

Meeting of the Council  
Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday January 8<sup>th</sup> 1929  
At 7.30pm

Mr. F.C. Butcher presided, also present the Rev' C de R Wall, Messrs Burke, Monk, State, Bishop, Gooding, Gower, Hammond, Jackson, Edgeler and the Clerk Tom Hilder.

Minutes

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

Mr. Burke moved that Mr. Freeman's protest in reference to the Scavenging Contract be deleted from the Minutes. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

Brook

Mr. Hammond reported that Mr. Dence had completed the clearing of the ditch and that it was a very satisfactory job. Mr. Hammond moved that the no ditching and gripping be done of the Brook this year. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

Allotments

Mr. Gooding reported that the new gates had been erected to the Slough Field Gardens and were quite satisfactory.

Baths

The Rector reported that the number of bathers for the last 5 weeks to be 509 and the fees amounted to £4-11-6d for the corresponding period last year the figures were 562 and £5-4-5d.

The Rector proposed that Mr. T. Rogers be asked to carry out the usual spring cleaning, to oil springs of the Front Doors, to supply a fix new elbow to Standpipe, to clear out all the Gutters and to repair leaks in the Roof near Chimney. Sec'd by Mr. Monk and carried.

Cemetery

Mr. Monk moved that the Caretaker have the usual present of 1 ton of Coal, and to purchase seeds to the value of 10/-. Also 2 x 6ft Galvanized sheets for stoke hole. Sec'd by the Rev' Wall and carried.

Grave Spaces

Mr. Monk moved that Conveyance of Grave Spaces be granted to Mrs. Gammon and Mr. Kingsland. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

Finance

The Rector proposed and Mr. Burke sec'd and it was resolved to draw Cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Dence. John	Work on Brook.	2.	10.	0
“	Work on Allotments	3.	6.	
Royal Insurance Co.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Party.	1.	17.	6.
Reeves. F.E.	Sch' A Tax Brook.		17.	0.
“	“ Birling Lands.	1.	15.	0.

“	“ Slough Field.	1. 6. 0.
“	“ Lower Shorne Hill Field	18. 0.
Barnes. H.G.H.	Loan & Interest.	24. 9. 5.
“	“	7. 10. 0.
Hinds. C.W.	New Gates.	1. 10. 0.
Evenden J.	Caretakers Wages.	14. 0. 10.
“	5. N.H.I. Stamps.	13. 9.
Relf. A.	Apprentice.	3. 15. 0.
Royal Insurance Co.	Fire Station.	19. 9.
Reeves. F.E.	Sch' A Tax House.	1. 10. 0.
Hayman Wm. Ltd.	Coke.	1. 2. 0.
Hands. C.W.	Sharpening Pick & C.	3. 2.
Moore & Co.	Oil, Stove & C.	2. 0. 11.
Russell H.G.	Overalls.	13. 0.
Merryweather & Sons.	Hose & C.	27. 0. 6.
Reeves. F.E.	Sch' A. Tax House.	2. 5. 0.
“	“ Fire Station.	3. 15. 0.
Hinds. C.W.	Petrol & C.	2. 10. 0.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Mantles & C.	7. 2.
Moore & Co.	Brasso & C.	1. 9.
Betts W.C.	Repair of Boots.	8. 0.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	6. 1. 8.
“	5. N.H.I. Stamps.	7. 1.
Haymen Wm' Ltd.	Coke.	3. 6. 0.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water.	3. 11. 3.
Reeves. F.E.	Sch' A. Tax.	6. 0. 0.
Moore & Co.	Oil & Mantles.	10. 8.
		<u>£123. 19. 6.</u>
Cheque for Wages.	£20.	

#### Mr. Hinds a/c

Mr. Hinds account of £6-10-0d for making Sluice Door was again considered and Mr. Bishop agreed to inspect the work and if in order to instruct the Clerk to settle the account.

#### Declaration by Firemen

3 probationers viz:- Harry Fielder. Thos Moore and W. Masters signed the declaration on acceptance of office.

#### Correspondence

1. Mallong R.D. Council re:- Scavenging.

2. “ “ “ re:- Numbering Houses.

The Rev'd Wall proposed that a further letter be written pointing out that the Council is advised that the Mallong R.D. Council have no power to grant the Parish Council Urban Powers for this purpose. Sec'd by Mr. Burke and carried.

3. Southern Railway re:- Direction Sign.

4. H.M. Inspector of Taxes re:- Income Tax.

5. Kent County Surveyor re:- Crossways.  
The Clerk was instructed to write to the Surveyor again on the matter.
6. Letter from Mr. J. Wilford re:- Golden Wedding.
7. Copy of the analysis from the Mid Kent Water Co.

#### Gypsy Camp

Mr. J. State moved that the Clerk write to the Sanitary Authority in reference to the families residing in the field (Waters Field) in Constitution and the lack of sanitary arrangements and water supply. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond.

#### Grave Space

The matter of Grave Spaces brought up by Mr. Gooding was referred to the Cemetery Committee to report.

F. C. Butcher.  
Chairman.

### Special Meeting of the Council

Held in the Fire Station on Tuesday January 22<sup>nd</sup> 1929

At 7.30pm.

To consider the application of the Holborough Cement Company Limited to lay a Light Railway across the footpath leading from the British Schools to the Cemetery.

Mr. F.C. Butcher presided also present Messrs Fletcher (Vice-Chairman), the Rev' C de R Wall, Burke, Coleman, Monk, State, Bishop, Gooding, Gower, Hammond, Jackson, Parris and Tom Hilder, Clerk.

After a full discussion on the matter Mr. J. Fletcher moved that the Company be given permission to carry out the work, subject to submitting a plan and stating in writing that they will not obstruct the rights of the Public in any way; and to keep same in good repair. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

F.C. Butcher.  
Chairman

### Meeting of the Council

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday February 12<sup>th</sup> 1929

At 7.30pm.

Mr. F.C. Butcher presided, Mr. J. Fletcher (Vice-Chairman), The Rev' C.de R Wall, Messrs Burke, Monk, State, Bishop, Gooding, Gower, Hammond, Jackson, Parris and the Clerk Tom Hilder.

### Minutes

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

### Crossings

Mr. Monk moved that a further letter be sent to the County Surveyor in reference to the bad state of the Crossing already referred and that Mr. J. Wilford also be notified. Sec'd by Mr. Jackson and carried.

### Sluice Door

Mr. Bishop reported that the Sluice Door was working correctly.

Mr. Hammond proposed that Mr. Hind's account for same £6-10-0d be paid. Sec'd by Mr. Monk and carried.

### Dump

Mr. Hammond moved that a letter be sent to the Sanitary Inspector informing him that the Contractor had placed loads of household rubbish on the roadway leading to the Dump and that the Council objected to this as he should have obtained clinker. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

### Baths

The Rector reported that the number of bathers for the last 5 weeks to be 524 and the fees amounted to £4-17-5d for the corresponding period last year the figures were 628 and £5-14-8d.

### Cemetery

Mr. Monk moved that 25 seed boxes be purchased for the Caretaker. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried.

### Gates. Recreation Ground

It was reported that 2 of the tenants at the Council Cottages had erected gates in the fence, which gave them entrance to the Recreation Ground.

The matter was referred to the Committee.

### Finance

Mr. Fletcher proposed, Mr. Hammond sec'd and it was resolved to draw Cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Ryder & Sons Ltd.	Seeds.	9.	8.
Evenden J.	Caretakers Wages.	14.	10. 0.
"	5. N.H.I Stamps.	13.	9.
Relf. A.	Apprentice.	3.	15. 0.
Rogers. F.	Repairs.	10.	18. 10.
Haymen. Wm'	Coke.	2.	4. 0.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Rate.	11.	7.
"	"	4.	6.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas a/c.	6.	1.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Rate.	14.	0.

Betts. W.C.	Fireman's Boots.	2. 10. 0.
Wilford. J.	Repairs.	1. 3. 5.
Russell. H.G.	Fireman's Uniform	6. 12. 0.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	6. 1. 8.
"	4. N.H.I. Stamps.	5. 8.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas a/c	2. 3. 11.
Haman Wm. Ltd.	Fuel.	4. 8. 6.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Repairs.	3. 3.
		<u>£57. 6. 8.</u>

Cheque for Wages. £25.

