to agree to accept the offer of the County Council to make up the path 290yds at a cost of £100, the owners to guarantee half this amount. Carried.

5. Letter from Mr. H. Cook re:- extra pay for Scavenging.
- Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded that the clerk ascertain from Mr. Souter if Mr. Cook had extra work at commencement of Contract and if the work has been satisfactorily performed. Carried.

Joshua Burke.  
2/3/1909.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday March 2<sup>nd</sup>. 1909.

At 8pm.

Present Messrs Burke in the chair, Woodburn Thomson, Beadle, Lambert, Godfrey, Norman, Parris, Wilford, A.M. Smith, Hawks, Mason, Fletcher and the Clerk T. Hilder.

Minutes.

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

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported that the number of bathers for the last three weeks to be 79 and the fees 17/4d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 127 and £1-6-10d

Cemetery Committee.

Mr. Norman reported that the Caretaker had asked for a man for a fortnight or that the grant for extra help be increased by one pound as the winter was late.

Amendment.

Mr. Woodburn proposed that he have a man for a fortnight, but that the grant for extra help not be increased beyond the usual £4. This was seconded by Mr. Wilford and carried. By 8 to 2.

### Resolution.

Mr. Norman proposed that the Caretaker be granted £5 for extra help this year.  
Seconded by Mr. Parris.

The amendment on being put as the substantive motion was carried unanimously.

### Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Thomson reported that Harry Beach was at Herne Bay and would return on the 9<sup>th</sup> inst'. Mrs Backhurst was at Wear Bay Home and would return on the 13<sup>th</sup> inst'. Joseph Mayger and Allan Burgess were patients waiting, also Mrs Batchelor and Mrs. John Mayger.

Mr. Thomson proposed and Mr. Wilford seconded that Allan Burgess and Mrs. Batchelor to be the next patients for the homes. Carried.

### General Purposes Committee.

Mr. Wilford reported that the Committee had met and discussed that question of Tar Painting the District Roads.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Woodburn seconded that the district Council be asked to "Tar Paint" the District Roads (Streets) and that the representatives of the Parish. Messrs Woodburn and Beadle have the power to make the best terms possible with the District Council with regard to the expense, which in the opinion of the Parish Council should not exceed one third the total cost. Carried.

### Finance Committee.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts.

Mid Kent Water Co.	Fixing Hydrants.	41. 10. 0
Venning. C. Harrison.	Judges Guarantee.	7. 6
Hilder. T.	Stamps.	8. 6.
Clegg. W. E.	Room for Meeting.	13. 6
Godfrey. C.	Parish Meeting.	3. 0
Hambrook. A.N.	Stationery.	1. 17. 2
Peters Hedley.	Sub' to F.B.U	1. 1. 0
Hambrook. A.N.	Ticket Book & Stamps	1. 6. 6
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	2. 18. 4
Hambrook. A.N.	Forms of Application.	14. 6
Finch Smith. Rev.	Ministers Fees	5. 0
Faraday. Rev.	"	2. 6
Staneforth. Rev.	"	10. 0
Churchwarden.	"	10. 0
Fletcher. Wm.	Caretakers Wages.	7. 16. 0
Flint & Waller.	Wages of men on Brook.	10. 0
	Total	£60. 13. 6

Mr. Woodburn proposed that the Rural District Council be asked to pay half the account for hydrants. £41-10-0d

This was seconded by Mr. Mason and carried.

Mr. Woodburn proposed that a cheque for £2-18-4d, the Caretaker of the Baths Salary for March be drawn. Mr. Godfrey seconded and it was carried.

#### Correspondence.

1. Letter from Mr. Souter re:- Mr. Cooks contract for scavenging.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Parris seconded, that after hearing the Sanitary Inspectors letter, Mr. Cooks application not be entertained. Carried.

2. Letter from the Postmaster General re:- late post on Sunday.

Mr. Beadle proposed that the Clerk be instructed to write to the Postmaster General, asking him to reconsider his decision respecting the later post on Sunday, pointing out that Snodland is a town not a Rural District, and suggesting that the present dispatch should be changed to the evening.

This was seconded by Mr. Lambert and carried.

3. Letter from Messrs Shand Mason & Co. re:- bill for uniforms

4. Letter from the Mid Kent Water Co, giving analysis of water.

#### Receipt.

Mr. Godfrey proposed and Mr. Norman seconded that a receipt for £30 for general expenses be issued on the Overseers. Carried.

#### Date for turning on Brook.

Mr. Thomson proposed that the Council recommend the Parish Meeting to fix the 19<sup>th</sup> day of April for turning Cattle on the Brook. Mr. Norman seconded and it was carried.

#### Draft report of P.C. Proceedings.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Thomson seconded that the report of the Parish Council proceedings for the year 1908-9 be approved and adopted as read. Carried.

#### Brook- Keeper.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Norman seconded that Thomas Hook be re-appointed Brook-Keeper at the same salary £6-6-0d for the ensuing year. Carried.

#### Date of Annual Parish Meeting.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that the Annual Parish Meeting take place on Tuesday March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 8pm. Carried.

#### Conveyance of Grave Space.

Mr. J. Fletcher proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded that the Conveyance of Grave Space no. 424 to Mrs. Freeland be signed. Carried.

Joshua Burke.  
20/4/1909.

#### Annual Parish Council Meeting.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday April 20<sup>th</sup> 1909.

At 8pm.

Present Messrs. Burke. (Chair,), Woodburn, (Vice-chair), Lambert, Thomson, Fletcher, Beadle, Norman, A.M. Smith, Godfrey, R. Smith, Parris, Hawk, Wilford, Mason and the Clerk T. Hilder.

Minutes.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

Chairman.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded that Mr. Joshua Wilford be elected Chairman for the ensuing year. Carried Unanimously.

Vote of thanks to retiring Chairman.

