

STANFORD PARISH
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STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held in the Parish Room, Stanford, on Tuesday, 18th February, 1975.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. E. Cobb
Mr. E. P. Cornell
Mr. A. C. Reed

1. Minutes

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. These were unanimously accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

The Fordred's Charity was distributed by Mr. Cornell and the Clerk.

Mr. Tunnage has told the Clerk that he intends to appeal against Shepway District Council's decision not to allow him to install oil tanks at "Springbok".

Mr. Cotton, Parish Clerk, Dymchurch, had sent his account for travelling expenses. The amount being within the limit sanctioned by the Council, this was paid. Cheque No. 338827 £3.60, signed by Mrs. Allcorn and Mr. Cobb.

Replies to letters and enquiries

a) Repairs to the footpath outside "Hawden" had been commenced before the letter confirming the telephone call could have arrived.

b) The refusal of planning permission for the single house at the rear of "Barnstormers" was because the long private drive would not be constructed to conform with County Standards.

c) It had proved impossible to obtain a copy of the current issue of Charles Arnold-Baker's "Local Government Administration" for councillors to study. The Clerk had seen the copy at 1, Holmsdake Terrace. Mr. Reed offered to study this. The Council decided to purchase the book, subject to Mr. Reed's opinion as to its readability.

3. Correspondence

A number of letters were received which required no action on the Council's part.

No comments were made on the Shepway District Council Minutes.

There was to be a Weekend School on "The Public Paths Partnership" at the University of Kent at Canterbury from 4-6 April. Mr. and Mrs. Jameson were applying for places.

Social Car Schemes - Stowting and Romney Marsh. The County Surveyor had invited representatives to attend a meeting at the Civic Centre on Thursday, 20th February; Mr. Reed and the Clerk had accepted.

4. Planning Applications

One planning application had been received. It was for the

continuing use of a caravan at Ivy Cottage, Stone Street; because of the time limit this had already been dealt with.

5. Village Appraisal

Councillor Reed reported that a Village Appraisal seemed a very worthwhile project but one which the Council could not manage to conduct unaided. It was decided that organizations in the village be approached for help and that Councillor Reed seek help from colleagues in preparing a suitable questionnaire.

6. Flooding of the East Stour

Following enquiries made on behalf of Stanford residents who had suffered serious inconvenience and damage to their homes, the Department of Technical and Planning Services, Shepway District Council, had reported that the stream was private property, and as such it was the responsibility of the riparian owners. It recommended that as a matter of URGENCY that approaches be made to the various owners with a view to clearing this length of stream as soon as possible and to ensure that it is maintained in a satisfactory manner. The Clerk was instructed to send a photo copy of this letter to each riparian owner.

7. KAFC Circular 79

No action was taken on any part of this circular which included the "Tidy Village" and "Trees in the Village" competitions.

8. Home and Water Safety Committees

Mr. Lukehurst reported that Shepway District Council would provide and erect notice boards for the display of posters relating to safety measures in the home and on water. The Clerk was asked to write to the Secretary of the Parish Room Committee to enquire if permission would be granted for such a board to be erected in the grounds of the Parish Room.

Home Safety - A film illustrating the effects of over-loading electrical circuits had been shown. The possibility of having a Home Safety Week was being investigated.

Water Safety - The Committee were working on the problem of water skiers becoming involved with bathers and on the confusion caused by the use of different names for the various parts of Folkestone Harbour.

Mr. Lukehurst regretted that he would be unable to attend the next meeting of each of these committees and hoped that a deputy would be found.

9. Finance

It being ascertained that this would be the last meeting of the Financial Year cheques were made out for the cost of hiring the Parish Room for Council meetings (7 meetings at 75p - £5.25, cheque no. 338829) and for the Clerk's salary (£25) re-imbursment of the purchase of postage stamps (£1.68) and telephone calls (17 at 5p - £5p), a total of £27.53, cheque no. 338828, both signed by Mr. Holt and Mr. Reed.

Additional Item - Complaints have been made about the despoilation of Gibbins' Brook. The Clerk was instructed to

write to Folkestone Racecourse Company who own the area as Lords of the Manor.

10. and 11. Date of the Annual Parish Meeting and next

Parish Council Meeting

It was decided to hold the next meeting of the Parish Council at 7.30p.m. on Tuesday, 22nd April, 1975, and to follow it with the Annual Parish Meeting at 8.30pm.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.58p.m.

J. Jameson

..... Clerk.

Clifford G. Holt

..... Chairman.

22 April 1975

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 22nd April, 1975, in the Parish Room.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. E. Cobb
Mr. E. P. Cornell
Mr. A. C. Reed

Apologies of absence were received from Mrs. P. M. Allcorn who was indisposed. Mr. Reed had apologised in advance for unavoidable lateness.

1. Minutes

The chairman then opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. These were unanimously accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Mr. Reed had recommended that the Council purchase Charles Arnold-Baker's book "Local Government Administration". This had been ordered through the K.A.L.C. at the pre-publication price of £7 (Cheque No. 338831 signed by Mrs. Allcorn and Mr. Reed).

b) Mr. and Mrs. Jameson were not successful in obtaining places at the Week-end School on "The Public Paths Partnership".

c) Mr. Reed and the Clerk attended the meeting at the Civic Centre arranged by the County Surveyor to discuss the possible extension of the local Social Car Scheme run by Mr. Lukehurst and the provision of one covering Romney Marsh. It was interesting to hear the different views held and to learn how much our local service was used. It appeared that Lydd had already made some efforts to start a scheme of their own. Stowting seemed content to wait upon events and not participate in the Stanford Service.

d) Village Appraisal. No enquiries had been received.

e) Flooding of the East Stour. A copy of the letter from Shepway District Council together with an explanatory note had been sent to all riparian owners. Mr. D. G. Holt had replied that he would clear the stream as soon as possible. He expressed the opinion that the cause of the flooding was largely due to the small size of the culvert under the railway.

f) The Secretary of the Parish Room Committee had replied that the Committee would like to know more about the notice board that the Shepway District Council would supply to display notices concerning Home and Water Safety. Mr. Lukehurst was asked to deal with this matter.

3. Gibbins Brook

A reply had been received from the company which manages Folkestone Racecourse, enclosing a copy of a letter it had received from A. J. R. Birch Ltd. It was suggested that a meeting be held on site between a representative of the Company, Mr. Birch and members of the Parish Council. The Clerk was instructed to acknowledge the letter. Further action would be decided when the feeling of the Parish Meeting had been ascertained.

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4. Correspondence

a) Lympne C. of E. Primary School - Managing Body

A letter from the Divisional Education Officer asking the Council to co-operate with Lympne P. C. on the appointment of two managers. As this information was required by March 20th, action had already been taken. The retiring manager, Mrs. L. Spicer, was asked if she would be willing to serve for a further period of two years. This she agreed to do.

b) Road Safety - The Clerk was instructed to inform the Divisional Road Safety Officer that the Council was willing to display posters in the Parish Room.

c) Invitations to a Civic Service for Parish and Town Councillors on Sunday, 4th May, at Hythe, had been received.

Several letters giving information and requiring no action had been received.

A letter of condolence had been sent to Councillor E. P. Cornell.

A letter had been sent to Shepway District Council following a complaint by Mr. Johnson, of Swiss Cottage, that sewage was flooding over his garden following the heavy rain (March 20th). A reply had been received from the Controller of Technical and Planning Services, stating that the pumps had been unable to cope with the exceptional increase in flow due to surcharging with storm water. All areas of flooding were being investigated to determine causes and any possible economic remedies.

5. Planning Applications

The Council had no objection to an application by Mr. D. B. Davies for the erection of an extension at the rear of Gwyn Cottage, Westenhanger.

6. Finance

Information had been received that supplementary precepts would be met by way of a loan subject to interest.

On the 31st March, 1975, the Council's Current Account showed a credit balance of £20.02.

7. Date of next meeting

The next meeting of the Council was arranged for Tuesday, 27th May, 1975, in the Parish Room. This would be followed by the Annual Meeting of the Council.

D. Jameson

..... Clerk

Clifford G. Holt

..... Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 27th May, 1975 in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. E. Cobb
Mr. E. P. Cornell
Mr. A. C. Reed

1. Minutes

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. These were unanimously accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

The Clerk reported that Charles Arnold-Baker's book, "Local Government Administration" had been received and was in the process of being examined by each councillor.

The Divisional Road Safety Officer would send small posters for display when they were ready.

A letter had been sent to the Town Clerk of Hythe regretting that no-one was able to attend the Civic Service on 4th May.

3. Correspondence

a) From the Chief Executive Officer, Shepway, with a copy of a letter from the County Education Officer about i) Dual Provision and Joint Use Schemes and ii) The Greater London and South East Sports Council's "Sport for All" Campaign in 1975; this gave a place on the Draft Provisional List 1975/76 to a new school at Lympne. Because of the time limit this had been acknowledged.

b) A questionnaire from the Recreation and Amenities Officer, Shepway, relating to facilities in the parish was completed at the meeting.

c) The Secretary and Solicitor, Shepway, asked for names of people willing to staff polling stations for the Common Market Referendum. Mr. Lukehurst had been approached and had expressed his willingness to serve.

d) Folkestone & District Water Company had invited representatives to attend a meeting at their offices on 22nd May in order to explain the large increase in the Water Rate. A memorandum was given out and is filed. Briefly, everything - wages, salaries, insurance, fuel, telephones, postage - had gone up in cost and there had been a £20,000 deficiency last year.

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e) A copy of the draft register of electors in street order had been received. It was ascertained at the meeting that certain property not listed was unoccupied. Only one house appeared to be out of street order.

f) The Publicity Manager, Shepway, had sent information about Hire of Halls and Hythe Swimming Pool, and a new list of Associations and Societies in the area.

g) A letter from the Secretary of Shepway Footpath Preservation Society stating that it hoped to clear and mark footpaths in the area. It wanted to know the local landowners and hoped for the Council's approval for its work. After discussion it was decided that the Chairman and Clerk compose a reply.

Mrs. Garrod had informed the Clerk that a number of people at Brook Lane Cottages had received two polling cards. After telephoning the appropriate department at the Civic Centre, the Clerk was able to tell Mr. Garrod that voters could use whichever polling station was the more convenient to them but, of course, it was illegal, and punishable by imprisonment to vote twice. The error appeared to be partly due to the fact that the postal address of Brook Lane Cottages is Sellindge. Householders should be careful to state the name of their parish when the "electoral roll" form is returned in October.

4. Planning Applications

SH/75/350 Conversion of existing stables and barn for a Christian Retreat Centre, Gibbins Brook Farm. All councillors had been asked about this; none had any objection.

SH/75/406 Internal alterations and installation of new windows, Tollgate Cottage, Stone Street.

SH/75/477 Erection of sun lounge, The Pine, Stone Street.

There were no objections to either of these applications

5. Gibbins Brook

Following the Meetings on 22nd April, the Clerk had consulted the legal department of Shepway and had seen the Assistant Solicitor on 28th April. His written opinions, received on the 23rd May, were read. It was decided that a photo-copy of this letter be sent to the Folkestone Racecourse Company, together with a request that a site meeting be arranged as had been previously suggested. The Chairman agreed to represent the Council.

6. The Home and Water Safety Committees

Mr. Lukehurst reported little activity on the Home Safety Committee. The Water Safety Committee, however, have completed

arrangements for an ambitious demonstration on Sunday, 13th July, at 2 p.m., including the Dover Lifeboat, a helicopter and the Kent Police under-water team. This demonstration will be repeated two weeks later at Dymchurch, using the Dungeness Lifeboat.

The possibility of a film show on safety matters was mooted.

Other Business

a) Rumour has it that the Sunday Market is to be held again at the Racecourse. The Clerk was instructed to ascertain the truth of this statement and find out how long it could be continued without making a planning application.

b) Street Lighting. After some discussion it was remembered that the Council had not received a satisfactory reply to its last request for improvement in the street lighting. Now it is known that the District Council is responsible the Clerk was instructed to re-open the matter.

Date of next meeting

This was arranged provisionally for 15th July, with the possibility of postponement until 16th September.

The Chairmen closed the meeting at 9.40p.m.

D. Jameson Clerk

Clifford G. Holt Chairman
16 Sept. 1975.

1975

The Annual Meeting of Stamford Parish Council

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Tuesday, 27th May, 1975, in the Parish Room, Stamford.

The minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on 28th May, 1974, were read and confirmed.

There were no matters arising.

After stating that the next item on the agenda was the election of the Chairman for the year 1975/76, the current Chairman, Mr C. G. Holt, vacated the Chair. Mrs Allcorn took the Chair and asked for nominations for the office of Chairman. Councillor E. P. Cornwell stated his appreciation of the retiring Chairman's efficiency during the past year and proposed that he, Mr C. G. Holt, be re-elected Chairman; this was seconded by Councillor A. B. Reed and carried unanimously.

On resuming the Chair, Mr C. G. Holt expressed his gratification at the Council's confidence in him and thanked all members for their support during the past year.

After some discussion it was proposed by Mr Reed and seconded by Mrs Allcorn that membership of the Kent Association of Local Councils be continued; this was carried unanimously. The subscription is £5.63 again this year; a cheque No. 338832, signed by Mr Holt and Mr Bobb was made out for £5.95 - the difference being payment for notices ordered by the Clerk.

It was proposed by Mr Cornwell and seconded by Mr Bobb that a cheque (No 338833) for £3 be drawn in favour of the Cornhill Insurance Company.

This concluded the business of the Annual Meeting.

Clifford G. Holt 18 May 1976

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 16th September, 1975, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. E. Cobb
Mr. E. P. Cornell
Mr. A. C. Reed

1. Minutes

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. These were unanimously accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Shepway Footpaths Preservation Society. The letter of 28th April acknowledged, including an offer by the Chairman to talk to a collective meeting. A reply received hoping to take advantage of the Chairman's offer and asking for the Council's decision as to which footpaths it considered should be maintained. No resolution was passed; it being felt, after some discussion, that the choice of footpaths should be left to the Society.

b) Sunday Market. The Controller of Technical and Planning Services had replied that a planning application had been received and the Council would receive this in the usual manner.

c) Street Lighting. The Controller of Technical and Planning Services had replied that no money was available to improve street lighting. The District Council had been forbidden to touch street lighting equipment mounted on Seeboard poles.

d) Increased water rate. The Treasurer of Shepway District Council had replied that the District Council had not considered the increased water rate. The Folkestone and District Water Company was a statutory company, responsible for fixing their charges to meet their costs and in no way under the control of the District Council.

3. Correspondence

a) KALC Circular 81 - No comments were made on this. The included questionnaire on planning applications had been completed and returned, a returning date having been stipulated.

b) Shepway District Council Minutes - No comments.

c) M20 Motorway - The clerk had been requested to ask the

District Council for information about the commencement of work on this project. The Controller of Technical and Planning Services had replied that he believed the S. E. R. Construction Unit hoped to go to Tender late 1976 or early 1977 (more likely to be the latter) and that, in his view, it was unlikely that the constructional programme would be known until a tender was accepted.

d) The Returning Officer had asked for the total number of councillors of which the present Council was constituted.

e) The Treasurer, Shepway District Council, had requested information about Capital Expenditure for the period 1976/77 to 1980/81. After consulting the Chairman (information requested by 12th September) the Clerk had replied that none was envisaged in the immediate future but the Council did not wish to be definitely committed so far ahead.

4. Gibbins' Brook

The meeting between the Chairmen of the Council, Mr. Clifton, of Folkestone Racecourse Co. and Messrs A. J. R. Birch Ltd. had been arranged for 11th July. The Chairmen reported that it was generally an amicable meeting, Mr. Birch undertaking that there would be no more tipping except adjacent to the road to maintain a hard shoulder. It was agreed that the dumped cars should be removed. With regard to the fenced portion of land, there was opposition to the removal of the fence but a reluctant statement by Mr. Birch "to see about it sometime."

The Folkestone Racecourse Co. have erected a notice at the entrance to Gibbins' Brook stating that anyone tipping will be prosecuted.

The Clerk was instructed to write to the Folkestone Racecourse Co. asking for a written account of the meeting and for clarification on the matter of the fenced-off portion of land. Appreciation for the erection of the notice board was to be expressed. A letter was to be sent to the Countryside Officer requesting his help in the removal of the derelict cars.

Mr. Reed, on behalf of the members of the Council, thanked the Chairmen for his work on the matter of Gibbins' Brook.

The attention of the Council was drawn to the fact that a heavy lorry seemed to be making regular use of Brook Lane at weekends. It was decided that no action be taken yet but that note should be taken regarding a possible "change of use."

5. Planning Applications

Since the last Council meeting three applications had been

dealt with. They were:-

SH/75/519 Use of land for the holding of a Sunday Market, Members' enclosure car park, Folkestone Racecourse. The Council had objections to this on the grounds of a) unjustifiable intrusion of commercial interest into a rural area - particularly on a Sunday which is still most people's one day of rest and B) very considerable increase of fast-moving traffic on a road without a footway for most of its length, making walking hazardous.

SH/75/603 Siting of portakabin for use as an office/shop, Folkestone Racecourse Caravan Site. No objection.

SH/75/785 Erection of two storey extension to Manor Cottage, Stone Street, Stanford. No objection.

6. Home and Water Safety Committees

Mr. Lukehurst reported that several meetings of these committees had been held since the last Council meeting and that at the AGM of the Home Safety Committee he had been re-elected Vice-chairman. The two Sea Safety Days had been very successful; thanks had been expressed by the District Council, together with a request for a similar event in the future. With the advent of winter interest was being stepped up on Home Safety matters. Mr. Vale, the Safety Officer, had spoken to 3,000 schoolchildren, and competitions for them were being held; shields being awarded to winning schools. The film show was to be arranged for early in 1976, preferably a Thursday evening in February.

7. Finance

The Clerk reported that the Precept of £120 had been received and that the VAT paid on the Nigel Cohen seat (£2.62) had been claimed and received. The Annual Audit had been satisfactorily concluded, although the fee this year was greatly increased, £10 plus VAT, as against £1 in 1974. The Auditor had requested that the Council be asked to consider a "fidelity guarantee" and its decision be recorded in the minutes.

As no money is being handled by the Clerk, who is the only employee, and as a fidelity guarantee is compulsory as soon as money transactions are made it was proposed by Mr. Reed, seconded by Mrs. Allcorn and carried unanimously that no action be taken, at this time, regarding a fidelity guarantee.

The usual yearly contribution towards the cost of the upkeep of the churchyard was discussed. It was proposed by Mrs. Allcorn

that in view of inflation this year £30 be paid to Stanford Parochial Church Council towards the cost of the upkeep of the churchyard; this was seconded by Mr. Cobb and carried unanimously. (Cheque No. 338835, signed by Mr. Holt and Mrs. Allcorn.)

B. Date of next meeting

It was decided that the next Council meeting be held at 7.30p.m. on Tuesday, 16th December, 1975.

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.20p.m.

D. Jameson
..... Clerk

Clifford J. Holt 16 Dec 1975
..... Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held in the Parish Room, Stanford, on Tuesday, 16th December, 1975.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. E. P. Cornell

Apologies of absence were received from Councillors Cobb and Reed.

1. Minutes

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. These were unanimously accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

None.

3. Correspondence

a) Shepway District Council Minutes. It was noted that the planning application for a Sunday Market at Folkestone Racecourse had been refused.

b) KALC Circular £2. The proposed subscription rate was noted. No further comments were made.

c) The Chairman had received a letter from Mrs. D. Dougal seeking the Council's support against the closing of the Sunday Market. The Clerk was asked to reply, stating that the matter was now beyond the Parish Council's province.

d) The Council had been asked to participate in a scheme whereby pre-paid postcards were supplied to enable faults in street- and street sign- lighting to be reported and remedied quickly. Because of a time limit this matter had been dealt with and the scheme appeared to be working well.

e) The M20 Motorway. Maps and information about this project had been received. After general discussion and study of maps no resolution was made.

Other items received needed no action.

4. Gibbins Brook.

In reply to the Clerk's letter the Clerk of Folkestone Racecourse Company had replied that no minutes of the meeting on 14th July, 1975, had been kept. With regard to the fenced-off

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portion of land, Mr. Birch had said that this had been done to protect his grazing rights as the "the Brook" was not entirely enclosed. After close study of the available documents it was felt that this was reasonable and that the only people who really had cause for complaint were the other holders of "rights of common."

With regard to the abandoned cars, the Clerk had followed advice given by the Countryside Officer and the cars had now been removed.

5. Planning Applications

Two applications had been received since the last Council Meeting. Because of the time limit set both had been dealt with; the Council had no objection to either.

They were:-

SH/75/968 Outline application for the demolition of existing bungalow and erection of three detached dwellings with garages at The Bungalow, Stanford.

SH/75/1109 Erection of porch at "Hillview", Stone Street.

6. Rail Closure - possible Sunday closing, April, 1976.

Information on this matter being nebulous, the Clerk was instructed to write to the District Council asking to be informed of any concrete proposals on the matter and wishing to be associated with any protest against the closing of Westenhanger and Folkestone West stations and the line between Ashford and Canterbury West.

7. Home and Water Safety Committees

Mr. Lukehurst reported that the total amount spent on these committees for the year was £4,790. Fifty lectures had been given and eleven were already booked for 1976, including one on Home Safety, in the Parish Room, Stanford, on Thursday, 19th February. At a combined meeting of the various area Safety Committees of Shepway District Mr. Lukehurst had taken the chair.

The Chairman requested that an interestingly worded notice be inserted in the Parish Magazine and that all local organizations be informed of the showing of the Home Safety film.

Additional Item of Interest - Mr. Lukehurst reported that in the first ten months of the year the Social Car Service had covered 1,400 miles and had eight regular users.

8. Finance

After general discussion of the Council's financial status, was proposed by Mrs Allcorn and seconded by Mr. Cornell that

enquiry be made about the repair or replacement of the notice board outside the Parish Room.

Although not formally proposed it was decided that the Precept for 1976/77 again be for £120.

9. Date of next meeting

It was decided that the next meeting of the Council be held on Tuesday, 24th February, 1976, at 7.30p.m.

The Council then adjourned to discuss Item 10 on the Agenda, the distribution of Fordred's Charity.