### Receipt

Mr. Fletcher moved that a Receipt be issued on the Malling R.D. Council for the following:-

	£
General Account.	100
Lighting Account.	200
Rural Acts.	50
Baths & Wash-houses.	<u>50</u>
	<u>400</u>

### Fire Station Table

The Rector moved that the Fire Station Table be covered with American Cloth at a cost of 15/6. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

### Correspondence

1. Letter of thanks form the Caretaker at Cemetery for coal.

2. Letter from Malling R. D. Council re:- Numbering of Houses.

3. Letter from Holborough Cement Co. Ltd re:- Narrow Gauge Railway.

4. " " " " " " " " " "

Mr. Gower moved that this letter be entered into the Minutes in detail. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried.

### Holborough Cement Co. Ltd. Copy of Letter

Dear Sir,

In answer to your letter addressed to Mr. Millar, out Works Manager, Snodland relative to the request we have made for permission to cross the footpath from Birling School to the Cemetery with a narrow gauge railway.

Mr. Millar has advised me that he has forwarded you the plan which you requested to be sent, and we wish to assure you that we will in no way obstruct the right of the public as to their making use of this pathway, and you may rest assured that we will at all times keep this crossing in good repair.

In addition to this, in putting down this crossing, we will see to it that it is so arranged that it will cause no obstruction.

It is probably that we will only require a very small amount of the raw materials from that part of the property to which the tramlines is directed and there may be long intervals when it will not be in active service.

Thank you for your prompt attention to this.

Yours Faithfully

Holborough Cement Co. Ltd.

J. T. Phelan.

### Annual Parish Meeting

Mr. Monk moved that the Council Parish Meeting take place on Tuesday March 19<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in the Devonshire Rooms.

### Conveyance of Grave Space

Mr. Monk moved that Conveyances of Grave Space No. 1089, Sec' A to Mr. F.T.J. Weaire be granted. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

### Mr. J. Roberts

The Chairman read a letter from Mr. J. Roberts in reference to the Working Men's Club and Little Holborough.

The letter states that he is willing to pay the legacy duty on the Club; and suggests he holds Little Holborough for a few years; when he will repair & endow it before handing over to the Parish Council.

The matter was left over for further discussion at the next Meeting.

F.C. Butcher  
Chairman.

## Meeting of the Council

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday March 12<sup>th</sup> 1929

At 7.30pm.

Present ,Messrs F.C. Butcher (Chairman), J. Fletcher (Vice-Chairman), the Rev' C de R Wall, Monk, State, Bishop, Freeman, Gooding, Gower, Hammons, Parris, Jackson, Edegler and the Clerk Tom Hilder.

### Minutes

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

### Vote of Sympathy

Mr. Fletcher moved that a letter of condolence be sent to Mr. Burke on the loss of his son. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

### Brook

Mr. Hammond moved that the date for turning Cattle on the Brook this season be April 8<sup>th</sup>. Sec'd by Mr. Bishop and carried.

### Baths

The Rector reported that the number of bathers for the last 4 weeks to be 399 and the fees amounted to £3-13-0d for the corresponding period last year the figures were 586 and £5-7-4d.

### Cemetery

Mr. Monk moved that in future grave spaces cannot be reserved unless purchased. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

Mr. Monk also moved that Mr. W. Gooding be allowed to purchase the grave space nest to the roadway. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

The Clerk was instructed to write again to Mr. Hy' Hawks in reference to placing the 2 spurs to the fence.

Mr. Fletcher proposed that a Cemetery Committee Meeting at 6.30pm on Monday next at the Cemetery. Sec'd by Mr. Monk and carried.

### Grave Space & C

Mr. Monk moved that the Conveyance of Grave Space No. 1087 Section C to Mr. Walter William West be granted, and Plan of Headstone, Kerb and Inscription to the Grave of Mr. & Mrs Hatch be approved. Sec'd by Mr. Fletcher and carried.

### Finance

Mr. Fletcher moved the Rector sec'd and it was resolved to draw Cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Hambrook. A.N.	Printing & C.	11.	5.	4.
Prudential Insurance Co.	Loan & Interest.	16.	11.	9.
Hilder. Tom.	¼ Salary.	12.	10.	0.
“	Postage & C.	1.	6.	3.
Evenden. J.	Caretakers Wages.	11.	4.	8.
“	4. N.H.I. Stamps.	11.	0.	
Relf. A.	Apprentice.	3.	0.	0.
Moore & Co.	Oil & C.	17.	8.	
Crowhurst. D.	Firewood.	6.	0.	
Prett. Frank.	1 Load of Sand.	5.	0.	
Moore & Co.	Tablecloth & C.	16.	3.	
Mid Kent Gas CO.	Street Lighting.	123.	11.	3.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	6.	1.	8.
“	4. N.H.I. Stamps.	5.	8.	
“	Fidelity Insurance.	7.	6.	
Crowhurst. D.	Firewood.	6.	0.	
Hambrook. A.N.	Baths Tickets.	2.	10.	0.
		<u>£191.</u>	<u>16.</u>	<u>0.</u>

Cheque for Wages. £11. 15. 8d.

### Lighting

The Rector moved that the Mid Kent Gas Co. be asked to continue the street lighting until Summer time, April 21<sup>st</sup>. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

### Correspondence

1. Malling R.D. Council re:- Dust Cart.

2. “ “ “ re:- House Carts.

3. Mr. Bates, Brook House re:- Petrol Tank.

Mr. Hammond moved that Mr. Bates be informed that he must apply to Mr. Miskin for permission. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

4. H.T. Chapman. re:- Crossing.

5. Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- Broken Column by Messrs C.T. Hook & Co's Lorry.  
Mr. Monk moved that the Gas Co. be instructed to erect a new Column. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.
6. Southern Railway Co. giving Notice of objection to their Assessment.
- 7.&8. Copies of analysis of water from the Mid Kent Water Co. Halling water taken from Crouch & Plaxtol.

#### Working Men's Club & Little Holborough

The whole question of the bequests under the Will of the late Major W.L. Roberts was fully discussed – the letter from Mr. John Roberts was also read; and Mr. Gooding moved that both bequests be accepted according to the conditions stated in the said letter. Sec'd by the Rev. C de R Wall and carried.

#### Dangerous Wall

Mr. Bishop moved that a letter be written to the owner of the wall in Alma Place, Brook Street, calling his attention to the very dangerous state of same, and asking to have immediate steps taken to make it safe for the Public. Sec'd by Mr. Freeman and carried.

#### Notice of Motion

Mr. Gooding gave Notice of Motion re:- footpath from Rising Sun to Lord's Cross.

F.C. Butcher  
Chairman  
April 16<sup>th</sup> 1929.

### Annual Meeting of the Council

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday April 16<sup>th</sup> 1929  
7.30pm

Present, Messrs Butcher, Fletcher, the Rev. C de R Wall, Burke, Coleman, Gower, Gooding, Jackson, Monk, Bishop, Hammond, Freeman, State, Parris and the Clerk Tom Hilder.

#### Minutes

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

#### Chairman

The Rector moved that Mr. J. Fletcher be elected Chairman for the ensuing year. Sec'd by Mr. Parris and carried.

#### Vice-Chairman

Mr. Jackson moved that Mr. R. Gower be elected Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

#### Vote of Thanks



Mr. Burke moved that a hearty vote of thanks be given to the retiring Chairman.  
Sec'd by Mr. Fletcher and carried.

#### Wall, Brook Street

Mr. Freeman moved that the Clerk write to Malling R.D. Council in reference to the dangerous wall in Brook Street. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

#### Cemetery

Mr. Monk gave the report of the Committee Meeting and moved that Mr. Vickery be requested to Tarmac all the paths at the Cemetery as soon as possible as they were in a very bad state. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

It was agreed that a fitting up of a partitioned & dormer window in the big room at the Cottage be postponed.

The Rector moved that the action of the Committee in employing extra help at the Cemetery at 10/2 be approved. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried.

#### Baths

The Rector reported that the number of Bathers for the last 5 weeks to be 663 and the fees amounted to £6-6-1d for the corresponding period last year the figures were 780 and £7-7-4d.

