

Meeting of the Council.
Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday January 13th 1925.
At 7.30pm.

Present Messrs May (Chairman), Coleman (Vice-Chairman), Parris, Smith, Butcher, Thomson, Wilford, Penny, Knott, Godfrey, Monk, Rev' C de R Wall, the Clerk T. Hilder and the Deputy Clerk T. Hilder Jnr.

Minutes.

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

Brook.

Mr. Thomson reported the tide had overflowed the Willow Walk.

Baths.

Mr. Smith, in the absence of Mr. Fletcher reported that number of Bathers for the last five weeks to be 456 and the fees amounted to £4.8.0d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 431 and £4.4.3d.

Cemetery.

Mr. Wilford reported a meeting of the Cemetery Committee which took place on Saturday, January 10th 1925 at 2.30pm.

It recommended the Council:-

1. To allow a Shield to be placed on Mr. Ashby's child's Grave provided it was made of Oak or Stone.
2. To fill up the sunken Graves.
3. To fit a top to the barrow by Mr. Hinds.
4. To remove the large trees from the Graves.
5. To increase the insurance on the buildings, Chapel and Cottage. £1000.
Greenhouse, Pits and Plants. £150.
6. To employ a man for a week to help the Caretaker.
7. To purchase 5dozen Begonia Bulbs.
8. To purchase 200 Indicators – 1100 & 1200.
9. To repair lamps in the Chapel by Moore & Co.
Mr. Wilford moved the adoption of the report. Seconded by Mr. Wall & carried.

Coal.

Mr. Wilford proposed that the Caretaker be presented with one ton of Coals.
Seconded by Mr. Penny and carried.

Finance.

Mr. Coleman proposed. Mr. Smith seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Hinds. C.W.	Erecting Notice Boards.	4. 0.
Royal Assurance Co.	Third Party Insurance.	1. 17. 6.
Reeves. F.E.	Tax Recreation Ground.	1. 3. 7.
“	Tax Sharnal Lane.	10. 1.
“	Tax Brook.	9. 6.
“	Allots' Birling Rd.	19. 8.
“	“ Malling Rd.	14. 7.
Dence & Bishop.	Work on Brook.	13. 0. 2.
“	5 N.H.I. Stamps.	12. 1.
Reeves. F.E.	The Cemetery Cottage.	16. 10.
Hinds. C.W.	Rubber.	1. 9.
Coleman B.G.	Caretakers Wages.	10. 19. 2.
“	5 N.H.I. Stamps.	12. 1.
“	2 Deep Graves.	2. 0.
Burrow Alma.	Firewood.	3. 0.
Randerson J.	Subscription N.F.B.A.	1. 10. 0.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Lantern & Fixing.	5. 9. 6.
Reeve F.E.	Tax. Fire Station.	2. 2. 2.
“	Tax The Cottage.	1. 5. 3.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Supply.	4. 0. 3.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	5. 15. 10.
“	5 N.H.I. Stamps.	12. 1.
Reeves. F.E.	Tax Public Baths.	3. 7. 6.
“	Tax on Interest.	8. 15. 6.
		<u>£65. 4. 1.</u>

Fire Station.

Mr. Coleman proposed that Mr Wilford be employed to repair downpipe at the Fire Station. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Water Pipe.

The Clerk reported a leak in the water pipe serving the Cemetery.

The Rev' Wall proposed that the Water Co. be asked to repair it. Seconded by Mr. Thomson and carried.

Telephone Pole.

The Clerk reported that the Telephone Company wanted to erect a pole in Watt's Garden, Malling Rd.

Mr. Monk proposed that the Council agree subject to the pole being erected at the back of the garden. Seconded by Mr. Knott and carried.

Allotment Agreement.

It was decided to instruct the Clerk to sign the Holborough Allotment Agreement on behalf of the Council subject to the amount of rent being altered from £9.15.0d. to £8.15.0d.

Recreation Ground.

Mr. Butcher read the report of the Recreation Ground Committee Meeting which took place on December 16th 19124, at which, Mr. Fletcher was appointed Chairman of the Committee and Mr. Wilford was asked to prepare a specification of the work to be done on the ground.,

Mr. Wilford described the Iron Fences and Grates to be erected and the approximate cost.

Mr. Coleman proposed that Mr. Wilford be asked to prepare a revised specification and tenders be invited for the work by inserting an advertisement in the Maidstone Telegraph. Seconded by Mr. Wall and carried.

Mr. Coleman proposed a vote of thanks to Mr. Wilford for all the trouble he had taken in preparing the specification. Seconded by Mr. Wall and carried.

Stake Fence.

Mr. Monk proposed that the Stake Fence be left in abeyance for the time being. Seconded by Mr. Knott and carried.

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Mr. Chambers. re:- Recreation ground.

2. Two Letters from Westminster Bank Ltd. re:- Account

3. Letter from Ministry of Health, giving consent to loan.

4. 8 letters from Local Works Loan Board. re:- Loan.

5. Letter from Secretary of Fire brigade. re:- Mr. Penny's Resignation.

6. Letter from Mr. Albert Cook stating he had no objection to the erection of fence.

7. Letter from Mr. Stratton demanding the tithe for the year ended October 1st 1924.

Mr. Wilford proposed that the Clerk take steps to redeem the tithe on the Lowers. Seconded by Mr. Monk and carried.

8. Letter from the Mid Kent Gas Co. Station, Stating Lamp in the Holborough Rd had been damaged by allowing a branch of a tree to fall on it, and they had made a claim on Major Roberts.

9. Letter from Mid Kent Water Co. giving analysis of water for the month of December.

"The sample was clear, palatable and free from poisonous metals and of excellent quality".

Receipt.

Mr. R. Smith proposed that a receipt for £100, be issued on the Overseers under the Bath's Acts. Seconded by Mr. Parris and carried.

W.W. May.

Chairman.

27th January 1925.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday January 27th 1925.

At 7.30pm.

Present Messrs. May (Chairman), Coleman (Vice-Chairman), Fletcher, Parris, Burke, Godfrey, Monk, Butcher, Thomson, Smith, Rev' C de R Wall, the Clerk T. Hilder and the deputy Clerk T. Hilder Jnr.

Minutes.

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

Vote of Thanks.

Mr. Godfrey proposed that the best thanks of the Council be accorded Lt' Penny for his 25yrs service in the Fire Brigade. Also, that a letter of condolence be sent to Mr. Lambert and his Family on the death of Capt' Lambert. Seconded by Mr. Burke and carried.

Mortgage Deed for Loan of £200

A letter from the Secretary of the Local Works Loan Board asking the Council to sign the Mortgage Deed & Certificate for the loan of £200 for the purpose of purchasing land for Allotments was read.

Mr. Burke proposed. Mr Parris seconded and it was resolved that the Council sign the Mortgage deed for the loan of £200 for the purpose of purchasing land for Allotments, and also the Certificate for the transfer of the money to the Treasurer of the Council.

Mortgage Deed for the Loan of £650.

A letter was read from the Secretary of the Local Works Loan Board requesting the Council to sign the Mortgage Deed & Certificate for the loan of £650 for the purchase of land for the purpose of a Recreation Ground.

Mr. Godfrey proposed , Rev' C de R Wall seconded and it was resolved that the Council sign the Mortgage Deed for the loan of £650 for the purpose of purchasing land for a Recreation Ground, and also the Certificate for the transfer of the money to the Treasurer of the Council.

Holboro' Allotments.

A letter from Mr Cobb asking the Council to sign the agreement for the hire of 3 ½ acres of land at Holborough, for Allotments at a rental of £8.15.0d.

Mr. Parris proposed. Mr. Smith seconded and it was resolved that the Council sign the agreement forthwith.

Conveyance of Recreation Ground.

Letter was read from Messrs. Hamilton White and Chambers asking the Council to complete and sign the Conveyance of the land for a Recreation Ground from the Misses Coulson to the Parish Council. Also, requesting the Council to send on a cheque for the balance of the purchase money to enable them to complete the purchase.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that the Conveyance be signed by the Council. Seconded by Mr. Coleman and carried.

Mr. Burke proposed that a cheque for £585 be drawn in favour of Messrs. Hamilton White and Chambers, to enable them to complete the purchase of the Recreation Ground. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Games.

Mr. May called the attention of the Council to the way the Children played on the Recreation Ground. They should be made to change their pitch.

Seeds for Cemetery.

Mr. Thomson proposed that the Caretaker at the Cemetery be supplied with the usual amount of seeds. Viz 10/- worth. Mr. Monk seconded and it was carried.

Long Service Medals.

Mr. Thomson proposed that the registration fees for four long term service medals be paid £2.5.3d. Seconded by Mr. Smith and carried.

Barbed Wire Fence.

Mr. Eastwood asked the Council to pay him £3 for the barbed wire fence he left in the hedge in Sharnal Lane.

Mr. Thomson proposed he be offered £1 for the fence. If not accepted to take it away. Seconded by Mr. Parris and carried.

Help at Cemetery.

Mr. Parris proposed that the man helping the Caretaker at the Cemetery be kept till Friday. Seconded by Mr. Fletcher and carried.