Mr. Godfrey proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Burke retiring Chairman and to Mr. Woodburn retiring Vice-Chairman, for able services during the past year. Carried unanimously.

Overseers.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Thomson seconded that Messrs. William Lee Henry Roberts, Frank Sidney Dedrick, Benjamin Lambert, and James Henry Burke be appointed Overseers for the ensuing year. Carried.

Committees.

Mr. Norman proposed that the Committees stand as last year. This was seconded by Mr. Godfrey & carried.

Chairman of Finance Committee.	Mr. Norman.
Chairman of Brook Committee.	Mr. Thomson.
Chairman of Baths Committee.	Mr. Beadle.
Chairman of Cemetery Committee.	Mr. Godfrey.
Chairman of General Purposes Committee.	Mr. Burke.
Chairman of Convalescent Homes Committee.	Mr. Fletcher.

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported the no' of Bathers for last six weeks to be 317 and the fees £3-6-7d. For the corresponding period last year the numbers were 293 and £3-3-5d.

Cemetery Committee.

Mr. Norman reported that Mr. Hy' Cook had offered 6/- for the grass in the Cemetery. Mr. Beadle proposed that the question be left open for the Committee to do the best they can for the Council. Carried.

Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Fletcher reported that Miss. Fever was at the Wear Bay Home, to be followed on Saturday by Mrs. Gay, and that Albert Barnden was at Herne Bay to be followed on the 4<sup>th</sup> of May by Jo' Mayger.

Finance Committee.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts.



Messrs. Shand Mason & Co'.	Brigade Uniforms	28. 5. 6.
Miss. Hook.	½ yrs rent of Fire Station	2. 10. 0
The Seaborne Coal Co;	Coal & Coke Baths.	3. 15. 0
“ “ “ “ “	“ Cemetery.	1. 6. 0
Fletcher. W.	Caretakers Wages.	5. 4. 0
“	“ Help.	18. 6
Mid Kent Water Co'	Water Rate. Cemetery.	3. 0
“	“ “ “	6. 6
“	“ “ Fire Station.	3. 0
Kent Fire Office.	Insurance Premium.	10. 6
Austin. Mr.	Notices. Overseers Appt'	2. 0
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Supply Baths.	1. 3. 11
Judges. A.	Wages of man on Brook.	4. 6
	Total.	£44. 12. 5

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded that F. Morris and J. Stevens become probationers in Fire Brigade. Carried.

Mr. Woodburn proposed that the Birling Hydrants be covered for the Sum of 30/- & wear & tear of hose if the Fire Comp. Refused to pay. Seconded by Mr. Beadle. Mr. Burke moved an amendment that the charge of £3-3-0d & cost of Wear & Tear. Seconded by Mr. Norman and carried. By 7 to 2.

#### Brook Committee.

Mr Thomson proposed that two dams be placed on the Brook to keep the ditches between Snodland and East Malling full, to prevent the Cattle straying. Carried. Mr. Norman proposed that Mr. W. Hawks be employed to construct the dams at a cost of about £2. Seconded by Mr. Beadle & carried.

#### Correspondence.

1. Letter from Miss. Hook agreeing to continue the beds at Convalescent Homes. Mr. Beadle proposed that a hearty vote of thanks be given to Miss. Hook for her continued kindness and generosity in providing beds at the Convalescent Homes. Seconded by Mr. Fletcher and carried.

2. Letter from Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- reduction in price per lamp. Mr. Woodburn proposed that the Clerk be instructed to write to Gas Co' expressing the appreciation of the Council, at the reduction of 4/- per lamp in the new contract. Mr. Godfrey seconded & it was carried.

3. Letter from Post Master General re:- Sunday Post. Mr Beadle proposed and Mr. Mason seconded that a letter be sent to the Post Master General thanking him for change in the time of the Sunday dispatch. Carried.

4. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- Hydrants. Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Thomson seconded that a letter be written to Mr. Allison asking if it' s not 1/5<sup>th</sup> which the Rural District Council agreed to pay of the cost of the Hydrants & when the Tar-painting is likely to commence. Carried.

5. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- Sewage Pipes in Stream on Brook  
Mr. Godfrey proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded that the matter be referred to the General Purposes Committee & sent on to Malling by Monday 26<sup>th</sup>. Carried.
6. Letter from Messrs C.T. Hook Co' Ltd re:- Sewage Pipes.
7. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- Tar-spraying.
8. Letter from Mid Kent Water Co giving analysis of water.

Receipt.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Hawks seconded that a receipt for £90 under the

Smoke Nuisance.

Mr. Godfrey proposed that Mr. Souter's attention be called to the smoke nuisance at the Oil Factory in Church Field. Seconded by Mr. A.W. Smith and carried  
Case occurred April 6<sup>th</sup> at 10 to 10.30 am.

Mr. Beadle proposed a vote of thanks to the Clerk for his services during the past year. Seconded by Mr. Norman and carried.

Joshua Wilford.  
13<sup>th</sup> June 1909.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday May 11<sup>th</sup> 1909.

At 8pm.

Present Messrs Norman, Beadle, Fletcher, Lambert, R. Smith, Thomson, Hodgkinson, Hawks, Parris, A.M. Smith, Godfrey, Burke, Mason, Wilford and the Clerk T. Hilder.

In the absence of Mr. Wilford, Mr. Norman took the Chair.

Minutes.

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

Brook Committee.

Mr. Thomson reported that one dam had been placed in the ditch on the Brook, but that it did not answer. Mr. Beadle proposed that this question be left with the Brook Committee to deal with in the best way possible. This was seconded by Mr. W. Hawks and carried.

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported the number of bathers for the last three weeks to be 219 & the fees £2-4-1d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 220 and £2-10-5d.

Cemetery Committee.

Mr. Godfrey reported that the fence on the South side of the Cemetery was out of repair & suggested holding a Committee meeting at the Cemetery and report to the next meeting.