He also reported that the boiler was in a dangerous condition and that the fencing around the Baths needed attention.

Mr. Hammond moved that Mr. Bishop inspect the Boiler and report to the Clerk. If necessary a special meeting of the Council be called to deal with the matter. Sec'd by Mr. Monk and carried.

#### Finance

Mr. Gower read the statement of accounts and moved that Cheques be drawn in settlement. Sec'd by Mr. Butcher and carried.

Bond. W.F.	Financial Statements.	1.	6.
Fidelity Bond.	Premium for Clerk.	3.	0.
Clegg. W.E.	Meetings.	12.	6.
Evenden. J.	Caretakers Wages.	5.	12. 4.
"	2. N.H.I. Stamps.	5.	6.
Relf. A.	Apprentice.	1.	12. 0.
Taylor. F.	Extra Help.	10.	0.
Hayman. Wm. Ltd.	Fuel.	6.	13. 0.
Burrow. A.	Seed Boxes.	4.	2.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Rate.	11.	7.
"	"	4.	6.
Hayman. Wm. Ltd.	Fuel.	12.	6.
Royal Insurance Co.	Fire Insurance.	16.	6.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas a/c.	4.	4.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Rate.	14.	0.
Hayman. W. Ltd.	Fuel.	12.	2. 6.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas.	1.	14. 7.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Rate.	3.	2. 3.
		<u>35.</u>	<u>14. 3.</u>

Cheque for Wages. £25.

#### Sub Committee. Roberts Bequest

Mr. Butcher gave the report of the Meeting of the Sub-Committee at Little Holborough. He stated that Mr. John Roberts had paid the Legacy duty on the Working Men's Club; and that he was prepared to occupy Little Holborough a few years as tenant of the Council; if after he has carried his operations in regard to building new works he would add the garden to the bequest and endow the whole in the sum of £5.000, and hand over to the Council in good repair. He was further prepared to hand the Council a legal document to this effect.

He would like the Chairman & Clerk to meet himself & Solicitor to prepare an inventory of the contents of the Cottage.

Mr. Parris moved that the report be adopted. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

#### Sub-Committee. New Agreement

The Rector moved that a sub-committee consisting of Messrs Fletcher, Gower and Butcher meet the Committee of the Working Men's Club to arrange an agreement. Sec'd by Mr. Monk and carried.

#### Assessments

The Clerk reported the result of his appeal before the Assessment Committee at the Town Hall, Maidstone, on Tuesday the 4<sup>th</sup> day of April:-

	Old Assessment	Raised to.	Present.
Cemetery.	£9.	£43.	£33
Public Baths.	£27.	£40.	£30
Fire Station	£17-10s.	£30.	£22

Mr. Butcher proposed that the report be approved. Sec'd by Mr. Monk and carried.

#### Correspondence

1. Letter from Malling R.D. Council re:- Representatives on the Rating Committee.

2. Letter from the Holborough Cement Co. Ltd re:- Chalk at Cemetery.

Mr. Monk moved that Mr. Ashby be asked to cart the surplus chalk to the Brook. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried.

3. Letter from the Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- Broken Column in May Street and Summer Time.

#### Notice of Motion

Mr. Gooding moved that his Notice of Motion re:- footpath from Rising Sun to the crossing be postponed until the next meeting. Sec'd by Mr. Gower and carried.

#### Grave Space

Mr. Monk moved that the Conveyance of Grave Space No. 1093 be granted to Mr. Bernard Knell Gooding. Sec'd by Mr. Gower and carried.

#### Headstones, Kerbs & Inscriptions

Mr. Monk moved that Headstones, Kerbs and Inscriptions to Mrs West's Grave No. 1087 Sec. C and Mr. Weaire's Grave No. 1089 Sec. A. be approved. Sec'd by Mr. Butcher and carried.

#### High Street

The Rector moved that a letter be written to the County Surveyor in reference to the bad state of the High Street and asking for an early improvement. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

Mr. Freeman moved that the Malling R.D. Council be asked to make good Brook Street where the Gas Co. had laid their pipe line. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

#### Employers Liability Insurance

Mr. Gower moved that all the employees of the Council be covered by insurance under the Employers Liability Insurance. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

#### 3rd Delivery

Mr. Monk moved that the Post Master of Rochester be asked for a 3<sup>rd</sup> delivery per day in Snodland. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

John Fletcher  
Chairman  
14/5/29.

### Meeting of the Council

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May 1929

At 7.30pm

Present Messrs Fletcher, (Chairman), Gower (Vice-Chairman), the Rev. C de R Wall, Burke, Coleman, State, Gooding, Parris, Hammond, Freeman, Jackson, Bishop and the Clerk Tom Hilder.

#### Minutes

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

#### Baths

The Rector reported that the number of bathers for the last 4 weeks to be 653 and the fees amounted to £6-2-1d for the corresponding period last year the figures were 661 and £6-1-7d.

#### Boiler

Mr. Bishop reported that he had inspected the Boiler at the Public Baths and that it needed replacing as soon as possible.

Mr. Hammond moved that the report be adopted and that the Clerk arrange for the National Radiator Co. to send their representatives to Snodland; and that the rector, Mr. Bishop and the Clerk meet him. Sec'd by Mr. Parris and carried.

#### Fireman Recruit

F. Smith, probationer Fireman attended and signed the usual Declaration on acceptance of Office, which was witnessed by the Chairman.

### Cemetery

The Rector moved that the Conveyances of Grave Space No. 1097 be granted to Mrs. Martha Ellen Wallis of Queens Avenue Grave Space Section A. Consecrated portion. Sec'd by Mr. Hammons and carried.

### Finance

Mr. Gower proposed the Rector sec'd and it was resolved to draw Cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Mr. Hinds a/c.	New Lock. Rec. Ground.	4.	0.
Mrs. Blackman.	Gatekeepers Salary.	1.	0. 0.
Evenden. J.	Caretakers Wages.	11.	4. 8.
"	4. N.H.I. Stamps.	11.	0.
Relf. A.	Apprentice.	3.	0. 0.
Hayman Wm. Ltd.	Coke.	1.	2. 0.
Ashby. E.	Carting Chalk.	18.	0.
Hinds. C.W.	Repairs.	4.	5.
Westminster Bank Ltd.	Repayment of Loan.	50.	0. 0.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Extra Lighting.	25.	9. 4.
Mr. J.J. Wilford. a/c.	Repairs.	1.	11. 2.
Mr. Hinds a/c.	"	3.	0.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	6.	1. 8.
"	5. N.H.I. Stamps.	7.	1.
Hayman. Wm. Ltd.	Coke.	3.	6. 0.
		<u>£106.</u>	<u>19. 10.</u>

Cheque for Wages. £25.

### Fire Station & Cottage

Mr. Gower moved that the Slates be repaired at the Fire Station and that the tenant of the Cottage have 1 Bedroom papered and whitewashed, and the Kitchen Ceiling whitewashed. Paper to be 9d per piece. Sec'd by Mr. Jackson and carried.

Mr. Hammond proposed that Mr. Wilford be asked to carry out the work. Sec'd by Mr. Jackson and carried.

The Rector moved that i Helmet and I pair of Fireman's Boots be purchased. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried.

### Draft Agreement Working Men's Club

The Draft Agreement between the Council and the Trustees and Committee of the Working Men's Club was read and approved.

A letter was read from the Secretary stating that the Committee agreed with the terms of the agreement but would prefer a Lease of 7, 14, or 21 yrs.

The rector moved that the agreement for 1 year be granted, and at the end of that term the question of a Lease would be considered. Sec'd by Mr. Freeman and carried.

The Clerk reported that a length of Gutter was hanging down & likely to fall & that the Secretary had given the order to have it repaired.

### Correspondence

1. Malling R.D. Council re:- Brook Street.
2. “ “ “ re:- Cemetery.
3. H. Vickery, estimated cost of Tar-Spraying the Cemetery Paths £46-13-4d.
4. Malling R.D. Council re:\_ Brook Street.
- 5/6. British General Insurance Co. re:- Lamp Post.
7. Royal Insurance Co. re:- Compensation.
8. H. Chapman re: - High Street.
9. Plumbing Traders National Apprenticeship Council.