D. James

..... Clerk

Clifford G. Holt

..... Chairman

24th Feb. 1976.

FORDRED'S CHARITY 1975

After some discussion the Council decided that the money received from Fordred's Charity (£15) be equally divided between the following parishioners:-

Mrs. Bailey
Tudor Cottage

Mrs. F. Herrington
Yewtree Cottage

Mrs. A. Fifield
Tendresse

Mrs. B. Lewis
Railway Cottages

Mr. E. P. Cornell
Old Mill Cottage

Mrs. Goord
7 Kennett Lane Cottages

Mr. J. Mewett
4 Brook Lane Cottages

Mr. Fagg
1 Railway Cottages

Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds
Hawden

Mrs. A. Scott
Twyford

D. James

..... Clerk

Clifford G. Holt

..... Chairman

Edwin P. Cornell

In Accord,

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 24th February, 1976, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. E. P. Cornell
Mr. A. C. Reed

1. Minutes

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. These were accepted as being a true record.

2. Matters arising

The Clerk had received a telephone call from Shepway District Council acknowledging receipt of letter about rail closure.

The Home Safety film was now to be shown on 3rd March. The hire of the Parish Room for this would be £1.

3. Correspondence

a) Shepway Minutes

It was noted that the planning application relating to The Bungalow had been passed and that provision for off-street parking and turning had been specified.

The Sunday Market closure order remained in force.

Rail Closure. The Works Committee had reported on the proposed closures in the District. It seemed to the Council that the District Council was not making any real objection to the closing of Westenhanger Station on Sundays and the Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. Costain, the local M.P., and to British Rail, with a copy to Shepway District Council, stressing the Council's protest against the closure. It was also decided to write to Mr. Margery, the District Councillor, expressing disappointment that he had not opposed the closure and fear that closure on Sunday would be only "the edge of the wedge" leading to ultimate complete closure of the station.

b) KALC Circular. No comments were made.

c) From Lyminge and District Labour Party - which is trying to ensure that its policy for the villages in the area truly reflects their needs and asking the Council to state what it considered its current requirements to be. This had been formally acknowledged on receipt and it was decided that no further action was necessary.

d) The District Treasurer had written that for 1976/77 the requirements of the various local Councils would be levied directly on the area concerned; that the estimated product of a 1p rate for Stanford was £448 and asking for the Council's requirements to be stated not later than 20th January. As the matter had been discussed at the meeting on 17th December the Clerk had replied that the amount required was again £120.

e) The Home and Water Safety Officer had asked for information about actual and potential water hazards in the parish.

f) The Registration Officer had written that the new copy of the Register of Electors was on display in the Church porch and asking whether the Council thought it advantageous to have another copy displayed elsewhere. A copy had been included for the Clerk's use. The Council decided that a copy for the Parish Room would be useful.

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4. Planning Applications

Two applications had been received since the last Council Meeting. Because of the time limit set both had been dealt with. The Council had no objection to either.

They were:-

SH/75/1151 Temporary permission to keep boat in back yard at the Royal Oak Public House, Newingreen.

SH/75/1147 Conversion of existing garages into bedrooms and resiting of fuel oil tanks, at the same address.

5. Kent Structure Plan

There was considerable discussion of this matter. It was decided to obtain 150 copies of the leaflet, No. 6c, S.E. Kent, for distribution with the Parish Magazine, the same to be returned to councillors and posted en masse.

6. Home and Water Safety Committees

Mr. Lukehurst reported that plans were going ahead for the Water Safety Day in the summer and confirmed arrangements for Mr. Vale's visit to Stanford on 3rd March.

7. Finance

With regard to the repair of the notice board, the Clerk was instructed to get details of the materials required, find out their cost and, if not prohibitive, to approach the Parish Room Committee for permission to carry out the repair.

8. Date of next meeting

After some discussion, bearing in mind that the last day for nominations for candidates for the Local Government Elections in May was 8th April, it was decided to hold the next Parish Council Meeting on Tuesday, 30th March, at 7.30p.m., to be followed at 8.30p.m. by the Annual Parish Meeting.

It was also arranged that the first Meeting of the Parish Council after the May election would be 18th May, 1976.

D. Jameson

..... Clerk

Clifford G. Holt

..... Chairman

30 March 1976.

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 30th March, 1976, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. E. Cobb
Mr. E. P. Cornell
Mr. A. C. Reed

1. Minutes

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. These were accepted as being a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) A copy of the Register of Electors was now on the notice board in the Parish Room.

b) Kent Structure Plan - On examining Leaflet No. 6c more closely it was found that it must be returned by 28th February, leaving insufficient time for it to be obtained, completed and returned.

c) The Home Safety Film had illustrated the dangers which could arise in the home very dramatically, even hair raisingly.

d) Notice Board - The Clerk reported no progress in this matter. The names and addresses of two people who might be able to help had been put forward.

3. Correspondence

a) From the Countryside Officer, advertising a meeting at 2.30p.m. on 24th April, in the Chichester Hall, Sandgate, at which it was hoped to form a South-East Kent Conservation Corps.

b) Various notices about the forthcoming elections, including one which requested the appointment of a Proper Officer to receive result of the election. It was proposed by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mrs. Allcorn that the Parish Clerk, Mrs. D. Jameson be appointed the Proper Officer. This was carried unanimously.

c) From Shepway District Council about proposals affecting the Royal Victoria Hospital, Folkestone, following the opening of the William Harvey Hospital, Ashford.

There was some discussion on this subject but it was felt that until councillors had actually read the report and submission for themselves - the documents had been received only that day - no action could be taken. An offer to have the documents copied was accepted and the Clerk undertook to deliver them.

4. Planning Applications

There had been one application since the last meeting, because of the time limit it had been dealt with.

SH/76/161 Outline application for the demolition of existing bungalow and erection of four detached dwellings at The Bungalow, Stone Street.

An objection to this particular lay-out of four dwellings was made on aesthetic grounds.

5. Rail Closure.

Replies had been received to all letters sent. Mr. Margary

had replied that he had been unable to attend the Works Committee Meeting because of illness. Both Mr. Costain and Mr. Margary had protested against the closure.

The District Council had amended the Works Committee's resolution to read "That this Council supports the Kent County Council's counter proposals, but that, in addition, representations be made against the proposed Sunday closure of Westenhanger station."

6. Finance

The Clerk reported that when all end of year expenses had been met there would be a credit balance of £51.85. Cheques were made out as follows:-

1) To the Parish Room Committee for the hire of the Room for six Council Meetings and the showing of the Home Safety Film Cheque No. 338837 for £5.50, signed by Mr. Holt and Mrs. Allcorn;

2) To Mrs. D. Jameson for salary as Clerk (£30) and reimbursement for stationery, etc., Cheque No. 338838, signed by Mr. Holt and Mrs. Allcorn.

7. Home and Water Safety Committees

Mr. Lukehurst reported that he was one of the judges in a competition for primary school children now drawing to a close, in which, according to age, a picture was coloured or an essay written. Nineteen schools had submitted entries.

On the Water Safety side, following representations made by the Committee, British Rail were to strengthen the jetty at Folkestone Harbour.

The Sea Safety Day was to be Sunday, 1st August; the main programme commencing at 2.30p.m.

The date of the next meeting having already been arranged, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.25p.m.

D. Jameson
..... Clerk

Clifford G. Holt
..... Chairman

18 May 1976

The Annual Meeting of Stamford Parish Council

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Tuesday, 18th May, 1976, in the Parish Room, Stamford.

The Chairman of the retired Council, Mr G. J. Holt, opened the meeting by welcoming the new members to the Council.

It was immediately suggested, and agreed, that letters of appreciation for their service be sent to the retiring members of the Council.

All members then made their Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

The next item being the election of Chairman, Mr Holt vacated the chair, which was then taken by Mrs Allcorn who called for nominations for the office of Chairman. It was proposed by Mr Lukehurst that Mr Holt be elected Chairman of the Council, this was seconded by Mr Reed and carried unanimously.

On resuming the chair Mr Holt thanked councillors for their continued confidence in him.

The Minutes of the last Annual Meeting were read and confirmed.

There were no matters arising.

Kent Association of Local Councils. Notice was drawn to the increase in subscription rate. It was proposed by Mr Lukehurst and seconded by Mrs Allcorn that membership be renewed. This was carried unanimously. (Cheque No. 338839 for a total of £8.55, the additional 15p over the subscription being for Audit forms, signed by Mr Holt and Mrs Allcorn).

Mr Lukehurst and Mr. Russell agreed to act as the Council's representatives on both the Area Committee of the KALC and the County Association.

It was proposed by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mrs Allcorn that Mr. Lukehurst continue as the Council's representative on the Home and Water Safety Committees. This was carried unanimously.

Finance

It was proposed by Mrs Allcorn, and seconded by Mr. Reed that the Bornhill Insurance Policy be re-newed. This was agreed. (Cheque No. 338840 for £3.00, signed by Mr. Holt and Mrs. Allcorn).

Arrangements were made for the change of signatories at the Hyde branch of the National Westminster Bank.

Formal request for the Precept of £120 (agreed in December) was signed.

Authorization was given for the Clerk to remove the Stock Certificate from the bank for the Annual Audit.

The Clerk asked for an alteration in the charge made for telephone calls; she felt that the flat rate of 5p a call was too much if calls were made in the evening or at weekends but not enough if made during normal business hours. The Council agreed that there should be a change but it was decided to leave the matter until the next Council meeting, when a report on the times at which calls were made could be given.

This concluded the business of the Annual Meeting.

Clifford G. Holt

3. May 1977

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 18th May, 1976, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. A. C. Reed
Mr. C. G. Rousell

1. Minutes

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. These were accepted as being a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Royal Victoria Hospital, Folkestone.

A letter had been sent to the District Administrator supporting the submission put forward by the District Council and emphasising the comparative ease with which this hospital could be reached by public transport from Stanford.

b) Notice board

The Clerk reported that Mr. Henry Cobb was prepared to make and fix a notice board for the cost of the materials alone - approx. £5. This offer was gladly accepted, subject to permission to do the work being given by the Parish Room Committee.

c) S.E. Kent Conservation Corps

The Clerk attended the meeting at the Chichester Hall, Sandgate, on 24th April, at which it was decided to form a local conservation corps. It was hoped to commence small projects soon, pond clearing being one mentioned.

3. Matters arising from the Annual Parish Meeting

a) Various complaints to the Highways Surveyor

Having had no reply to her letter of 2nd April, the Clerk had telephoned to discover what progress had been made. She was assured that these matters were in hand. The litter bin promised for Newingreen had been provided.

b) Street Lighting

After some discussion the Clerk was asked to write to Shepway District Council asking if, with a new financial year starting, funds were now available to improve the street lighting in Stanford.

It was decided not to take any action at present about the emptying of dustbins as the situation seemed to have improved.

The owner of the land adjacent to the area of Kennett Lane where an old tip had been exposed had offered to cover this in again.

4. Correspondence

a) A letter had been sent to the County Planning Officer about the Kent Structure Plan.

b) The R.I.B.A. had sent information about H.G.V. Routes,

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about which it felt that some authorities were not properly informed. The B 2068 (Stone Street) road being one so designated, the Clerk was asked to write to the appropriate authority for further information.

5. Planning Applications

Two applications had been received since the last meeting. They were:-

SH/76/332 Established Use Certificate for use of two buildings as light/heavy machine engineering sheds and two buildings for storage, Gibbons Brook.

SH/76/342, 343 and 358 Details of two detached houses and outline application for one on the three plots at The Bungalow, Stone Street.

No objections had been made.

6. Home and Water Safety Committees

Mr. Lukehurst reported briefly on the Home Safety Committee; the judging of the children's competitions was now in its final stages.

The Water Safety Committee had found that since notices had been posted on the lifebuoys pointing out that they were useless without a rope, the ropes had ceased to disappear.

A list of inland water hazards was being compiled.

7. Any Other Business

a) It was reported that concern was felt about the number of children having to wait at the junction of Kennett Lane with Stone Street for school transport. Visibility is poor near this junction and it is feared that an accident may occur. The Clerk was asked to write to the Divisional Education Officer.

b) The re-opening of the Sunday Market on Folkestone Racecourse was discussed. The Clerk was asked to ascertain what the situation now was with regard to planning permission.

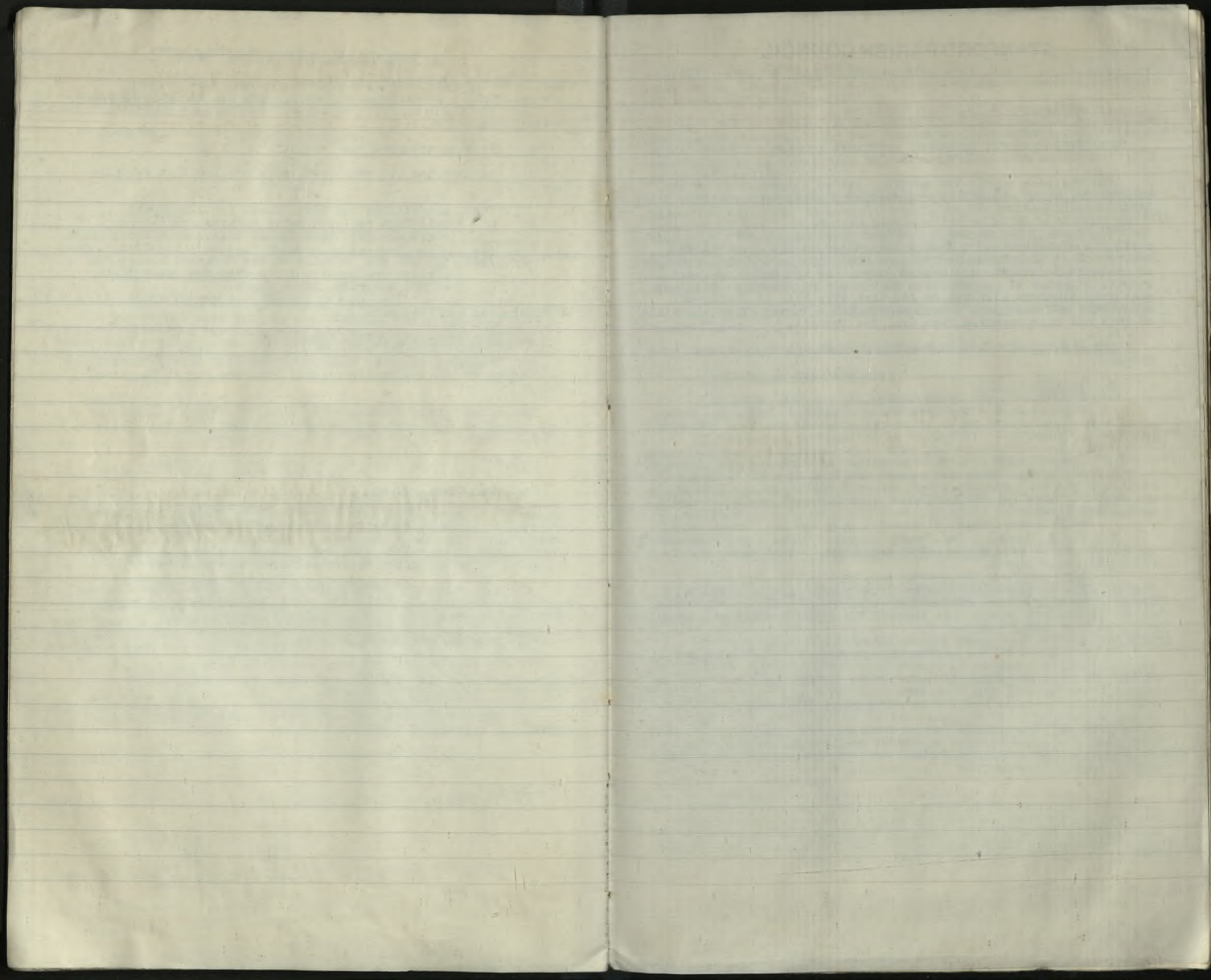
8. Date of next meeting

It was agreed that the next meeting be held on Tuesday, 6th July, at 7.30p.m. and the following one on Tuesday, 28th September, at the same time.

The Chairman thanked councillors for their attendance and closed the meeting at 9.58p.m.

D. James
..... Clerk

Clifford G. Holt
..... Chairman



STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 30th June, 1976, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. H. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. A. C. Reed
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the meeting with an appreciation of the work of Mr. E. P. Cornell, whose death had occurred soon after the last Council Meeting.

Mr. Cornell had served the Parish continuously from May, 1949, until his retirement as a Parish Councillor at the recent Local Government Elections; for most of this time in the dual capacity of District Councillor and Parish Clerk. It was known that the Council's letter of appreciation to him for his services had been read with pleasure although he was then very ill. A letter of condolence had been sent to his family and a letter of appreciation of this had been received from Mrs. Eva Cornell.

The Minutes of the last meeting were accepted as being a true record.

2. Matters arising

- a) Notice board - The Parish Room Committee had given permission for the notice board to be replaced and Mr. Cobb had been notified of this.
- b) Street lighting - The Controller of Technical and Planning Services had replied that there was a small amount of finance available for the improvement of street lighting in rural areas, he had included some for Stanford and hoped the work would be completed before the winter.
- c) H.G.V. Routes - The County Planning Officer had acknowledged the Council's letter, which had been passed to the County surveyor who would reply direct.
- d) The Divisional Education Officer had replied that the Council's concern about children waiting for school transport was noted; it was not possible to improve the situation but the position would be kept under review.

At this point of the meeting the matter of the possibility of Stanford children having to remove to a "middle" school at Sellindge at the age of nine years and again to Ashford at thirteen years was raised. The Council was concerned about this and it was decided to hold a Public Meeting about this on Tuesday, 20th July, at 7.30p.m. in the Parish Room and to give written notice of this to all households with children likely to be concerned. As the Chairman would be absent on this date, Mr. Lukehurst volunteered to take the Chair. It was hoped that a representative from the Divisional Education Office would be present.

e) Sunday Market, Folkestone Racecourse - The Controller of Technical and Planning Services had replied that the Market Operators had lodged an appeal against the District Council's Enforcement Order. This was to be dealt with by a public inquiry the date of which was not yet fixed; in the meantime the District Council was unable to take any further action.

3. Correspondence

- a) KAPC - Item 10 in the Minutes of the meeting held on

the 8th April, "Village Hall Grants" was commented on. It was agreed that County Circular No. 83 be referred to and brought to the notice of the Parish Room Committee.

b) The Secretary of the Parish Room Committee had written that from 1st September, 1976, the rent of the Parish Room for meetings would be £1 per meeting including lighting, but from that date heating would be controlled by meter. The Council considered this to be reasonable.

c) Mrs. Soubry, Secretary/Organizer of the local Age Concern Committee asked for co-operation with regard to supplying information about the lack of, the need for and efforts to maintain public transport. As Organizer of the Social Car Service, Mr. Lukehurst undertook to answer this request. Mention would be made of the Council's efforts to keep Westenhanger Station open on Sundays and to keep facilities at the Royal Victoria Hospital, Folkestone, because of its ease of availability by train.

d) The "Kent Cares" Conference was brought to the notice of councillors.

Other items received needed no discussion or action.

4. Planning Applications

SH/76/587 Renewal of permission to station caravan at Hope Farm, Gibbins Brook. No objection was made to this.

Following a headline in the "Gazette" "Whitehall wants 35 acres in Stanford" inquiry had been made and assurance sought that though this land, wanted for a service area on the M20, was not in Stanford parish, the Council would be fully informed of developments regarding it. The Controller of Technical and Planning Services had replied that Government Departments did not need planning permission but when more positive proposals were put forward he would ensure that the Parish Council's views were sought.

5. Reports by Councillors on Committees

Mr. Lukehurst reported the results of the Home Safety Competitions. Sellindge School had won the shield for the senior competition; Sir John Moore School won the shield for the younger children's competition.

The very full programme of events to be held at the Sea Safety Spectacular on 1st August was described.

It was hoped that a Harbour Users' committee would be formed.

6. Litter in Hayton Road

The Chairman reported that he had received complaints about litter in Hayton Road after the Steam Engine Rally. It was agreed that a letter be written to the Secretary of the Organizing Committee pointing this out and hoping that next year more effort be made to prevent a re-occurrence.

7. Finance

The Clerk reported that the Annual Audit had been completed. The fee this year was £7.56. Cheque No. 338841, signed by Mr. Holt and Mr. Rousell was made out for this sum. As VAT paid now totalled over £1 the Clerk would now reclaim it.

The Precept of £120 had been paid and the Council had a credit balance of £160.66. There was some discussion about this but no

proposals were made.

As very few telephone calls had been made discussion of re-imbusement was deferred until the next meeting.

Other Business

a) Concessionary Bus Fares - It was noted that no facilities for issuing permits for Concessionary Bus Fares had been made to residents in Stanford. The Clerk was asked to write to the District Council asking that some arrangement be made for residents in Stanford when next permits were to be issued.

b) It was suggested that in an effort to arouse interest in Local Council affairs a report be made in the Parish Magazine after each meeting. It was agreed that this was a good idea and it was further agreed that the last item of each Council agenda be the selection of items for insertion in the next issue of the magazine, subject to the amount of space available.

c) Mrs. Allcorn mentioned that Mr. Cornell had perused the District Council Minutes and reported on the same, she wondered if someone could continue this. Mr. Rousell and Mr. Lukehurst both offered to do so.

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday, 28th September, 1976, at 7.30p.m.

.....*D. Jameson*..... Clerk

.....*Clifford G. Holt*..... Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Public Meeting on "Reorganization of Education" held on Tuesday, 20th July, 1976, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:-

MRS. J. BARKER.

Rousell

[Signature]

Reed.

Mrs Allcorn

[Signature]

V Allen

J. Allen

M. Parnett

V.A. Wron

Sandra Jarvis

Jane O'Rourke

E. Rose

V. Rose

[Signature]

[Signature]

D. Jameson

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 28th September, 1976,
in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. A. C. Reed
Mr. C. G. Rousell

1. Minutes

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. These were accepted as being a true record.