Mr. Thomson's question respecting the future planting of trees on the Graves in the Cemetery was referred to the Cemetery Committee

W.W. May.
Chairman.
February 10th 1925.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday February 10th 1925.

At 7.30pm.

Present. Messrs May (Chairman), Coleman (Vice-Chairman), Fletcher, Parris, Wilford, Smith, Thomson, Knott, Monk, Burke, Penny, Godfrey, Butcher and the Clerk T. Hilder, & the Deputy Clerk T. Hilder Jnr.

Minutes.

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

Baths.

Mr. Fletcher reported that the number of Bathers for the last four weeks to be 496 and the fees amounted to £4.15.2d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 219 and £2.2.2d.

He suggested that a Committee Meeting be held, to arrange about the Spring Cleaning and repairs before the next Council Meeting.

Recreation Ground.

Mr. Burke proposed that the line for the gates and fence in the Malling Road, be left for the decision of the Council. Seconded by Mr. Parris and carried.

Mr.

Thomson proposed that the Allotment fence be repaired. This matter was left with the Committee with power to act. Seconded by Mr. Monk and carried.

Finance.

Mr. Coleman proposed. Mr. Smith seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Kent Messenger.	Advertising fencing.	15. 0.
Bishop & Dence.	Work on Brook.	7. 18. 8.
“	4 N.H.I. Stamps.	9. 8.
Clifford & Son.	Webbing.	2. 6.
Hayman Wm Ltd.	Chaldron of Coke.	1. 5. 0.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Rate.	11. 7.
“	“ Cottage.	4. 6.
Dobbie & Co.	Seeds.	10. 0.
Coleman. B.G.	Caretakers Wages.	8. 15. 4.
“	4 N.H.I. Stamps.	9. 8.
“	1 deep Grave.	1. 0.
Perrott. G.	Caretakers Help.	3. 19. 4.
“	2 N.H.I. Stamps.	4. 10.
Hilder. T.	Insurance.	17. 3.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas a/c.	3. 10.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water rate.	14. 0.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas a/c.	2. 1. 5.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	5. 17. 0.
“	4 N.H.I. Stamps.	9. 8.
		<u>£35. 10. 3.</u>

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Mr. Stratten. re:- Tithe.
2. P.C. from Board of Agriculture & Fisheries. re:- Tithe
3. Letter from Miss. Lambert, thanking the Council for letter of Condolence.
4. Letter from Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- Lights.
5. Letter from Mid Kent Water Co. re:- Leak.
6. Letter from Law Reform Association.
7. Letter from B.A.P. re:- Nuisance.

8. 3 letters from Messrs Lever Bros'. re:- Board on Brook.
9. Letter from Mr. Chambers. re:- Recreation Ground.
10. 2 letters from Public Works Loan Board. re:- Loans
11. Letter from Mid Kent Water Co. re:- Leak. "To be sent to Mr. Souter"

Tenders.

Three tenders were received for the fencing at the Recreation Ground. Mr. Wilford moved that the lowest tender be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Burke and carried.

The Tenders were –

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| 1. R.J. Langridge. | £124. 10. 0. |
| 2. J.J. Wilford. | £125. 12. 6. |
| 3. C.W. Hinds. | £128. 14. 0. |

Mr. Knott proposed that Mr. Langridge's tender be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Smith and carried.

Receipt.

Mr. Smith proposed that a receipt for £100 under the Burials Acts be issued on the Overseers. Seconded by Mr. Coleman and carried.

Plan & Inscription.

Mr. Wilford proposed that the Plan & Inscription of the stone and Kerb for Mr. Colliers Grave No. 924 be approved by the Council. Seconded by Mr. Butcher and carried.

Holborough Road.

Mr. Wilford proposed that Major Roberts be asked to remove tree opposite the Prince of Wales Inn, and the B.P.C.M. be asked permission to set back the wall in front of Victoria Cottages, also ask the owners of Prospect Place to set back the wall in front of the Cottages. Seconded by Mr. Monk and carried.

High Street.

The Clerk was instructed to call the attention of Mr. Chapman to the puddle in front of Veles.

W.W. May.
Chairman.
10th March 1925.

Meeting of the Council.
Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday March 10th 1925.
At 7.30pm.

Present. Messrs. May (Chairman), Coleman (Vice-Chairman), Fletcher, Parris, Burke, Monk, Smith, Butcher, Penny, Knott, Hawks, Godfrey, Rev. C de R Wall, T. Hilder, Clerk & T.Hilder Jnr, Deputy Clerk.

Minutes.

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

Baths.

Mr. Fletcher reported that the Number of Bathers for the last four weeks to be 517 and the fees amounted to £4.15.6d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 339 and £3.6.5d.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that the annual cleaning & repair to washers & taps be left to the Baths Committee with the power to act. Seconded by Mr. Knott and carried.

Cemetery.

Mr. Smith proposed that the Plan & Inscription of Kerb for Mr. William Charles Randell's Grave, and also additional inscription to Mr. Edward Quarrington's Grave, be approved by the council. Seconded by Mr. Parris and carried.

Finance.

Mr. Coleman proposed. Mr Penny seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Prudential Ass'	Repayment of Loan & Interest.	15. 19. 7.
Hambrook. A.N.	Stationery.	1. 8. 7.
Hamilton, White & Co.	Fees for Conveying Land.	28. 16. 6.
Moore. T. & Co.	Nuts & Shovel.	5. 9.
Clerk.	Postages.	1. 1. 5.
Dence. John.	Work on Brook.	6. 11. 6.
"	4 N.H.I. Stamps.	9. 8.
Cobb. R.	½ yrs rent of Allotments.	4. 7. 6.
Dobbie & Co.	Begonias.	2. 17. 6.
Hayman. Wm Ltd.	Coal & Coke.	3. 15. 0.
Moore. J.T. & Co.	Oil, Spade & repairs.	13. 6.
Coleman. B.G.	Caretakers Wages.	15. 16. 10.
"	One deep Grave.	1. 0.
"	7 N.H.I. Stamps.	10. 11.
Perrett. G.	Caretakers Help.	3. 0.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Lighting Street Lamps.	119. 12. 8.
Moore. J.T. & Co.	Brasso.	1. 3.
Hambrook. A.N.	Bath Tickets.	2. 5. 0.
Hayman Wm. Ltd.	Coal & Coke.	3. 15. 0.
Simpson H.	Guarantee.	7. 6.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	11. 12. 10.
"	9 N.H.I. Stamps.	1. 1. 9
		<u>£221. 4. 3.</u>

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Westminster Bank notifying payment of Money.

2. Letter from Public Loans Board.
3. Letters from B.P.C.M. re:- Victoria Cottages.
4. Letter from County Surveyor.
5. Letter from Mrs. Gorham. re:- Prospect Place.
6. Letter from Hamilton White & Chambers. re:- Costs.
7. Letter from Mid Kent Water Con giving analysis of water.

Recreation Ground.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that the report of the Recreation Committee be adopted as read with the exception of the seats. Seconded by Mr. Burke and carried.

Items.

1. Line of fence & Gates in Malling Road to be the Building Line.
2. Repair present Fences & place six foot stakes about every ten feet, with strand of barbed wire at top. Approx cost £7.15.0d.
3. To leave Ditch as at present.
4. To erect Urinal.

Fence.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that Mr. Crowhurst's price £7.15.0d. be accepted for repairing fence. Seconded by Mr. Parris and carried.

Date of Turning Cattle on Brook.

Mr. Smith proposed that April 20th be recommended as date for turning Cattle on Brook. Seconded by Mr. Monk and carried.

Gatekeeper.

Mr. Penny proposed that Mr. Blackman be appointed Gatekeeper for 1925. Seconded by Mr. Coleman and carried.

Draft Report.

Mr. Burke proposed the Draft Report of Parish Council Proceedings be approved by the Council. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Parish Meeting.

Mr. Parris proposed that the Parish Meeting take place on Tuesday March 24th at 7.30pm.
Seconded by Mr. Smith and carried.

W.W. May.
Chairman.

Stamped.
District Audit.

21st April 1925.

28th July 1925.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday April 21st 1925.

At 7.30pm.

Present Messrs Coleman, Fletcher, Wall, Thomson, May, Wilford, Smith, Butcher, Burke, Pennt, Knott, Monk, Godfrey, Combe, the Clerk T. Hilder, and the Deputy Clerk T. Hilder Jnr.

The Declaration on acceptance of office was signed by each of the Councillors.

Minutes.

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

Freeman W.G.

The Chairman stated that William Godfrey Freeman, was disqualified for the office of Parish Councillor.

He moved the following resolution.

“That seeing Mr. William Godfrey Freeman, is disqualified, under sect. 46, sub. sec. C. Local Government Act 1894, for the office of Parish Councillor, this Council does hereby declare his election null and void, and that he cannot be allowed to attend any meeting of the Parish Council”.

Seconded by Mr. Wilford and carried.

Chairman.

Mr. Godfrey proposed that Mr. John Coleman be elected Chairman. Seconded by Mr. R, Smith and carried.

Vice-Chairman.

Mr. Wilford proposed that Mr. A. J. Monk be elected Vice- Chairman. Seconded by Mr. Penny and carried.