#### Weed-Killer.

Mr. Godfrey proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that 10 galls of Weed-Killer be purchased for use in the Cemetery. Carried.

Mr. Burke proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded that the Committee instead of waiting till next meeting, deal with the question of the fence at once. Carried.

#### General Purpose Committee.

Mr. Burke proposed that the Council instruct the Clerk to write Mr. Maybury, requesting him to tar-spray the main roads at once – otherwise the Council will be obliged to revert to the water cart, as a means of laying the dust. Mr. Mason seconded and it was carried.

Mr. Wilford now arrived and took the Chair.

Mr. Burke proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that the Council appoint a special committee to make inquiries as to the advisability of taking steps to acquire Urban Powers for the Parish. Carried unanimously.

Mr. Beadle proposed that 7 form the Committee. Seconded by Mr. Hodgkinson and carried.

Mr. Parris proposed that the Chairman, Vice-Chairman, Messrs Mason, Lambert, Beadle, Burke and Hodgkinson form the Committee. Mt. R. Smith seconded and it was carried.

Mr. Lambert proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that Mr. Wilford act as Chairman of the Committee. Carried.

#### Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Fletcher reported that Mrs. Gay had been to the Home at Wear Bay, but was only able to stay a fortnight on account of illness. Mrs. John Mayger was going to the Home on Saturday May 15<sup>th</sup>. Joseph Mayger was at Herne Bay to be followed by James Waller.

#### Finance Committee.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Burke seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts.

Austin. Mrs.	Minutes Book.	7. 6
Prudential Insurance Co'	Repayment of load & Interest.	52. 14. 8
Mr. Reed.	Ministers Fees.	5. 0
Hilder. T.	Poor & Lighting Rates.	1. 4. 4 ½
Fletcher. Wm.	Caretakers Wages.	3. 18. 0
Malt J. & another.	Caretakers Help.	13. 6
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas a/c Fire Station.	1. 0
Watts. Geo. E.	Fireman's Boots.	1. 8. 0

Mid Kent Gas Co'	Gas a/c Public Lamps.	46. 10. 9
"	Gas a/c Baths.	2. 4. 10
Hilder. T.	Poor Lighting Rates.	4. 17. 6
Judges. A.	Caretakers Salary.	2. 18. 4
	Total.	£117. 3. 5 ½

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Malling Rural District Council. Re:- Hydrants Cheque £8-5-0
2. Letter from Mr Souter re:- Smoke Nuisance – Church Field Factory.
3. Letter from Mr. Maybury re:- Path in Malling Road.
4. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- Sewage repairs on Brook.
5. Letter from Shand Mason & Cp. Re:- Cheque in payment of Uniforms.
6. List of persons in receipt of out-relief.

Receipt on Overseers.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that a receipt for £60 be issued on the Overseers. Carried.

Joshua Wilford.  
Chairman.  
June-8-09.

Meeting of the Council

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday June 8<sup>th</sup> 1909.

At 8pm.

Present. Mr. J. Wilford (Chairman), A. Norman (Vice-Chairman), J. Fletcher, B. Lambert, A. Thomson, H.J. Beadle, W.R. Hodgkinson, R. Smith, R. Parris, J. H. Burke, H. Hawks, C. Godfrey and the Clerk T. Hilder.

Minutes.

The minutes of the last meeting were read, confirmed and signed.

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported that the number of bathers for the last four weeks to be 339 and the fees £3-11-6d. Last year for the corresponding period the figures were 377 & £4-0-6d.

Mr. Beadle proposed that one-half cwt of Honey-soap, 1oz tablets, be purchased for use at the Baths. Mr. Norman seconded and it was carried.

Convalescent Homes Committee.

Mr. Fletcher reported that Mrs. Judges of Orchard Cottages was at the home at Wear Bay, to be followed by Ada Hucks and Mrs. Banks.

James Waller was at the Herne Bay & would return on the 15<sup>th</sup> inst'.

There were two applicants Alfred Weaver and Fred' Simmons.

Mr. Fletcher proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded that Fred' Simmons be the applicant to succeed James Waller on the 15<sup>th</sup> inst'. Carried

#### Cemetery Committee.

Mr. Godfrey proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that the Notice Board at the Cemetery be re-clamped and painted and re-lettered & tenders be invited from Messrs Draycon & Brattle for the work. Carried.

The repair of the Cemetery fences was referred back to the Committee for estimate. Proposed by Mr. Godfrey & seconded by Mr. Beadle and carried

#### Finance Committee.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts.

Judges. Alfred.	Caretakers Wages.	Baths	2. 18. 4
Hood. Thomas.	" "	Brook.	1. 10. 0
Fletcher. William.	" "	Cemetery.	5. 4. 0.
" " jnr.	"	Help.	6. 0
Rev' J. Guy.	Ministers Fees.		5. 0
Rev' C.de R Wall.	" "		12. 6
Betts. W. C.	Repair Fireman's Boots.		3. 6
		Total	£10. 19. 4

#### Fire Brigade.

Mr. Norman proposed that two galvanized iron winches at 11/- the pair & 180ft of flexible 4" wire be purchased for use at the Fire Station. Mr. Lambert seconded and it was carried.

Mr. Beadle proposed that Miss Hook be asked to paint the front of the Fire Station, tar the side and distemper the inside. Mr. Lambert seconded & it was carried.

Mr. Norman proposed that a pair of boots for Fireman Bolton. Pair of Boots for Fireman Morris, a Helmet, 7 1/8. Lifeline with hook. 1doz, Cap Badges – two service badges (Engineers) be purchased for the Firemen. Seconded by Mr. Hodgkinson & carried.

Mr. Burke proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded that tenders be invited from boot makers in the place for the supply of the boots. Carried.

#### Maroons.

Mr. Lambert proposed that two maroons be let off on Wednesday next at 8-15, and that the Council give their sanction. Mr. Hawks seconded and it was carried.