2. Matters arising

- a) The notice board had been replaced but the account had not been received.
- b) Heavy Goods Vehicle Route - The County Surveyor had replied that the B2068 was shown as a route for local access only as distinct from a "major through route." As he wished to be informed about Council meetings with a view to possible consultation it was decided to notify him of the date of the next meeting.
- c) Mr. Lukehurst said that Mrs. Soubry was aware of the existence of the Social Car Service.
- d) Concessionary Bus Permits - The Treasurer of Shepway District Council had replied that the number of persons involved was not sufficient to justify the expense of setting up a sub-office in the village.
- e) Street Lighting - The hoped for improvement not yet having been made, the Clerk was asked to remind the District Council of this.

3. Correspondence

a) Administration of Public Paths Functions - In a long letter, previously circulated to all councillors, the District Council had suggested that all Parish Councils appoint a local liaison officer who "would be prepared to work closely with the District Council and the Footpath Preservation Society". The Clerk, being already a member of this society volunteered to act in this capacity. This offer was accepted by the Council.

A verbal complaint had been received that a family had been prevented from using F.P. 227 at the camp site on Folkestone Racecourse. This had been passed on to the Parks Superintendent.

b) The Chairman had received a letter from the Chairman of the District Council concerning H.M. The Queen's Silver Jubilee. It was decided to contact all village organizations, seeking opinions and ideas, and to hold an Open Meeting in the Parish Room at 7p.m. on Tuesday, 24th November, 1976, to discuss the suggestions put forward.

Other items received needed no discussion.

4. Planning Applications and Public Inquiry

Two applications had been received since the last meeting, because of the time limit given they had been dealt with.

They were:-

SH/76/679 Erection of two storey extension to Myrtle Cottage, Swan Lane, Sellindge. No objection had been made.

SH/76/691 Use of land for the holding of a market, Tote Area,

Folkestone Racecourse. Councillors had been consulted and it was felt that the change of site had not materially altered the Council's grounds for objection.

Notice had been received that the companies involved in promoting the Sunday Market had withdrawn their appeal against the Enforcement Order made against holding the Market on the Members' Car Park. The arranged Public Inquiry had therefore been cancelled.

In view of a report in the 25th September issue of the "Folkestone Herald" stating that "the Market has won the support of Shepway District Council's plans sub-committee" the Clerk was asked to write to both Mr. Mergery and the District Council asking for their support in objecting to the planning application for the new site.

5. Reports

- a) Mrs. Allcorn reported that the open meeting on the re-organization of education had been worthwhile. A number of parents of pre-school age children had attended and expressed appreciation of being "put into the picture".
- b) KAIC and Circular 85. Mr. Lukehurst reported that he would be attending the AGM of the KAIC on Saturday, 2nd October. Apart from noting the proposed increase in the subscription rate, no further comments were made.
- c) Home and Water Safety Committees. Mr. Lukehurst reported that the Sea Safety Day had been a great success; the District Council had asked for one again next year. The Schools' Competitions would feature Water Safety next year.

6. Finance

The Clerk stated that the Council had a credit balance of £154.82 which included £1.36 repayment of VAT.

After some discussion it was proposed by Mr. Lukehurst and seconded by Mrs. Allcorn that a flat rate of 7p be paid for all local telephone calls.

Mr. Reed drew the Council's attention to the subject of the upkeep of the burial ground. It was proposed by Mr. Rousell and seconded by Mrs. Allcorn that £35 be paid to the Parochial Church Council toward the cost of mowing the grass in the Churchyard. (Cheque No. 338842 signed by Mr. Holt and Mrs. Allcorn.)

7. Other business and Parish Magazine

Mr. Lukehurst asked whether the Council was interested in promoting another Safety evening. It was felt that the previous one had been worthwhile and Mr. Lukehurst was asked to make arrangements for another to be held early next year.

For the Parish Magazine:-

Open Meeting re H.M. The Queen's Silver Jubilee
Information about the Sunday Market
Street Lighting
Grant toward upkeep of churchyard

Date of next meeting

It was decided to hold the next Council Meeting immediately after the Open Meeting on Tuesday, 23rd November.

Clerk

D. Jameson

Clifford G. Holt

Chairman 23 Nov 76

Report on public meeting called by Stanford Parish Council on 23rd Nov 1976 to discuss ways of celebrating the Silver Jubilee of H.M. The Queen.

Apology for absence received from Mrs. D. Fifield.

The Chairman, Mr. C. Holt invited ideas from the floor.

Miss Atkinson reported that Lympe Primary School were combining their celebrations with their annual summer effort on July 7th.

Mr. Roussel reported an offer from Mr. Les Birch for use of ground and marquees used for steam rally. Litter left from the rally could be a problem, also it was considered a more central site should be used.

A sportsday/tea party for children followed by event for older residents was proposed for June 7th. It was reported the Clerk of the Racecourse had agreed to co-operate.

Mr. Spicer moved a more permanent memorial and suggested:-

- (a) a retaining wall at side of Parish Room with car park for say 4 cars.
- (b) a false ceiling to the Parish Room.
- (c) kitchen modernisation.

Mrs. Spicer proposed better lighting on Stone Street near the station. This was referred to Parish Council for action.

Mrs. Lukehurst reported the Guides suggested a trip to London for the youngsters.

Mrs. Evans, supporting the idea of a party for children and celebration for old folk, said the Rev. Worgan had offered to give a short service of blessing at the commencement of celebrations.

The chairman proposed and R. Spicer seconded a ~~sub~~ committee be formed.

Elected members:

Mrs. Cornell	representing	British Legion
R. Spicer	"	Cricket Club
Mrs. Evans	"	P.C.C.
" Davies	"	S.T.R.A.W.
" Burroughs	"	W.I.

Mr. Allard

with Mr. C. Holt acting as chairman.

ST.R.A.W. had pledged a contribution of £50.

Finance of the schemes be referred to the sub-committee. meeting arranged for Weds. 15th Dec 8.0pm. at Brook Place.

Clifford C. Holt

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

A Public Meeting was held in the Parish Room, Stanford, on Tuesday, 23rd November, 1976, at 7p.m. to discuss plans for celebrating the Silver Jubilee of H.M. The Queen and ways of financing the same.

Present:-

Roussel
E. Evans P.C.C.

K. Atkinson

Mrs. Lukehurst

Mrs. Lukehurst for Guides

Ad

Tom Allard

Mrs. Allard

Mrs. Spicer

Mrs. Evans

Robert Spicer

Also MISS ATKINSON
MR. SINCLAIR

D. Jameson

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 23rd November, 1976, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

- Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
 Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
 Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
 Mr. A. C. Reed
 Mr. C. G. Rousell

1. Minutes

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. These were accepted as being a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Street Lighting. The Controller of Technical and Planning Services had replied that the proposed improvement had had to be abandoned. This decision had been confirmed at the Council Meeting on 13th October, when it was agreed to include it in next year's estimates. Very strong representations against this have been received from members of the public. The Clerk was instructed to write to the appropriate department expressing the Council's deep disappointment and considerable concern for the safety of pedestrians, particularly children, walking home from Westenhanger Station. There had been two occurrences recently in which an accident had very narrowly avoided. Mr. Reed proposed and Mr. Rousell seconded the motion that the legal position regarding the possibility of the Parish Council taking over the lighting be ascertained.

b) Mr. Lukehurst referred to the passing of Planning Application SH/76/691 Use of land for the holding of a Sunday Market, Tote Area, Folkestone Racecourse, by the Plans Sub-Committee of the District Council without informing the Parish Council who had objected to it - particularly in view of a statement made by the Chairman of this committee to the Shepway and District Parish Councils Joint Committee. The Clerk stated that a letter had been received from the District Council inviting views of organizations with experience of dealing with planning applications, together with a copy of an advertisement which had appeared in the local press. The Clerk would reply to this letter, including the matter of application SH/76/691.

c) Safety Evening - This had been arranged for Wednesday, 2nd March, 1977, at 7p.m. in the Parish Room.

3. Correspondence

a) From Mrs. D. Fifield, apology of absence from Public Meeting.

b) From the Treasurer, Shepway District Council, requesting the amount of the Precept for 1977/78 and stating that the product of a lp rate for the current year is £536 and that estimated for 1977/78 is £540.

c) To the Chief Executive Officer, Shepway District Council, in support of Mr. Johnson, Swiss Cottage, regarding the over-flow of sewage.

d) Report from the Boundary Commission regarding local ward boundaries. (Stanford not affected.)

4. Planning Applications

Three applications had been received since the last meeting.

SH/76/952 Siting of five holiday caravans for a temporary period of six years, The Drum. (Renewal)

SH/76/993 Construction of vehicular access at Clarehaven, Stone Street, Westenhanger.

These had already been dealt with; the Council had no objection to either.

SH/76/937 Use of land for temporary storage of boat from October to March each year for a period of three years, Royal Oak Hotel, Newingreen.

There was no objection to this.

5. Reports

a) Site Meeting, Folkestone Racecourse, regarding Planning Application SH/76/691, attended by Councillors Mrs. Allcorn and Mr. Rousell and the Clerk. Mrs. Allcorn read her report (filed) and stated that she thought it was a very fair inquiry.

b) AGM of KALC - Mr. Lukehurst reported briefly on this. The annual subscription had been raised. Stanford would be in the £350 - £2,000 (product of lp rate) class and the rate would be 2.5% of a lp rate.

6. Finance

Precept for 1977/78 - There was considerable discussion about this and it was felt that although there was a surplus of income over expenditure, in view of continuing inflation and rising costs, a higher amount should be requested. It was proposed by Mr. Lukehurst, seconded by Mr. Reed and carried unanimously that a precept of £200 be requested, subject to clarification about the street lighting position.

Other Business

Councillors reported that they had been bombarded with verbal complaints at a recent social occasion about the mud in Kennett Lane. As it was known that the Police, whose province this is, were aware of the situation, no action was ordered.

Mrs. Allcorn reported subsidence of the footway at Clarehaven. In view of the planning application, it was felt this would be rectified. The Chairman asked Mrs. Allcorn to observe the matter.

Mr. Lukehurst reported that at the AGM of the Shepway Area Committee of the KALC he had been elected as one of the two representatives to the KALC Executive Committee and was also one of the five representatives from this committee to the Shepway Joint Consultative Committee. He was continuing his work on the Home and Water Safety Committees.

Date of next meeting

It was agreed that the next Parish Council Meeting be held on Tuesday, 1st February, 1977.

The meeting to discuss the distribution of Fordred's Charity would be held at 7.30p.m. on Friday, 17th December, 1976, subject to the cheque being received.

..... James Clerk Clifford G. Holt Chairman

1/2/1977

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

All Councillors were present at a special meeting held on Friday, 17th December, 1976, at Littlecroft, to arrange the distribution of the FORDRED'S CHARITY.

After considerable deliberation it was decided that the money (£15) be divided as equally as possible (£1.85) between the under-named perishioners, the small balance (20p) being given to the married couple.

Mrs. Dicks
2 Station Cottages

Mrs. Bailey
Tudor Cottage

Mrs. Herrington
Yewtree Cottage

Mrs. A. Fifield
Tendresse

Mrs. Goord
7 Kennett Lane Cottages

Mrs. Scott
Twyford

Mr. Mewett
4 Brook Lane Cottages

Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds
Hawden

Mr. Holt thanked Mr. Lukehurst for his hospitality.

L. Jameson Clerk *Clifford G. Holt* Chairman

Rousell *Mr. Allcorn*

Mr. Lukehurst *Mr. Rousell*

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the specially convened meeting to discuss Street Lighting
Members of the public present at the special Council Meeting called to discuss the matter of the Street Lighting near the station.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. A. Allcorn
M. J. CLINCH - Stone House, Stamford.
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the meeting by saying that he had received a telephoned apology from Mr. Reed who had also given his views on the subject in hand. Mr. Holt further stated that plans for raising some money for the project voluntarily were in hand.

Following instructions given at the Council Meeting held on 23rd November, 1976, the Clerk had received the information that the Council could take over responsibility for footway lighting; it could pay for specific improvements to be made and the money could be raised locally. A telephone call obtained the further information that improvement of footways on one light would cost £35; a completely new light with post would cost £150. The Council could decide how many lights it would have improved.

There was considerable discussion, for opinions ranged from altering all the lights on Stone Street to leaving things as they were for the time being.

The Chairman asked Mr. Clinch, the only member of the public present, for his opinion. Mr. Clinch replied that he was in favour of improvement of the lighting at the station end of Stamford and said that he had actually been knocked over on this stretch of road.

It was then proposed by Mr. Lukehurst, seconded by Mrs. Allcorn and carried by a majority that arrangements be made immediately for the improvement of five lights, as listed.

- a) "Westmead", Westenhanger
- b) On north slope of railway bridge
- c) Opposite drive into "Fairmead"
- d) At "Stanford House"
- e) Opposite "Belmont"

After discussion of the financial position, it was proposed by Mr. Rousell, seconded by Mr. Lukehurst and carried unanimously that a precept of £50 for the current financial year be requested.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.

L. Jameson Clerk

Clifford G. Holt Chairman

1st Feb 1977

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Friday, 17th December, 1976, at Littlewood as a special meeting to discuss the distribution of the Ford Road lighting project.

At a meeting held at Littlewood on 17th December 1976, it was decided that the money (£15) be divided as equally as possible (£1.87) between the under-named parishioners, the small amount being given to the married couple.

Mrs. Hicks - 2 Station Cottages

Mrs. Bailey - Tudor Cottage

Mrs. Herrington - Jewryes Cottage

Mr. A. Fields - [unclear]

Mr. [unclear] - [unclear]

Mr. Twyford

Mr. Mewett - 4 Brook Lane Cottages

Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds - Hawden

Mr. Holt thanked Mr. Lukehurst for his hospitality.

L. Jameson Clerk *Clifford G. Holt* Chairman

Rousell *Mrs. Allcorn*

Mr. Lukehurst *[Signature]*

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the specially convened meeting to discuss Street Lighting, held on Thursday, 6th January, 1977, at 7.30p.m. in the Parish Room.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the meeting by saying that he had received a telephoned apology from Mr. Reed who had also given his views on the subject in hand. Mr. Holt further stated that plans for raising some money for the project voluntarily were in hand.

Following instructions given at the Council Meeting held on 23rd November, 1976, the Clerk had received the information that the Council could take over responsibility for footway lighting; it could pay for specific improvements to be made and the money could be raised locally. A telephone call obtained the further information that improvement of fittings on one light would cost £35; a completely new light with post would cost £150. The Council could decide how many lights it would have improved.

There was considerable discussion, for opinions ranged from altering all the lights on Stone Street to leaving things as they were for the time being.

The Chairman asked Mr. Clinch, the only member of the public present, for his opinion. Mr. Clinch replied that he was in favour of improvement of the lighting at the station end of Stanford and said that he had actually been knocked over on this stretch of road.

It was then proposed by Mr. Lukehurst, seconded by Mrs. Allcorn and carried by a majority that arrangements be made immediately for the improvement of five lights, as listed.

- a) "Westmead", Westenhanger
- b) On north slope of railway bridge
- c) Opposite drive into "Fairmead"
- d) At "Stanford House"
- e) Opposite "Belmont"

After discussion of the financial position, it was proposed by Mr. Rousell, seconded by Mr. Lukehurst and carried unanimously that a precept of £50 for the current financial year be requested.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting.

L. Jameson Clerk

Clifford G. Holt Chairman
1st Feb 1977

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 1st February, 1977, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell

On opening the meeting the Chairman said that he had received a telephoned apology from Councillor Reed. He then referred to the previously circulated minutes which were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) The Clerk had received only a post card acknowledging receipt of letter dated 26th November, 1976, to the Secretary of the Planning Group, Shepway District Council.

b) Flooding in Stanford - The Controller of Technical and Planning Services had replied that he had not been aware of this problem and had now contacted the Southern Water Authority requesting approval for the replacement of the pumps as soon as possible.

c) Mud in Kennet Lane - This was again a nuisance. Near the entrance to the Mill it appeared to be caused by large delivery lorries eroding the bank and further down the lane by farm vehicles. The Clerk was instructed to inform the Highway Authority of this and also about the footway at "Clarehaven" as the proposed plan for a dropped curb had not yet been implemented.

3. Street Lighting

Information received following the Council Meeting held on 23rd November, 1976, resulted in the holding of a special meeting on 6th January, 1977. The Minutes of this were read and confirmed.

In view of the recent accident sustained by Mrs. Johnson, the Clerk was asked to press for a speedy completion of the work.

4. Silver Jubilee

Mrs. Allcorn read her report of the Public Meeting held on 23rd November, 1976. This was agreed to be a true record and signed by the Chairman. It was later decided that though the Council had been the instigator of the proceedings it was more accurate to state that a Committee had been formed to organize and be responsible for the celebrations, and consequently the prefix "sub" had been deleted from the report.

Mr. Holt reported that the Committee had had two meetings and that plans included the holding of a Wine and Cheese Party on Friday, 22nd April, in conjunction with which was to be an exhibition showing the changes in Stanford Parish over the past 25 years: the exhibition was to be open all the next day.

Evensong would be celebrated in the Parish Church on Sunday, 5th June, at 6.30.

On Tuesday, 7th June, festivities at the Racecourse would include sports and a free tea for the children and a barbecue and country dancing for all.

For a permanent memorial the Committee was aiming to raise £2,000 for improvements to the Parish Room, this being considered

as being the project most beneficial to the community as a whole.

5. Correspondence

a) To The Treasurer, Shepway District Council, estimated precept of £230, the amount being agreed verbally following clarification of the street lighting situation.

b) From the Parks Manager re footpath at the Caravan Camp Site - a hedge or fence will be placed between the site and the path.

c) From Mr. and Mrs. Reynolds - a letter of thanks.

Other items received needed no action; pamphlets and reports had been distributed.

6. No Planning Applications had been received.

7. Items for the Parish Magazine and Other Business

Silver Jubilee plans and appeal for exhibits for 22nd April and the ordering of improved street lighting were to be reported.

Mr. Lukehurst reported briefly that the Home Accident Rate was 15% up on last year for the first quarter of the year. Deaths resulting from Home Accidents totalled 1,566 for the last year, including 966 resulting from falls, of which 934 involved people aged over 65 years.

8. Date of next meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting would be held immediately after the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING which would commence at 7.30p.m. on Tuesday, 22nd March, 1977.

J. James Clerk

Richard G. Heath Chairman
22 - March - 1977.

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 22nd March, 1977, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. A. C. Reed
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. After surprise had been expressed that the Controller of Technical and Planning Services had been unaware of the flooding problem in Stanford these were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) The Highway Surveyor had replied that the matters raised by the Council would receive attention. The Clerk reported that the footway at "Clarehaven" had been repaired and so had a number of other holes and the broken areas around some manholes.

b) ^{Street lighting} The new fittings had been ordered on 7th January but had not yet arrived.

c) Home Safety - The Chairman expressed disappointment over the poor attendance at the film on 2nd March.

3. Correspondence

a) Shepway District Council Minutes, 16th March. On Page 8 of the Appendix to Proceedings of Health and Housing Committee, 14th February, there was a reference to The Homestead, Gibbons Brook, Sellindge. It was felt that although this was the correct postal address it should be made clear that it was in Stanford parish. Mr. Reed proposed that the District Council be informed that the Parish Council was of the opinion that where a correct postal address was different from the parish in which the premises were situated, both should be shown. This was seconded by Mr. Rousell and carried unanimously.

b) A form from the Recreation and Amenities Department of Shepway seeking information about events concerning the Jubilee. This was to be passed to Mrs. Davies, as Secretary of the Jubilee Committee, to complete.

c) From Messrs Hobbs Parker on behalf of Mr. Hardy in reply to a letter from the Council about the state of the wall opposite "Littlecroft".

d) From County Council Highways Department - information about a bus service to Rythe to be introduced in the late spring. A second letter to say the service would not start until the autumn.

Other items received needed no action or display only.

4. Planning Applications

Three applications had been received. They were:-

SH/77/75 Renewal of permission to station caravan, Ivy Cottage.

SH/76/1208 Construction of vehicular access to Barn Bungalow.

SH/77/107 Erection of garage at Whiteways, Newingreen.

These had been dealt with because of the time limit. There had been no objection to any of them but in the case of the garage the Council had felt it could not give unqualified approval because of incomplete information. The Controller of Technical and Planning Services had sent an apology and further information.

5. Matters arising from the Annual Parish Meeting

The Council confirmed the sending of a letter to the District Council asking for a firm, written quotation for the installation of the new lighting fixtures.

6. Finance

The bank statement had been confirmed that day as having a credit balance of £156.71. Cheques were made out and signed as follows:-

i) To Stanford Parish Room Committee, No. 338847 for £8.25, for hire of the Parish Room for three meetings at 75p and six meetings at £1, signed by Mr. Holt and Mr. Lukehurst.

ii) To the Clerk, D. Jameson, No. 338848 for £37.43, being salary and reimbursement for postage, telephone calls and heating, also signed by Mr. Holt and Mr. Lukehurst.

Also signed were the formal request for the Precept for £230.00 for the financial year 1977/78 and the form for a new cheque book.

7. Other Business

Mr. Lukehurst reported on the Schools Safety Competitions. This year Water Safety featured. For the 7-9 years age group there was an individual competition, colouring a picture which shows various potential danger points. There would be a cash prize of £20.50 to the winner and 12 cash prizes of £1. The winner's school would hold the Safety Shield. For the 9-11 age group it was to be a group project, consisting of drawings, models etc. (portable) illustrating aspects of water safety. More than one entry could be made by any school. The winning group would have a conducted visit to a main (helicopter) rescue station; its school would hold the Safety Shield.

For the Parish Magazine - Attendance at Annual Public Meeting and a statement that the voluntary Street Lighting Fund had reached a total of £114.

8. Date of next meeting

It was agreed that the date of the next meeting be Tuesday, 3rd May, immediately following the ANNUAL MEETING of the Council which would commence at 8.0p.m.

Clifford G. Holt
..... Chairman

D. Jameson
..... Clerk

3 May 1977

The Annual Meeting of Stamford Parish Council

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Tuesday, 3rd May, 1977, in the Parish Room, Stamford.

The Chairman of the Council, Mr. G. Holt, opened the meeting by asking the Clerk to read the minutes of the last Annual Meeting.

These were confirmed as being a true record.

There were no matters arising.