Vote of Thanks.

Mr. Burke proposed a very hearty vote of thanks to Mr. May for so ably and genially presiding over the council during the past year. Seconded by Mr. Wall and carried.

Overseers.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Thomson seconded that the same Overseers as last year be appointed, Viz. Messrs. C. Godfrey. J. Fletcher, A.J. Monk and J.H. Burke. Carried.

Committees.

Mr. Godfrey proposed that Committees stand as last year, subject to necessary alterations. Seconded by Mr. Knott and carried.

Vacancy on Council.

Mr. Smith proposed that the vacancy on the Council be filled at once. Seconded by Mr. Fletcher and carried.

Mr. Wall proposed that Mr. John State be elected to fill the vacancy. Seconded by Mr. Smith and carried.

Cards.

Mr. Godfrey proposed that cards be printed at once. Seconded by Mr. Knott and carried.

Brook.

Mr. Thomson reported there had been no meeting of the Committee, and the men had finished the work on the Brook.

Cemetery.

Mr. Wilford reported that the Caretaker had taken his holiday and the Mr. Perrett had taken his place while away.

Mr. Knott proposed that the action of Mr. Wilford be approved by the Council. Seconded by Mr. Fletcher and carried.

Finance.

Mr. Monk Proposed. Mr. Butcher seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Ministry of Agriculture.	Office Fee. Tithe Redemption.	1. 10. 0.
Crowhurst. Messrs.	Fencing in Recreation Ground.	7. 15. 0.
Clegg. W.E.	Meetings.	17. 6.
Bond. W.	Financial Statements.	2. 3.
Dence & Bishop.	Work on Brook.	17. 14. 10.
"	6 N.H.I. Stamps.	14. 6.
Hayman Wm. Ltd.	Coke.	1. 3. 0.
"	"	1. 3. 0.
C.W. Hinds.	Top to Barrow.	15. 0.
Southern Railway.	Carriage of Indicators.	18. 3.
Coleman. B.G.	Caretakers wages.	6. 11. 6.
"	2 Deep Graves.	2. 0.
Perrett.G.	Caretakers help.	1. 13. 10.
"	4 N.H.I. Stamps.	9. 8.
	" Omitted last Month.	6. 0.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Rate.	16. 1.
Hilder. T.	Insurance.	16. 6.
Hambrook. A.N.	Stationery.	14. 0.
Wilford. T.	Repairs to Cottage.	1. 6. 2.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas a/c.	3. 10.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water rate.	14. 0.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas a/c.	1. 18. 5.
Hayman Wm. Ltd.	Coal & Coke.	2. 11. 0.
"	"	3. 15. 0.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Supply.	4. 1. 9.
Burrow Alma.	24 Bus' Wood.	12. 0.
		<u>£60. 5. 1.</u>

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Ministry of Agriculture. re:- Tithe Fees.
2. “ “ “ “ “ re:- Tithe Redemption.
Mr. Burke proposed that the Tithe Redemption be paid. Seconded by Mr. May and carried.
3. Letter from Mr. Chambers. re:- Conveyance Fees.
4. Letter from Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- Street Lighting
5. Letter from Mid Kent water Co. re:- Fire drills.
Mr. Burke moved that this matter be referred to the Finance Committee. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.
6. Letter from Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- Price of Gas.
7. “ “ “ “ “ “ “
8. Letter from Southern Railway Co. re:- Shelter.

Mr. Hinds A/C.

Mr. Monk proposed that Mr. Hind's account for the repair of the Dust Cart be approved by the Council and forwarded to the District Council for payment. Seconded by Mr. Penny and carried.

Mr. Penfold's Application.

Mr. Penfold made application to make a connection to the water pipe to the Cemetery. Mr. Wilford moved that his application be not entertained. Seconded by Mr. May and carried.

Bridge Brook.

Mr. May proposed that the attention of the District Council be called to the bridge at the end of the Willow Walk, one slat is missing. Seconded by Mr. Burke and carried.

Other Business.

Mr Knott moved that other business be out on the agenda. Seconded by Dr. Combe. Not carried.

Notice of Motion.

Mr. Smith gave notice of motion at next meeting, re:- period of lighting.

J.G. Coleman.

May 12th 1925.

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At 7.30pm.

Present Messrs, Coleman (Chairman), Monk (Vice-Chairman), Fletcher, Knott, Godfrey, Smith, Combe, Burke, Wall, State, May, Butcher, Penny. The Clerk T. Hilder and the Deputy Clerk T. Hilder Jnr.

Minutes.

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

Brook.

The Clerk reported that a Cow belonging to Mr. Skinner, had fallen into a ditch and had since died. It was buried on the Brook.

Baths.

The Rector read the report of the Bath's Committee Meeting.

It recommended Mr. Rogers be asked to give an approximate estimate of the cost of cleaning out boiler, pipes & tank, repairing one fence, pulling down another, re-hanging door of chair lodge, and replacing swan neck to pipe – to place vulcanite washers to taps in the Baths where necessary.

Mr Rogers tender being to high it was decided to invite tenders from Messrs Draycon & Brattle. Mr. Wall proposed that the report be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Recreation Ground.

Mr. Fletcher read the report of the Recreation Ground Committee.

It recommended the Council to approve the set of Byelaws and the purchase of six seats. Mr. Godfrey proposed that card playing be inserted after gambling. Seconded by Mr Monk and carried.

Mr. Knott proposed that the ground be cleared one hour after sunset all the year round. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

It was decided to add "Acting indecently, or committing a nuisance" to clause 15.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that the Byelaws as amended be adopted by the Council, and that the Ministry of Health be asked to allow them Seconded by Rev' C de R Wall and carried.

Mr. Fletcher reported that ½ doz' seats had been ordered by the Committee.

Mr. Knott proposed that the action of the Committee in ordering the seats be approved by the Council. Seconded by Mr. Smith and carried.

Finance.

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

Hilder. T.	Rates.	Recreation Ground.	14. 8.
"	"	The Brook.	6. 8.
"	"	Birling Land.	13. 4.
"	"	Lowers.	6. 0.

“	“	Malling Road.	6. 3. $\frac{3}{4}$
“	“	Holborough.	10. 8.
Prudential Ass' Co.		Repayment of Load & Interest	53. 18. 4.
Hilder. T.		Rates.	2. 8. 0.
Coleman. B.G.		Caretakers Wages.	6. 11. 6.
“		3 N.H.I. Stamps.	7. 3.
“		2 Deep Graves.	2. 0.
Hilder. T.	Rates.	Fire Station.	4. 13. 4.
“	“	Cottage.	2. 14. 8.
“	“	Baths.	7. 4. 0.
Judges. A.		Caretakers Wages.	5. 17. 0.
“		4 N.H.I. Stamps.	9. 8.
			<u>£87. 3. 4 $\frac{3}{4}$</u>

Cottage & Fire Station.

Mr. Monk proposed that tenders be invited for papering & whitewashing the passage of the Cottage, painting the Cottage, outside, two coats & varnish and the Fire Station doors two coats. Seconded by Mr. Fletcher and carried.

Mr Knott moved that the Committee have power to act – the lowest tender to be accepted. Seconded by Mr. May and carried.

Fire Hose.

Mr. Monk proposed that the offer of the Water Co. to give the water to soak the Fire Hose be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Wall and carried.

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Inland Revenue. re:- Excess Tax.
2. Letter from Inspector of Taxes. re:- Assessment.
3. Letter from Mr. Gooding, asking for Recreation Ground for show on August 19th 1925.
The Clerk was instructed to write Mr. Gooding stating the reasons the society could not have the ground this year.
4. Letter from Mr. Burrow offering to plant the bed in front of Cenotaph with Asters.
Mr Monk proposed his offer be accepted. Seconded by Mr Butcher and carried.
5. Letter from Messrs. Doulton & Co. re:- Indicators.
6. Letter from Mr Smith. re:- Notice of Motion.
7. Letter from Mr Miskin. re:- Bridge in Willow Walk.

2nd Bridge.

Mr May proposed that the District Council be asked to put a bar across the path by the 2nd bridge, by Abby Mead to prevent people missing the bridge & walking into the stream. Seconded by Mr. Knott and carried.

Godden's Charity.

Mr. S. Sillibourne wrote asking the Council to accept his son as tenant of the land at Ivychurch in place of himself, at Michaelmass. Mr. Burke proposed that Messrs Wilford, Thomson & the Clerk be asked to view the land with the object of raising the rent. Seconded by Mr Monk and carried.

Drain. Holborough Rd.

Mr. Monk proposed that Mr. Souter's attention be drawn to the Sewer in Holborough Road, and suggest that a Hydrant be used there. Seconded by Mr. State and carried.

Veles: Holes.

Mr. Wall proposed that the attention of Mr. Chapman be drawn to the holes in the road in front of Veles. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Holborough Path.

Mr. May proposed that the notice of the County Council be called to the unfinished footpath between the Prince of Wales Inn and the New Road, also the widening of Holboro' Road. Seconded by Mr. Monk and carried,

Penfold.

Mr. Burke proposed that a letter be sent to Mr. Souter asking him to inspect Mr. Penfold's settlement to see that Sanitary arrangements are all in order. Seconded by Mr. Butcher and carried.