#### High Street

Mr. Freeman moved that a further letter be sent to the County Surveyor with reference to the bad state of the High Street, hole in path opposite Salvation Army Hall, and the Kerbing of the path from the Rising Sun to the Halling boundary. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

#### Tar-Spraying

Mr. Burke moved that a letter of thanks be sent to the Malling R.D. Council for the prompt and satisfactory manner in which the spraying operations have been carried out at the Cemetery. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

#### Birling School Central

Mr. Burke moved that the Clerk write to the Malling R.D. Council asking who gave the Kent Education Committee permission to drain into the Snodland Sewer. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

#### Cesspools

Mr. Freeman moved that the Sanitary Inspectors attention be called to the unsatisfactory way in which the Cesspools are emptied. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

J. Fletcher.  
Chairman.  
11/6/29.

### Meeting of the Council

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> June 1929

At 7.30pm

Present Mr J. Fletcher, (Chairman), R. Gower, (Vice-Chairman), Burke, Butcher, Monk, State, Gooding, Hammond, Freeman, Jackson, Bishop, Edgeler and the Clerk Tom Hilder.

The Chairman read the letter from the Rector regretting his absence from the Meeting & making a recommendation in regard to the Baths.

### Minutes

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

### Brook

Mr. Hammond reported that a Cow had calved on the Brook and the owner had not been found so far. The Calf was dead and the Cow was very bad in his Cow-Shed still. He also reported that the floating weed was choking up one of the large ditches. Mr. Gower moved that the action of Mr. Hammond be approved by the and when the owner of the cow is found a sharp letter be wrote to him. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

Mr. Monk moved that Mr. Dence be employed 1 day to clear out the Reeds and burn them. Sec'd by Mr. Freeman and carried.

### Allotments

Mr. Gooding moved that Mr. State take over garden No. 55 in Slough Field, rent free until Midsummer 1930. Seconded by Mr. Hammond and carried.

### Baths

Mr. Monk reported that the number of Bathers for the past 4 weeks to be 752 and the fees amounted to £7-1-1d for the corresponding period last year the figures were 702 and £6-7-2d.

Mr. Monk reported that a Bath Committee Meeting was held on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 11.45 to meet Mr. Vincent of the National Radiator Co. Ltd.

### Boiler & C

The Committee recommended the Council to select a No. 15D Domestia Boiler and a 300 gallon 3/16 plate galvanizes cylinder with bolted head for cleaning.

Mr. Monk moved that the report be adopted and that all the local firms be invited to tender. Sec'd by Mr. J. Hammond and carried.

### Cemetery

Mr. Monk moved that the Caretaker be supplied with 6 loads of Manure and Mr. Ashby to do the carting & remove the surplus chalk to the Brook. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

### Barrow

Mr. Gooding moved that Mr. Hinds be asked to repair the Barrow at the Cemetery. Sec'd by Mr. Bishop and carried.

Mr. Monk proposed that the Caretaker be allowed his week's holiday from 6<sup>th</sup> July and that someone be employed in his place. Sec'd by Mr. Gower and carried.

### Finance

Mr. Gower proposed Mr. Hammond sec'd and it was resolved to draw Cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Clerk.	Audit Stamp.	8. 0. 0.
"	¼ Years Salary.	12. 10. 0.

Verrell. W.	Envelopes.	6.	0.
Royal Insurance Co. Ltd.	W. Compensation.	1.	3.
Evenden. J.	Caretakers Wages.	11.	4. 8.
“	4. N.H.I. Stamps.	11.	0.
Relf. A.	Apprentice.	3.	0. 0.
Hayman. Wm. Ltd.	Fuel.	1.	2. 0.
Golesworthy. P.C.	Rates.	8.	5. 0.
Royal Insurance Co. Ltd.	W. Compensation.	1.	5. 0.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Repairs.	7.	6.
Golesworthy P.C.	Rates.	5.	10. 0.
“	Rates.	2.	5. 0.
Betts. W.C.	Fireman's Boots.	2.	10. 0.
Wilford.J.J.	Repairs.	4.	6. 4.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	6.	1. 8.
“	4. N.H.I. Stamps.	5.	8.
Hayman. Wm.	Fuel.	5.	10. 0.
Golesworthy. P.C.	Rates.	7.	10. 0.
Royal Insurance Co. Ltd.	W. Compensation.	10.	0.
		<u>£81.</u>	<u>1. 1.</u>

Cheques for Wages. £20.

### Correspondence

1. Letter from Messrs Martyn & Gane stating that the Council is entitled to the rent of the Working Men's Club from the 18<sup>th</sup> October last.
2. Letter from C. Lavender re:- Agreement of W. M. Club & asking for Lease.  
Mr. Freeman proposed that they be informed that the question of a Lease cannot be entertained by the Council. Sec'd by Mr. Monk and carried.
3. Letter from the Malling R. D. Council re:- Birling New Central School and Snodland Sewer.
4. Letter from the County Surveyor re:- High Street and the Malling Road.  
Mr. Monk moved that a further letter be written to Mr. Chapman requesting him or his Deputy to meet a few of the Councillors to view the spots complained of. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.
5. British School Managers.  
Mr. Monk proposed that Mr. A. Thomson be appointed. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.  
Mr. Bishop proposed that Mr. Bishop be appointed. Sec'd by Mr. State & carried.
6. 4 letters from the National Radiator Company Ltd re:- Boiler at Baths.
7. Copy of the analysis from the Mid Kent Water Co. Halling water taken from Wrotham.

### Cemetery

Mr. Monk moved that the Kerb to Grave of Winifred Mary Wells & Inscription, also Headstone and kerb to Grave Louisa Annie Kingsland be approved. Sec'd by Mr. Jackson and carried.

#### War Graves

Mr. Monk moved that the Imperial War Graves Commission be informed that the usual fee for right of burial would be charged and a fee of 10/6 per stone for erecting same. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

J. Fletcher.  
Chairman  
9/7/29.

### Meeting of the Council

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 1929

At 7.30pm.

Present Messrs J. Fletcher, (Chairman), R. Gower, (Vice-Chairman), Burke, Butcher, Coleman, Monk, State, Gooding, Parris, Hammond, Freeman, Jackson, Bishop and the Clerk Tom Hilder.

#### Minutes

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

#### Brook

Mr. Hammond reported that the reeds had been cleared from the Ditch by Mr. J. Dence and burnt.

#### Allotments

Mr. Gooding reported that the Police had caught 4 children damaging the Allotments in Lower Shorne Hill Field. He suggested that a letter be sent to the parents, and the Police be thanked and asked to caution the parents.

That the hedge and roadway at Lower Shorne Hill Allotments and the ditch in Slough Field and the sides of the Willow Walk be brushed up by Mr. Dence. Mr. Parris moved that the Report be adopted. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

#### Public Baths

Mr. Gower reported that the number of Bathers for the last 4 weeks to be 738 and the fees amounted to £6-18-6d, for the corresponding period last year the figures were 758 and £6-18-7d.

#### Recreation Ground

Mr. Bishop proposed that Mr. R. Gower be elected Chairman of the Recreation Ground Committee. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

Mr. Burke moved that the Committee meet as soon as possible. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

#### Finance



Mr. Gower proposed Mr. Hammond seconded and it was resolved to draw Cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Dence. J.	Work on Brook.	6.	8.
Dickenson. W.P & Co. Ltd.	Cheque Book.	16.	8.
Reeves. F.E.	Tar on Interest	5.	0. 0.
Barnes. H.G.H.	Loan & Interest.	24.	4. 3.
“	“	7.	9. 0.
Wilford. J.J.	Repairs to Club.	1.	14. 9.
Evenden. J.	Caretakers Wages.	14.	0. 10.
“	5. N.H.I. Stamps.		13. 9.
Relf. A.	Apprentice.	3.	0. 0.
Ashby E. & Son.	Manure & Carting.	1.	11. 6.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	6.	1. 8.
“	5. N.H.I. Stamps.		7. 1.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Supply.	5.	1. 3.
		<u>£70.</u>	<u>7. 5.</u>

Cheque for Wages. £25.