Election of Chairman for the year 1977/78

Mr. Holt vacated the Chair, which was then taken by Mrs. Allcorn who called for nominations for the office of Chairman. It was proposed by Mr. Lukehurst and seconded by Mr. Rousell that Mr. Holt be elected Chairman. This was carried.

On resuming the Chair Mr. Holt thanked the councillors for their re-affirmed confidence in him.

Kent Association of Local Councils. It had been ascertained verbally that this year the subscription was £13.50. It was proposed by Mr. Reed and seconded by Mrs. Allcorn that membership be renewed.

Bornhill Insurance. After some discussion it was proposed by Mr. Rousell and seconded by Mrs. Allcorn that the insurance policy be reviewed with regard to the coverage of councillors on Council business and also third party claims. It was further decided that the "General Accident, Fire and Life Assurance Corporation Ltd." be approached in addition to the Bornhill Insurance Company.

Delegates to Committees

Mr. Lukehurst and Mr. Rousell being

willing to continue as delegates to the Area Committee and the Bounty Association of KALC, it was proposed by Mrs. Allcorn and seconded by Mr. Reed that their services be accepted.

Mr. Lukehurst reported briefly on how the Home and Water Safety Committees worked. He said he would be very happy to continue serving on both committees. It was proposed by Mr. Rousell and seconded by Mrs. Allcorn that he should do so.

The Chairman thanked the delegates for their services.

Finance. At the end of the financial year, 1976/77 the Council had a credit balance of £111.03.

Authorization was asked by the Clerk for the removal of the 2½% Annuities Certificate from the bank for presentation at the annual audit. This was signed. This led to some discussion about the investment. Councillors were reminded that the Bank's advice had been sought and that advice was that it would be unwise to sell.

This concluded the business of the Annual Meeting.

Clifford G. Holt... 2 May 1978.

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 3rd May, 1977, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. A. C. Reed
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. Mr. Lukehurst made the point that although the minutes were correct, the portion of wall referred to was not in fact opposite "Littlecroft" but several yards nearer the village opposite "Yew Tree Cottages". He was sorry he had not noticed this at the time the complaint was made. It was decided not to pursue the matter but to keep note of the situation. The Chairman then signed the minutes.

2. Matters arising

a) The Controller of Technical and Planning Services had replied to the Council's request that where properties in the parish had a correct postal address, Sellindge, both should be shown. He wrote that this could be done but he wondered if the additional work could be justified; he asked for further views. It was decided not to pursue the matter, the Council feeling the point had been made.

b) Street Lighting - No firm quotation had been obtained.

The new fittings had been installed on 13th April and, the Council agreed, were very satisfactory. Mention was made of partial obscuring, by a tree, of the light opposite "Belmont". It was agreed that the owner of the land on which the tree grows be approached and asked if he could cut it back.

3. Correspondence

a) From Mrs. Down, regarding the hire of the Parish Room for meetings. This would continue to be £1 a meeting, up to a period of 1 1/2 hrs, with a subsequent charge of 50p an hour. The Council agreed that at the end of each meeting it be decided what extra payment be made.

b) From Mr. Hammon, Clerk to Brabourne Parish Council, with a request from Mr. T. H. Jeanes that the Council nominate a trustee of the Fordred Charity. As this was stated to be a matter of urgency, the Chairman had been informed and had agreed to act as trustee on behalf of the Council. It was proposed by Mr. Lukehurst, seconded by Mr. Reed and carried unanimously that the Council formally supported this action.

c) From the Divisional Education Office, requesting that the Council, acting jointly with Sellindge Council, appoint three school managers for Sellindge Primary School. This also purporting to be a matter of some urgency had been proceeded with. Mrs. Adams, the present representative on behalf of Stanford, wished to stand down. Mr. Old, of Gibbons Brook Farm, had been approached and had agreed to serve.

Mr. Reed asked that clarification be sought from the Divisional Education Office as to why joint action should be required:

d) The M20

The report of the public enquiry held in January, 1976, had

been received; also two sets of maps and the draft proposal and map regarding the foot/accommodation bridge near Westenhanger Station as recommended by the Inspector and supported by the Department of the Environment as opposed to the footbridge only formerly proposed. There was considerable discussion about this and it was proposed by Mr. Rousell and seconded by Mr. Lukehurst that the Council enter a formal objection to the plan on the grounds that it seemed unnecessarily complicated and expensive. Mr. Lukehurst requested that the Stanford Residents Association with Westenhanger be officially informed of the plan and that the local Press be contacted.

4. Planning Applications

SH/77/317 Reclaiming of land for agricultural purposes, land off Kennett Lane, Stanford. The Parish Council had made no objection to the application but had made a number of points regarding the carrying out of the scheme.

SH/77/410 Erection of a first floor extension at "Whiteways", Newingreen. No objection was made to this.

Mention was made of a building project in the village for which no application had been received.

The time being then 10.55p.m. it was decided to adjourn the meeting until 8.00p.m. on Friday, 13th May, 1977.

FRIDAY, 13TH MAY, 1977

Arising from Item 3d) above - The Clerk telephoned Mr. Wray of the Kent Sub-unit of the South Eastern Road Construction Unit, (he having previously telephoned offering advice if needed). He suggested that he make a visit to Stanford. All Councillors agreed that this was a good idea and it was decided that there be a site meeting at 7.00p.m. on Friday, 13th May, followed by a Public Meeting in the Parish Room at 8.00p.m. - the adjourned Council Meeting to follow this.

The Public Meeting was very well attended. Mr. Wray and his two colleagues explained the draft proposal very well. They were bombarded with questions and suggestions as to various alternatives. The Chairman closed the meeting at 10.20p.m. after suggesting that members of the public speak privately with the construction team.

The Parish Council decided that the proposed agenda for the adjourned Council Meeting be abandoned and only essential business be conducted.

Arising from the Public Meeting just concluded

It was proposed by Mr. Rousell, seconded by Mr. Reed and carried unanimously that the Parish Council formally object to the draft proposal regarding the foot/accommodation bridge over the M20, mentioning the feelings of the Public Meeting but not making any specific observations.

Finance - The cheque for the annual subscription to the KALC (No. 338849) was signed by Mr. Rousell and Mrs. Allcorn.

Insurance - It was decided unanimously that Mr. Lukehurst study the information received, the Council would accept his opinion as to which company gave the best cover.

Planning Application

SH/77/439 Erection of a pavilion at Folkestone Racecourse. The council had no objection to this.

Manager of Lympne Primary School

No decision was made about this appointment.

It was agreed that the Clerk make a brief report for the Parish Magazine.

The date of the next meeting was arranged for Tuesday, 31st May, at 7.30p.m.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 10.55p.m.

..... Clifford G. Holt Chairman

31 May 1977
..... Clerk

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

A Public Meeting about the proposed foot/accommodation bridge over the M20 was held on Friday, 13th May, 1977, at 8.00p.m. in the Parish Room, Stanford, under the chairmanship of Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman of the Parish Council.

Present:-

J Johnson
D Parsons
E. Jupp
H Johnson
W Bishop-Assey
E. E. Evans
M. A. Evans
R. King
D. Overden
H Bailey
J. Marsh
J. W. Marsh
P. Smallwood
A. Mroczkowska
J. Hall
Jessica Child
Michael Child
D. Cutting
T. Duff
R. Murphy
A. M. M.
G. A. Fifeeld
D. G. Fifeeld

G. A. Fifeeld
J. Baker
E. Pitt
R. Hardman
Robert H. Spier
Barbara J. ...
Paul ...
D. B. ...
S. D. Ham
J. Taylor
C. Taylor
J. P. O'Rand
V. Hall
* In ...
* ...
* All Parish Councillors
D. Jameson, Clerk
Clifford G. Holt

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STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 31st May, 1977, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst

The Chairman opened the meeting by stating that he had received telephoned apologies for absence from Mr. Reed and Mr. Rousell who was in hospital. He then referred to the previously circulated minutes which were confirmed as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Tree obscuring light opposite "Belmont" - The tree was in the front garden of "Newlands" owned by Mr. Cutting; it was not certain whether or not part of the garden had been purchased by the Kent County Council. The Clerk had contacted the Highway Surveyor's Department and been told that the site would be visited but not before contacting the owner. From enquiries made on 31st May it appeared no action had been taken. Mr. Cutting was attending the meeting and the Chairman asked him for his views. Mr. Cutting said that in his opinion the light was set too far back from the road and that nothing done to the tree would remedy this. The Clerk was instructed to write to the Controller of Technical and Planning Services asking if a longer bracket could be fitted.

b) Joint action on the appointment of school managers. The Clerk had ascertained from the Divisional Education Office that this was laid down in the Instrument of Management.

c) The bridge over the M20. The formal objection to the combined foot/accommodation bridge had been sent and acknowledged by the South Eastern Road Construction Unit together with a request for specific objections. It was decided that the following objections be made:-

1. No provision for car parking on the Stanford (north) side of the bridge.
2. No solid partition to separate the two different categories of bridge users.
3. The extra distance, plus steep gradient and exposed situation, for pedestrian users compared with the present situation and, it is suggested, a pedestrian tunnel.

In addition, the Council's great fear was that any decrease in the number of people using Westenhanger Station would again raise the question of its closure.

It was also decided to send a circular letter to all those who had attended the Public Meeting on 13th May asking for their support at any Public Inquiry which might be made.

d) The building project mentioned did not require a planning application being covered by Section I) of "Permitted Developments".

e) Appointment of manager of Lympne C.E. Primary School. The re-appointment of Mrs. L. Spicer was confirmed.

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3. Reports

a) Kent Structure Plan. Mrs. Allcorn spoke briefly on this meeting which she said was interesting but seemed to her to emphasise the need for rural communities to become more self-reliant and to ask loud and long for assistance, if needed, from the District or County. Points from written report (fided) - Commercial interest should be stimulated in Folkestone - No further land should be released for housing until the review in 1980 - Development in villages will be more restrictive.

b) Home and Water Safety Committees. Mr. Lukehurst reported that there would be only one Sea Safety Day this year, on Sunday, 7th August, at the Sailing Club, Hythe. In addition to all the usual attractions a visit from an Air-Sea Rescue Helicopter had been arranged (subject to its being required for emergency duty); also one by the new Police launch and frogmen.

At the Annual Meeting of the Home Safety Committee Mr. Lukehurst had been re-elected Vice-chairman. He was sorry to report that the Home Accident figures for 1976 (first two quarters only available) showed an increase of 177 over the same period in 1975.

c) KALC. Mr. Rousell being absent no report was available.

d) Jubilee Committee. Mr. Holt spoke briefly on the events to be held. On Sunday, 5th June, Evensong at 6.30 in the Parish Church, followed by light refreshments in the Parish Room (by the FCC). On Tuesday, 7th June, commencing at 3p.m., sports, sideshows and a free tea for the children, at the Racecourse. From 8.00p.m. onwards at the Royal Oak, a barbeque, with disco, tombola and fireworks.

4. Correspondence

a) From the Secretary of the Parochial Church Council to ascertain who was responsible for the upkeep of the War Memorial in the Church yard. The Clerk was asked to reply stating that, subject to any proof to the contrary, the Parish Council was responsible.

b) KALC Circular. No comments on this were made. Notice was drawn to the two Conferences. The Clerk was authorized to fill in two questionnaires, on Clerks' salaries and Annual Parish Meetings.

c) A Seminar on Planning Policies was to be held on 10th June, at the Cinque Ports Pavilion, Hythe. Three seats (maximum allowed) had been requested.

5. Planning Application

SH/77/476 Established Use Certificate for use of building for motor vehicle workshop at Hope Farm, Gibbons Brook, Sellindge.

The Council was not satisfied that the particular building worked on the plan qualified for such a certificate. The Clerk was asked to write to the Controller of Technical and Planning Services.

6. Insurance

Mr. Lukehurst reported that he had studied the information

received from The Cornhill Insurance Company, The General Accident, Fire and Life Assurance Corporation and The Municipal Mutual Insurance Ltd. The cover obtainable from the first company was identical to that of the other two companies for a lower premium. For a total premium of £4.70 the suggested revised policy would cover Public Liability (limit £100,000), Employers' Liability and Personal Accident. It was proposed by Mr. Lukehurst and seconded by Mrs. Allcorn that the revised policy be adopted. Cheque No. 194201 for £4.70 was signed by Mrs. Allcorn and Mr. Lukehurst.

7. Finance

The Clerk stated that the Annual Audit had been completed satisfactorily on 30th May. The Fee was £8.64; the Cheque (338850) for which, payable to the Department of the Environment, was signed by Mr. Holt and Mr. Lukehurst.

8. Other business

The Chairman had received a verbal complaint about grass cuttings, etc. being deposited in Shere Lane. There was some discussion about this but it was decided that no action be undertaken.

It was agreed that the three meetings held in May resulted in a total of 3 1/2 hours extra time for which £1.75 was owing to the Parish Room Committee.

9. The Date of the Next Meeting was arranged for WEDNESDAY, 13th July, at 7.30p.m.

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.40p.m.

Chairman

13th July 1977

Clerk

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 13th July, 1977, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. A. C. Reed
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the Meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

The Clerk reported that only a formal acknowledgement had been received regarding a) the light outside "Newlands" and b) Planning Application SH/77/476. On telephoning Ross House she had been informed that the former matter had been passed to the Engineer and the latter had not yet come before the Plans Sub-committee.

c) Insurance - Receipt for cheque for £4.70 and a certificate for Employer's Liability had been received. Feeling this to be inadequate, the Clerk had asked for written proof of the additional insurance taken out. No reply had yet been received.

d) Foot/accommodation bridge over M20 - Very shortly after the last Council Meeting information was received that a Public Local Inquiry to consider objections to this was to be held at Folkestone Racecourse, beginning at 10.30 a.m. on Tuesday, 26th July, 1977. Mr. P. M. Vine, M.A., J.L.B., D.L., would conduct the Inquiry. This information, together with the address to which people wishing to speak, be represented or submit written evidence was incorporated into the circular letter sent to all who attended the Public Meeting on 13th May. A copy was also sent to the District Councillor, Mr. H. Margery. Mr. Margery had replied at length but most of his suggestions had already been carried out by the Council.

After study of the District Council Minutes received just prior to the District Council Meeting of 29th June, the Parish Council felt that a letter should be sent to the District Council expressing concern that no attempt had been made to find out the views of the Parish Council as suggested by the Works Committee in its resolution of 23rd May.

South Eastern Road Construction Unit had sent a copy of the statement to be submitted to the Inspector at the Inquiry. A photocopy had been given to Mr. Lukehurst, who was to speak for the Council at the Inquiry. All Councillors had been given a copy of the paragraph showing the list of objectors and their grounds for objection.

3. Correspondence

a) From the District Council stating that when the decision of the Council with regard to a planning application differed from that of the Parish Council the latter would be informed and the reason given. (Reply to letter of 24th November, 1976.)

b) From the Publicity Manager, regarding 1978 Guidebook. The Clerk was authorized to repeat the 1974 information.

c) Invitation to a Civic Service at Hythe - Councillor and Mrs. Rousell had accepted.

Mr. Holt, having to leave the meeting early, then gave his report on the Jubilee Committee. All bills from the Jubilee Day events had been met; there was approximately £300 in the Fund, with various amounts still to be received. The Committee would arrange further fund-raising events.

6. Finance - The Clerk stated that the Council had a credit balance of £314.

Dates when councillors would be away from the village were noted and it was agreed that the date of the next meeting would be Tuesday, 4th October, 1977, at 7.30p.m.

It was then unanimously agreed that Mr. Lukehurst take the Chair for the remainder of the meeting and act as Chairman of the Council while Mr. Holt was on holiday - 17th July to 4th August.

4. Planning Applications

SH/77/600 Outline application for the erection of general purpose agricultural building, Yew Tree Farm Yard.

After considerable discussion the Council decided to object to this application on aesthetic grounds; the building is considerably larger than any domestic or agricultural building in the near vicinity and the fabric is not in keeping with the material of other buildings immediately adjacent.

5. Reports

Mr. Rousell reported briefly on the Area Committee Meeting of the KAIC.

Mr. Lukehurst reported on the Seminar on Planning Policies. This was most interesting and rewarding; the letter referred to under Correspondence was clearly the result of this event.

Water Safety Committee - Mr. Lukehurst reported that the arrangements for the Sea Safety Day were now in their last stages. The two area committees in the District were about to become one; the various bye-laws relating to water activities were in the process of being made uniform throughout Shepway. The Water Safety Competition had been won by Sellindge School; 1,900 children entered the individual competition.

On the Home Safety Committee Mr. Lukehurst was sorry to report that the Safety Officer, Mr. Vale, was about to retire.

Mr. Lukehurst also reported that the Executive Committee of the KAIC had appointed him as their representative on the Kent Voluntary Services Committee. The other councillors congratulated him.

7. There was no report for the Parish Magazine. For next meeting - contribution to the PCC for the mowing of the Churchyard - it was suggested by the Clerk that the actual cost of this be ascertained.

There being no further business, Mr. Lukehurst closed the meeting at 9.20p.m.

..... Clerk

Clifford G. Holt

..... Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 4th October, 1977, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. A. C. Reed
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) The new insurance policy had been received, checked and acknowledged.

b) Mr. Lukehurst reported on the Public Inquiry about the bridge over the M20. It had been admitted that an underpass was possible but it would cost £70,000 more than a bridge. If the bridge was built as had been proposed a solid barrier would be erected between the two sections of it. While the Construction Unit would not be able to construct a car park land could be made available which the District Council could convert into a car park.

c) SH/77/600 Outline application for the erection of general purpose agricultural building, Yew Tree Farm Yard. This had been amended; the Council had replied that while it was happier about the amendment it could not give unqualified approval without assurance that there would be no working of noisy machinery, fans or driers at night.

3. Correspondence

a) From KAIC - a Technical Services Questionnaire, which had been circulated.

b) On 18th July, from Mr. Margary, stating that he had been very distressed to learn that a personal attack had been made on him at a meeting of the Area Committee of the KAIC. He wrote that he could not take action on behalf of the parish unless he was informed by the Council that such was needed. This letter had been acknowledged formally because of the length of time before the next Council meeting; Mr. Margary had been assured that any criticism made of him was not a result of any decision made by the Parish Council. It was agreed to take no further action on this but in future to keep Mr. Margary more informed on parish matters

4. Planning Applications

a) Reply from the Controller of Technical and Planning Services re SH/77/317 Reclaiming land for agricultural purposes, off Kennett Lane. The Parish Council's concern about several points in the carrying out of this plan had been considered by the County Surveyor whose report was now to hand. The plan had been approved.

b) Record of plans received and returned

- i) SH/77/696 and 699 Both plans from Folkestone Race-course Company, for the holding of markets
- ii) Erection of flag pole, Royal Oak Motel
- iii) Use of part of Members' Car Park, Folkestone Race-course, as a caravan/camping site
- iv) Demolition of garage and store and erection of

garage/office building, Hayton Manor Farmhouse

- v) Erection of extension at the The Old Rectory and its subsequent amendment

The Council had objected to i) on the grounds of too little information. No objections had been made regarding the remainder.

Mr. Lukehurst expressed the opinion that iii) overlapped the area of one of the market plans and asked that more information be obtained about all three.

c) SH/77/701, SH/77/851 and SH/77/911 These were all non-domestic plans for Hope Farm, Gibbins Brook. There followed a lengthy discussion. Ultimately, the first two were objected to on the grounds that they were not for the use of the owner of the land; the third was not objected to provided that it was for the land-owner's business only. A letter was to be sent to the Controller of Technical and Planning Services requesting advice and a visit to the area by the department because the Council was concerned about the development of Hope Farm as an unorganized industrial estate.

5. Reports

a) Mr. Holt reported that the Jubilee Committee was organizing a Grand Bonfire Party and Firework Display on 5th November.

b) No formal report was made on the Sellindge meeting on the Kent Structure (Folkestone and Hythe District) Plan but a number of points had come out in the above discussion. One of these was the revision of parish boundaries, due early next year. It was decided that a Public Meeting be held on 26th October, if the Parish Room was available, or on 9th November, to ascertain views about any future development in Stanford and to discuss whether there should be any alteration of the parish boundaries. It was decided that notices of this meeting would be circulated.

c) Mr. Lukehurst reported that meetings of the Home and Water Safety Committees had been cancelled because there was no Safety Officer at present.

d) AGM of KAIC Mr. Lukehurst reported that all the resolutions had been carried; these included "further representations, seeking to restore the policeman on the beat in villages" and "to secure the raising of the maximum age for half fare transport of children on bus services from 14 years to the school leaving age of 16".

There was to be no raising of the subscription rate this year.

6. Finance

a) Possibility of Capital Loan from the District Council - it was decided to make a "nil return".

b) Street Lighting - the account had been received. At £195.58 it was less than the estimate of £35 per light. A cheque for £97.50 made payable to Shepway District Council had been handed over by the Treasurer of the Voluntary Fund-raising Committee, leaving a balance of £98.05. A cheque for this sum (No. 194202) was signed by Mr. Holt and Mr. Reed. It was unanimously agreed that the Council's appreciation of the efforts of the Voluntary Fund-raising Committee be recorded in the Minutes.

It was noted that the bracket of the light outside "Newlands"

had been lengthened.

c) Mowing of the Churchyard grass - Mr. Lukehurst stated that the cost of this was reckoned to be over £50. After some discussion the Chairman proposed and it was agreed nem. con. that the sum of £40 be given to the Parochial Church Council towards the cost of this. (Cheque No. 194203, signed by Mr. Holt and Mrs. Allcorn.)

7. For the Parish Magazine - The Street Lighting Account and notice of Public Meeting.

On agenda for next Council meeting, further improvement of street lighting and the possibility of contributing to the Village Jubilee Fund.

8. Date of next meeting - Wednesday, 23rd November at 7.30p.m.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 10.45p.m.

Clifford G. Holt Chairman

23rd Nov 1977 Clerk

Record of the Public Meeting held on Wednesday,
9th November, 1977, in the Parish Room, Stanford,
to discuss possible changes in the Parish Boundary

Mr. G. Holt, Chairman of the Parish Council, opened the meeting by welcoming all present. He said that the object of the meeting was to hear the opinions of all present regarding possible changes in the parish boundaries, which had remained virtually unchanged for four hundred years. He then invited Mr. Egan, Chairman of Sellindge Parish Council, to say a few words.