#### Correspondence.

1. Letter from Llantrisant ?Parish Council re:- Cemetery

2. Letter from L.G.B. re:- Tar-spraying

Mr. Burke proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded that attention be called to the wages offered by the R.D. Surveyor to workmen to be employed in Tar-Spraying the District

Roads. –Viz' 3 ½ d per hour., while the ordinary workmen receive 4d per hour & it this is by the instruction of the District Council to protest against it. Carried.

3. Letter from Mr. Maybury re:- state of roads – Tar-spraying & Scavenging. Mr. Beadle proposed & Mr. Burke seconded that the Clerk be instructed to write the Rural District Council informing them of what Mr. Maybury states respecting the Scavenging the main roads. Carried.

4. Letter from Mr. Rowlins re:- Language used by one of the roadmen to his wife. Mr. Burke proposed that the man be asked to apologize to Mrs Rowlins failing which the letter be sent on to Mr. Maybury. Mr. Norman seconded & it was carried.

5. Letter from the Rector offering part of the glebe as a recreation ground. Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that the Rectors offer be considered & that the matter be referred to the General Purposes Committee. Carried.

6. Letter from Rainham Parish Council re:- Street Watering.

7. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- Tar-spraying.

8. Letter from Mid Kent Water Co. giving analysis of water for the month of April "The sample is clear, palatable, and the usual high standard is fully maintained"

Joshua Wilford.  
Chairman.  
July 13<sup>th</sup> 1909.

#### Meeting of the Council

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday July 13<sup>th</sup> 1909.

At 8pm.

Present Messrs J. Wilford (Chairman), Beadle, Thomson, Parris, Hodgkinson, Burke, Godfrey, Hawks Mason and the Clerk T. Hilder.

#### Minutes.

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

Mr. Norman and Mr. Lambert sent messages asking to be excused.

#### Cemetery Committee.

Mr. Godfrey proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that 2 three gallon zinc pails be purchased for use in the Cemetery. Carried.

Mr. Godfrey proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that the Caretaker at the Cemetery have his usual week's holiday. Carried.

Mr. Godfrey proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded the Mr. Hy' Cook have the grass in the Cemetery for 5/-. Carried.

Mr. Godfrey proposed and Mr. Thomson seconded that Mr. W. Hawks be employed to repair the Cemetery Fences under the superintendence of the Committee and Mr. Mason. Carried.

#### Notice Board.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Hawks seconded that the lowest tender, for painting, clamping and re-lettering the Notice Boards be accepted. Carried.

Mr. Draycon's tender                   £1-3-6d

Mr. Brattle's tender.                   £1-7-6d

Mr. Godfrey proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that Mr. Draycon's tender be accepted. Carried.

#### Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that 6 Combs, 6 Hair-brushes & two flesh brushes be purchased for use at the Baths, Carried.

Mr. Burke proposed that the price of the soap used at the Baths be ½ d in future instead of 1d per cake. Seconded by Mr. Hodgkinson.

3 voted for and 4 against the resolution.

The Chairman declared the resolution lost.

Mr. Beadle reported the number of bathers for the past five weeks to be 392 and the fees £4-3-7d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 532 & £5-0-9d.

#### General Purposes Committee.

Mr. Burke reported that he had called a meeting of the Committee, but only himself and Mr. A.M. Smith & the Clerk attended, and he was therefore unable to give a complete report.

Mr. Hodgkinson proposed that the matter of the Recreation – Ground be referred back to the Committee for further consideration. Carried.

Mr. Hodgkinson proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that a Committee Meeting of all the Council be held in the Rectory Meadow on Tuesday the 20<sup>th</sup> at 7pm, and a special Council Meeting at 8. The Rector to be invited to meet the Committee. Carried

#### Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Parris read the report of the Convalescent Homes Committee.

It stated that Ada Hucks was at Wear Bay to be followed on Saturday by Mrs. Banks, and that Stephen Russell was at Herne Bay to be followed by Alfred Weaver.

#### Finance Committee.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Hawks seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts.

Wilford. J. H.	Repairs to Baths.	2. 15. 7
Judges. A.	Caretakers Salary.	2. 18. 4.
Seaborne Coal Co.	Coal & Coke.	5. 14. 0
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Supply to Baths.	2. 4. 9
Moore & Co.	Globe Polish.	1. 0
Dedrick Frank. Snr'	½ Cwt. Soap.	1. 2. 6
Harris. H. P.	Bills Annual Meeting.	4. 6

“	Cheque Book. Brook.	9. 0
Hood Thomas.	Gatekeepers Salary.	1. 10. 0
Barnden. Thos.	Work on Brook.	13. 6
Mid Kent Water. Co.	Water Rate. Fire Station.	3. 0
Buck & Hickman.	Ratchet, Winches. (2).	12. 0
Moore & Co.	Soap, Scrub Waste & C.	4. 6.
Kent Insurance Co.	Insurance Premium.	6. 6
Hinds. W.	Repairs To Fire Station.	1. 0.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Rate.	6. 6.
“	“	3. 0.
Frost & Co.	Seeds.	10. 0
Hinds. C.W.	Repairs to Tools.	8. 4.
Gray. John.	Ministers Fees.	2. 6.
Reed. Geo.	“	2. 6.
Fletcher. William.	Caretakers Wages.	6. 10. 0.
Parris. J.	“ Help.	18. 0.
The Clerk.	Audit Stamp.	3. 0. 0
	Total.	£31. 10. 0.

The Gas Co' wrote asking that 8 new lanterns should be supplied to replace those worn out.

Mr. Beadle proposed that the matter be referred to the Committee to report to next meeting. This was seconded by Mr. Hodgkinson and carried.

#### Correspondence.

1. Three letters from Mr. Allison re:- Workman's Wages.

Mr. Burke proposed that the Clerk be instructed to write the District Council protesting against their action in the matter of the workman's wages and requesting that in future the Snodland men employed by the District Council be paid at least 4d per hour. Mr. Hodgkinson seconded and it was carried.