#### Correspondence

1. Letter from the 35<sup>th</sup> Medway (Snodland) Rovers volunteering to look after the Cenotaph at the Cemetery.

Mr. Monk proposed that the offer be accepted. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

2. Letter from Mr. H. Lavender re:- Garden

3. Notice from Inspector of Taxes re:- Tax on Interest and copy of Financial Statement.

4. Letter from Messrs. A. & R.L. Cobb sending £7-19-2d rent of Working Men's Club for March 25<sup>th</sup>.

5. Imperial War Graves Commission.

6. Kent County Council re:- Roads & Paths.

7. Merryweather & Sons Ltd re:- Helmet.

8. Kent County Council re:- Bye-Law. Waste Paper & Rubbish.

9. Letter from Caretaker re:- Mr. Thorn.

Mr. Monk moved that the Clerk write to Mr. Thorn requesting him in future not to interfere or argue with the Caretaker, but if there is any cause to complain to inform the Council. Sec'd by Mr. Hammons and carried.

10. Letter from the National Radiator Co. Ltd Hull re:- Pressure at the Baths.

Mr. Bishop moved that tenders be invited from local builders to supply and fix new Boiler. The boiler to be same size as the existing one, and to be the improved

pattern No.15 D and to be insulated with plastic asbestos cement, the old Boiler to be left at the Baths.

To supply and fix 1 stay across the hot water tank, and the idea of a new tank as suggested in the proposition at the last Meeting be selected. Sec'd by Mr. Freeman and carried.

#### Inscription

Mr. Monk moved that the 3 extra Inscriptions to Grave Stones of Mr. Simmonds, Mr. Backhurst and Mr. Kemsley be approved. The fees to be 5/- per Inscription and the Conveyance of Grave Space No.1102 and 1103 to Mr. A. Wooding, No. 1104 to William T. Chapman, No. 1091 to George T. Wells. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

#### Institute Agreement

Mr. Hammond moved that the Agreement be signed by Messrs Fletcher, Gower, Jackson and the Clerk. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

#### Cesspools

Mr. Gower moved that the Clerk write to Messrs Brattle & Sons in reference to the Cesspools, and the un-satisfactory way in which they are emptied. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried.

J. Fletcher.  
Chairman  
13/8/29.

### Meeting of the Council

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday August 13<sup>th</sup> 1929

At 7.30pm.

Mr. J. Fletcher presided, also present Messrs R. Gower, (Vice-Chairman), the Rev'd C de R Wall, Burke, Butcher, Coleman, Monk, State, Gooding, Hammond, Freeman, Bishop, Edgeler and the Clerk Tom Hilder.

#### Minutes

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

#### Vote of Sympathy

Mr. Burke moved a vote of sympathy to Mr. J. State in his recent bereavement. Sec'd by Mr. Fletcher and carried.

#### Path

Mr. Hammond moved that the attention of the Malling R.D. Council be called to the overgrown state of the path between the Tennis Court and Birling Lands. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried.

#### Public Baths

The Rector reported that the number of Bathers for the past 5 weeks to be 1081 and the fees amounted to £10-4-9d for the corresponding period last year the figures were 1046 and £9-17-0d.

### Cemetery

Mr. Monk moved that the Caretaker be supplied with White & Green Paint also brushes to paint the Greenhouse inside and out, also the Seats. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

Mr. Monk proposed that the Clerk offer Mr. Longhurst the grass in the top part of the Cemetery, on his refusal to accept to employ Mr. J. Dence to cut and burn it. Seconded by Mr. J. State and carried.

### Recreation Ground

Mr. Gower moved that a Committee Meeting be held on Tuesday August 20<sup>th</sup> at 8pm to view the fences and gates around the Ground Seconded by Mr. Bishop and carried.

### Finance

Dence. J.	Work on Brook & Allotments.	3.	0.	0.
"	2. N.H.I. Stamps.		2.	10.
Blackman. Mrs.	Gatekeeper.	3.	0.	0.
Agreement Stamp.	Institute.		5.	0.
Evenden. J.	Caretakers Wages.	11.	9.	8.
"	4. N.H.I. Stamps.		11.	0.
Crowhurst. B.	Caretakers help.	2.	10.	0.
"	1. N.H.I. Stamp.		1.	5.
Relf.A.	Apprentice.	3.	15.	0.
Mid Kent Water Co.	6/9d & 11/7d.		18.	4.
Water Rate	13/2d. Gas a/c 3/2d		16.	4.
Judges. A..	Caretakers wages.	6.	1.	8.
"	4. N.H.I. Stamps.		5.	6.
Crowhurst. D.	Firewood.		6.	0.
Hayman. Wm. & Son Ltd.	Fuel.	8.	8.	6.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas a/c.		11.	9
			<u>£42.</u>	<u>3. 2.</u>

Cheque for Wages. £30.

Mr. Gower read the Statements of Accounts and proposed that Cheques be drawn in settlement. Seconded by Mr. Butcher and carried.

### Correspondence

1. Letter from the Secretary of the Institute asking for certain repairs to the roof to be done.

Mr. Coleman moved that Messrs Fletcher & Bishop inspect same with power to act. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried.

2. Letter from Hon' Sec. Fire Brigade re:- Church Parade on Sunday August 25<sup>th</sup>

3. Letter from Messrs C.T. Hook & Co. re:- Purchase of land on Brook, cleaning out Mill Stream and constructing new reservoir.

Mr. Bishop moved that the whole of the Council meet on the Brook on Tuesday August 20<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

4. Quotation from the Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- Street Lighting for 1929 – 1930. To light the lamps from 1<sup>st</sup> October to 31<sup>st</sup> March £3-11-3d per Lamp.

Lamp at Bull Corner alight to 1 o'clock extra charge £1-6-3d.

If desired to light the Lamp before the 1<sup>st</sup> October and after the 31<sup>st</sup> March the rate of 2/7d per Lamp per week.

Mr. Monk moved that the price be accepted. Lighting to commence on 16<sup>th</sup> Sept' Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

Mr. Monk moved that the Clerk write to the Military Authorities, Old Palace Maidstone, requesting to place a Lamp in Lee Road. Sec'd by Mr. Freeman and carried.

Mr. Gooding moved that the Lamp fixed above the Holborough Forge be shifted nearer to Mr. Thorndycrofts shop. Seconded by Mr. Freeman and carried.

#### Work at the Baths

One Tender was received for the work ie:- Mr. T. Rogers for the sum of £23-17-6d. The Rector moved that the same be accepted. Sec'd by Mr. Monk and carried.

#### Plan & Inscription, Grave Spaces

Mr. Monk moved that the plan of Headstone & Kerb to Mrs. Denton's Grave No. 1078. Plan & Inscription of Headstone & Kerb to Mr. J. Wallis's Grave 1096, plan & Inscription of Kerb to Mr. W. Eveling & Son Grave No. 619 & 620 be approved. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

Mr. Monk proposed that Conveyance of Grave Space No. 1105 be granted to Miss. M.G. Hallett and Grave Space No. 1106 to Mrs. W.M. Clifford. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

#### Money on Deposit

Mr. Gower moved that the question of investing the £225 on deposit at the Westminster Bank be referred to the Finance Committee to report to the next Meeting. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

#### Stove at Cottage

Mr. Gower reported as to the state of the Stove in the Fire Brigade Cottage and proposed that a 24" Belle Portable Range be purchased. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried.

#### Railway Road

The Rector moved that the Clerk write to the Southern Railway Comp. asking them to repair the road on each side of the Level Crossing Gates. Sec'd by Mr. Bishop and carried.

#### Clerk's Salary

The Chairman read a letter from the Clerk making application for an increase of Salary. Mr. Gower moved that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee to report to the next Meeting. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

#### Outfall Works

Mr. Burke moved that a letter be sent to Mr. F. Miskin pointing out that the system was not working as well as heretofore; and suggesting that some repairs to the sewer was needed as there was a certain amount of crude sewerage entering the Mill Creek. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

The Clerk was instructed to ask Mr. Wilford to have the overhanging hedge at Brook House cut back.

J. Fletcher  
Chairman  
10/9/29.

### Meeting of the Council

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 1929

At 7.30pm.

Mr. J. Fletcher presided also present Messrs Gower, (Vice-Chairman), The Rev' C de R Wall, Burke, Butcher, Coleman, Monk, State, Gooding, Parris, Freeman, Jackson, Bishop, Edgeler and the Clerk Tom Hilder.