Mr. Egan said that he had come only as an observer but would like to make it clear that Sellindge Parish Council was not out to take part of Stanford against the wishes of the residents.

The Chairman then invited opinions from residents, starting with those living in Brook Lane. Although two residents were firm in their desire to remain in Stanford Parish, it was clear that the majority considered themselves to be part of Sellindge - all their amenities were there and they participated in the social activities there.

The possibility that the building of the M20 might cause the residents of Westenhanger to wish to become part of Lympne was mooted. The two residents from there present held opposing views.

There was some discussion regarding various single dwellings outside but near the parish boundaries and the likelihood or otherwise of joining with one or other adjoining small parishes. Resolutions were made.

After thanking everyone for attending, the Chairman closed the meeting at 8.38 P.M.

Clifford G. Holt.

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

A Public Meeting was held on Wednesday, 9th November, 1977, in the Parish Room, Stanford, to discuss possible changes in the Parish Boundary

Residents of Stanford Parish present:-

Name	Address
Mr. J. NETTLESHIP & J Leadbetter	1 BROOKLANE SELLINDGE. 21 Brook Lane Both Sellindge Gibbons Brook ✓ Gibbons Brook.
M. S. KAYNES Durling 12 Jukehurst J. Jamieson	Littlecroft Stone St. Stanford. 2, BROOK LANE Lymington, Westenhanger
P. Allcorn E. E. Evans 12 of Fifield Zoe Pitt Russell L. B. Birch A. Brown S. Dintanley Maud Russell	Red Lodge, Westenhanger's School House: Stanford. 2 New Tree Cottages. 4 Church Field. New Tree Close Stanford Gibbons Brook 22, Brook Lane Cottages, Sellindge BROOK GATE, BROOK LANE. LANSLOWNE BROOK LANE.

and Mr. Hobday from Brook Lane Cottages

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Non-residents of Stanford present:-
Please state if Parish or District Councillor or Clerk

C. J. Holt Sellindge Parish Council

Mr Egan
B J Bull

Mr Holt

Mr Egan

Mr Holt

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Sellindge Parish Council

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 23rd November, 1977, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. A. C. Reed
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Mr. Lukehurst asked if there had been any report of the Public Inquiry held on 26th July. On hearing that nothing further had been heard he suggested that the Council enquired of Mr. Costain as to what progress had been made. This was agreed.

b) SH/77/600 Erection of general purpose agricultural building, Yew Tree Farmyard. A letter from the Controller of Technical and Planning Services approving this, subject to landscaping and painting of building; the Parish Council's comments concerning noise were noted but members of the Plans Sub-committee considered that a restriction on the installation of powered machinery was unreasonable.

c) SH/77/696, 699 and 799, about which Mr. Lukehurst had asked for further information. The Clerk had been told that the first two (plans for a market on Folkestone Racecourse) had been refused by the District Council and that the third (use of part of Members' car park as a caravan/camping site) did not overlap these areas.

d) Hope Farm, Gibbins Brook. Following the letter sent to the Controller of Technical and Planning Services asking for advice and a visit to the site, notice had been received on 16th November of a site meeting to be held on 17th November. All councillors had been informed but only Mr. Rousell was able to attend. He reported that there had been some discussion about making a new access road from the site eastward by "The Elms" and that the County Surveyor supported such development as had taken place on the grounds that it provided local employment, stating however that the site required tidying up.

The Clerk had written to the Controller of Technical and Planning Services protesting at the short notice received.

3. Correspondence

Several items imparting information and needing no action had been received.

The Clerk ascertained that there was no organized collection of salvage in the village.

4. Planning Applications

Only two applications had been received since the last Council Meeting; because of the time limit they had been dealt with.

There were:-

i) SH/77/959 Erection of house and garage, land adjacent to Springwood, Stone Street. No objection.

ii) SH/77/1025 Established use certificate for use of building as motor vehicle workshop at Hope Farm, Gibbins Brook. The Parish Council accepted the evidence of the sworn affidavits.

5. The Parish Boundary

A report of the Public Meeting held on 9th November was read by the Clerk and, after slight amendment, was signed by the Chairman.

After considerable discussion it was decided that certain changes be put forward. Briefly these were a) to take in "Twin Chimneys" and the properties near Westenhanger Station, all now in Saltwood; also the land enclosed by Blindhouse Lane and Stone Street, including Blind House, now in Monks Horton and b) to transfer Brook Lane Cottages, Landsdowne and Brook Gate to Sellindge and the small area of land east of the A20 at Newingreen to Saltwood. A map was to be sent with the completed form.

6. Finance

a) Further improvement of street lighting. Mr. Lukehurst had received a letter from the Controller of Technical and Planning Services, following a meeting of the Shepway District and Parish Councils' Joint Committee, in which it was stated that the District Council intended to improve the lighting in Stone Street between the A20 and Westenhanger Station during the current capital programme. The Council expressed appreciation of this and, after some discussion, decided to budget for the cost of the improvement of the remaining lights in Stone Street and the one in Kennett Lane when deciding the amount of the Precept.

During the above discussion mention was made of branches of trees obscuring some lights, notably the one opposite the entrance to "Fairmead". The Clerk was asked to contact the Highway Surveyor.

b) Possible contribution to the Village Jubilee Fund. Following some discussion, it was proposed by Mr. Lukehurst that the Council does NOT make a contribution to the Village Jubilee Fund but considers making a direct grant instead to the Parish Room Committee for alterations to the building, this was seconded by Mrs. Allcorn and carried unanimously. The Village Jubilee Fund stood at £270 approx.

c) Precept for 1978/79. There was a general discussion on the year's Receipts and Payments Account to date, of which each councillor had a copy, and about next year's budget.

It was proposed by Mr. Rousell, seconded by Mr. Lukehurst and carried unanimously that the Clerk's honorarium be £50.

There was discussion of a suggestion that small grants be made to two village organizations which held annual events open to all residents or village organizations. No decision being made, it was decided to discuss this further at the next meeting.

In view of the decisions already made it was proposed by Mr. Lukehurst, seconded by Mr. Reed and carried unanimously that a Precept of £500 be made for the year 1978/79.

7. Other business

The plaque had been removed from the memorial seat at

Newingreen. Steps had been taken to recover it, without success to date.

E. Date of next Council Meeting

It was arranged that this would be Wednesday, 1st February, 1978.

The Council would meet at "Littlecroft", by courtesy of Mr. Lukehurst, at 7.30p.m. on Friday, 16th December, to discuss the distribution of Fordred's Charity.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 10.45p.m.

..... Clerk

Clifford G. Holt

..... Chairman

Fordred's Charity, 1977

All Councillors were present at a special meeting held on Friday, 16th December, at "Littlecroft" to arrange the distribution of Fordred's Charity.

The greatly increased sum received (£42) gave rise to much thought. After considerable deliberation it was decided that the money be equally distributed between fourteen households. Mr Reed wished it to be recorded that he felt his mother should not be a recipient. Other councillors pointed out that there were no known cases of real need; they felt that the more households to benefit the better. Mr Reed accepted this view.

Mr Lukehurst and Mr Russell undertook to deliver the Charity.

On closing the meeting, the Chairman, Mr C. G. Holt, thanked Mr Lukehurst for his hospitality.

D. Jameson, Clerk.

Clifford G. Holt, Chairman.

In all cord. Mr Lukehurst & Russell

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, 1st February, 1978, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. A. C. Reed
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming five members of the public from the Brook Lane area. He explained that the Minutes of the previous meeting had been circulated to councillors and asked if these were accepted as a true record. This being agreed, they were signed.

2. Matters arising

a) Progress made following the Public Inquiry of 26th July, 1977, re the bridge over the M20. The Report of this had been received only on 27th January; the Chairman summarized this briefly as supporting the proposal of the combined foot/accommodation bridge, any alternative being turned down for financial reasons. All those who attended the Public Meeting on 13th May, 1977, were to be notified of the result. The Report stating that land could be made available for the construction of a carpark on the north side of the motor way, it was decided that the District Council be asked to act in this matter at once.

b) Industrial development, Hope Farm, Gibbins Brook. Noting from the District Council Minutes that the granting of planning permission for Plans SH/77/791 and /911 was subject to entering into of an agreement to ensure that a co-ordinated scheme of development was carried out, the Clerk was asked to write to the Secretary and Solicitor's department to ascertain whether this agreement had yet been made and how the District Council intended to ensure that the conditions were fulfilled; and to report that complaints were still being received from residents of deteriorating conditions on the site and of dangers caused by large lorries using Brook Lane.

The Chairman invited the visitors to comment. It was clear that although they deprecated the conditions on the site their main concern was the heavy traffic using Brook Lane.

c) The Clerk was asked to obtain an estimate for the cost of the requested improvement of street lighting and to enquire when the work would be done, also to report that the light in Kennett Lane was on most of the day.

3. Correspondence

a) The County Surveyor had written on 7th December, explaining that the introduction of the proposed bus service from Ashford to Hythe via Stanford was now unlikely to be started before the spring. It was proposed by Mr. Lukehurst and agreed unanimously that a copy of this letter be sent to "Crosskeys", together with a letter suggesting the re-starting of the Friday shopping service and offering the Council's support to such an application.

b) The Clerk had received an invitation to a special meeting

of Postling Parish Council which had been called to discuss re-alignment of parish footpaths. Regrettably she had been unable to accept.

4. Planning Applications

Four applications had been received since the last meeting; because of the time limit these had already been dealt with.

They were:-

- e) SH/77/1104 Demolition of existing garage and erection of double garage, Lensdowne, Brook Lane, Sellindge. No objection.
- b) SH/77/1117 and /1118 Both for a market on different areas of Folkestone Racecourse. The Council had objected on the same grounds as on previous occasions.
- c) SH/77/1156 Change of use from agricultural haulage shed to use for mining machinery and welding processes, Gibbins Brook. No objection.

5. Reports

a) Jubilee Committee. Mr. Holt reported that the Jubilee Fund stood at £331.34. The Parish Room Committee had approved of the proposed improvements to the Room and would apply for planning permission.

b) Mr. Lukehurst, reporting on KALC Area Committee, said that, at the meeting on 12th January, Mr. Ruderman stated that local election expenses would not again fall directly on the parishes.

It was not considered economic for the District Council to give discount for prompt payment of rates.

The old form of Declaration of Acceptance of Office had been so widely used at the last elections that no action was to be taken.

c) On Home and Water Safety matters Mr. Lukehurst reported that at a meeting on 26th January, at which the Chief Environmental Officer had taken the Chair, it had been decided to advertise the post recently vacated by Mr. Vale.

The last figures available regarding home accidents showed an increase of 1%; 5,325 deaths had occurred in the home or in residential institutions.

6. Finance

The Council decided against making any small grants to village organizations holding annual events open to all residents or organizations.

7. Other business

A request for larger and more adequate shelters at Westenhanger Station.

Information to be obtained about the number of caravans

allowed at Gibbins Brook.

Mention was made of the number of cars which appeared to be parked in the garden of Prospect House.

8. Date of next meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting would be held on Tuesday, 14th March at 7.30p.m. It was agreed that the ANNUAL PARISH MEETING be held on a separate occasion and it was decided that this would be 11th April at 7.30p.m.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 11.00p.m.

..... Clerk

Clifford G. Holt

..... Chairman

14/3/78

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 14th March, 1978, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell

Mr. Rousell gave a verbal apology on behalf of Mr. Reed who was attending a course.

The Chairman welcomed the one member of the public present and then asked if the previously circulated minutes were a true record. This was agreed.

2. Matters arising

a) The Clerk reported that the circular letter had been delivered as requested. Only a formal reply had been received in the matter of the provision of a carpark at the north end of the bridge over the M20.

b) Hope Farm, Gibbins Brook. A very satisfactory reply from the District Council; it is to be one of the conditions of the agreement that traffic use the entrance in Hayton Road.

Since the receipt of this letter the Parish Council had received an invitation from the District Council to attend a meeting which a group of County Councillors were holding on the site. Mr. Rousell attended the meeting on behalf of the Parish Council and after saying that he had never seen the area so tidy he gave a comprehensive report. The meeting had been chaired by Captain Lawrence and attended by seven members of the County Council; Mr. Margery and other members of the District Council; three Sellindge Parish Councillors; the site owner and five members of the public. It was indicated which buildings were being properly used in the planning application respect and which were not. Mr. Rousell himself had pointed out that the area of parking was gradually being extended southwards from the buildings. A County official said there were three possibilities that could be considered: firstly, to stop all development and insist on the return of the buildings to their original use; secondly, to allow the present unplanned development to continue; thirdly, to allow controlled development on a properly laid out plan in a clearly defined area. This last would seem to be the best choice. The question of traffic using Brook Lane must be resolved. A four phase plan was put forward on behalf of the owner: one, tree planting; two, improvement of the bridle road north of Hope Farm; three, new drainage; fourth, new buildings and re-building.

The Chairman invited Mr. Garrod to speak. Mr. Garrod was mainly concerned about the heavy traffic using Brook Lane, he felt that if this was diverted most of the people in the area would be satisfied. He did comment on the increasingly "boggy" condition of the area.

Councillors felt that the situation was proceeding in a satisfactory way.

c) The Clerk reported that the further improvement of the

street lighting was to be at the District Council's expense.

d) The County surveyor had written that the proposed bus service would probably start on 21st. May.

"Crosskeys" had replied that it had heard that the East Kent Bus Company was starting a service and that therefore it would not be granted permission to operate a service.

e) British Rail had replied that it had considered the possibility of providing a waiting room at Westenhanger Station but the cost was far in excess of that which could be justified by the number of users. The situation was unchanged and it did not propose to provide anything more adequate. The Council was not satisfied with this; there was a suggestion that the shelters were not correctly erected in that the roofs had no slope and condensation did not drain off. The Chairman undertook to compare the shelters with those at Sandling and advise the Clerk of further steps.

3. Correspondence

From Kent Voluntary Services Council - a leaflet about the Kent Portrait Survey. It was decided to pass this to Mr. Reed for publication in the Parish Magazine.

Other items received needed no action.

4. Planning Applications

Only one had been received since the last meeting; because of the time limit it had been dealt with. It was:-

SH/78/115 Demolition of existing lads' Hostel and stables and erection of 29 stables and a Security Office, Folkestone Racecourse, Westenhanger.

There was no objection to this.

5. Finance

A Receipts and Payments Account for the financial year ending 31st March, 1978, was circulated. The Council was agreeably surprised at the low cost of heating for the year. Cheques were made out for the hire of the Parish Room for the year and to the Clerk for her honorarium and reimbursement for telephone calls, postage, heating, etc.; The former (No. 194205) for £13.75, the latter (No. 194206) for £43.92, both were signed by Mr. Holt and Mr. Rousell.

6. Other business and items for the Parish Magazine

a) Mr. Lukehurst reported on the Water Safety Committee meeting held on 16th February. It was again chaired by the Environmental Officer. This year's Sea Safety Spectacular was to be held at Hythe, on Sunday, 20th August. H. M. Coastguard statistics showed there had been a 5.8% decrease of incidents in 1976 over 1975; while some credit was due to the safety at sea campaign, most of this downward trend must be attributed to the outstandingly good weather.

b) It was suggested that Councillors give some thought to what

their reaction would be should a large scale planning application for building be submitted subsequent to the building of the M20.

c) For the Parish Magazine - Date of Annual Public Meeting, bus to Hythe, further improvement of street lighting.

7. Date of next Meeting

It was agreed that this should be on Tuesday, 2nd May; it would be preceded by the ANNUAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL which would start at 7.30p.m.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.5p.m.

..... Clerk

Clifford G. Holt

..... Chairman

2 May 1978.

The Annual Meeting of Stanford Parish Council

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Tuesday, 2nd May, 1978, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

The Chairman of the Council, Mr. G. J. Holt, opened the meeting by welcoming the only member of the public present, Mr. Cutting, and then gave a verbal apology on behalf of Mr. Reed. The Clerk was asked to read the Minutes of the last Annual Meeting.

These were confirmed as a true record.

There were no matters arising.

Election of Chairman for the year 1978/79

Mr. Holt vacated the Chair which was then taken by Mrs. Allcorn who called for nominations. It was proposed by Mr. Russell and seconded by Mr. Lukehurst that Mr. Holt be re-elected; this was agreed.

On resuming the Chair Mr. Holt thanked councillors for their continued confidence in him.

Kent Association of Local Councils.

The KALC had sent a letter to the Clerk for reading at the Annual Meeting drawing councillors' attention to the benefits of continued membership. Annual subscription had not risen this year (£13.50). Mr. Lukehurst proposed and Mrs. Allcorn seconded that membership be renewed. This was agreed.

Insurance It proposed by Mrs. Allcorn and seconded by Mr. Russell that the Cornhill Insurance Policy as increased last year be renewed. This was agreed.

Delegates to KALC. Mr. Lukehurst and

Mr. Russell being willing to continue as delegates to the KALC Area Committee and County Association, it was proposed from the Chair that their offer be accepted.

It being ascertained that Mr. Lukehurst was willing to continue serving on the Home and Water Safety Committees, it was proposed by Mrs. Allcorn and seconded by Mr. Russell that he should do so.

The Chairman ^{noted} that Mr. Russell and Mr. Lukehurst for their services as delegates.

Finance. The Clerk reported that the Council had a credit balance of £119.76 on 31st March.

Formal application for the estimated precept of £500 for the financial year 1978/79 was signed.

There was some discussion of the suggestion by Mr. Russell that a contribution to the Charles Arnold Baker retirement fund be made. No resolution was made but it was felt that if a donation was decided upon, the maximum amount be £5. This concluded the business of the Annual Meeting.

Clifford G. Holt. 11 June 1979

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 2nd May, 1978, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the meeting by saying that Mr. Reed apologised for his absence at this meeting too. He then referred to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Shelters at the station. The Chairman reported on his visit to Sandling Station shelter and the advice passed to the Clerk who read the letter sent to British Railways. No reply had yet been received.

b) Proposed bus service. No confirmation of the proposed starting date of 21st May having been received Mr. Rousell suggested that information be sought in this matter. This was agreed.

Public transport being under discussion it was felt appropriate to read here a letter from the District Council concerning Rural Transport in Shepway. A study of this is to be carried out in certain selected parishes (of which Stanford is one) and a questionnaire for circulation to all households in these areas is planned. The Parish Council's help in the distribution and collection of these forms was sought, also publicity for the study and views on existing public transport provision. It was decided to reply that the Council would distribute and collect the questionnaires. No views were to be advanced.

3. Matters arising from the Annual Parish Meeting

a) Villages Probe. Mr. Lukehurst reported that this item had been on the agenda of the Shepway D.C./Parish Councils Liaison Committee Meeting. Villages had been asked to volunteer for first consideration; Hawkinge and Sellinger had done so. He had expressed the opinion that Stanford be considered late in the list when the effects of the M20 might have become apparent. The matter of Village Appraisals was raised; it was thought that Mr. Reed had made one. The Clerk mentioned that the Women's Institute had made quite an extensive report in the 60's as part of a County W. I. project and had considered bringing this up to date before the M20 was started.

There was no mention of the Kent Structure Plan.

b) The follow up of Mr. Reed's suggestions re photographs and Kent Archaeological Society was deferred until the next meeting.

c) Mr. Parker, The District Highway Surveyor, had replied that the footway across Church Green came under the District Council; he had forwarded the Parish Council's letter. Only a formal acknowledgment had been received.

4. Correspondence

The only item needing discussion had been dealt with under 2a) above.

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5. Planning Applications

only one had been received since the last meeting. It was:-

SH/78/381 Removal of existing overhead lines and erection of new high voltage overhead line, rear of Five Acres to rear of Belmont, Stone Street, Stanford.

6. Other business and items for Parish Magazine

Mr. Lukehurst reported further on the Liaison Committee Meeting. He produced a map showing a small area of land which would be adjacent to the north end of the bridge over the M20 which it was felt could be developed as a car park. It was decided that the Council could not act directly in this matter but a reply to the letter sent on 22nd February be requested.

Copies of the plans to be put into action in the event of an emergency at the Dungeness Power Stations could be seen at all local Council Offices.

Attention was drawn to a Councillors' Conference in May.

A seminar on finance is being planned.

On Home and Water Safety matters Mr. Lukehurst reported that a new Safety Officer, Mr. George Standish, had been appointed. At a Water Safety meeting on 20th April the whole of the Shepway District had been represented. Byelaws covering the entire area of Shepway had been submitted; previously only the Folkestone area had been covered. The plans for the Sea Spectacular were going ahead.

For the Parish Magazine, a comment on the completion of the improvement of the street lighting and expression of the Council's disappointment at the poor attendance at the Annual Parish Meeting.

7. Date of next meeting - Tuesday, 27th June, 1978, at 7.30p.m.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.35p.m.

..... Clerk

..... Clifford G. Holt Chairman

28. June 1978.

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 28th June, 1978 in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Reply from British Railways - our suggestions will be examined and reported on.

b) Bus service - The Clerk had telephoned the County Surveyor on 3rd May and had been told that the Bus service would now start on Friday, 2nd June. A letter had since been received from the County Surveyor asking for any comments on the new service. This request would appear in the July Parish Magazine.

The "Study of Rural Transport" forms had been received and delivered.

c) Village Studies - It had been ascertained that Mr. Reed had not made a Village Appraisal. A letter dated 15th May from the Controller of Technical and Planning Services had asked for the Parish Council's opinion. It was agreed that a reply be sent agreeing to co-operate but suggesting that such a study be done after the completion of the M20, when its effect on the village could be assessed.

d) The follow-up of Mr. Reed's suggestions re photographs and the Kent Archaeological Society - It was agreed that estimates be obtained from Mr. Davies of the Camera Shop and Jack Adams for the taking of photographs in the area where the M20 would be built. Mr. Holt would contact Mr. Mortimer of the Ashford branch of the Kent Archaeological Society again.

While on the subject of the M20 it was suggested by Mr. Rousell that the appropriate authority be approached with a view to include provision for a future mains gas service while excavations for the project were being undertaken. This was agreed.

e) Car park at north end of bridge over M20 - The Chief Executive had replied to the Council's letter of 22nd February on the same day as the Clerk wrote asking for information. He wrote that the District Council had expressed willingness to take over such a car park but did not at that time expect to be involved in any costs. Valuation advice and estimated costs were being sought. The Parish Council would be kept informed.

f) Seminar on Finance - This was to be held on Thursday, 6th July. The Clerk would attend.