2. Letter from Miss. Hook re:- Stephen Russell.

3. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- Scavenging.

4. Letter from Shand Mason & Co. re:- Helmets & C.

5. Letter from the Borough Nurseries.

6. Letter from Miss. Hook re:- Painting Fire – Station.

7. Letter from Mr. Woodburn re:- School Manager.

8. Letter from Mr. Smith re:- Lettering Fire – Station.

Mr. Mason proposed & Mr. Godfrey seconded that the Fire Station be lettered by the Council and that Mr. Souter be invited to do the work. Carried.

#### Manager Hooks School.

Mr. Hodgkinson proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that Mr. Beadle be reappointed manager of Hook's School for the term of three years. Carried.



Manager of Ch' of E' School's.

Mr. Parris proposed and Mr. Godfrey seconded that Mr. A.M. Smith be appointed manager of the Ch' of E' Schools for the term of three years. Carried.

Tender for Boots.

Mr. Parris proposed and Mr. Thomson seconded that the lowest tender to supply two pairs of Fireman's Boots be accepted. Carried.

G. E. Watts.           £1. 7. 6d per pair.

W.C. Betts.           £1. 7. 6d per pair.

Mr. Hodgkinson proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded that as the tenders were the same the order be divided & each asked to make one pair. Carried.

Extra Post.

Mr. Burke proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that the Post Master General be asked for a dispatch direct to Maidstone, for letters to Maidstone & the districts surrounding, twice per day. Viz – at 10.30 am & 5.30 pm. Carried.

Joshua Wilford.  
Chairman.  
July 20<sup>th</sup> 1909.

Special Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday July 20<sup>th</sup> 1909.

At 8pm.

Portion of the Glebe.

Meeting called to consider the offer of the Rector, of a portion of the Glebe for a playground for the children of the Parish.

Present Messrs. Wilford, Lambert, Hodgkinson, Thomson, R. Smith. A. M. Smith, Beadle, Fletcher, Parris, Godfrey, Burke, Hawks, Mason, Norman and the Clerk T. Hilder.

The Chairman reported that all the Council had met in the Rectory Meadow together with the Rector, and discussed the question of the advisability of accepting the offer of the Rector, of a portion of the Glebe Land as a playground for the Children.

Minutes.

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

Mr. Beadle proposed that the Council entertained the offer of the Rector, to let to the Council a portion of the Glebe as a playground for the Children. This was seconded by Mr. Lambert and carried.

Mr. Hodgkinson proposed that the Council while recognising and appreciating the public spirit and kindness of the Rector in offering the Council a portion of the Glebe as a playground for the Children of the Parish, suggest to him, that he continue his present arrangement with regard to the playground for the Children, pending further

consideration of the matter by the Council. This was seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Joshua Wilford.  
Chairman.  
August 10<sup>th</sup> 1909.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday August 10<sup>th</sup> 1909.

At 8pm.

Present Messrs. Wilford, Norman, Beadle, Fletcher, Thomson, A.M. Smith, Godfrey, R. Smith, Hodgkinson, Burke, Lambert, Mason and the Clerk T. Hilder.

Minutes.

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

Baths.

Mr. Beadle reported that the number of bathers for the last 4 weeks to be 440 and the fees £4-8-10d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 440 and £4-9-9d.

Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Fletcher reported that Mrs. Greenhalgh was at the Wear Bay, Ethel Fowle having withdrawn her application, and Alfred Weaver at Herne Bay to be followed by T.N. Freeman. Failing him Henry Juniper to have the use of the bed.

Finance Committee.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts.

Mid Kent Gas Co.	Street Lamps.	46. 10. 9
“	Public Baths.	1. 3. 8
“	Fire Station.	1. 0
Messrs Shand Mason & Co.	Helmet, Cap Badges & c.	2. 6. 6
Judges. Alfred.	Caretakers Salary. Baths.	2. 18. 4
Fletcher. Wm.	Caretakers Salary. Cemetery.	5. 4. 0
The Borough Nurseries.	10 Galls. Weed Killer.	1. 5. 6
	Total.	£59. 9. 9

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Post Master General re:- Post to Maidstone

2. Letter from Strood Rural District Council re :- Tar painting roads.

Mr. Burke proposed that the clerk be instructed to write to Mr. Maybury and Mr. Allison respecting the charge for tar-painting the main roads, - Snodland having to pay half the cost & Halling nothing, and protesting the unfairness of the arrangement. Mr. Norman seconded and it was carried.

3. Letter from the Rector of Snodland re:- Playground for the Children.

Mr. Burke gave notice of motion re:\_ Playground for the Children.

4. Letter from Education Committee re:- Managers.

5. Letter from Mid Kent Water Co. giving analysis of water.

#### New Lanterns.

Mr. Norman reported that the Lighting Committee had inspected the lamps & recommended the Council to purchase new lanterns.

Mr. Norman proposed & Mr. Mason seconded that 8 new lanterns be ordered and fixed according to quotation. Carried.

#### Inscription & Kerb.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Mason seconded that the Inscription to Mr. Gooding Grave & the Kerb Inscription to Mr. Attwood's Grave be approved by the Council. Carried.

#### Receipt.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that a receipt for £260 under the Lighting Act be issued on the Overseers. Carried.

#### Conveyance of Grave Space.

Mr. Godfrey proposed and Mr. Norman seconded that the conveyance of Grave Space 449 to Mr. K. Gooding be signed by the Council. Carried.

#### Footpath.

Mr. R. Smith reported that the owners of the property in Malling Road had agreed to accept the offer of Mr. Maybury, with the exception of 2 or 3.

Joshua Wilford.

Chairman.

September 14<sup>th</sup> 1909.

### Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday September 14<sup>th</sup> 1909.

At 8pm.