#### Minutes

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

#### Range in Cottage

Mr. Freeman moved that Mr. Wilford be given 7 days to place the new Belle Range in Mr. Penny's Cottage. On his failing to do so, the order will be cancelled. Sec'd by Mr. Gower and carried.

#### Hedge

Mr. Coleman moved that Mr. J. Wilford be again requested to cut back the Hedge at Brook House. Sec'd by Mr. Butcher and carried.

#### Baths

The Rector reported that the number of Bathers for the past 4 weeks to be 791 and the fees amounted to £7-7-1d for the corresponding period last year the figures were 710 and £6-11-8d.

The Rector proposed that 1 cwt of soap be purchased from Mr. F.S. Dedrick. Sec'd by Mr. Butcher and carried.

#### Cemetery

Mr. Coleman proposed that a further 7lbs of white paint be purchased for the Cemetery. Sec'd by Mr. Parris and carried.

### Recreation Ground

Mr. Gower reported that a meeting had been held on Aug' 20<sup>th</sup>, the Committee recommended the Council to write to the Malling R.D. Council giving them to understand that the Council acknowledged no right of way from the Council Cottages to the Recreation Ground, and they reserved the right to order them to close the said gates at any time without notice. Should the Malling R.D. Council recognise our right then similar letters be forwarded to the other owners in question.

Mr. Burke moved that the report be adopted. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried.

Mr. Butcher moved that Mr. Dence be employed to pick up the paper & c in the Recreation Ground Sec'd by Mr. Bishop and carried.

### Finance

Mr. Gower proposed the Rector sec'd and it was resolved to draw Cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Employers Insurance Premium.		3.	6.
Carriage of Books to Audit.		5.	0.
Prudential Ass' Co. Ltd.	Loan & Interest.	16.	12. 5.
Clerk.	1 Quarters Salary.	12.	10. 0.
Evended. J.	Caretakers Wages.	11.	14. 8.
“	4. N.H.I. Stamps.	11.	0.
Relf. A.	Apprentice.	3.	12. 0.
Dence. J.	Cutting Grass.	2.	0. 0.
“	1. N.H.I. Stamp.	1.	5.
Hinds. C. W.	Repairs to Barrows.	1.	1. 10.
Hinds. C.W.	Petrol.	1.	14. 10.
Russell. G.H.	Repairs to trousers.	2.	6.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	6.	1. 8.
“	4. N.H.I. Stamps.	5.	8.
Hayman. Wm Ltd.	Fuel.	1.	18. 6.
			<u>£58. 15. 0.</u>

Cheque for Wages. £25.

### Clerk's Salary

Mr. Burke moved that the Clerk's Salary be increased by £25 from 1<sup>st</sup> October next. The Clerk to provide his own Office. Sec'd by Mr. Freeman and carried.

### The Institute

Mr. Fletcher reported that him and Mr. Bishop inspected the defects at the Institute and suggested that the lead gutter be repaired, tiles on the Billiard Room re-fixed, brick placed round the airbrick to prevent water entering the Cellar, and tank (300 galls), purchased to take the rain water from the Roof.

Mr. Burke moved that the report be adopted. Sec'd by the Rector and carried.

### Correspondence

1. Southern Railway re:- Repairs to Road.
2. Malling R.D. Council re:- Footpath near Birling Lands and Outfall Works.
3. Letter from Mr. W. Leonard re:- Nettles.

4. Westminster Bank Ltd re:- Deposit Rate.
5. Sergeant. Maj. Debenham re:- Lamp.
6. War Graves Commission re:- Graves, 7 instead of 8.
7. Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- Street Lighting.
8. Holborough Cement Co. Ltd. re:- Footpath from British School to the Cemetery.  
Mr. Burke moved that the Council write agreeing to meet the Directors on the path on Wednesday Sept. 1<sup>st</sup> at 4.30pm. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried.

Hook & Company. Brook Land

The Parish Council recommended the Parish Meeting to sell the small piece of land between the Mill Stream and land hired by Messrs Nichols & Son for £100 clear. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried.

The Rector moved that the Parish Meeting also be recommended to sell the land leased to Messrs. C.H. Hook & Co. Ltd situate on the further side of the Mill Creek for the sum of £3000 clear, plus £500 for the buildings which would be left in the event of the land being given up. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried, 1 Councillor not voting.

Receipts

Mr. Gower proposed that Receipt be issued on the Malling R.D. Council:-

General Account.	£100
Lighting Account	£200
Burial Acts	£ 50
Baths & Wash-Houses	<u>£ 50</u>
	<u>£400</u>

Sec'd by Mr. Monk and carried.

Grave Space

Mr. Monk moved that the Conveyance of Grave Space \no. 1107 be granted to Mr. W.J. Chapman. Sec'd by Mr. Jackson and carried.

Lamp Column, Holboro'

It was agreed to leave the matter of moving the Lamp Column until they are lighted.

Re. Loan

The Rector moved that the Clerk writes to the Public Works Loan Board in reference to paying off £225. Sec'd by Mr. Monk and carried.

Untidy Streets

Mr. Gooding proposed that the County and District Councils be writes in reference to the paper in the Streets especially at the weekends. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

Automatic Stamp Machine

Mr. Burke moved that the Clerk again ask the Postmaster to fix an Automatic Stamp Machine outside the Post Office. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried.

J. Fletcher  
Chairman  
8/10/29.

Meeting of the Council  
Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> October 1929  
At 7.30pm.

Present J. Fletcher, (Chairman), R. Gower, (Vice-Chairman), The Rev. C. de R Wall, Burke, Butcher, Coleman, Monk, State, Gooding, Parris, Hammond, Freeman, Jackson, Bishop and the Clerk T. Hilder.

Minutes

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

Range

Mr. Freeman moved that Mr. Draycon be asked to fix the new Belle Range at the Cottage next to the Fire Station and to clear other. Sec'd by Mr. Gower and carried.

Brook

Mr. Hammond proposed that Mr. Dence be employed to clear out tins from ditch, and the Clerk to write the Headmaster of each School in the matter. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

Baths

The Rector reported that the number of bathers for the past 4 weeks to be 726 and the fees amounted to £6-15-6d for the corresponding period last year the figures were 661 and £6-11-8d.

The Rector moved that Mr. Rogers place in new paper if found necessary when fixing new Boiler; and at the same time carry out the general overhauling which usually takes place in the Spring. Sec'd by Mr. Monk and carried.

Cemetery

Mr. Monk reported that the Caretaker had finished the painting of the Greenhouse & c, and had made a very good job of same.

He also reported that he had allowed Mr. Thorn to complete two inscriptions on stones.

Mr. Hammond moved that the action of the Chairman be approved. Sec'd by Mr. Jackson and carried.

Mr. Monk moved that Plan & Inscription to the late Col' Roberts, Mr. E. Roberts and Major W.L.H. Roberts be approved, and to the Grave of Frank S. Chapman plan of Kerb, Headstone & Inscription. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

Allotments

Mr. Gooding reported that the Clerk had let Allotment No. 11, Lower Shorne Hill Field to Mr. Thorogood, 12 months rent free to Michaelmas 1930

Mr. State moved that the report be adopted. Sec'd by Mr. Jackson and carried.



### Finance

Mr. Gower moved and Mr. Burke seconded and it was resolved to draw Cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Dence. John.	Work on Recreation Ground.	3.	6.
Bond. W.	Local Government Chronicles.	13.	0.
Malling R.D. Council.	Willow Walk.	86.	19. 5.
Westminster Bank.	Repayment of Loan.	50.	0. 0.
Merryweather & Son.	Helmet.	2.	5. 0.
Betts. W.C.	Repairs to Boots.	9.	9.
Moore & Co.	Oil & C.	6.	10.
Nat' Fire Brigade Ass'	Fee.	1.	10. 0.
Stedman. A.	Bandage.	2.	5.
Evenden. J.	Caretakers Wages.	11.	14. 8.
"	4. N.H.I. Stamps.	11.	0.
Relf. A.	Apprentice.	3.	12. 0.
Moore & Co.	Paint & C.	1.	13. 11.
Malling R.D. Council.	Tar-Spraying.	51.	11. 2.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	6.	1. 8.
"	4. N.H.I. Stamps.	5.	8.
Crowhurst D.	Firewood.	6.	0.
Moore & Co.	Soap.	1.	1. 0.
Dedrick. F.S.	Soap.	3.	5. 9.
Rogers. T.	Repairs.	6.	5. 9.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water.	6.	9. 9.
		<u>£237.</u>	<u>8. 0.</u>

Cheque for Wages. £20.