3. Correspondence

a) Shepway Guidebook 1979. It was agreed that the information in the current guidebook remain unaltered.

b) Letter and forms re Polling Staff. Mr. Lukehurst and Mr. Rousell were interested and took forms.

c) Shepway Civic Church Service. The Clerk would accept the invitation on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Lukehurst and Mr. and Mrs. Rousell.

d) Management Audit Group - Communications Within and Without - re reviving "Shepway Today" or some alternative suggestion. There was some discussion of this; and it was

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agreed that a reply be sent that the Council felt that the District Council could best communicate with the public by giving information directly to the local press.

e) From the Chairman of the Shepway Area Committee of the KAIC regarding grants to parish councils. This was in the nature of a warning and did not AT PRESENT require action.

f) Verbal complaints about a footway and a footpath had been received. The Clerk had written to the appropriate authorities.

4. Planning Applications

Three applications had been received and dealt with. They were:-

a) SH/78/517 Erection of extension to Lansdowne, Brook Lane.

b) SH/78/526 Outline application for the erection of dwelling on land at Littlecroft, Stanford.

c) SH/78/557 Use of land for the parking and display of cars for sale, land adjoining Airport Garage.

No objections had been made. Notice had been received that a site meeting was to be held on Thursday, 29th June, regarding b).

5. Reports

a) Mr. Holt reported that the Silver Jubilee Committee had ended its year of office with a fund of £346.06 which was in a Deposit Account. The Committee was now re-named the Village Hall Improvement Committee.

b) Mr. Lukehurst reported on Home and Water Safety affairs.

Miss Tilby had been elected Chairman of the Home Safety Committee and Mr. Lukehurst was again Vicechairman. There would be a stand at the County Show but no competition for schools this year. The last available figures for deaths from accidents in the home, the first two quarters of 1977, showed a 12½% decrease in the first quarter and a 3% decrease in the second over the same period as the previous year.

On Water Safety, the last meeting had been a combined one, Councillor Carter had been elected Chairman and Mr. Searle Vice-chairman. Arrangements for the Sea Safety Spectacular were going ahead. There was an interesting talk by a hang-gliding pilot.

Mr. Lukehurst also reported that he had been asked for complete information on the Social Car Service in connection with the Study of Rural Transport currently being made in the parish.

6. Finance

The Clerk reported on the Annual Audit; it had not been possible to exclude the Fordred Charity money from the accounts, this resulted in an additional £1 being added to the fee which was £12.96, including VAT. The Auditor had advised that the administrator of the Trust be asked if the money could be paid to some individual person rather than to the Council. Mr. Holt expressed his willingness to receive the cheque if this was arranged. The cheque for the payment of the Audit fee was signed by Mrs. Allcorn and Mr. Holt.

The Precept had been paid into the Council's account and

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this now showed a credit balance of £588.96.

There was some discussion on financial affairs but no resolutions were made.

7. There was no other business and no items put forward for the Parish Magazine.

8. The date of the next meeting - Tuesday, 5th September at 7.30p.m.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.55p.m.

..... Clerk

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STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 5th September, 1978, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. A. C. Reed
Mr. C. G. Rousell

A message had been received from the Chairman stating that he would arrive late and asking that the meeting commence without him. It was then proposed by Mr. Lukehurst and seconded by Mrs. Allcorn that Mr. Reed take the Chair until the Chairman arrived. This was agreed.

Mr. Reed asked if the previously circulated minutes were accepted as a true record. This was agreed.

2. Matters arising

a) Bus Service - The only comment was the reporting of the non-arrival of the bus on one occasion.

b) Photographs of the proposed M20 area - The Clerk reported that Mr. Davies of the Camera Shop had immediately referred her to Jack Adams. Jack Adams had given an estimate of £15-20; after consultation with the Chairman, the order was confirmed. All councillors had seen the proofs and the finished photographs were to hand. The bill was £19.98 including VAT. (Cheque 194210, signed by Mr. Holt and Mr. Rousell.) It was proposed by Mrs. Allcorn and seconded by Mr. Rousell that a folder to house the photographs should be bought. This was agreed and Mrs. Allcorn undertook to obtain it.

It was felt that as there was going to be considerable alteration of the landscape at the north end of the village where the "slip" road to the M20 would be constructed photographs of this area should also be taken. After some discussion it was proposed by Mr. Lukehurst and seconded by Mrs. Allcorn that Mr. Rousell approach Mr. Sutton in this matter; the Council undertaking to pay any expenses incurred. This was agreed.

c) Provision for a possible mains gas service - Letters had been written to the South Eastern Road Construction Unit and to The Manager, A.H.D.M., Concorde House, Maidstone, with a copy to Shepway District Council. A reply from the Road Construction Unit, addressed from Concorde House, stated that it had no authority to make this decision and had sent a copy of the Council's letter to the Gas Board. Nothing having been heard from this body, the Clerk was asked to write directly to it.

d) Car park at north end of bridge over M20 - Up to date information to be requested from the District Council.

e) The Clerk reported briefly on the Seminar on Finance held on 6th July. The event had lasted only three quarters of an hour.

f) The payment of Fordred's Charity - Mr. Draper had replied that he appreciated the Council's point and would put it before the Trustees when next they met.

g) Mr. Lukehurst raised the point that at the last meeting there had been discussion about making money available for improving the Parish Room; the Precept had included provision for this and the further improvement of the street lighting. Now that it was certain that the District Council was paying for the lighting he felt that some definite decision should be made, he therefore formally moved that a grant of £400 be made to the Parish Room Committee for investment towards the proposed improvement to the

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Parish Room in commemoration of the Queen's Silver Jubilee. After some further discussion the resolution was seconded by Mr. Rousell and carried unanimously. The cheque (No. 194212, signed by Mr. Holt and Mr. Rousell) was to be held back until after the next meeting of the Parish Room Committee.

The Chairman reported that he had enquired about pre-fabricated buildings from various sources but had received no definite information. Mr. Lukehurst said that Detling Parish Council had recently completed such a project as had been mooted. The Clerk was instructed to contact the Clerk there.

3. Correspondence None requiring action.

4. Planning Applications

There had been only one, to which there had been no objection. It was:-

SH/78/715 Conversion of existing outbuildings into Dog Boarding Kennels, Brook Farm, Sellindge.

5. Reports

a) Water Safety - Mr. Lukehurst reported that the Sea Safety Spectacular had been a very exciting event, particularly as it included a genuine call-out for the inshore lifeboat. The large crowd had shown great interest in the static demonstrations.

b) KALC - Mr. Rousell said there was nothing to report. He regretted being unable to attend the AGM of the Association on 30th September.

6. Finance

a) A "nil return" was to be made to the District Council regarding Capital Expenditure.

b) It was proposed by Mrs. Allcorn and seconded by Mr. Rousell that £40 be paid to the Parochial Church Council towards the cost of the upkeep of the Churchyard. This was carried nem.con.

7. Other Business - Mr. Lukehurst reported that the street light at "Five acres" was giving trouble and also that lights were going out earlier at night. The Clerk said that a card had been sent.

For the Parish Magazine - The grants to the P.C.C. and the Parish Room Committee and the photographs for posterity.

8. Date of next meeting - Tuesday, 7th November, at 7.30p.m.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9p.m.

..... Clerk

..... *Clifford G. Holt* Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 7th November, 1978, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. A. C. Reed
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Photographs of the north end of the village for posterity - Councillors studied photographs taken by Mr. Sutton and chose several for parish records; Mr. Rousell would enquire the cost.

The covers for the M20 area photographs were on view.

b) Provision for a possible mains gas service - A reply has at last been received from SE Gas; briefly, it was stated not to be a viable proposition costwise. There was considerable discussion about this. It was decided to write to the Area Committee of the KALC to enlist its support.

c) The carpark at north end of bridge over M20. The District Council is arranging a site meeting between representatives of the Department of Transport, its own Technical and Planning Services Department and the Parish Council. The Clerk was asked to write welcoming this and further expressing the Council's concern lest this project be allowed to drop.

d) The Secretary of the Parish Room Committee has acknowledged receipt of the cheque for £400 and stated that this had been invested as the bank manager advised while the Committee carried out a feasibility study re a new building. There was some discussion of this but no resolution was made.

The Detling Parish Clerk has replied very fully to the Council's request for information. His letter had been passed to the Parish Room Committee but was not discussed at the Council meeting.

3. Correspondence

a) From the Home and Water Safety Officer, expressing concern at the decreasing attendance at committee meetings.

b) KALC Circular 92, item 4 - A Meeting arranged by the Kent Federation of Amenity Societies on 11th November at which Professor Keith-Lucas will speak on "How Parish Councils and amenity societies can help each other". A detailed discussion on planning applications is to be held. At least one representative would attend this meeting.

c) From County Hall, drawing attention to the existence of the County Council's new documentary film, "Caring for the County". The Clerk had enquired further and a booking form had been received. This was discussed and it was agreed to book the film for showing at the Annual Parish Meeting, which was then arranged for 8p.m. on Tuesday, 20th March, with a Council Meeting a week later.

4. Planning Applications

Since the last Council Meeting two applications had been

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received and accepted. They were:-

SH/78/814 Details for the erection of general purpose agricultural building at Yew Tree Farm.

SH/78/973 Construction of brick outer skin to bungalow, new roof and internal alterations, The Chalet.

Regarding Application SH/78/526 Erection of one dwelling - land at "Littlecroft", a site meeting had been held on 16th October to discuss the County Surveyor's highway direction of refusal. A report of this meeting has now been considered by the Powers Sub-committee which feels that the highway objections can be overcome by the submission of a revised application. The direction will therefore be withdrawn subject to this amendment.

The Council considered application SH/78/1106 Conversion of dwelling into two living units, Bankside. There was no objection.

The Controller of Technical and Planning Services asked for the Council's observations on an application involving land adjacent to the Parish. It was "Outline proposals for motor maintenance compound on land adjacent to the M20 Motorway at its interchange with a diversion of B2068 (Stone Street), Stanford." The Clerk was instructed to reply that the Council had no objection to the plan proposed; adding that it would, however, view with concern any further development in the vicinity.

5. Reports

KAIC Area Committee - At the recent Annual Meeting Mr. Egan (Sellindge) was elected Chairman. Mr. Lukehurst continues to be a representative on the "Liaison Committee" but is no longer a representative on the County Executive Committee.

6. Finance

The Council had a credit balance of £131.60. An account of receipts and payments made and estimated to the end of the financial year was given to each councillor. The Clerk reported that because of the "grant V precept" controversy and the local elections to be held next May the amount of the precept would not be required before the middle of January. However, after some discussion, it was proposed by Mr. Rousell, seconded by Mrs. Allcorn and carried unanimously that £500 again be the amount precepted.

Following press reports about the profit made from the District Lottery and the various ideas for its allocation, including help for village halls, the Clerk had been asked verbally to raise the matter at the next Parish Council Meeting. This was discussed and it was agreed that a letter be sent to the Chief Executive hoping for some support for the Stanford Parish Room Improvement Fund.

7. Other business and items for Parish Magazine

For the magazine, the carpark and "Caring for the County".

Other business, Mr. Rousell wondered if an increase of business would arise with the commencement of the construction of the M20, necessitating monthly Council Meetings. This was discussed and it was suggested that there should not be more than two calendar months between meetings. As it had already been decided to have a meeting on 27th March no firm decision was made about this.

The Date of the next meeting was arranged for Tuesday, 9th January, 1979, at 7.30p.m.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 10.25p.m.

..... Clerk

Stanford G. Holt

..... Chairmen

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 9th January, 1979, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. A. C. Reed
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the meeting with a welcome to two members of the public and then referred to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Mr. Rousell reported that Mr. Sutton was preparing the photographs for the parish records; the cost was not yet known.

b) The Chairman of the Area Committee of KAIC, Mr. Egan, had replied at length with reasons why the Committee felt it could not support the Council in the matter of the possible supply of Mains gas. After further discussion it was decided not to pursue this matter further.

c) Carpark at north end of bridge over M20 - A letter from the Chief Executive, Shepway D. C., has been received stating that the Works Committee has included this scheme in its capital programme for 1979/80. This decision is subject to approval by the Policy and Resources Committee.

d) Mr. Lukehurst reported briefly on the meeting arranged by the Kent Federation of Amenity Societies held on 11th November. Professor Keith-Lucas had stressed the need for Local Councils to resist all attempts to decrease their powers. Mr. Rousell and the Clerk had also attended this interesting meeting.

e) Despite information that the amount of the Precept would not be required until the middle of January two communications had been received regarding this. The amount having been decided at the November meeting the Clerk had returned the form.

f) Lottery - Shepway D. C. has decided to allocate the proceeds to the various local councils in proportion to their population with a minimum of £200; councils to claim, stating the project for which the money will be used. The Clerk was asked to write, stating that the money would be used for the Parish Room Improvement Scheme.

g) Received confirmation of the booking of the film "Caring for the County" for 20th March.

3. Correspondence

There was no correspondence requiring attention at the meeting but the Clerk reported on various items received:-

i) The cheque for the Fordred Charity had been payable to Mr. C. G. Holt and had therefore not been passed through the Council's bank account.

ii) A vacancy on the Managing Body of Sellindge County Primary School caused by the resignation of the Reverend Jacquet on his leaving the area - Sellindge Council had proposed that his successor, the Reverend Goodsell be appointed. Mr. Holt had supported the proposal on behalf of Stanford.

iii) From British Rail stating that there was no satisfactory way of improving the shelters at the station. A structure giving complete protection could be erected if the Parish Council were prepared to finance the project. After consultation with the Chairman the Clerk had asked for further information about this.

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4. Planning Applications

Two applications for the diversion of footpaths had been received. No objections had been made.

5. Reports

Home Safety Committee - Mr. Lukehurst said the latest figures for deaths from accidents in the home showed a 4% decrease when compared with those of the preceeding period. There would be a Home Safety competition for schools this year.

6. Finance - no business

7. Other business - Mr. Reed asked if a signpost "To the Church" might be erected at the junction of Shere Lane with Stone Street. ~~It was recalled that there had previously been one.~~ ^{not} The Clerk was instructed to write to the appropriate authority.

For the Parish Magazine - Date of Annual Parish Meeting with film.

8. Date of next meeting

After some discussion it was decided that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday, 20th February. The dates of the Annual Parish Meeting and following Council meeting were confirmed as 20th and 27th March respectively.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45p.m.

..... Clerk

..... *Alfred G. Holt* Chairmen

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 20th February, 1979, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. A. C. Reed
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman having been delayed, it was agreed that the meeting should start. Mr. Lukehurst proposed and Mrs. Allcorn seconded that Mr. Reed take the Chair; however no business was completed before Mr. Holt's arrival.

Two points were raised before the Minutes were accepted. These were item 2b) which it was decided not to alter and item 7, in which it was decided that a sentence be deleted. The Chairman initialled this and then signed the Minutes.

2. Matters arising

- a) There was no further information about the photographs.
- b) Lottery - Shepway D. C. had acknowledged receipt of letter and would communicate further.
- c) No reply having been received from British Rail concerning the provision of shelters at the Council's expense, the Clerk was asked to write again.
- d) The County Surveyor had replied that he could arrange to provide a sign "To the Church" at the Council's expense. This he estimated to be approximately £48. After some discussion this was agreed nem. con.

3. Correspondence

a) From The Controller of Technical and Planning Services asking the Council's view concerning alleged noise nuisance from the continuous circling of light aircraft from Ashford Airport Parachuting Club. The Clerk was asked to reply that the Council did not consider that the level of noise heard in Stanford and Westenhanger reached nuisance point. The Council felt that the Club provided an amenity which should be supported.

b) From The Controller of Technical and Planning Services concerning the Folkestone and Hythe District Plan. A series of Topic Reports is being made, which includes one on Transportation. It was felt that the District Council should be informed of the Parish Council's concern about the future of public transport in Stanford after the completion of the M20.

c) An Electoral List for use until 2nd May was found to exclude Yew Tree Close entirely. The Clerk was asked to check further and inform the appropriate department.

d) A notice about industrial action by Council employees stated that plastic sacks for storing refuse could be obtained from all Council offices. Mrs. Allcorn had collected a supply and information that these could be obtained from Mr. Lukehurst was added to the notice.

4. Planning Applications

An application for the diversion of one footpath and the extension of another had been received; this was an alteration of a previous application. No objection had been made.

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5. Reports

Mr. Rousell reported on the KAIC Area Committee Meeting. Miss Jill Butler, the Countryside Officer, spoke of a new booklet, "Upkeep of the Countryside". Government grants to local councils had been cut by 40%. Many planning applications were not being returned by the specified date; Parish Councils were asked to request an extension of time if necessary.

A culmination of several points resulted in an expression by the meeting that the Chairman had exceeded his authority in dealing with some items between meetings.

Mr. Lukehurst reported that the Water Safety Committee meeting had been cancelled.

6. Finance

The Clerk reported that the estimated sum of £48 for the signpost could be met from current funds.

7. Other business

a) The Chairman mentioned the damage to the "Stanford" sign by the M20 contractors; he hoped to remove the Invicta badges from both signs as these had been given by the local Women's Institute.

b) It was suggested that letters be written to Shepway D. C. and Seaboard asking that after a planned interruption of the electricity supply the adjustment of the timing apparatus on the street lighting be made without delay or notification by the Parish Council.

c) Mr. Lukehurst complained that vegetation overhanging the footpath on his property had been cut without his permission and thrown into the ditch. The Clerk would telephone Mr. Rollinson.

d) Three items on which it was felt building regulations were being contravened:-

- i) Parking of caravans at Prospect House;
- ii) Erection of car port at Inglewood;
- iii) Alleged carrying on of a business at Hadleigh;

The Clerk was asked to write to the Controller of Technical and Planning Services.

e) The S.T.R.A.W. Committee had offered to provide refreshments at the Annual Parish Meeting on 20th March. The Chairman accepted this offer with pleasure.

A reminder of the Annual Meeting would appear in the March Parish Magazine.

The Date of the next Council Meeting being confirmed as Tuesday, 27th March, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9p.m.

..... Clerk

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Acting Chairman

..... Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 27th March, 1979, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

- Present:-
- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
 - Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
 - Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
 - Mr. A. C. Reed
 - Mr. C. G. Rousell

On hearing that Mr. Holt had telephoned the Clerk that he would be late for the meeting Mr. Lukehurst proposed and Mrs. Allcorn seconded that Mr. Reed take the Chair.

Mr. Reed welcomed the two members of the public present and then referred to the previously circulated minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) No further information about the photographs.

b) Lottery - A cheque for £200 has been received from Shepway D. C. and paid into the Parish Council's account.

c) British Rail had replied that two weather-proof shelters would cost £10,000-£10,750. A suggestion was made that a draught-proof "skirt" might be constructed; such a modification could be seen at Littlehaven Station. The Clerk had written to the Clerk of Horsham Rural Parish Council who had replied that this was generally effective.

It was agreed that the organization representing railway passengers be contacted for advice.

d) A new Electoral List had been received - the last page of that previously received had "missed the duplicator".

e) Seaboard had replied that the District Council were notified when planned power cuts were to be made and also when the supply had failed because of faults. The District Council had only formally acknowledged receipt of letter.

f) The Controller of Technical and Planning Services had replied that the occupants of the premises where there were possible contraventions of building regulations had been visited and asked to submit planning applications where necessary.

At this point Mr. Holt arrived and Mr. Reed vacated the Chair. The Chairman apologised for his late arrival.

3. Matters arising from the Annual Parish Meeting

The points raised by members of the public were re-iterated. It was decided that action was required on only two matters, school transport and the various points involving "Tarmac".

4. Correspondence

a) Parish Boundary Reviews - Shepway D. C. required by 31st May confirmation or amendment of the alterations proposed by the Parish Council after the Public Meeting in November, 1977. There was some discussion about this but it was felt that a large scale map would be helpful and the matter was deferred until the next meeting.

b) Notice of a Seminar on the Folkestone and Hythe District Plan at the Hotel Imperial on 19th April - Little information had been given; the Clerk had applied for the two places allotted to Stanford.

5. Planning Applications

The Council's observations had been invited regarding three applications relating to plans adjacent to the parish boundary. These were for large extensions at "South View" and "Five Acres", to which no objections had been made, and a more detailed plan for the vehicle maintenance compound adjacent to the Motorway. There was considerable discussion about this and the Clerk was instructed to object to the application on the grounds that the bank was not high enough, the tree planting was not adequate and the drainage from the oil trap liable to pollute a stream.

Application for a tree planting licence on Gibbins Brook was agreed.

There was no objection to SH/79/327 Garage to "Barn Bungalow" and "Barnstormers".

6. Finance

The Clerk reported that the Council had a credit balance of £330.88. Mr. Lukehurst proposed that the £200 received from the District Lottery be immediately paid to the Parish Room Committee for investing in the Parish Room Improvement Fund. This was agreed. A separate cheque to the Parish Room Committee for the hire of the Room for meetings was signed; there were nine meetings at £1 and five extra hours payable at 50p an hour, a total of £11.50. A cheque of £63.28 to the Clerk included Honorarium £50, heating, stationery, telephone calls and postage.

7. Other business and items for the Parish Magazine

a) Mr. Rousell asked that further information be obtained about a proposed bus service to the William Harvey Hospital.

b) Mr. Lukehurst said that the Water Safety Committee meeting was at 7.30p.m. on 19th April in the former Civil Defense building, Stade Street, Hythe. He was unavailable but felt that someone should represent the Council.

Mr. Holt asked the two members of the public present if they had anything to say. Mr. Gerrod raised the matter of traffic using Brook Lane; firstly, the speed of cars bringing machines and riders to motor cycling events which used "the Brook" as a base, and, secondly, the continued use of the Lane by TIR lorries. The Council felt the best way of dealing with the first point was to find out when an event was to be held and ask the police to observe. Regarding the second point, the Clerk was asked to write to the District Council about this and to inquire about progress with the agreement concerning Gibbins Brook which has been in hand for some considerable time.

For the Parish Magazine - The Lottery money and information about the station shelters and bus to hospital.