Present, Messrs J. Wilford (Chairman), A. Norman (Vice-Chairman), H.T. Beadle, J. Fletcher, A. Thomson, J. Mason, B. Lambert, A.M. Smith, R. Smith, J. Burke, H. Hawks and the Clerk T. Hilder.

#### Minutes.

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

#### Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported that the Boiler at the Baths had cracked, and it being a matter of urgency he and the Chairman had instructed Mr. Tong to repair it.

Mr. Mason proposed and Mr. A.M. Smith seconded that the action of the Chairman and Mr. Beadle be approved by the Council. Carried.

Mr. Beadle reported that the number of bather for the last 5 weeks to be 477 & the fees £4-17-9d. For the corresponding period last year the numbers were 374 and £3-14-11d.

#### Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Fletcher reported that Mrs. Barnes was at the Wear Bay Home, to be followed on Saturday by Mary Smith - & Mr. Fly to Herne Bay.

#### Finance Committee.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts.

Fletcher. W.	Caretakers Wages Cemetery.	6. 10. 0.
Fletcher. W. Jnr. J. Malt & Harris.	Caretakers Help.	18. 0
Guy. J. 5/- Reed. 2/6.	Minister Fees.	7. 6
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages. Baths.	2. 18. 4.
Tong. A.	Repair of Boiler.	1. 6. 8.
Hood. T.	Gatekeepers Salary.	1. 0. 0
Hilder. T. (Royal).	Insurance Premium.	15. 0
S.E. & C Ry. Co.	Carriage of Helmet's	1. 3
	Total.	£13. 16. 9

#### Correspondence.

1. Letter from the Mid Kent Gas Co' re:- reduction of price of Gas.

2. Letter from the Mid Kent Water Co. re:- Water for Brigade Practice.

Mr. Lambert proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded that strong objection be made to the demand for payment by the Mid Kent Water Co. for water used by the Fire Brigade for practice on the following grounds.

1. That the water had not been used unreasonably.
2. That the case in question had been greatly exaggerated.
3. That only one false alarm had been given in the past two years.
4. That the Hydrants must be tested periodically to keep them in working order.
5. That the water through a metre would be useless for practice.
6. That a large number of Hydrants have been fixed in the Parish at considerable expense &.
7. That these Hydrants have been fixed on the understanding that the Comp. Would always supply water free of charge for the purpose of practice by the Fire Brigade. Carried.

3. Letter from Mr. Maybury re- Tar Painting Main Roads.

4. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- Protest against charge for Tar – Painting.

5. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- Scavenging.

6. Letter from C.T. Hook & Co. Ltd. re:- Smell from Creek.

7. Letter from C.T. Hook & Co. Ltd. re:- Dredging Creek.

#### Inscription.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Fletcher seconded that the Inscription for Mrs. Sims Headstone be approved by the Council. Carried.

Mr. Burke's Notice of Motion.

Mr. Burke moved his Notice of Motion re:- Playground for Children, but the Chairman called his attention to standing order No 5 & ruled him out of order.

Bull Corner.

Mr. Mason proposed and Mr. Norman seconded that the attention of Messrs. Maybury & Marshall be called to the state of Bull Corner. Carried.

Joshua Wilford.  
Chairman.  
October 12<sup>th</sup> 1909.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday October 12<sup>th</sup> 1909.

At 8pm.

Present. Messrs J. Wilford. (Chairman), A. Norman, (Vice-Chairman), H.J. Beadle, J. Fletcher, A. Thomson, J.H. Burke, A.M. Smith, R. Smith, J. Mason, H. Hawks, C. Godfrey, R. Parris and the Clerk T. Hilder.

Minutes.

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

Mr. Burke raised the question of the legality of his being ruled out of order on his motion, re:- Playground for Children. Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Fletcher seconded that the Council proceed with next business on the agenda. Carried.

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported the number of bathers during the last 4 weeks to be 278 and the fees £2-15-11d. For the corresponding period last year, the figures were 313 and £3-2-3d

General Purposes Committee.

Mr. Burke reported that a meeting of the General Purposes Committee took place on Oct' 5<sup>th</sup> to consider the offer of Messrs Maybury & Marshall, "to lay a granite channel in a line with the kerb in the Holboro' Road, from the end of the present kerb to the end of the Bull Hotel Junction with the High Street, to construct a catch-pit with grating and drain there from to take away the surface water – and to make up the portion of ground between the proposed channel and the house with tar-macadam to form a foot-path, - at an estimated cost of £21, of which the Parish was asked to pay one third. It being a matter of urgency the Committee had, for and on behalf of the Council accepted the terms of the offer.

Mr. Burke proposed that the action of the Committee be approved by the Council. Mr. Mason seconded and it was carried.

Convalescent Homes Committee.

Mr. Fletcher reported that Mr. Hilder of Malling Road was at the Wear Bay Home and John Gower at Herne Bay.

Finance Committee.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Godfrey seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts.

Fletcher. W.	Caretakers Wages.	5. 4. 0
Hilder. T.	Tithe.	1. 2. 4.
Hawks. W.	Repair of South Fence.	9. 2. 6.
"	Repair of Spile Fence.	1. 11. 9
Reed. Geo' W.	Ministers Fees.	2. 6
Judges. Alfred.	Caretakers Salary.	2. 18. 4
Seaborne Coal Co'.	Coal and Coke.	5. 11. 0.
Hood. Thomas. Bal'	Brook-keepers Salary.	2. 6. 0.
Hinds C.W.	Work at Fire Station.	1. 9. 6.
Hilder. W.	Repair of Helmet.	1. 6
Betts. C. W.	Pair of Fireman's Boots.	1. 7. 6.
	Total.	£30. 16. 11

Correspondence.