Cycle Riding.

The Clerk was requested to speak to the Sergeant of Police, respecting Cycle Riding through the Allotments.

Mr. State proposed that Notice Boards be placed at each end of the Allotments cautioning cyclists as to riding on the footpaths through Alma Place, and that Mr. Hinds be asked to do the work. Seconded by Mr. May and carried.

J. Coleman.
Chairman
June 9th 1925,

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday June 9th 1925.

At 7.30pm.

Present Messrs Coleman (Chairman), Monk (Vice-Chairman), Fletcher, Wilford, Thomson, State, Godfrey, Burke, Knott, Combe, the Clerk T. Hilder and the deputy Clerk T. Hilder Jnr.

Minutes.

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

Godden's Charity.

It was decided to accept Mr. Stephen Sillibourne's son as tenant of the Charity Land at Ivychurch, but that a representative from Birling Parish Council, and one from this Council should visit the land with the view to raising the rent.

Brook.

Mr. Thomson reported that he had employed a man to cut the grass along the Willow Walk.

Allotments.

Mr. State stated that the Committee had met and decided to ask the Council to request Messrs Gladdish and Sackman to clear away the rubbish lying in the six foot roadway.

It also recommended the Council to cut the grass on each side of the hedge in Sharnal Lane, also along the top, and all the Allotments where the grass is growing – Viz Messrs King, Player, Botton, Pearson & Austin.

It also recommended the Council to have the Ditch in the Malling Road Allotments cleared out & trimmed.

Baths.

Mr. Fletcher reported that the number of Bathers for the last four weeks to be 973 and the fees amounted to £9.5.9d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 738 and £7.3.1d

Cemetery.

Mr. Wilford reported that the Committee met in the Cemetery on May 21st. He was elected Chairman.

The state of the Cemetery was discussed & the Committee unanimously agreed it was in a most unsatisfactory condition. They decided to give the Caretaker the help of two men for a month to get the place straight, and warned him that after that time if he did not keep the place in good order there would have to be a change.

It was also decided to paint and repair the seats. Scrape and clean them and paint 3 coats green & varnish. The Ironwork to be painted two coats, black – the Notice Plates one coat black with white letters.

It was decided also to repair & strengthen the fence on the North side with stout stakes every ten feet & new pales where necessary. Mr Wilford moved the adoption of the report. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Grass.

Mr. Wilford proposed that the Clerk see Mr. Thomson and ask him to cut the grass in the Cemetery. Failing him the two men, Perett & Hadlow to have the grass. Seconded by Mr. State and carried.

Mr. Wilford proposed that the Clerk employ a man to remove the Chalk from the Cemetery. Seconded by Mr. Knott and carried.

Bye-Laws.

Mr. Fletcher reported that the Ministry of Health had removed from the Byelaws, "The games to be played on Sundays".

Strong objection was made to this and Mr. Wilford proposed that the Clerk write the Ministry of Health in regard to Sunday games and claim clause 2. on behalf of the Council. Seconded by Mr. Monk and carried.

Finance.

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

Blackman. Mrs.	Gatekeepers Salary.	2. 5. 0.
Bishop Chas.	Work on Brook.	5. 4.
Bond. W.	Allotment Forms.	3. 0.
Barnards Ltd.	6 Seats.	7. 6. 0.
Chas. Knight & C.	Account Book.	2. 16. 0.
Coutts & Co.	Tithe Redemption.	21. 9. 6.
Langridge. R.T.	Iron Fence.	124. 10. 0.
Doulton & C.	190 Indicators.	19. 0. 0.
“	10. “	1. 0. 0.
Southern Railway.	Carriage.	6. 5.
Coleman. B.G.	Caretakers Wages.	8. 15. 4.
Perrett. G.H.	Caretakers Help.	3. 17. 8.
Hadlow. W.	“	3. 4. 4.
	8 N.H.I. Stamps.	19. 4.
Hooks Sports Club.	Use of Meadow.	5. 0.
Hayman Ltd.	3 Chal' Coke.	3. 9. 0.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	5. 17. 0.
“	4 N.H.I. Stamps.	9. 8.
		<u>£205. 18. 7.</u>

Correspondence.

1. Two letter from Mr. Miskin re:- Path.
2. Letter from Mr. Wigan re:- Path to New Hythe.
Mr. Burke proposed that a Committee be formed to meet representatives of the east Malling Parish Council – to consist of Messrs May & Thomson, and the two district Councillors. Seconded by Mr. Knott and carried.
3. Letter from Ministry of Agriculture & Fisheries re:- Tithe.
4. Letter from Mr. Chapman re:- Holboro' Road.
5. Letter from Ministry of Health re:- Land.
6. Letter from Mid Kent Water Co. giving analysis of water.

Receipt on Overseers.

Mr. Wilford proposed that a receipt for £150 be issued on the Overseers under the Baths Acts. Seconded by Mr. State & carried.

Tenders for Work in Cemetery.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that the lowest tender be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Knott and carried.

The Tenders were:-

1. Roger. T. £6.17.0d.
2. Brattle. C. £9.0.0d.

3. Wilford. J.J. £6.15.3d.

Mr. Fletcher moved that Mr. J.J. Wilford's tender be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Knott and carried.

Notice of Motion.

In accordance with previous Notice of Motion Mr. Burke proposed the words "without Salary" be deleted from the resolution passed May 9th 1922 appointing Mr. T. Hilder Jnr Deputy Clerk to the Council.

Seconded by Mr. Fletcher and carried.

J. Coleman.
Chairman.
July 14th 1925.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday July 14th 1925.

At 7.30pm.

Present. Messrs Coleman (Coleman), Fletcher, Knott, Thomson, Burke, Penny, May, Butcher, Combe, Godfrey, State, Smith the Clerk T. Hilder and the deputy Clerk T. Hilder Jnr'.

Minutes.

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

Allotments.

Mr. May reported that the work of trimming hedge, cutting grass, and cleaning out ditch had been satisfactorily done by W. Hadlow.

He also stated that new gates were required at the entrance to Malling Road Allotments. Mr. May also proposed that the grass be cut & hedge trimmed in Sharnal Lane. Seconded by Mr. Thomson and carried.

Cemetery.

Mr. Godfrey read the report of the Cemetery Committee Meeting on June 25th at the Cemetery.

The Committee called the attention of the Caretaker to the dirty state of Zinc Troughs round the Cenotaph. They recommended ½ doz' gratings be purchased to replace broken ones.

The mowing machine needs repairing and readjusting. The Clerk was instructed to write to Messrs Haynes Bros' Maidstone in reference to same. It was decided to employ a man for a further two weeks to clear up path round top part of Cemetery. It was also decided to get the Dustman to clear away the rubbish.

It was further decided to ask tenders to thoroughly clean the Cenotaph, and the Caretaker's attention was called to the dirty condition of the Lavatory near the Chapel, and was told he must keep them clean and emptied regularly. Mr. Godfrey proposed and Mr. State seconded that the report be adopted. Carried.

Mr. Godfrey read the report of the Committee Meeting held in the Fire Station on July 7th 1925.

The resignation of the Caretaker was read and accepted and it was resolved to insert an advertisement in the Kent Messenger and Ashford News inviting applications for the post.

It was recommended to release the caretaker on July 17th and to hold a meeting on July 20th at the Fire Station to consider the applications. Mr. Godfrey moved and Mr. Penny seconded that the report be adopted. Carried.

Mr. Godfrey proposed that the Caretaker be released on the 17th inst and that a substitute be employed till the new Caretaker be appointed. Mr. Penny seconded and it was carried.

Baths.

Mr. Fletcher stated that the number of Bathers for the last five weeks to be 1149 and the fees amounted to £10.19.7d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 933 and £8.13.11d.

Recreation Ground.

Mr. Fletcher read the report of the Committee Meeting held on the recreation ground on Tuesday June 6th 1925. It was decided to recommend the Council,

1. To have the gaps on each side of the Oak Tree fenced.
2. To have the boughs of the Elm Tree next to Mr. Tutchener's land cut to the height of 15ft and the gaps the stake fence on the South side repaired.
3. To provide 2 Iron Baskets for waste paper.
4. To place 4 seats on the south side, 1 under the Elm Tree & one under the Oak Tree. The seats to be fastened down.
5. Mr. Hinds to fetch seats from Queen's House and fix them.
6. The levelling of entrance from Malling Road & Bramley Road to be postponed.
7. Employ Mr. Austin of Birling Road to pick up and burn dirty paper & rubbish & also to provide padlock for large gates.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that the report be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Thomson and carried.

Mr. Smith moved that the matter of Stanley's fence be referred to the Committee. Seconded by Mr. Knott and carried.

Mr. Fletcher read a letter from the Ministry of Health respecting the Sunday games. Dr. Combe moved that the marking off space for playing games & promenade be referred to the Committee. Seconded by Mr. State and carried.

Finance.