The Clerk was asked to make the Precept as soon as possible and to minute for the new Council the information that the amount was calculated to cover election costs and a donation to the Parish Room Improvement Fund.

Mr. Holt thanked Mrs. Allcorn most sincerely for her work as a Councillor for the last six years and asked that this be recorded in the Minutes.

The next Council Meeting would be held on Tuesday, 15th May, and would be preceded by the Annual Meeting of the Council.

The meeting closed at 10p.m.

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Clifford G. Holt

Chairman.

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 15th May, 1979, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mrs. P. M. Allcorn
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell

Mr. Reed had telephoned his apologies.

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Mr. Rousell reported that the photographs had not yet been printed.

b) The Transport Users Consultative Committee had replied only formally and would write again. The Clerk was asked to press for a reply.

c) There still being a considerable delay in re-setting the timing apparatus on the street lights after power cuts the Clerk was asked to telephone the District Council as there appeared to be a lack of co-operation with Seeboard.

d) Regarding school transport Miss Moody said that a general review was being made.

e) The letter to Tarmac had been passed to Mr. Ian Walsh of the South Eastern Road Construction Unit. Although councillors were not entirely satisfied with his reply it was felt that little could be done by letter. Mr. Walsh's suggestion that his office be telephoned immediately when road obstructions occurred would be published in the Parish Magazine.

f) The Chief Executive, Shepway D. C. had replied that details of the bus service to the William Harvey Hospital were still being formulated.

g) Motorway Maintenance Compound - a reply from the Chief Engineer, S.E. Road Construction Unit. The Council was pleased to know that there was to be improvement in the oil trapping system; it did not agree with the reasons given for planting two year old trees. The Clerk was asked to obtain the Parks Superintendent's view on this and proceed accordingly.

h) TIR Lorries using Brook Lane and the agreement between the District Council and Messrs. A. J. R. Birch and Son - The Secretary and Solicitor had replied that the owner has been unwilling to enter into an agreement. The matter is still being actively pursued.

It was then stated that there has recently been further encroachment on Gibbins Brook. The Clerk was asked to write to Folkestone Racecourse Company, the Countryside Officer and the District Council about this.

3. Correspondence

a) Information re the Maidstone - Lenham Heath section of the M20. Mr. Lukehurst would review this.

b) Parking on pavements and verges - The Council's views were required, by the end of July, on new regulations governing this matter. Mr. Lukehurst would report on this at the next meeting.

T. W. Lukehurst

4. Planning Applications

Two applications were considered. They were:-

- SH/79/514 Erection of new Weighing room building with jockeys changing rooms, toilets etc., Folkestone Racecourse.
- SH/79/519 Outline application for the erection of detached bungalow and garage and erection of block of four garages, land adj. Glenroy, Stone Street, Westenhanger.

There was no objection to the first. The Council objected to the second on the grounds that it was detrimental to the environment. Copies of letters sent to Shepway D. C. had been received from several residents.

5. Boundary Review

Two alterations were made to the original proposals. They were a) to follow the boundaries of the properties of Brook Gate, Iansdowne and Brook Lane Cottages, instead of the line of F.P. 266, thus including all the land belonging to The Stormes in Stanford, and b) to move the line of the boundary east from Stone Street to enclose a strip of land which would combine the properties north of Westenhanger Station and Twin Chimneys, all now in Saltwood, in one proposal.

6. Reports

Seminar - Mr. Rousell and Mrs. Jameson attended the Seminar on The Folkestone and Hythe District Plan. Both reported total lack of mention of Stanford and little of real interest to the other rural parishes invited.

KAIC - Mr. Rousell reported on the last meeting. An expected speaker from the Gas Board did not come and no reason for his absence was given. Other subjects discussed included concessionary bus fares, the under-use of school buses and the Leas Cliff Hall.

Mr. Lukehurst reported that he would be helping to judge the Children's Water Safety Competition.

7. Finance

The Clerk reported that the Precept had been paid. The hourly rate for the hire of the Parish Room was 75p, not 50p, therefore £1.25 was still owed to the Parish Room Committee. The renewal notice for the Cornhill Insurance Policy had been received. The cheque for its renewal was signed by Mr. Holt and Mrs. Allcorn.

8. Other business

On the Chairman's asking him whether he had any points to make, Mr. Cutting said that a heavy tracked vehicle belonging to Denton Plant Hire had been driven on Stone Street on more than one occasion. The Clerk was asked to draw the attention of the Road Construction unit to this.

The condition of the road, gutters and kerbs was commented on and it was suggested that when it appeared that the closure of Stone Street was imminent the appropriate authority be requested to ensure that the road was adequately repaired.

The Clerk was asked to write formally to Mr. Reed thanking him for his services as a Councillor over the last six years.

W. Lukehurst

Date of next meeting - Tuesday, 12th June. This meeting would be preceded by the Annual Meeting of the Council which would start at 7.30p.m.

The meeting closed at 10p.m.

W. Lukehurst Chairman Acting
Clerk

..... Chairman

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The Annual Meeting of Stamford Parish Council

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Monday, 11th June, 1979, in the Parish Room, Stamford

The Chairman of the retiring Parish Council, Mr. G. J. Holt, opened the meeting welcoming the two newcomers to the Council. He then invited all members to make their Declaration of Acceptance of Office as Parish Councillors.

This done, the Chairman called for nominations for Chairman of the new council. Mr. Lukehurst proposed and Mr. Russell seconded that Mr. G. J. Holt be elected Chairman for years 1979/80. This was agreed unanimously.

Mr. Holt thanked councillors for their confidence in him, adding that he had been Chairman for a number of years now and hoped that, perhaps, next year the younger members of the Council, having had a year's experience, might be encouraged to stand for nomination.

The Chairman then asked the clerk to read the Minutes of the last Annual Meeting. These were accepted as a true record.

There were no matters arising.

It was proposed by Mr. Lukehurst and seconded by Mrs. Wren that membership of the Kent Association of Parish Councils be renewed. This was agreed unanimously and the cheque for the slightly increased subscription (£14, 50p more than the previous year) was signed by Mr. Holt and Mr. Russell; including 70p for notices.

Mr. Russell and Mr. Lukehurst being willing to continue as delegates on both the Area and County Committees, their services were gratefully accepted.

The Chairman asked Mr. Lukehurst, saying that he knew a considerable amount of work was involved, whether he was prepared to continue as delegate on both the Home and Water Safety Committees. On Mr. Lukehurst expressing his continued interest in this work Mr. Russell proposed and Mrs. Wren seconded that he continue as delegate. This was agreed unanimously. Mr. Holt formally thanked Mr. Lukehurst for his past services in this field.

The Clerk stated that the Council had a credit balance of £55.92 at the end of the financial year. As agreed at the Council Meeting on 24th March, the Precept had been made and paid directly to the Council's bank account (£500).

There was no other business.

Clifford. G. Holt, 9 June 1980

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 19th June, 1979, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs V. A. Wren

Shortly after 7.30p.m. the Chairman not having arrived Mr. Rousell proposed and Mrs. Wren seconded that Mr. Lukehurst take the Chair. This was agreed.

Mr. Lukehurst asked if the previously circulated minutes were a true record. This was agreed.

2. Matters arising

a) On the matter of the photographs, Mr. Rousell reported no further news and asked that the subject be omitted from future agenda. It was understood that the photographs were to be a gift.

Mr. Holt arrived and Mr. Lukehurst vacated the Chair.

b) The Secretary of the Transport Users' Consultative Committee had replied that his committee had not yet considered the Council's request for advice, it did not meet until the end of July. From a reply to his letter to British Rail it appeared clear that finance was not available for rebuilding the shelters. He suggested the Council take up British Rail's offer to obtain estimates for the "skirt" modification. This was agreed, asking also for an estimate for sloping the roofs to drain condensation.

c) Regarding the delay in re-setting time clocks on street lighting, The District Council pleaded pressure of work.

d) Mr. Jenner, of the South Eastern Road Construction Unit, being now present all matters relating to the M20 were now taken. There was a long discussion, rather heated at times, during which the following complaints were made:- disruption of services - electricity, telephones and water - the former on more than one occasion, the second lasting for a considerable period; use of road by tracked vehicle; damage to Stone Street; blocked surface water drain; dust; mud; traffic control; flooding was also mentioned. Mr. Jenner replied to each of these matters:- regarding the interruption of services not very satisfactorily; possible future flooding would be less likely following completion of the road works; the driving of a tracked vehicle on the road was not illegal but the contractors were liable for damages incurred; mud on the road he did apologise for, saying that two machines used for clearing this were out of action, adding that progress on construction was such that this problem should now ease; damage to Stone Street and the blocked drain should be reported to the Highways Department. Regarding damage to private property, Mr. Jenner stated that if anyone wished to make such a claim he would advise him on the best organization to approach. He revealed that there was a hold up on the matter of the vehicle compound, and also advanced his opinion that Stone Street would be closed in about six months. Mrs. Wren asked whether lorries to the Motorway would continue to use Stone Street, Westenhanger, to which Mr. Jenner replied no.

Mr. Holt thanked Mr. Jenner for coming to the meeting. The Clerk was instructed to write to the Divisional Surveyor, Highways Dept.

e) Mrs. Rose had given the Chairman the names and ages of present and future users of school transport. The Clerk was asked

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to enquire of the Divisional Education Office what progress has been made regarding the review of this matter.

f) The encroachment on to Gibbins Brook - Major Cameron had replied that he had not visited the area since February when there had been no further encroachment; he would visit again shortly and write again. Letters had then been written to the Secretary and Solicitor, Shepway D. C. and the Countryside Officer. The former had replied that he had passed the letter to the Controller of Technical and Planning Services. The letter had not yet answered.

g) Mr. Lukehurst reported that no action need be taken by the Council regarding the information about the Maidstone-Lenham section of the M20 or about the parking on roads and verges.

3. Correspondence

a) From the County Surveyor asking if the Council would distribute leaflets about the William Harvey Hospital Bus Service. This was agreed.

b) Invitation to the Shepway Civic Church Service at Brookland on Sunday, 8th July. Accepted by Mr. Lukehurst and, provisionally, by Mr. Rousell.

Other items received needed no action.

4. Planning Applications

SH/79/556 Erection of two poles adjacent to the grain drying plant to support an electricity transformer, Yew Tree Farm. Objection to the siting on grounds that it would be detrimental to the environment.

SH/79/588 Stationing of 30 caravans and provision of toilet blocks and drainage system for a temporary period of 2½ years at Old Sandpit, Swan Lane, Sellindge. (Monks Horton Parish) Objection on several grounds - see filed notice.

"D"SH/79/617 Erection of extension to rear of Tolsford View, Stanford. No objection but it was observed that the plan appeared to extend over the boundary of the property.

5. Reports

Mr. Lukehurst reported on the result on the Home Safety Competition for Primary Schools; Sellindge had won the shield for the 9-11 years age group and Saltwood C. of E. the award for the 7-9 year olds. There was to be a Home Safety stand at the County Show.

Water Safety - The Sea Spectacular would be held on Sunday, 12th August, at 2.30p.m. at Folkestone Harbour. Collections would be divided between the Red Cross and the R.N.L.I.

6. Finance

The National Westminster Bank form giving notice of the alteration of signatories following the local Council elections was completed.

The Clerk asked for authority to write the cheque for the Department of the Environment following the Annual Audit on 29th June, probably £18. This was agreed.

7. Other business and Parish Magazine

The street name at Yew Tree Close needed replacement. Appreciation for grass trimming adjacent to Yew Tree Close but regret that cuttings had been inadequately cleared. The Clerk was asked to contact the Highways Department.

Enquiry to be made regarding the provision of a sign to the Church requested in February.

For the Parish Magazine - The Sea Spectacular and the closure of Stone Street.

8. Date of next meeting - Tuesday, 17th July, at 7.30p.m.

The meeting closed at 10p.m.

J. Jameson
..... Clerk

M. W. Lukehurst
..... Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 17th July, 1979, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

It being known that the Chairman would be a little late in arriving, it was proposed by Mr. Rousell that Mr. Lukehurst take the Chair. This was agreed.

Mr. Lukehurst opened the meeting by asking if the previously circulated Minutes were a true record. This was agreed.

2. Matters arising

a) The Clerk reported that no reply had yet been received from British Rail about the estimates for improvements to the station shelters.

Following a further report to the Chairman about curtailment of rail services, Mr. Holt had authorized the Clerk to telephone British Rail at Beckenham to discover whether there was any foundation for these reports. Mr. Uzzell had confirmed that there were proposals to discontinue all except commuter services from May, 1980. The Clerk was instructed to ask Mr. Uzzell to confirm these proposals in writing.

On taking the Chair Mr. Holt thanked Mr. Lukehurst for opening the meeting.

b) Mr. Jenner, of South Eastern Road Construction Unit, being present, all matters relating to the Motorway were now taken. First Mr. Jenner gave the following information - On the nights of 30th and 31st July and 1st and 2nd August, between 11p.m. and 6a.m., the A20 would be closed at Grove Bridge, Sellindge, to enable work on the basic construction of the bridge carrying the M20 over the A20 to be carried out. ALL traffic travelling EAST would be rerouted to Newingreen via Swan Lane, Blindhouse Lane and Stone Street. The Council accepted Mr. Jenner's offer to provide copies of a letter from the County Surveyor for Distribution to all houses on Stone Street.

A more up to date plan of the proposed vehicle maintenance compound was shown and there was some discussion of the drainage from this area.

Since Mr. Jenner's last visit, the Council agreed, the situation regarding the roadworks had greatly improved, though dust was still a problem. It was observed that the tracked vehicle seemed to be using the road more. The parking of road-workers' cars on the road added to the general congestion; Mr. Jenner agreed, but stated that he had no real control over this apart from asking individuals to park elsewhere. He would look into the matter of the derelict car. Lorries crossing Stone Street presented rather a terrifying picture, driving up at high speed and stopping abruptly almost on the road; Mr. Jenner agreed to try to stop them about 20 yards clear of Stone Street.

The Highways Surveyor had replied, stating that the condition of Stone Street was continually being reviewed, with the construction of the M20 repairs would be very difficult to make; the minor repairs mentioned would be done as soon as possible.

Mr. Holt thanked Mr. Jenner for his attendance.

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c) School Transport - The Divisional Education Officer had replied that present transport arrangements would continue for the Autumn term, The position would be kept under constant review and the Council would be advised if there were likely to be any changes. The Council would keep the situation in mind.

d) Encroachment on to Gibbins Brook - Replies had been received from the Controller of Technical and Planning Services and the Countryside Officer; neither offered any constructive advice.

Here Mr. Cutting mentioned that he had seen an announcement in Sellindge about a meeting to be held at Gibbins Brook concerning a welding company. Surprise was expressed that the Parish Council had received no information about this. It was hoped that a representative from the Council would be able to attend.

e) William Harvey Hospital Bus Service - The leaflets had been distributed.

f) Mr. and Mrs. Lukehurst and Mr. and Mrs. Rousell had attended the Shepway Civic Service at Brookland.

g) The County Surveyor said that the signpost for the Church had been made; it would be collected and erected by No. 5 Div. He suggested that a telephone call there would expedite matters. This had been done, mentioning the date of the Church Festival.

3. Correspondence - None requiring action.

4. Planning Applications

'D' SH/79/756 Erection of two storey extension to Waverley, Stanford.

There was no objection to this.

5. Reports

Mr. Rousell reported that Mr. Bishop and Mr. Colyer from Segas had attended the last meeting of the Area Committee of the KAIC. The former had said that Segas were always happy to supply forms for conducting a survey. The Council agreed to take up this offer.

6. Finance

The Clerk reported successful completion of the annual audit of accounts; the fee had been £18.40, including VAT(reclaimable). The £200 from the Shepway Lottery had been classed with the precept.

The Clerk asked that the telephone call to British Rail be booked as 5 minutes at 18p per minute (90). This was agreed.

7. Other business and items for the Parish Magazine

Mrs. Wren raised the subject of heating in the Parish Room. There was some discussion about this, but it was really a matter for the Parish Room Committee to decide. Mr. Holt said that as he was Chairman of the Parish Room Committee he would raise the matter before it.

For the Parish Magazine, a note that action by the Council had resulted in a modification of the plan for the Vehicle

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Maintenance Compound which will lessen the impact of this development on the environment.

Date of next meeting - 21st August.

The meeting closed at 9.45p.m.

..... Clerk

[Handwritten signature: Clifford J. Holt]
..... Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 21st August, 1979, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) The Clerk reported confirmation from Mr. Uzzell, British Rail, that proposals for the curtailment of services from Westenhanger Station were mooted, but there would be no alteration for the 1980/81 timetable. Though pleased with this news the Council felt that great effort must be made to prevent any curtailment. After some discussion, the Clerk was asked to write to Shepway D. C. enlisting its support; a copy of Mr. Uzzell's letter to be included.

Mr. Lukehurst then reported that the car park at the north end of the bridge over the M20 was among items "axed" in the recent economy drive. The Clerk was asked to convey the Council's dismay at this news to the District Council and its hope that the item be restored in next year's budget, for it was strongly felt that the failure to provide the car park would decrease the number of rail passengers.

b) Site Meeting at Hopen Farm, Gibbins Brook - Mr. Cutting and Mr. Rousell had been able to attend this meeting. The latter had enquired of representatives of both County and District Councils as to why Stanford Parish Council had not received notice of this meeting. Each authority claimed the other was to blame; the Clerk was asked to write to the Chief Executive of Shepway D. C. asking for clarification of the matter. The application for planning permission about which the meeting was convened was refused.

c) Mr. Jenner, of S.E. Road Construction Unit, again attended; in the matter of the way lorries crossed Stone Street, he had been unsuccessful, the position of the traffic lights, etc. having been agreed with the police. Regarding the wrecked car, there had been a misunderstanding; the Clerk would ask Shepway D. C. to remove it.

On the Chairman's asking how the work on the Motorway was progressing Mr. Jenner gave some very interesting facts about the construction and offered a conducted tour of the project to the Council; this was eagerly accepted.

d) The signpost to the Church not having arrived, the Clerk was asked to telephone the Divisional Surveyor again, stressing the date of the Festival.

e) The William Harvey Hospital Bus Service - Mr. Lukehurst said that attention should be drawn to the fact that there was a connection between this service and one from the hospital into Ashford.

f) No reply had been received from Segas about the survey forms.

3. Correspondence

a) From the Controller of Technical and Planning Services, giving reasons why the Plans Sub-committee did not support the

Parish Council's objection to the proposed transformer at Yew Tree Farm.

b) The revised boundary alteration maps.

c) A copy of the letter sent by the Chairman of Monks Horton Parish Meeting to Shepway D. C. opposing the proposal by Stanford Parish Council regarding the area including Blindhouse.

Other items received needed no action.

4. 4. Planning Applications

SH/79/863 Outline application for erection of dwelling on land adj. 22 Brook Lane Cottages, Swan Lane. This was agreed by a majority decision.

SH/79/926 Erection of new Numbers Board, Folkestone Racecourse. No objection.

5. Reports

Mr. Lukehurst reported that the Sea Spectacular was once again a worthwhile event; he added that the Wind Surfing Club at Sandgate was the first to achieve international recognition.

6. There was no financial business

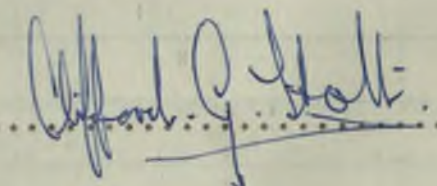
7. Other business and items for Parish Magazine

Mr. Rousell expressed concern about the state of the War Memorial, particularly the lettering on the west face. It was agreed that this was within the Parish Council's province and would be examined further. This, together with the connection between the hospital bus service and Ashford town service were items for the Parish Magazine.

8. Date of next meeting - 18th September, at 7.30p.m.

The meeting closed at 9.30p.m.

..... Clerk.

.....  Chairman.

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 18th September, 1979, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. After the observation that item 2e was raised by Mr. Rousell not Mr. Lukehurst, Mr. Holt signed the minutes as being a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) The Chief Executive, Shepway D. C. apologised for the non-notification of the site meeting at Gibbins' Brook. It had been assumed that as the postal address was Sellindge the premises were in that parish.

Regarding the car park for the station, he said that the item had been deleted because the land would not be available in this financial year; it would be considered again for the next financial year but, he admitted, the situation would be very difficult with the Government's request for even greater savings.

He was making enquiries about the possibility of a reduction in the rail service at Westenhanger Station.

Discussion of this matter followed and it was decided to send letters to Mr. Costain, Mr. Margary, the County Council, the Transport Users' Consultative Committee and the Parishes of Lympne, Sellindge, Stowting and Lyminge.

b) Shepway D. C. had removed the wrecked car very promptly.

c) The signpost indicating "Church" had been erected in time for the Church Festival. Several compliments had been received.

d) The items for the Parish Magazine would appear in October, the deadline for publication in the September issue having been exceptionally early.

3. Correspondence

a) From the Controller of Technical and Planning Services giving reasons why the Plans Sub-committee had refused planning application SH/79/863.

b) KALC Circular - Mr. Lukehurst and Mr. Rousell would attend the AGM.

c) Public Transport Plan - Preliminary Draft - for observations by 29th October. Those councillors who had seen this report agreed that there was little to comment on. It was noted that Stanford was given an "A" grade in the table of comparison between all villages in the county; this would not continue to be so if rail services were curtailed but no mention of this draft plan was to be made in the letter to the K.C.C. Official comment would be decided on at the next Council Meeting.

d) Information about Hackney Carriage Fares.

e) From the County Secretary re alteration of footpath adjacent to the vehicle maintenance compound.

4. Boundary Changes

a) Copy of letter sent to Shepway D. C. by Mr. Cheeseman, Blindhouse, giving his reasons for wishing to remain in Monks Horton parish.

b) Copy of a report of a Special Meeting of Saltwood Parish Council at which it was agreed that there would be no objection to the proposals by Stanford Parish Council regarding "Twin Chimneys" and the five properties near Westenhanger Station.

c) From the Secretary and Solicitor, Shepway D. C. asking for the Parish Council's views on a proposal he had received from Lympne Parish Council that the area of Stanford Parish south of the M20 be transferred to Lympne Parish.