1. Letter from C. T. Hook & Co' Ltd re:- ventilating pipes on Filter Ponds.
2. Letter from Mr. Maybury Re:- Nuisance at Bull Corner.
3. Three letters from Mr. Marshall re:- Nuisance at Bull Corner.
4. Letter from Mid Kent Water Co' re:- Water for Brigade practice.  
Mr. Beadle proposed that the Clerk be instructed to write to the Mid Kent Water Co'. expressing surprise at their decision, to charge for the water for Fire Brigade Practice and asking them to re-consider the matter. Mr. Parris seconded and it was carried.
5. Letter from Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- Breaking of lamps by Mr. Hawk's man.
6. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- Tar-painting & Scavenging.

Refund of Money for Tar-Painting.

Mr. Beadle proposed that the Clerk be instructed to apply to Mr. Prosser for repayment of the money expended on Tar-painting the Main Roads in Snodland since other Parishes are now to have their roads Tar-painted free of cost. This was seconded by Mr. Mason and carried.

Conveyance of Grave Space.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Norman seconded that Conveyance of Grave Space 18 to Mrs Colyer, and Conveyance of Grave Space 452 to Mr. Godfrey be signed by the Council. Carried.

Plan and Inscription.

Mr. Fletcher proposed and Mr. R. Smith seconded that the Plan and Inscription of Headstone to Mrs. Driver's Grave be approved by the Council, also the plan of the kerb for Mr. & Mrs. Penny's Grave.

"Grant of Right".

Mr. Mason proposed and Mr. Hawks seconded that a new book of "Grants of Right", be purchased for the use of the Council. Carried.

Bag for Clerk.

Mr. Godfrey proposed and Mr. Norman seconded that the Clerk be allowed to purchase a new bag in which to convey the books. Carried.

Overhanging Trees.

Mr. Thomson proposed and Mr. A.M. Smith seconded that the Clerk be instructed to write to owners asking them to top the trees that overhang the roads. Carried.

Manure for Cemetery.

Mr. Godfrey proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that 8 loads of Manure be purchased for use in the Cemetery. Carried.

Theatres.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Godfrey seconded that the Clerk write to Mr. Allison asking him to withhold licence to proprietors of Theatres coming into Snodland. Carried.

Joshua Wilford.

Chairman.

November 9<sup>th</sup> 1909.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday, November 9<sup>th</sup> 1909.

At 8pm.

Present Messrs Wilford. (Chairman), Norman (Vice-chairman), Beadle, Fletcher, Lambert, Burke, Godfrey, Parris, Smith, A.M. Smith, Hawks, Mason, Hodgkinson and the Clerk T. Hilder.

Minutes.

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

Mr. Thomson sent message asking to be excused on account of illness.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that bag submitted by the Clerk be purchased at a cost of two pounds. Carried.

Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Fletcher reported that Harry Andrews was at the Herne Bay Home and May Mayger at Wear Bay.

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported that the number of bathers for the last four weeks to be 208 and the fees £2-1-4d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 174 and £1-14-4d.

Mr. Beadle proposed that the Baths be closed for the Summer season, and the Winter Season to commence on Monday November 15<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Lambert seconded and it was carried.

#### Finance Committee.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts.

Stable. D.W. Stable.	Repayment of Loan & Interest.	52. 15. 4
Knight & Co' Ltd.	Book of Grant of Right.	3. 7. 0
Hilder. T.	Poor Rates.	1. 4. 0
Mid Kent Water. Co.	Water Rate.	6. 6
"	"	3. 0.
Fletcher W.	Caretakers Wages.	5. 4. 0
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Supply.	2. 13. 3
Hilder. T.	Poor Rate.	4. 16. 0
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas a/c.	1. 4. 8
Judges A.	Caretakers Wages.	2. 18. 4
Mid Kent Gas Co'	Gas a/c Street Lamps.	46. 10. 9
"	Gas a/c Fire Station.	1. 0
Mid Kent Water Co'	Water Rate.	3. 0
Hawks W.	Work on Brook.	4. 3. 7
	Total.	£125. 10. 5

#### Gas Lamps.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that the Gas Co's attention be called to the fact that several lamps are not lighted & some only partially. Carried.

#### Maroons.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Mason seconded that 6 maroons be purchased at Wood's Maidstone for the use of the Fire Brigade. Carried.

#### Mortar.

Mr. Lambert proposed that the mortar be fixed by the Fire Station with cap & c. This was seconded by Mr. Mason and carried.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Burke seconded that Mr. Lambert's sons be asked to do the work. Carried.

#### Entertainment & Medals.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Godfrey seconded that the Council grant the Brigade permission to hold an entertainment for the benefit of the Brigade & the Widow's & Orphans fund, pay the registration fee of four members, the Medals to be presented on the occasion of the entertainment. Carried.

#### Hydrants.

The question of the Hydrants to stand over to the next meeting when Mr. Lambert has kindly promised to present a report there- on.

#### Surgical Bandages.



Mr. Norman proposed that two surgical bandages be purchased for the use of the Fire Brigade. This was seconded by Mr. Hodgkinson and carried.

#### Correspondence.

1. Two letter from the Post-master re:- Clearance and Deliveries.

2. Letter from the General Post Office granting new dispatch.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Norman seconded that the letter be acknowledged. Carried.

3. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- Theatres.

4. Letter from Mr. Allison re:\_ Tar-painting.

5. Letter from Mr. Marshall re:- Tree Cutting.

6. Letter from The Mid Kent Gas Co, red:- Lamp at top of Brook St..

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that the matter be referred to the Lighting Committee to report to next meeting. Carried.

7. Letter from Mr. D. Thomson re:- White Grounds Road.

Mr. Parris proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded that the District Council be asked to repair the road by White Grounds. Carried.

8. Letter from Miss. Hook re:- Lamp at top of Brook Street.

9. Letter from Mr. Hawes re:- Lamp in Holboro' Road.

Mr. Mason proposed and Mr. R. Smith seconded that further application be made to Mr. Hawes for the 5/- cost of repairing lamp, telling him that if not paid at once proceedings would be taken to recover. Carried.