### Willow Walk

Mr. Monk moved that a letter be sent to the Malling R.D. Council complementing them on the efficient way that the work of repairing the Willow Walk path had been carried out and the very reasonable cost charges. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

### Bank Deposit

Mr. Gower moved that the £225 on deposit at the Westminster Bank Ltd being the sale price of part of the Recreation Ground sold to the Malling R.D. Council for housing, be placed to the Current Account; and paid to the Bank of England off the loan on Recreation Ground next Meeting of the Council Sec'd by Mr. Burke and carried.

### Fire Brigade Management Committee

Mr. Gower reported that a Management Meeting of the Fire Brigade Committee had been held which recommended the following items to be purchased and repaired:-

1 Pair Trousers. Fireman F. Smith  
" Fireman. T. Morris

Alter Tunic for Fireman L. Masters.

Repair 4 Brass Helmets & purchase new Boots for Fireman B. Cox.

Purchase 2 Tins petrol, small Switch. 1 No' 7. Firewood & Vaseline.

He further recommended the Council to insert the following in the Minutes.

" The Parish Council highly appreciate the smart appearance of Chief Officer Hinds & the men of the Fire Brigade on the occasion of the Annual Church Parade, - the very efficient way the whole thing was organized, and the orderly manner in which it was carried out, and the very satisfactory financial result obtained".

Mr. Monk moved the adoption of the report. Sec'd by Mr. Butcher and carried. The Clerk was instructed to dispose of the old books at the Fire Station & write Mid Kent Water Co. in reference to Hydrants.

#### Correspondence

1. Malling R.D. Council re:- Scavenging

2. " " " re:- Snodland Drainage.

3. " " " re:- Footpath.

4. " " " re:- Rent of Sheds.

5. Southern Railway re:- Repairs to Road.

The Clerk was instructed to write the Company again on the matter.

6/7. Westminster Bank Ltd re:- Treasurer.

Mr. Monk moved that Mr. A.B. Norman be appointed Treasurer to the Parish Council in the place of Mr. F. Edwards who has retired. Sec'd by Mr. Butcher and carried.

8. Col' Wood Mertyn re:- Lights in Lee Road.

9. Letter from Mr. D. Thomson re:- Heifer.

Mr. Gower moved that the Heifer be handed over to Mr. Thomson. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

10. Resignation from Chief Officer C. W. Hinds.

Mr. Coleman that same be accepted, and that the Clerk write a letter expressing thanks of Parish Council for his 30 years service. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried.

11. Letter from Mr. H.J. Clarke re:\_ Scavenging Streets on Sunday morning.

12. Copy of Analysis from the Mid Kent Water Co. Halling water taken from Blue Bell Hill.

#### Repairs to Institute

Mr. State moved that Mr. Draycon be asked to carry out the repairs at the Institute as soon as possible. Sec'd by the Rector and carried.

#### Diversion of Footpath to Cemetery

Several letters were read from the Holborough Cement Co. and drawings inspected.

The Rector moved that a Parish Meeting be called to recommend the Parish Council to sanction the proposed diversion as per same on condition that the said Company guarantee in writing to make a good path, 5ft wide and to keep it in repair to the satisfaction of the Parish Council. Sec'd by Mr. Parris and carried.

#### Sale of Brook Land

2 letters were read from Messrs C.T. Hook and Co. Ltd. They offer 20 yrs purchase for same £1450 and £100 beside making a total of £1550.

#### Standing Order

Mr. Butcher moved that the standing orders be suspended. Sec'd by Mr. Coleman and carried.

The Rector moved that the former resolution offering to sell for £3500 be rescinded. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried.

The Rector moved that the present offer of Messrs. C.T. Hook CO. Ltd be accepted.

Mr. Burke moved as an amendment that the sum of £2000 be asked. Sec'd by Mr. Coleman.

The amendment was carried by 6 votes to 5.

Mr. Burke moved that Messrs C.T. Hook & Co. Ltd be allowed to place the earth & c from excavation when constructing new pond on the Brook. Sec'd by Mr. Jackson and carried.

J. Fletcher  
Chairman  
12/11/29.

### Meeting of the Council

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 1929

At 7.30pm

Present J. Fletcher, (Chairman), R. Gower, (Vice-Chairman), The Rev. C de R. Wall, Butcher, Monk, State, Gooding, Paris, Hammond, Freeman, Jackson, Bishop and the Clerk Tom Hilder.

#### Minutes

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

#### Brook

Mr. Hammond reported that all the Cattle were cleared from the Brook.

#### Baths

The Rector reported that the number of Bathers for the past 5 weeks to be 707 and the fees amounted to £6-13-6d for the corresponding period last year the figures were 630 and £5-13-1d.

### Recreation Ground

Mr. Butcher moved that the Malling R.D. Council be asked to cut back the hedge in the path at the top of the Cottage. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

The Rector moved that the missing stakes in the fence be replaced and that the stakes be wired and stapled at the bottom as well as the top; and that Messrs Crowhurst Bros' be asked to do the work. Sec'd by Mr. Butcher and carried.

### Finance

Mr. Gower moved, Mr. Hammond sec'd and it was resolved to draw Cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Dence. John.	Work on Brook & Allots'.	15.	0.
Blackman. Mrs.	Gatekeeper.	4.	0. 0.
Bond. W.	Receipt Book.	1.	11. 6.
Bank of England.	Loan on Recreation Ground.	225.	0. 0.
Evenden. J.	Caretaker.	14.	13. 4.
"	5. N.H.I. Stamps.		13. 9.
Relf.A.	Apprentice.	4.	10. 0.
Sunnucks. D.C.	Caretakers Help.	2.	1. 8.
"	1. N.H.I. Stamp.		2. 9.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Cottage Rate.		6. 9.
"	Mortuary & C.		11. 7.
Crowhurst. D.	Firewood.		6. 0.
Hayman. Wm. Ltd.	Coke.		19. 3.
Wilford. J.J.	Stove Pipe.		10. 0.
Crowhurst. D.	Firewood.		6. 0.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas a/c.		3. 9.
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water rate.		13. 2.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	6.	1. 8.
"	4. N.H.I. Stamps.		5. 8.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas a/c.		10. 0.
Hayman. Wm. Ltd.	Fuel.		3. 19. 3.
		<u>£268.</u>	<u>1. 1.</u>

Cheque for Wages £30.

### Cemetery

Mr. Gower moved that the action of the Chairman in allowing the Caretaker a few days holiday be approved. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

Mr. Jackson moved that the Rovers be thanked for their service in clearing up the Cenotaph. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

Mr. Fletcher moved that the Caretaker be supplied with 1 cwt Cement. Sec'd by Mr. Hammond and carried.

Mr. Hammond moved that Mr. J. Bolton be asked to put in the 2 Spurs to the fence. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

### Grave Space

Mr. Parris moved that the Conveyance of Grave Spaces to the following be granted, Grave Space No. 1115, to Mr. J.G. Coleman. Grave Space No. 1110 to Mr. Wm.

Daniels and Plan of Headstone & Kern & extra Inscription be approved. Sec'd by Mr. Jackson and carried.

### Correspondence

1. Post Card from Southern Railway re:- Road on each side of the Level Crossing  
Mr. Gooding moved that the Clerk write again on the bad state of the road. Sec'd by the rector and carried.

2. Westminster Bank Ltd re:- Treasurers Bond.

3. Mid Kent Water Co. re:- Hydrants.

4. British General Insurance Co. re:- Lamp Post.  
The Clerk reported that the matter had been settled.

5. Medway Conservancy re:- Beacon at Abbey Mead.

6. Post Office re:- Automatic Stamp Machine.  
The Rector moved that the Clerk write and suggest it be fixed to Telephone Exchange. Sec'd by Mr. Hammons and carried.