Mr. Smith proposed. Mr. Fletcher seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Austin. S.	Waste paper.	9. 0.
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Hinds. C.W.	Notice Boards.	3. 6. 0.
Reeves. F.E.	Tax Recreation Ground.	1. 3. 8.
“	Tax. Sharnal Lane.	10. 2.
“	Tax. The Brook.	9. 7.
“	Tax. Birling Lands.	19. 8.
“	Tax. Malling Road.	14. 8.
Bank of England.	Repayment of Loan & Interest.	24. 19. 2.
“	“ “ “ “	7. 13. 7.
Hilder. T.	Audit Stamp.	8. 0. 0.
Bishop Chas.	Work on Brook.	1. 9. 4.
Hadlow. W.	Work on Allotments.	10. 0.
Mid Kent Water. Co.	Water Rate.	4. 6.
“	“	11. 7.
“	“	14. 0.
“	Water Supply.	6. 15. 9.
Hinds. C.W.	Rubbers, Scythe.	1. 3. 6.
Wilford.J.J.	Painting Seats.	6. 15. 3.
Kentish Express.	Advertisement.	17. 0.
Player. R.T.	Carting Chalk to Brook.	1. 5. 0.
Coleman. B.G.	Caretakers Wages.	10. 19. 2.
Perrett. G.H.	Caretakers Help.	7. 15. 4.
Hadlow. W.	“	3. 17. 8.
	11 N.H.I. Stamps.	1. 6. 7.
Chapman. W.	Clearing Rubbish.	10. 0.
Reeves. F.E.	Tax. Cemetery Cottage.	16. 11.
“	“ Home Waghorn Rd.	1. 5. 4.
“	“ Fire Station.	2. 2. 2.
Austin B.	Repair of Trousers.	1. 0.
Hayman. W. Ltd.	Coal & Coke.	5. 14. 6.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	5. 17. 0.
“	4 N.H.I. Stamps.	9. 8.
Reeves. F.E.	Tax. Public Baths.	3. 7. 6.
		<u>£112. 14. 3.</u>

Correspondence.

1. Kent County Council. re:- Holborough Road.
2. Piper. A.E. re:- Purchase of land in Malling Road.
3. Coleman. B. G. re:- Resignation.
4. South Eastern Gazette re:- Advertisement.
5. Sillibourne. S. Re:- New Agreement.
6. Hambrook. A.N. re:- Estimate for printing Byelaws.
Mr. Godfrey proposed that the number of copies be referred to Recreation Ground Committee. Seconded by Mr. Butcher and carried.

Holboro' Road.

Mr. Knott proposed that the plan of Holboro' Road improvements be sent to the B.P.C.M. Seconded by Mr. State and carried.

Kerb.

Mr. Godfrey proposed that the Plan & Inscription of Kerb be approved by the Council. Seconded by Mr. Penny and carried.

Conveyances.

Mr. Godfrey proposed that the two conveyances of Grave Spaces No. 974 & 976 to Albert Walter Finn and the two Grave Spaces No's 977 & 978 to Louisa Finn be signed by the Council. Seconded by Mr. Burke and carried.

Nursing Association.

Mr. Burke proposed that this Council form itself into a Committee for the purpose of organizing a Nursing Institution in the Parish, and call a public meeting to ventilate the scheme. Seconded by Mr. Knott and carried.

Mr. Knott proposed that 50 posters be printed. Seconded by Mr. Smith and carried.
Mr. Knott proposed that the Parish Meeting take place in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday July 28th at 7.30pm. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Deputy Clerks Salary.

Mr. Burke moved that the matter of the Deputy Clerks Salary be referred to Finance Committee to report to next meeting. Salary to commence from July 14th. Seconded by Mr. Penny and carried.

J. Coleman.
Chairman.
August 11th 1925.

Special Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Monday July 27th 1925. At 6.30pm.

To elect a Caretaker for the Cemetery.

Present Messrs Coleman (Chairman), Godfrey, Wall, Burke, Smith, Knott, Wilford, Fletcher and the Clerk T. Hilder.

Mr. Wilford read the report of the Cemetery Committee Meeting in the Fire Station on Monday July 20th at 7pm to consider the applications for the post of Caretaker at the Cemetery.

There were 15 applications, which the Committee examined, and selected four applicants to interview.

No.4. J. Grenden. Hamstreet.

No. 14. Earnest Woolley. Eastwell Park.

No. 5. P.L. Harrison. Strood.

No. 2. T. Locke. Stodmarsh.

It was decided to call Council Meeting on Monday July 27th at 6.30pm to make the appointment.

It was also decided to allow 3rd Class Railway fare to the Candidates and 5/- for money.

The Clerk was instructed to ascertain details of J. Evenden's age, family, occupation.

It was resolved to employ Mr. Crowhurst to repair fence at West side of Cemetery.

Mr. Coleman proposed that the Clerk be instructed to ask the Southern Railway Co. to replace the 7.10 train for the convenience of Snodland men.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Wall seconded that the report be adopted. Carried.

Mr. Wilford reported that he had inspected the Cottage at Cemetery and recommended that the following repairs be done.

1. New handle to Coalhouse.
2. New key to Scullery.
3. Whitewash ceiling and paint one coat the walls of the Scullery.
4. Distemper the Larder.
5. One coat of enamel to sink.
6. Scrub out the whole house.

Mr. Wall proposed and Mr. Knott seconded that the work be done, and Mr. J.J. Wilford be employed to do it.

Mr. Harrison sent letter withdrawing his application and Mr. Locke sent post card stating he was too ill to attend the Meeting.

Messrs Woolley & Evenden were interviewed, and J. Evenden aged 40 was appointed. Proposed by Mr. Wall & seconded by Mr. Godfrey.

He proposed to come on Monday Aug'10th

It was decided to call a Recreation ground Committee Meeting on Wednesday July 29th at 7pm.

J. Coleman.
Chairman.
August 11th 1925.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday August 11th 1925.

At 7.30pm.

Present Messrs Coleman (Chairman), Monk (Vice-Chairman), Fletcher, Thomson, Smith, Combe, Wilford, Wall, Godfrey, State, Penny, Burke the Clerk T. Hilder and the Deputy Clerk T. Hilder Jnr'.

Minutes.

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

Baths.

The Rev'd Wall reported that the number of Bathers for the last four weeks to be 923 and the fees amounted to £8.18.5d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 734 and £6.17.11d.

Mr. Wall proposed that the Bath Chair be repaired and that Mr. Abery be employed to do it. Seconded by Mr. Monk and carried.

Cemetery.

Mr. Wilford proposed that the inscription for Mr. Leach's Headstone be approved by the Council. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Mowing Machine.

Mr. Wilford moved that the purchase of a mowing machine, be left to the Committee with power to act. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

It was decided to hold a Committee Meeting at the Cemetery on Monday August 17th at 7pm.

Recreation Ground.

Mr. Fletcher reported that the Committee had instructed Mr. Hinds to fetch 6 seats from the ground and repair them.

It was decided to employ a man to fill up the holes about the ground and to level the Malling Road entrance.

The Committee recommended the Council to have 4 planks seats, 12' x 11" x 3" Mr. Wilford to prepare specification for same, and Messrs Wilford, Brattle and Hinds to tender for the work & placing a jamb to each gate and supplying iron hook.

The Clerk was instructed to write to Messrs Clegg & Duchares asking them to caution their scholars against damaging fences, digging holes & C in the Recreation Ground during their holidays.

It was decided to defer Dr. Combie's suggestion of parcelling the ground for games to a future meeting.

Mr. Fletcher proposed and Mr. Wilford seconded that the report be adopted. Carried.

Tenders for Seats.

Mr. Thomson proposed that the tenders be opened. Seconded by Mr. State and carried.

The Tenders were –

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| 1. Wilford. J.J. | £12.17.5d. |
| 2. Hinds C.W. | £16.5.3d. |
| 3. Brattle & Sons. | £16.13.0d. |

Mr. Thomson proposed that Mr. Wilford's tender be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried

Sunday Games.

The Clerk was instructed to write to Maidstone & Rochester for copies of Byelaws.

Mr. Wilford proposed that the question of Sunday Games stand over till Byelaws be obtained from Maidstone & Rochester. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Mr. Godfrey moved that three of the seats be placed in the Parish. Seconded by Mr. Burke and carried.

Finance.

Mr. Monk proposed. Mr. Wall seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Coleman's Stores.	Conveyance to Ivychurch.	15. 0.
Blackman. Mrs.	Gatekeepers salary.	2. 0. 0.
Booth. Mrs.	Scrubbing out Cottage.	7. 6.
Wilford. J.J.	Repairs & Funeral.	2. 15. 3.
Kent Messenger.	Advertisement.	19. 0.
Candidates.	Fares from Ashford.	1. 4. 8.
Coleman & Perrett.	Caretakers Wages.	7. 14. 6.
"	4 N.H.I. Stamps.	9. 8.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas A/C	2. 7.
Rogers. T.	Repairs & C.	10. 14. 9.
Hayman Wm. Ltd.	3 Chal' of Coke.	3. 9. 0.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas A/C.	8. 5.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Salary.	5. 15. 10.
"	5 N.H.I. Stamps.	12. 1.
		<u>£37. 8. 3.</u>

Deputy Clerk's Salary.