10. Letter from Mid Kent Water Co' giving analysis of water.

#### Godden's Charity.

Mr. Fletcher proposed and Mr. Hawks seconded that Messrs Mason & Norman be re-elected Trustees of Godden's Charity. Carried.

#### May's Charity.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Fletcher seconded that Messrs Hodgkinson and Beadle be re-elected Trustees of May's Charity. Carried.

#### Draft Contract for Lighting.

The Draft Contract for lighting the Streets was read. It was suggested that 3 years should be the term of the Contract. As a resolution had been passed that the term should be one year.

Mr. Hodgkinson gave notice, to move at next meeting that the resolution passed on Oct. 13<sup>th</sup> be rescinded.

#### Scavenging.

Mr. Mason proposed that the usual steps be taken to invite tenders for Scavenging the Parish by inserting an advertisement in the Kent Messenger. Mr. Lambert seconded and it was carried.

Joshua Wilford.  
Chairman.  
December 14<sup>th</sup> 1909.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday December 14<sup>th</sup> 1909.

At 8pm.

Present Messrs. Wilford. (Chairman), Norman. (Vice-Chairman), Fletcher, Thomson, Beadle, Hodgkinson, Lambert, A.M. Smith, R. Smith, J. Mason, C. Godfrey and the Clerk T. Hilder.

Minutes.

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

Brook Committee.

Mr. Thomson proposed and Mr. Norman seconded that the Clerk be instructed to ask Messrs C.T. Hook & Co Ltd. to repair the fence on the bridge – that the path across the Willow Walk be repaired and that the smaller ditches be cleaned out & new grips be made where necessary. Carried.

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported the number of Bathers for the last five weeks to be 199 and the fees £2-1-1d. For the corresponding period last year the numbers were 183 and £1-16-5d.

Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Fletcher reported that Mrs Brown was at Wear Bay, to be followed on Saturday by Maud Chalklen. George Chapman had that day returned from Herne Bay. He had stayed a week extra as there were no other patients.

Cemetery Committee.

Mr. Hodgkinson proposed and Mr. R. Smith seconded that a digging fork be purchased for use at the Cemetery. Carried.

Finance Committee.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts.

Wraight. L.A.	Clerks' Bag.	2. 0. 0.
Fletcher. W.	Caretakers Wages.	6. 10. 0.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	2. 18. 4
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Repair of Lamp.	5. 0
Souter. C. H.	Lettering Fire Station.	15. 0
N.F.B.U.	Registration of 3 Firemen.	15. 0
Mid Kent Gas Co.	8 new Lanterns.	14. 5. 4

Total. £27. 8. 8

Lighting Committee.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded that two lamps be erected – one on the wall of Messrs. Cook & Langridge, High Street, and one in Brook Street opposite the passage to the back of the London & County Bank. Carried.

Mortar.

Mr. Lambert explained that the “Mortar” had been fixed inside the Fire Station. He proposed to fire a Maroon on Saturday to test it & report result to next meeting.

Hydrants.

Mr. Lambert reported that he had tested the Hydrants, of which there were 34: Four of these were out of order. He proposed that the Water Co. be asked to repair the Hydrant in the Holborough Road by Mr. Hawks and that the Council enter into an agreement with Mr. C.W. Hinds to look after the Hydrants & keep them in repair and working order for two pounds per year, the Committee to make the arrangement as soon as possible. This was seconded by Mr. Mason and carried.

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- White Grounds Road.
2. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- “ “ “.
3. Letter from Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- Unlighted Lamps.
4. Letter from Mr. Hawes re:- A/C for Lamp.
5. Letter from Mr. Souter. re:- Tenders fro Scavenging.
6. Letter from Mr. Verrall, thanking Council for appreciation.
7. Letter from Halling Council. Re:- Train from London.  
Mr. R. Smith proposed that application be made to the S. E. & Ch. Ry’ Comp, to run the Train leaving London Bridge at 8.50pm, through to Maidstone. Mr. Godfrey seconded and it was carried.
8. Letter from Mid Kent Water Co. giving analysis of water for the month of November. “The figures could hardly be much more satisfactory than they are now”.

Conveyance Of Grave Space.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Godfrey seconded that the conveyances of Grave Spaces No's 455, 456 to Mrs Nathan Paters be signed. Carried.

Tenders for Scavenging.

The tenders for Scavenging the Parish were as follows :-

William Cunningham.	£104.
William Hunton Tilbrook.	£120.
Edgar Ashby.	£135.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Fletcher seconded that the Council recommend the District Council to accept Mr. Tilbrook's tender. Carried.

Mr. Hodgkinson's Notice of Motion.

Mr. Robert Smith in the absence of Mr. Hodgkinson moved that the resolution of October 1908 respecting the term for Gas Contract be rescinded. Mr. Lambert seconded & it was carried. Mr. Beadle voting against.

Gas Contract.

Mr. Mason proposed and Mr Beadle seconded that in the clause relating to new mains 80 yds be substituted for 50 yds. Carried.

Candle-Power.

Mr. Lambert proposed and Mr. Fletcher seconded that 50 Candle-Power be altered to 75 Candle-Power, and that the Lamp at the Bull Corner to 100 Candle-Power. Carried.

Contract.

Mr. Beadle proposed that the Contract, as amended be accepted. Mr. Mason seconded and it was carried.

Headstone & Inscriptions.

Mr. Fletcher proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded that Head Stone and Inscription for Mr. Cart's Grave, and the additional inscription for Mr. Berry's Grave be approved by the Council. Carried.

Clearances.

Mr. Beadle proposed that application be made to the Post-Master General to have the Letter Boxes at Holborough Road, The Station and Malling road, cleared in the evening on Sundays instead of in the morning,- and that a dispatch on Week days be made from Maidstone by the 1.50pm train. Mr. Lambert seconded and it was carried.

Joshua Wilford.

Chairman.

January 11<sup>th</sup>. 1910.