7. Inspector of Taxes re:- Repayment of Tax.

8. Copy of analysis from Mid Kent Water Co. Halling water taken from Rochester.

9. Letter addressed to Chief Officer Hinds from Capt. Hedley Peters, Chairman, South Eastern Division, stating that the Brigade had won the Waucher ? Trophy for the largest sum raised for the W & O.? Fund for Towns and Villages under 5000 population.

10. Letter from the Holborough Cement Co. Ltd, wherein they agree to make a 5ft path to the Cemetery & keep it in repair to the satisfaction of the Council.

11. Letter from C.T. Hook & Co. Ltd offering a full seventy years purchase for the Brook Land plus £100 or to give the Council Local Loan Stock to bring in a perpetual yield of approximately £76 against present yield of £72-10-0d.

### Standing Orders, Hook & Co. Brook Land

The Rector moved that the standing orders be suspended and the former Minute rescinded. Sec'd by Mr. Freeman and carried.

The Rector moved that the Parish Council accept the offer of the Company of Local Loan Stock. Sec'd by Mr. Freeman and carried.

### Parish Meeting

Mr. Gower moved that Parish Meeting be called for Tuesday November 26<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm in the Devonshire Rooms. Sec'd by Mr. Bishop and carried.

The Clerk was instructed to have 25 window bills printed.

### Ashes on Allotments

Mr. Fletcher proposed that Mr. J. Dence be asked to spread Ashes on the path at Lower Shorne Hill Allotments. (The Clerk to procure the necessary Ashes). Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried.

#### Vote of Condolence

Mr. Gooding moved that a vote of sympathy be passed to Mr. Coleman and family in their recent bereavement. Seconded by Mr. Monk and carried.

J. Fletcher  
Chairman  
10/12/29.

### Meeting of the Council

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 1929

At 7.30pm.

Present Mr. J. Fletcher, (Chairman), R. Gower, (Vice-Chairman), Rev'd Wall, Burke, Coleman, Monk, State, Gooding, Freeman, Jackson, Bishop and the Clerk Tom Hilder.

#### Vote of Condolence

Mr. Burke moved that a vote of Condolence be passed to Mr. Parris in his recent bereavement. Sec'd by Mr. Jackson and carried.

#### Baths

The Rector reported that the number of bathers for the past 4 weeks to be 452 and the fees amounted to £4-4-5d, for the corresponding period last year the figures were 498 and £4-11-0d.

#### Finance

Mr. Gower proposed Mr. Jackson sec'd and it was resolved to draw Cheques to pay the following accounts:-

Dence. John.	Work on Allotments.	2.	6.	8.
“	1. N.H.I. Stamp.	1.	5.	
Penny. Mrs.	Preparing Room.	10.	0.	
Clerk.	¼ yrs Salary.	18.	15.	0.
Clegg. W.E.	Meetings.	1.	12.	6.
Ashby. E.	Carting Ashes.	1.	10.	0.
Draycon. H.R.	Repairs to Institute.	10.	15.	11.
Evenden. J.	Caretakers Wages.	11.	14.	8.
“	4. N.H.I. Stamps.	11.	0.	
Relf. A.	Apprentice.	3.	10.	0.
“	3. N.H.I. Stamps.	6.	4 ½	
Golesworthy. P.	Gen' & Spc' Rates.	7.	19.	6.
Hayman. Wm. Ltd.	Fuel.	19.	2.	
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Lighting.	4.	4.	0.
“	“	141.	7.	9.
Russell. G.H.	Trousers.	1.	11.	6.

Betts. W.C.	Books.	2. 10. 0.
Austin. Mrs.	Repairing Tunic.	3. 0.
Golesworthy. P.	Gen' & Spc' Rates.	5. 6. 4.
"	"	2. 3. 6.
Draycon. H.R.	Repairs.	4. 14. 9.
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	6. 1. 8.
"	4. N.H.I. Stamps.	5. 8.
Golesworthy. P.	Gen' & Spc' rates.	7. 5. 0.
Hayman. W. Ltd.	Fuel	2. 17. 9.
		<u>£239. 10. 2 ½</u>
Cheque for Wages.	£30.	

### Fire Station Cottage

Mr. Gower moved that Mr. Draycon be employed to put on Slates on back roof of Cottage. Sec'd by Mr. Freeman and carried.

### C.O. Hinds. Snodland Fire Brigade

Mr. Gower proposed that on the retirement of Chief Officer Hinds at the end of the year, he be appointed Hon' Captain to the brigade and be allowed to retain his Undress Uniform. Sec'd by the rector and carried.

### War Graves Commission

The War Graves Commission wrote making application, asking the Council to grant a free Conveyance of the 4 Graves not already purchased by relatives.

Mr. Monk moved that free Conveyances be granted. Sec'd by the Rev' Wall and carried.

### Coal

Mr. Monk moved that the Caretaker at the Cemetery have his usual present of 1 ton of Coal and that Mr. A. Cook supply same. Sec'd by Mr. Freeman and carried.

### Correspondence

1. Letter from Working Men's Club re:- Leaks in Billiard Room Roof and repairs needed to some window frames and broken glass.

Mr. Coleman moved that the wood work of the frames be repaired by the Council: the Committee of the Club being responsible for the glazing, they to be advised to secure same. Mr. Draycon to carry out the repairs. Sec'd by the Rector and carried.

2. Letter from the Malling R.D. Council re:- Hedge in recreation Ground path.

3. General Post Office re:- Automatic Stamp Machine.

4. Inspector of Taxes re:- Repayment of Taxes.

5. Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- Broken Lamp and Column at the Bull Corner.

6/7. John. S. Lee. Re:- The same.

8. Mid Kent water Co. re:- Burst Main in the Holborough Raod.

9. Medway Conservancy asking for permission to place a Beacon on the Brook, and agreeing to pay a wayleave of 5/- per annum.

Mr. Gower moved that the action of the Chairman and the Clerk in agreeing to same be endorsed. Sec'd by Mr. Monk and carried.

10. The Holborough Cement Co. Ltd. re:- Diversion of footpath to the Cemetery.

Mr. Monk moved that the Company be asked if they have approached the Malling R.D. Council and to inform them that notices would have to be fixed in the spot to notify the Public of the proposed alteration. Sec'd by Mr. Freeman and carried.

11. Letter from C.T. Hook & Co. Ltd. re:- Purchase of Brook Land.

12. Letter from Messrs Bratcher, Son & Miskin re:- The same.

Mr. Monk moved that the Clerk write to the Ministry asking for the necessary permission for the sale of the land. Sec'd by the Rev'd Wall & carried.

13. Letter from the Ditton Parish Council re:- Suggested new road from Snodland to Aylesford & Ditton.

The Rector proposed that the Council support the Ditton Council in their effort and write to the County Council thereon. Sec'd by Mr. Burke and carried.

Mr. Burke moved that the District Council be written to on the matter as well. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

14. Copy of the Analysis of the Mid Kent Water Co. Halling water taken from west Malling.

15. Messrs Merryweather & Sons Ltd re:- Repairs to 4 Helmets.

16. Notice from the Superintendent of Police re:- Change at Victory Beer House.

#### Conveyances

Mr. Monk moved that Conveyances of Grave Spaces as follows be granted to:-  
Grave Space No. 1122 to Mrs. G.E. Blackhurst

“ “ 1092 to Mr. J.H. Burke

“ “ 1118 to Miss L.A.M. Prett

“ “ 1120 to Mr. W. Robt' Roots

Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.

#### Receipts

Mr. Gower moved that receipts be issued on the Rating Authority as :-

General Expenses 50-0-0

Lighting & Watching Act 200-0-0

Burials Acts 50-0-0

£300-0-0

Sec'd by Mr. Coleman and carried.

Mr. Gooding moved that Mr. Cloke of the County Council be requested to put in new iron cover on path near Institute and his attention be called to the bad place in the path in front of the Butchers Shop opposite. Sec'd by Mr. State and carried.



Mr. Freeman moved that the Mid Kent Gas Co. be asked to fill in trenches in Church Field and Brook Street and the District Council to bad place in path in Queens Road. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried.

J. Fletcher  
Chairman  
January 14<sup>th</sup> 1930.