Mr. Monk proposed and Mr. Burke seconded that the Deputy Clerk's Salary be at the rate of £25 per year. Carried.

The Clerk was instructed to prepare an agreement for the new Caretaker.

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Ministry of Health re:- Tithe redemption.
2. Letter from Inspector of taxes re:- Accounts.
3. Letter from Southern Railway re:- Train.
4. Letter from Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- pipe in Willow Walk.
Mr. Thomson proposed that the Council agree to allow the Gas Co. to lay the pipe on condition they raised the path one foot. Seconded by Mr. Fletcher and carried.
5. Letter from St. Johns Ambulance Brigade re:- House to House collection in Snodland & stating that Mr. Reeves was willing to carry out the collection.
Mr. Thomson proposed that the Brigade have the sanction of the Council to carry out this arrangement. Seconded by Mr. Fletcher and carried.
6. Letter from Gas Co. re:- Street Lighting 1925 -6. Offering to light 65 lamps at £3.12.3d. per lamp. Mr. Godfrey proposed that this offer be accepted and that the lamps be lighted to the commencement of Summer time, at 2/7 per lamp per week. Mr. Smith seconded and it was carried.

Ivychurch.

Mr. Thomson reported that he together with Mr. Rabjohn for Birling, had inspected the Charity Land at Ivychurch.
He proposed that the rent be raised to Thirty Pounds per year subject to the approval of Birling Parish Council, and that the Clerk make agreement for new tenant.
Seconded by Mr. State and carried.

J. Coleman.
Chairman.
September 8th 1925.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday September 8th 1925.

At 7.30pm.

Present Messrs Coleman (Chairman), Monk (Vice-Chairman), Fletcher, Smith, Wall, Burke, Butcher, Knott, May, Wilford, Thomson, the Clerk T. Hilder and the Deputy Clerk T. Hilder Jnr.

Minutes.

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

Caretaker at Cemetery.

The Caretaker at the Cemetery, attended the meeting and signed the agreement.

Allotments.

Mr. May proposed that the Malling Rd Allotment Gates be replaced with iron gates – but obtain price for wood & iron gates first, - also to have steps to Birling Land removed, and replaced with swing gate. Tenders to be obtained. Seconded by Mr. Knott and carried.

Public Baths.

The rector reported the number of Bathers for the last four weeks to be 796 and the fees amounted to £7.12.2d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 726 and £6.13.2d.

Cemetery.

Mr. Smith read the report of the Cemetery Committee Meeting held on Monday August 17th at 7pm.

It was decided to employ a man at £2 per week to clean paths 7 C, and to obtain him from the Labour Exchange.

It was decided to repair fence by spurring post, placing two new rails, & using new pales. It was decided to employ Mr. Crowhurst to repair fence on the west side of the Cemetery. It was resolved to place a hook on the big gate at the entrance to the Cemetery, and a washer on the small gate & repair the catch. It was resolved to purchase a new Lawn Mower. It was resolved to purchase some plants and seeds. It also recommended the Council to reduce the size of the flower beds, and do away entirely with the bed by the Greenhouse in the autumn. The removal of the flower bed was referred back to the Committee.

Mr. Smith moved the report to be adopted. Seconded by Mr. May and carried.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that the Cemetery Bell be overhauled by Mr. Hinds. Seconded by Mr. Knott and carried.

Caretakers Wages.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that the question of the Caretakers Wages be referred to the Cemetery Committee. Seconded by Mr. Thomson and carried.

Recreation Ground.

Mr. Fletcher reported that the holes in the recreation Ground had been filled up and the levelling carried out.

Mr. J.J. Wilford had erected the four seats, tendered and made a very satisfactory job.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that straps be put on each end of the seats to prevent them splitting. Seconded by Mr. Thomson and carried.

It was decided to hold a Committee Meeting at the recreation Ground on Monday the 14th inst. at 6.30pm.

Mr. May proposed that the Police be asked to stop cycling across the recreation Ground. Seconded by Mr. Butcher and carried.

It was reported that two seats had been place in Queens Avenue, and Mr. Burke proposed that one seat be placed by the entrance to Birling Lands in the Malling Road. Seconded by Mr. Smith and carried.

Finance.

Mr. Monk proposed. Mr. Fletcher seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Dence. J.	Work on Allotments.	18.	10.
“	1 N.H.I. Stamp.	2.	5.
Finn. Wm.	Work in Recreation Ground.	3.	0. 0.
Crowhurst Messrs.	Repairing Fence.	2.	1. 0.
Prudential Ass' Co.	Repayment of Loan & Interest.	16.	8. 1.
Royal Insurance Co.	Insurance Premium.	2.	10. 6.
Prett. Frank.	Carriage of C. Furniture.	4.	0. 0.
Thomson. D.	Load of Mould.	7.	6.
Crowhurst Messrs.	Repairing Fence.	2.	1. 6.
Dence. J.	Caretakers Help.	4.	16. 6.
“	3 N.H.I. Stamps.	7.	3.
Evenden. J.	Caretakers Wages.	8.	15. 4.
“	4 N.H.I. Stamps.	9.	8.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	5.	17. 0.
“	4 N.H.I. Stamps.	9.	8.
Hayman. Wm Ltd.	Coal & Coke.	3.	8. 6.
Wilford. J.J.	4 Seats in Recreation Ground.	12.	17. 6.
		<u>£68.</u>	<u>11. 3.</u>

Fire Brigade.

Mr. May proposed that the County and District Councils be asked to clear the Hydrants after Tarring the Roads. Seconded by Mr. Thomson and carried.

Mr. Smith proposed that accoutrements be purchased for the Fire Brigade. Seconded by Mr. May and carried.

Penny's Uniform.

Mr. Wall proposed that Lieutenant Penny's Uniform be presented to him. Seconded by Mr. Butcher and carried.

Fire Manual.

Mr. Wall proposed that the Council purchase a Fire Manual for the Brigade. Seconded by Mr. Thomson.

Mr. Wilford moved an amendment that all information be obtained and submitted to the Council before purchasing a manual. Seconded by Mr. Fletcher and carried.

Keys.

Mr. Knott proposed that Keys be purchased for each Fireman. Seconded by Mr. Fletcher and carried.

Nursing Institution.

The deputy Clerk read the report of the Nursing Association.

Mr. Burke moved that the report be adopted. Seconded by Mr. Thomson and carried.

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- Willow Walk.

2. Letter from Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- Street Lighting.

3. Letter from Mr. Reffel re:- Lamp by the causeway in Brook Street.
It was decide to refer the matter to the Lighting Committee.

4. Letter from the Imperial War Graves Commission.

5. Letter from Inspector of taxes re:- Reclaim.

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8. Letter from J.R. Stratton re:- Vicarial Tithe.

9. Letter from Agricultural Chemists.

10. Letter from Mr. Woolley re:- Fare.

11. Letter from Ministry of Health re:- Bath Fees.

Mr. Burke proposed that the matter be referred to the Baths Committee. Seconded by Mr. Thomson and carried.

12. Letter from Mr. Sillibourne re:- Rent of Land

Mr. Thomson proposed that the rent stand as fixed by the Council. Viz. £30. Seconded by Mr. Wilford and carried.

13. Letter from Mr. Thomas White re:- Rating & Valuation Bill.

Mr. Wilford moved that it lay on the table for a month. Seconded by Mr. Thomson and carried.

Receipt.

Mr. Monk proposed that a receipt for £150 under the Burials Acts be issued on the Overseers. Seconded by Mr. Smith and carried.

Conveyance of Grave Spaces.

Mr. Smith proposed that the Conveyance of Grave Spaces 982 & 983 to Mr. William Wallis be signed by the Council. Carried.

Fence at Cemetery.

Mr. Thomson proposed that Mr. J.J. Wilford be employed to repair the fence at the Cemetery, by spurring post placing two new rails, and using new pales. Seconded by Mr. Fletcher and carried.

J. Coleman.

Chairman.

October 13th 1925.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday October 13th 1925.

At 7.30pm.

Present Messrs J. Coleman (Chairman), A.J. Monk (Vice-Chairman), R. Smith, J. Fletcher, Rev' Wall, W. May, J.H. Burke, T.C. Butcher, A. Thomson, A.J. Penny, J. State, J. Wilford, Dr. Combe, the Clerk T. Hilder and the Deputy Clerk T. Hilder Jnr'.

Minutes.

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

Baths.

Mr. Wall reported that the number of Bathers for the last five weeks to be 808 and the fees amounted to £7.11.0d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 759 and £7.2.8d.

Mr. Wall reported that the living room at the Baths required whitewashing & papering, the windows requires repairing & puttying, and the Venetian Blinds requires new tapes.

He proposed that these repairs be done, and the Mr. J.J. Wilford be employed to do the work. Seconded by Mr. Burke and carried.

Cemetery.

Mr. Wilford proposed that the Committee recommend the Council to roll & Tar paint the path in the new part of the Cemetery.

The question of doing up the Graves was allowed to stand over for the present.

It was decided to recommend the Council to continue the Caretakers present rate of wages for 3 months, and then if the work is satisfactory to raise the wage to 50 shillings a week. The Committee decided to recommend the Council to remove the flower bed on the south side of the Greenhouse, which was referred back.

The Committee also recommend the Council to employ John Dence to complete the borders at the Cemetery. Mr. Wilford proposed that the report be adopted. Seconded by Mr. State and carried.

Mr. George Fuller of Penge, made an application to erect a fence, (Hinds) round the three Graves No's 410, 71& 45. Mr. Wilford proposed that the erection be allowed and the usual fee of three guineas charged. Seconded by Mr. Penny and carried.

Recreation Ground.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that the Byelaws for the regulation of the Recreation Ground with the correction and additions be approved, and signed by the Council, and sent to the Ministry of Health for approval. Seconded by Mr. Butcher and carried.

Finance.

Mr. Monk proposed. Mr. Wall seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Schooling Wm.	2 12ft lengths of 6" iron pipes	15.	0.
Stratton. W.R.	Tithe on Thorn Hill Field.	1.	12. 9.
Hilder. T. Jnr.	Salary from July 14 th .	5.	7. 0.
Cobb. R.	½ yrs rent of Allotments less Tax.	2.	13. 9.
Reeves. F.E.	Tax on Allotments.	1.	13. 9.
Hinds. C.W.	Seats Recreation Ground.	18.	6.
Wilford. J.J.	Fixing iron hoops on seats.	9.	5.
Wilford. J.J.	Repairs at Cemetery.	2.	17. 0.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water rate. Cottage.	4.	6.
"	" Cem' & Mort'	11.	7.
Hinds. C.W.	Bell Rope & Repairs.	1.	3. 0.
Dence. J.	Caretakers Help.	9.	14. 2.
"	6 N.H.I. Stamps.	12.	1.
Evenden. J.	Caretakers Wages.	10.	19. 2.
"	5 N.H.I. Stamps.	12.	1.
Haynes. Bros'	Mowing Machine. £7 less 10%	6.	6. 0.
	Carriage.	1.	6.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water rate.	14.	0.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas a/c	3.	10.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas a/c.	10.	10.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Supply.	6.	14. 3.
Hayman. Wm Ltd.	Coke.	2.	6. 0.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	5.	15. 10.
"	5 N.H.I. Stamps.	12.	1.
		<u>£63.</u>	<u>8. 1.</u>

Correspondence.

1. letter from telephone Office re:- Telephone Poles.
2. Letter from Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- New Lantern by the Cottage.
3. Mr. Miskin re:- Hydrants.
4. Mid Kent Water Co. re:- County Council.

5. “ “ “ re:- Pipes.
6. South Kent Water Co. re:- Pipes.
7. A.P.C.M. Ltd re:- Holborough Road.
8. County Council re:- “ “
9. “ “ “ “ “

Mr. Fletcher proposed that the Clerk see Mrs Gorham, Mrs. Knell and Mr. Ashby respecting the widening of Holbrough Road. Seconded by Mr. Monk and carried.

10. Hilder. T. Jnr' re:- Trimming of bank.

Mr. Thomson proposed that the bank be trimmed at Birling Lands. Seconded by Mr. Fletcher.

Mr. Burke proposed that the matter stand over till the next meeting to enable the Committee to determine the ownership of the bank. Seconded by Mr. Butcher & the amendment was carried.

- 11, 12, 13, 14. Letters from Mr. Sillibourne re:- Land at Ivychurch.

15. Conference of Kent Rural Community.

16. Rector. re:- Armistice Day Service inviting the Councillors to the Service.

17. National Association Parish Councils.

18. “ “ “ “ “ “

Mr. Burke moved that the petition be signed. Seconded by Mr. Fletcher & carried.

Mr. Smith proposed that two representatives be sent from the Council & 15/- each be allowed for expenses. Seconded by Mr. May and carried.

Mr. Penny proposed that Messrs Burke and Godfrey be appointed. Seconded by Mr. Monk and carried.

Agreement with Mr. Sillibourne.

Mr. Monk proposed that the agreement with Mr. Sillibourne be signed. Seconded by Mr. Thomson and carried.

Tenders for Gates.

Mr. May proposed that they shall be considered on their merits. Seconded by Mr. Monk and carried.

The Tenders were:-

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| 1. Mr. Hind's price for Wood Gates. | £3.0.0d. |
| 2. Mr. J.J. Wilford. | Nil. |
| 3. Mr. Hinds. Iron Gates. | £11.15.0d. |
| “ “ | £6.0.0d. |

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Swing Gate.

£2.0.0d.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that Mr. Hind's price for gate at Birling Lands be accepted in place of Stiles. £2 for erection of Gate & £2.10.0d for purchase of Gate. Seconded by Mr. Smith and carried.

Receipt.

Mr. Monk proposed that a receipt for £400 under the Lighting Act be issued on the Overseers. Seconded by Mr. Penny and carried.

Fire Brigade Outfit.

Mr. Monk proposed that Mr. G. Russell's tender for Uniform & C be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Wilford and carried.

Fire Manual.

Mr. Wilford proposed that letters be sent to Staplehurst & Horton Kirby, and if necessary advertise in "Fire & Water". Seconded by Mr. Thomson and carried.
Mr. Wilford proposed that the Chairman & Chief Officer see both Machines before reporting to next Meeting. Seconded by Mr. Wall and carried.

Danger Signs.

Mr. Wall proposed that the County Council be asked to place better danger signs at the Bull Corner. Seconded by Mr. Wilford and carried.

Southern Railway Co.

Mr. Monk proposed that the Southern Railway Co. be again asked to alter the 7.23 train to 7.6. Seconded by Mr. Smith and carried.

It was decided to call the Gas Co's attention to the time of lighting up the lamps.

Paddlesworth Lane.

Mr. May proposed that the District Council be asked to widen the corners in Paddlesworth Road & trim up the bank & verges. Seconded by Mr. Monk and carried.

J. Coleman.

Chairman.

November 10th 1925.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday November 10th 1925.

At 7.30pm.

Present. Messrs Coleman (Chairman), Monk (Vice-Chairman), Smith, Thomson, Wilford, Knott, May, Burke, Butcher, Rev' Wall, Godfrey, Penny, Combe, the Clerk T. Hilder & T. Hilder Jnr. Deputy Clerk,

Minutes.

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

Allotments.

Mr. May reported that the Committee had not met to determine the ownership of the bank in Birling Lands, and asked to have it stand over till the next meeting.

Mr. Wall proposed that the ditch in Birling Lands be cleared out at once by John Dence. Seconded by Mr. Knott and carried.

Baths.

Rev' C de R Wall reported that the number of Bathers for the last four weeks to be 593 and the fees amounted to £5.12.1d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 509 and £4.14.3d.

Cemetery.

Mr. Wilford reported that the Caretaker had been allowed 50 stakes for Rose Trees & some Kindie wood. He also asked for some flower pots.

Mr. Wilford proposed that 6 casts of size 48 and 3 casts of size 32 be purchased. Seconded by Mr. Burke and carried.

Mr. Monk proposed that the Key of the Mortuary be labelled and hung in a convenient place and the Police be notified. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Finance.

Mr. Monk proposed. Mr. Smith seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Hilder. T.	Rates.	Brook.	4.	9.	½
"	"	Allotments.	9.	7.	
"	"	"	4.	6.	½
"	"	"	7.	8.	
"	"	"	4.	3	¾
Hinds. C.W.	Erecting Swing Gate.		2.	0.	0.
Hilder. T.	Stamp for Agreement.		10.	0.	
Wall. Rev' C de R,	Swing Gate.		2.	10.	0.
Blackman. Mrs.	Gatekeepers Salary. Pt.		3.	15.	0.
Dence. Johm.	Work on Recreation Ground.		3.	17.	8.
"	2 N.H.I. Stamps.			4.	10.
Malling R.D.C.	Tarring Path.		25.	0.	11.
Hilder. T.	Rates.		1.	14.	6.
Hayman. Wm. Ltd.	Coke.		1.	3.	0.
Thoolen J.J.	Hyacinth Bulbs.		1.	16.	0.
Burrow Alma.	Wallflowers & Bulbs.	1.	5.	4.	
Moore. T.J. & Co.	Tools, Oil & Lamp.		1.	14.	4.
Evenden.J.	Caretakers Wages		8.	15.	4.
"	4 N.H.I. Stamps.			9.	8.
Dence. John.	Caretakers Help.		3.	17.	8.
"	2 N.H.I. Stamps.			4.	10.
Betts. W.C.	Fireman's Boots.		2.	2.	0.
Hilder. T.	Rates.	Fire Station.	3.	7.	1.
"	"	Cottage.	1.	19.	3 ½
Moore. J.T. & Co.	Broom & C.		10.	6.	
Hilder. T.	Rates.		5.	3.	6.
Hayman Wm. Ltd.	Coke.		3.	9.	0.

Wilford. J.J.	Repairs.	2. 10. 10.
Moore. T.J. & Co.	Scuttle, Brasso & Mantle.	16. 8.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Salary.	5. 17. 0.
“	4 N.H.I. Stamps.	9. 8
		<u>£86. 15. 6 ¼</u>

Cottage & Fire Station.

Mr. Monk proposed that the repairs at the Cottage next Fire Station & Station Doors be put in hand at once and that tenders be invited. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Mr. Butcher proposed that Messrs. Wilford, Langridge, Brattle and Draycon be invited to tender. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Mr. Brattle re:- Lamp at Groves.

Mr. Wilford proposed that a lamp be erected at the Groves. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Mr. Monk proposed that it be put on the Cottage Homes side of the road. Seconded by Mr. Burke and carried.

Standing Orders.

Mr. Burke moved that the Standing Orders be suspended to receive Mr. Hinds report re:- Manual Fire Engine. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Manual.

Mr. Hinds stated that he and the Chairman had been to Staplehurst & Marden and viewed two Manuals. He suggested the purchase of the one at Staplehurst & also the purchase of a second hand Chassis to place it on.

Mr. Wall proposed that the Council purchase the manual for £15 and also the Chassis, the total cost not to exceed £50. Mr. Hinds guaranteeing to be in working order for this sum. Mr. Knott seconded and it was carried.

2. ministry of Health re:- Byelaws.

3. “ “ “ “ “

Byelaws.

The Clerk reported that he had had another copy printed, being a true copy of the Draft returned from the Ministry of Health. The Council resolved to sign the copy & to publish the deposit of same in the Clerk's Office for one month.

4. The County Council re:- Widening of Holboro' Road.

The Clerk was requested to obtain the amount of compensation required.

5. The Malling Rural District Council re:- Price of land.

Mr. Burke proposed that the land be offered them for £70 on condition that Parlour Cottages be built, Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried the previous Minute to be altered from £75 to £70. Mr. Burke suggested that the Clerk ascertain from Mr. A. Cook the price of the parcel of land by Hollicks Cottages.

6. Malling R.D.C re:- Paddlesworth Road.

7. “ “ “ “ “ “

The Clerk was asked to see Mr. Roberts about the portions of land needed for widening the road. Mr. May suggested that the Clerk ask Mr. Nevill to remove the trees at the top of Paddlesworth Lane, near the yard, so that the bank could be set back.

8. Kent County Council re:- Danger Signs.

9. Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- Lighting.

10. Southern Railway re:- Morning Train.

11. Hook's Sport Club re:- Bowling Green

Mr. Wall proposed and Dr. Combe seconded that the Sports Club be allowed to obtain turf from the Brook to cover their Bowls Green on the condition a guarantee be given that attention for membership will be open to the Public, all the damage to the Brook made good & seed sown & a fee of £5. Carried.

Plan & Inscription.

Mr. Wilford proposed that the Plan & Inscription of the Kerb for Mr. Hedge's Grave be approved by the Council. Seconded by Mr. Smith and carried.

Conveyance.

Mr. Wilford proposed that the Conveyance of Grave space No 985, Section B Consecrated Portion, to Mr. Alfred Fairman be signed by the Council. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Scavenging.

Mr. Burke proposed that an advertisement be inserted in the Kent Messenger inviting tenders for the Scavenging of the Parish for the year 1926 & that the Council meet on De' 1st to open them. Seconded by Mr. Monk.

Mr. Wall moved an amendment that the advertisement be inserted in the Kent Messenger and the tenders, when received, be sent to the Malling Rural District Council for them to elect the Contractor, & the Council meet as usual on the second Tuesday in December. Seconded by Mr. Thomson and carried.

Godden's Charity Trustee's.

Mr. Monk proposed that Messrs A.M. Smith and W. May who retire by rotation, be re-elected. Seconded by Mr. Butcher.

Mr. Wilford moved that Mr. Burke and Dr. Combe be elected Trustees of Godden's Charity. Seconded by Mr. Penny and carried.

May's Charity Trustee's.

Mr. Penny proposed that Messrs. Smith and Monk be elected Trustees of May's Charity in the place of Messrs. Wilford & Parris who retire by rotation. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

J. Coleman.
Chairman.
December 8th 1925.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday December 8th 1925.

At 7.30pm.

Present Messrs Coleman (Chairman), Burke, Smith, Fletcher, Thomson, Knott, Godfrey, Combe, State, May, the Clerk T. Hilder and the Deputy Clerk T. Hilder Jnr.

Minutes.

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

Brook.

Mr. May proposed and Mr. State seconded that the usual ditching & gripping be done on the Brook this year. Carried.

Allotments.

Mr. May reported that the Committee had decided that the bank in Birling Lands belonged to the Council.

He proposed that the big trees on the bank be removed. Seconded by Mr. Thomson and carried.

Fence.

Mr. May proposed that the fence in Sharnal Lane be erected in place of one removed by Mr. Eastwood. Stakes to be 9ft apart, and three strands, and that Mr. Hinds be asked to do the work. Seconded by Mr. Thomson and carried.

Baths.

Mr. Fletcher reported that the number of Bathers for the last four weeks to be 419 and the fees amounted to £4.0.4d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 491 and £4.11.8d.

Mr. Burke proposed that the Baths be opened during Christmas Week, on Tuesday & Wednesday for men, and on Thursday for Women. Seconded by Mr. State and carried.

Mr. Burke proposed that the rector be asked to call a Committee Meeting as soon as possible to consider the question of raising the Bath Fees. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Cemetery.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that the Caretaker's Wages be increased to 50/- per week from December 5th. Seconded by Mr. Burke and carried.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that timber and corrugated iron sheets be supplied to the Caretaker to enable him to erect a potting shed on the east end of the Greenhouse. Seconded by Mr. Thomson and carried.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that a new fire plate and front be purchased for the furnace in the Greenhouse. Seconded by Mr. Smith and carried.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that a truck basket be purchased for use in the Cemetery. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that the Caretaker be presented with a ton of Coal, as a Christmas present. Seconded by Mr. Thomson and carried.

Recreation Ground.

Mr. Fletcher reported that the path across the Recreation Ground was completed. He suggested some stakes & fence be placed round the gravel hole. This matter was left to the Clerk.

Finance.

Mr. Smith proposed. Mr. Fletcher seconded and it was resolved to draw cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Clegg. W.E.	Preparing Room.	1.	19.	0.
Dence. John.	Work in Recreation Ground.	7.	15.	4.
“	4 N.H.I. Stamps.		9.	8.
Royal Insurance Co.	Insurance Premium.		19.	9.
Hayman Wm. Ltd.	Chal' of Coke.	1.	3.	0.
Evenden J.	Caretakers Wages.	8.	15.	4.
“	4 N.H.I. Stamps.		9.	8.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Lamp at Bull Corner.	4.	8.	0.
“	½ cost of Street Lighting.	129.	19.	8.
Hayman Wm Ltd.	Coal & Coke.	4.	12.	0.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	5.	15.	10.
“	5 N.H.I. Stamps.		12.	1.
Hilder. T. Jnr.	¼ Salary.	6.	5.	0.
			<u>£173.</u>	<u>4. 4.</u>

Correspondence.

1. Mr. Hinds Guarantee of £50.
2. Letter from Mr. Prosser re:- Motor Manual.
3. Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- Complaint respecting Lighting.
4. “ “ re:- Lamp by Cottage Homes.
5. “ “ re:- Column from Orchard Cottage.
6. “ “ re:- Lamp by Mr. Normans knocked down.
7. “ “ re:- Lamp knocked down – a/c to be sent to A.P.C.M.

8. Letter from Mr. Cook re:- Land adjoining Recreation Ground.
9. “ “ “ re:- Offer of £50.
10. Letter from Mr. Cobb re:- Land by Cemetery.
11. “ “ “ “ “ “ “
12. Letter from Mr. Miskin re:- Numbering Houses.
13. Letter from Mr. Miskin re:- Scavenging.
Mr. Ashbys tender of £200 was accepted.
14. “ “ “ re:- Paddlesworth Road Improvements.
15. “ “ “ re:- Housing Life.
16. “ “ “ re:- Electric Supply and the Brook.
17. Mid Kent Water Co. giving analysis of water for the month of October.
18. Letter from Kent Electric Supply Co. asking permission to loan Brook.

Re No 9. Mr. May proposed that the £110 be offered Mr. Cook for the land at the Recreation Ground. Seconded by Mr. Burke and carried.

Re. No 12. Mr. Burke proposed that the District Council be asked to take up the matter of numbering the houses in Snodland. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Re No 15. Re:- Housing Site. Mr. Burke proposed that the Council refuse to sell the land if it is the intention of the District Council to build non – parlour type Cottages. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Mr. May proposed that the Clerk write to the Ministry of Health respecting the housing question. Seconded by Mr. Knott and carried.

Re No 18. Mr. May proposed that the Kent Electric Power Co's proposed work of carrying an electric cable across the Brook to the Burham Works, be approved by the Council, and that a wayleave of five pounds be asked for. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey and carried.

Fireman's Boots.

Mr. State proposed that the old pair of Fireman's Boots be sold for the sum of 3/6. Seconded by Mr. Fletcher and carried.

Tenders.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that the lowest tender for the work at the Fire Station be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Knott and carried.

The tenders were:-

J.J. Wilford. £6.2.6d.

Brattle & Sons. £7.9.6d.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that Mr. Wilford tender be accepted. Seconded by Mr. Knott and carried.

J. Coleman.

Chairman.

January 12th 1926.