It was felt that if this proposal was implemented it would have a disastrous effect on Stanford Parish. It was agreed that a Public Meeting be called for Tuesday, 16th October, at 7.30p.m. in Parish Room, and a notifying letter be distributed to all households. Mr. Margary to be invited as District Councillor for the Ward.

5. Planning Applications

'D' SH/79/930 Continued use of residential caravan, Hope Farm

SH/79/942 Erection of exterior boundary wall, Royal Oak Motel

SH/79/943 Sign on face of building, Royal Oak Motel

SH/79/1019 Temporary permission for storage of boat, Royal Oak.

There was no objection to these applications but it was requested that the lighting of the sign be in keeping with the environment.

6. Reports - None

7. Finance

The account for election expenses had been received - £10. A cheque was signed.

8. Other business and items for Parish Magazine

It was observed that Seeboard was erecting twin poles carrying 33KBA from the existing 33 line to Stanford sub-station and it was felt that planning permission for this had not been sought. The Clerk was asked to contact the Controller of Technical and Planning Services.

For the magazine, the Public Meeting in addition to the previously mentioned items too late for September magazine.

Date of next meeting - Tuesday, 23rd October, at 7.30p.m.

The meeting closed at 9p.m.

..... Clerk

Mr. Lukehurst..... Chairman

Account of the Parish Meeting held on Tuesday, 16th October, in the Parish Room, Stanford, to discuss a proposal by Lympe Parish Council that the part of Stanford Parish south of the M20 be transferred to Lympe Parish.

When it became apparent that the Chairman was delayed, Mr. Lukehurst read a letter from British Rail, received only the previous day, announcing that all but peak period train services would be withdrawn from Westenhanger Station from 12 May, 1980. He added that Mr. Holt knew of this letter and it would be discussed after the boundary proposal.

Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman of the Parish Council, formally opened the meeting with a welcome to all present. He then gave a review of the procedures leading to the calling of the current meeting and ended by inviting the opinion of those present.

Major Cameron opened the discussion, saying that he represented the largest ratepayers (Folkestone Racecourse) in the Parish and that though he, himself, was a newcomer he felt strongly that Westenhanger should remain in Stanford Parish. His remarks were applauded. Several other electors spoke, including Mrs. Davies, Mr. Butcher, Mr. Kenny, Mr. Spicer and Mr. Wren; feelings were that Westenhanger residents would not benefit by the proposal and Stanford would suffer a considerable loss. Mr. Lukehurst gave figures supporting this.

Mr. Spicer moved that the proposal by Lympe Parish Council be rejected. This was carried nem. con.

Mr. Holt raised the subject of British Rail's letter.

There was a general discussion and recollection of events in 1968/9 when the station was threatened with closure. It was clear that the meeting was against British Rail's decision and, finally, Mr. Spicer proposed that the Meeting

give support to the Parish Council to pursue any avenue open in its endeavour to reverse the decision. This was carried unanimously.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9 P.M.

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

A Public Meeting was held on Tuesday, 16th October, 1979, in the Parish Room, Stanford, to discuss a proposal by Lympe Parish Council that the area of Stanford Parish south of the M20 be transferred to Lympe Parish.

Present:-

Robert McCull	Turn Chimneys Newnham
Mary McCull	" " "
J. Giles	Hazeldene Stanford
A. Giles	" " "
J. H. Field	Yew Tree, Stanford
G. A. Field	The Lodge, Stanford
E. E. Evans	School House, Stanford
E. Pitt	4 Church Field Stanford
B. E. Cuthy	Mewland, Stone St, Stanford
D. Cuthy	" " " "
M. L. H. Jones	Newlands, Stone Street, Stanford
R. Russell	Parish Councillor
B. Cannon	Folkestone Racecourse
B. S. Hull	Stanford
J. M. Hull	Stanford
Oliver Green	Stanford
Evelyn Down	Woodcote, Stanford
M. S. G. G. G.	Pannor, Newnham
M. L. E. Nixon	Whiteways Newnham
A. J. Nixon	" " "
Col. Cobb	PAUMAR NEWNHAM
A. C. Wren	THE PINE, WESTENHANGER
V. A. Wren	" " "
Yvonne Reed	2 Yew Tree Close, Stanford
Alan Reed	" " " "
C. Reed	" " " "
P. John	Graville, Westhanger
Richard Allen	RED LODGE, STONE ST, WESTENHANGER

Account of the Parish Meeting held on Tuesday, 16th October,
in the Parish Room, Stamford, to discuss a proposal by
Lymington Parish Council that the part of Stamford Parish
south of the M20 be transferred to Lymington Parish.

When it became apparent that the Chairman
was delayed, Mr Lukehurst read a letter from
British Rail, received only the previous day, announcing
that all but peak period train services would be

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Smallwood, Red Lodge, Westenhanger.

Robert Spurr, Brook Place, STAMFORD.

Barbara Davis, Gwyn Cottage, Westenhanger

Ernie H. Field, Peckington, Westenhanger.

Spain Salford Stone St Stamford.

P. Spurr

Walter Darley Yew Tree Close Stamford

Bayton Edge Stamford

" " "

Mr E. Atkinson Wood Walte Stamford

Mr W. Lambert Manor Cottage "

W. Jameson Lyvedenhurst, Westenhanger

Mr Owen
Mr Bailey
Sir Geoffrey Thurst

give support to the Parish Council to pursue any avenue open
in its endeavour to reverse the decision. This was
carried unanimously.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9 P.M.

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 2nd October, 1979, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst,
Mr. C. G. Rousell,
Mrs. V. A. Wren

At 7.40p.m. Mr. Rousell proposed and Mr. Cutting seconded that Mr. Lukehurst open the meeting.

Mr. Lukehurst took the chair and opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. These were signed as correct.

2. Matters arising

a) The Clerk had telephoned the Controller of Technical and Planning Services and had been assured that the KV poles were replacing poles for which planning permission had previously been given. Mr. Finn said a written reply would be sent with the department's next communication. The Clerk was asked to find out the date of this application.

3. Report of the Public Meeting held on Tuesday, 16th October

This was read by the Clerk and agreed but not signed.

4) Matters arising

a) The Secretary and Solicitor, Shepway D. C. had been informed that the Parish Council objected to the proposal by Lympne Parish Council that the area of Stanford Parish south of the M20 be transferred to Lympne Parish.

b) Twenty copies of British Rail's letter of 11th October had been made. Shepway D. C. Kent C.C., Mr. Margery, Lympne Parish Clerk, the Transport Users' Consultative Committee, the Sellindge Parish Clerk and the Chairman of Stowting Parish Meeting had been sent copies; the last two with informal letters of thanks.

5. Correspondence

a) From Segas, stating it was unable to extend mains in this area. There was no mention of the forms for a survey.

b) Notice from the County Secretary of a "Stopping up" Order for parts of F.Ps 226 and 227, with alternative routes. No objection to these was made.

c) From the Home Safety Officer, Firework danger posters.

d) There now followed discussion of the letter from British Rail first read at the Public Meeting.

The Council was perturbed at the way British Rail had handled the matter and the Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. Costain stating this and requesting that he ask a question in the House, a copy of the recent letter to be included.

The Clerk reported that she had been advised to write to Sir Peter Parker, Chairman of British Rail and had done so.

It was suggested and agreed that formal letters thanks be sent to Sir Geoffrey Macnab and Mr. Margery.

It was agreed that the "Kentish Express" and "Folkestone Herald" be sent copies of the Parish Council's letter of 21st September and British Rail's letter of 11th October that Colonel Thrift, Kent Voluntary Services, be approached; also Captain Alex Black, of the Eagle Sport Parachute Centre at Ashford Airport, many visitors to which use the station.

It was proposed by Mr. Lukehurst, seconded by Mr. Rousell and carried unanimously that a Special Meeting to discuss the replies to these letters and such further measures as might be taken should be held on Tuesday, 6th November, at 7.30p.m. in the Parish Room.

6. Planning Applications

SN/79/1059 Outline application for the erection of dwelling house on land at rear of "Granville", Stone Street, Westenhanger.

This had been dealt with because of the time limit - objection on grounds of inadequate access.

7. Reports

a) The AGM of the KAIC - Mr. Rousell reported on this meeting which both he and Mr. Lukehurst attended. All the officers had been re-elected. The resolution that two delegates might attend an Area Committee Meeting but only one should vote was lost.

b) Mr. Lukehurst reported that he had been unable to attend the AGM of the Home Safety Committee but had been re-elected Vice-chairman in his absence.

The Water Safety Committee Meeting had been cancelled, there being insufficient business.

8. Finance

a) Capital Expenditure 1979/80 and 1980/81 - Decision deferred to next meeting.

b) The account for the CHURCH signpost had been received; at £16.22 it was only a third of the estimated cost. Cheque signed by Mr. Lukehurst and Mr. Rousell.

Mr. Lukehurst referred to the circulated statement of accounts to date, drawing councillors' attention to the fact that there had been no contribution towards the upkeep of the Churchyard this year; he declared an interest in such a payment. Mr. Rousell proposed that £40 be paid to the PCC towards the upkeep of the Churchyard; there was no seconder.

Discussion of the financial situation followed but no resolution was made. Mr. Lukehurst suggested that before the next meeting councillors might consider what precept should be made for the next financial year.

9. Other business and Items for Parish Magazine

Regarding the War Memorial, Mr. Lukehurst said that he had examined it closely; it was his opinion that the lichen could be removed by chemical treatment and the lettering cleaned by the gentle application of a copper brush; the weathering on the plinth was breaking up.

The traffic lights at the M20 crossing were not working properly; the Clerk was asked to contact Mr. Jenner.

For the Parish Magazine - the Curtailment of rail services

Date of next meeting - Tuesday, 20th November, at 7.30p.m.

Mr. Lukehurst closed the meeting at 9.30p.m.

20 Nov 1979. Clerk Chairman

Report of the Special Meeting held on Tuesday, 6th November, 1979, in the Parish Room to discuss replies to letters and other items relevant to the curtailment of services at Westenhanger Station.

All councillors were present.

The Chairman opened the meeting with an apology for missing the meeting on 23rd October.

The Clerk reported replies to letters as follows:-

- a) Captain Alex Black, (Eagle Sport) sent a copy of his letter to Mr Newlyn, B.R.
- b) Mr Mangam, appreciation of letter of thanks, hoping to attend Council Meeting on 20th November.
- c) Mr. Costain, explaining why a question could not be asked in the House.

The County Surveyor had acknowledged receipt of two letters and reported that the County was corresponding with British Rail.

Letters had been written to the Clerk of Shoreham (Kent) Parish Council which had been faced with a similar problem and the County Education Officer who had replied that he was consulting the Divisional Education Officer, Stapleway.

There followed considerable discussion.

It was decided that letters be written as follows:-

Jimmy Young - Sir Peter Parker to be a guest on his show on 5th December.

TRAX - The company managing the campsite on Folkestone Race course.

Pratt and Co re condition of sale of land for station.

Mr. Newlyn, B.R. - Formal reply to letter of 11th October, noting time difference

between fact and stopping trains.

Transport Users' Consultative Committee,

Secretary and Solicitor, Stapleway D.C. } concerning
Coland Thrift } further action

Mr. Costain, re pupils and students. } possibly legal

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.30pm.

Clifford J. Holt. 20 Nov 79.

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th November, 1979, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

The Chairman opened the meeting with a welcome to Mr. Margery, District Councillor for Stanford and Lympne and several members of the public. He then referred to the previously circulated minutes. These were accepted as correct.

2. Matters arising

a) Overhead Electricity Line, Stanford - The Controller of Technical and Planning Services had replied that permission for the original planning application had been granted on 2nd January, 1967, and this covered the recent replacement poles. The Clerk was asked to enquire further on how this could be.

b) Boundary review - It was reported that some comments had been made about the lack of communication between parishes on this matter.

3. A Report of the meeting held on 6th November to discuss

items relevant to the curtailment of services at Westenhanger Station was read by the Clerk, agreed and signed as correct.

4. Matters arising

The Secretary and Solicitor, Shepway D. C. had replied that he was not sure that there was any further action the Parish Council could take.

Shoreham Parish Council reported on their action in similar circumstances, which included a delegation to meet the Divisional Manager in person. The Council decided to ask Mr. Newlyn to visit Stanford. The Clerk was asked to telephone the Secretary of the T.U.C.C. to arrange a meeting with the Committee and also to contact Mrs. Rhodes.

From the General Manager's office a letter in reply to the Council's letter of 19th October to Sir Peter Parker, giving detailed reasons for the curtailment of services. The Clerk had telephoned the Chairman and, after his reading the letter, a reply had been sent stating that the reasons given did not justify the drastic curtailment proposed.

The Clerk was asked to write to Mr. Ousey, (SECOM) and the Manager, Port Lympne Wild Life Park enlisting their support.

5. Correspondence

a) From the County Surveyor, stating that the William Harvey Hospital Bus Service was being withdrawn. The Clerk was asked to write to the East Kent Road Car Company and Councillor Hamer, of the Omnibus Services Sub-committee of Shepway D. C. asking if the matter might be reconsidered.

b) From the Divisional Surveyor, giving details of Winter Maintenance. It was to be ascertained what the situation would be regarding the B2068 should it be cut during the winter period.

6. Planning Applications

SH/79/1286 Outline application for the erection of 7 houses and garages with access road, land at Connaught Lodge, Westenhanger.

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The Council objected on grounds of over-intensive development.

7. Reports

a) Mr. Rousell reported on the Annual Meeting of the Area Committee of KAIC; the Chairman, Vice-chairman and Secretary had been re-elected. Mr. Lukehurst was again elected on to the County Executive Committee, and was also re-elected a member of the Liaison Committee. There had been considerable discussion on the controversial subject of cesspool emptying.

b) Mr. Lukehurst had attended the AGM of the Kent Voluntary Services Council. The site of the converter station had been one subject discussed. Mr. Bagnell had been asked whether British Rail were required to make any consultations before introducing changes such as those proposed at Westenhanger.

8. Finance

a) Following Mrs. Even's plea that the Council reconsider the matter of a grant towards the maintenance of the Churchyard, this was discussed. Mr. Rousell proposed that a grant of £40 be made, this was seconded by Mr. Cutting and carried by a majority.

b) The (pre-M20) photographs of the northern end of the village had been received. Because of a change in circumstances there was a charge of £4.20.

c) The amount of the precept was discussed. It was decided that £500 again be the sum.

9. Other business and items for Parish Magazine

a) The carpark at the northern end of the bridge over the M20 - The Clerk was asked to write to the Chairman of the Works Committee, Shepway D. C., asking for this item to be included in the budget for 1980/81.

b) Mud on the B2068, the Clerk was asked to write to the Chief Engineer, Tarmac and the Divisional Surveyor.

c) For the Parish Magazine, the curtailment of rail services, including proposed timetable.

10. Date of next meeting

The Chairman asked everyone to keep both 11th and 18th December free.

After thanking Mr. Margery most sincerely for staying throughout the meeting, Mr. Holt closed the meeting at 10.10p.m.

..... Clerk

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Clifford G. Holt

18 Dec 1979
Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 18th December, 1979,
in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

The Chairman opened the Meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. These were signed as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Mr. Lukehurst reported that the cost of mowing the Churchyard grass had been £70; this included fuel and labour. There had been gifts of two different types of trimming machines.

b) The Clerk reported on replies to enquiries:-

i) The Controller of Technical and Planning Services had telephoned that the original permission for the overhead electricity line had covered an area of 30 metres on either side of the line.

ii) Salting of Stone Street would be continued throughout the winter whether or not the road was cut.

There was some discussion here about the general condition of Stone Street; the Clerk was asked to write to the Divisional Surveyor drawing his attention to various pot-holes, the worsening condition of the edge of the road on the station bridge, mud being thrown on to the pavement by the road sweeper and a blocked gully near the bottom of the station bridge. It was also felt that there should be lights to show the deep holes dug just off the edge of the road.

iii) William Harvey Hospital Bus- The possibility of including Stanford among the villages served by the bus should be investigated further, it was agreed at the meeting of the Shepway District Public Transport Liaison Group.

c) The form regarding the Precept has been received and returned.

3. The curtailment of rail services at Westenhanger Station

Mrs. Rhodes, member of the T.U.C.C. had now arrived at the meeting and, following her introduction, Mr. Holt gave her an account of how the present situation had been revealed and what measures had been taken. A considerable discussion followed and it was finally settled that Mrs. Rhodes would present the case for retaining the present level of services at the next meeting of the T.U.C.C. in mid-January. It was agreed that all papers relevant to the present campaign be lent to Mrs. Rhodes.

4. Correspondence None requiring discussion

5. Planning Applications

"D" SH/79/1170 Erection of three garages on land adjacent to Wayside, Stone Street, Westenhanger

Objection on grounds of being additional traffic hazard and detrimental to the environment.

6. Reports

Mr. Lukehurst reported receipt of a "Safety at Christmas in

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the home" poster.

7. Finance

The bank statement showed a credit balance of £493.16. It was felt that most of this sum could be invested. The Clerk was asked to enquire about the possibility of this.

8. Other business

There was concern about car parking on the footpath at Westenhanger and roadside parking at the Motorway site. The Clerk was asked to contact the police.

It was reported that a new building (approx. 45' x 20') had been erected at Hope Farm. The Controller of Technical and Planning Services to be asked about this, no planning application having been received. His attention was also to be drawn again to Prospect House where it was felt that a business was now being carried on and to Hadleigh for which permission to carry on a business had not yet been sought.

Date of next meeting Tuesday, 22nd January, 1980, at 7.30p.m.

After thanking Mrs. Rhodes for her help, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.50p.m.

..... Clerk

..... Clifford G. Holt Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Tuesday, 29th January, 1980, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

The Chairman opened the meeting with a welcome to Mr. Margery and Mr. Jenner; he then referred to the previously circulated minutes. These were signed as a correct record.

2. Matters arising

a) The Clerk reported that after obtaining advice from the Treasurer, Shepway D.C. and Nat-West Bank and consulting the Chairman, £325 had been transferred from the Council's current account to a deposit account. Mr. Rousell enquired if this was the best investment; other councillors felt this was so at present.

b) Mr. Parker, Divisional Surveyor, had replied that it was planned to carry out essential urgent repairs as soon as possible.

c) No reply to the letter to the Controller of Technical and Planning Services had been received.

d) Mr. Rousell asked if there had been developments regarding the William Harvey Hospital Bus Service. The Clerk had no further information, but Mr. Lukehurst said that he knew from other sources that the matter was still being pursued.

3. Matters relevant to the M20 roadworks

Mr. Holt invited Mr. Jenner to report progress on the roadworks. Mr. Jenner answered that it was very likely that the "slip" road would be in use before the accommodation bridge was ready; Stone Street would remain open until this was completed. It was possible that a section of Stone Street at the north end of the village would become redundant.

Regarding the carpark, Mr. Jenner said that legal difficulties had been surmounted and the area to be made available had been extended to allow a bus to turn easily.

Questioned about the recent flooding, Mr. Jenner had to admit that the roadworks had aggravated the situation by preventing the draining of water from the road. This was likely to re-occur following very heavy rainfall until the roadworks were completed. There was some discussion about the responsibility of various bodies regarding the East Stour.

Mr. Jenner's attention was drawn to the very rough surface of the concrete laid across Stone Street where the M20 would cross. Mr. Jenner replied that it would be difficult to get the contractor to improve a surface which was only for temporary use.

4. Curtailment of rail services at Westenhanger Station

Mr. Holt welcomed Mrs. Rhodes and then gave a report of the meeting at Beckenham on 18th January between himself, Mr. Lukehurst and the Clerk and Mr. Newlyn, Divisional Manager, British Rail and three of his officers. Mr. Newlyn had given as B.R.'s reasons for the curtailment, easing of the whole timetable during off-peak time and cutting the time taken by cross-channel traffic; it was not for economic reasons and week-day engineering projects were not mentioned. When asked about race day trains, Mr. Newlyn confessed they posed

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a problem but he could not ignore the business they brought in. Councillors had restated their reasons for opposing the cuts and Mr. Lukehurst had compared the number of channel crossings this year with those of last year, the increase was not significant. There was then an offer by the B.R. officers to look closely at retaining the 17.55 and 18.55 up trains and the 20.49 and 21.49 down trains and, possibly the last train in each direction. Enquiries about week-end and day time services were pessimistically received.

Since this meeting a copy of the very comprehensive document prepared by Kent County Council for the T.U.C.C. meeting on 23rd January had been received. This had been passed to Mrs. Rhodes, who expressed her thanks for having time to study it thoroughly instead of the ten-minute quick look she would otherwise have had. Also received a copy of the letter sent by Shepway D.C. to the T.U.C.C. for the same meeting.

Mrs. Rhodes spoke only briefly on the T.U.C.C. meeting, saying that Mr. Carter would be reporting to the Council. She was convinced, though B.R. denied it, that the real reason for the proposed curtailment was the Channel tunnel. It had been emphasised at the meeting that the matter was by no means closed and that the Council should continue to resist the reduction of services.

There was considerable discussion about possible measures to be taken but it was finally decided that until further information was received no action could be resolved.

Mr. Holt thanked Mrs. Rhodes for her assistance. The Clerk was asked to send a report of the meeting at Beckenham to the County and District Councils.

5. Correspondence

a) Folkestone and Hythe District Plan - Two representatives invited to attend a Seminar on 28th February to discuss the draft plan. Invitation to be accepted.

b) From Boxley Parish Council, asking support for a review of the policy for the protection of the North Downs. It was proposed by Mr. Lukehurst and seconded by Mr. Rousell that such support be given.

c) From Shepway D.C. concerning grants - passed to Mr. Holt as Chairman of the Parish Room Committee.

d) To the Chairman from Mrs. Fielding, seeking support for a newly formed "youth group". It was proposed by Mrs. Wren and seconded by Mr. Lukehurst that £20 be granted.

e) The "Local Council Review" would henceforward be sent directly from the printers to Parish Clerks who would now be responsible for ordering and distributing extra copies.

6. Planning Applications - None received

7. Finance - No business

8. Reports

KALC - Mr. Rousell reported there was considerable discussion on Shepway spending, particularly on the Leas Cliff Hall.

Shepway Liaison Committee - Mr. Lukehurst reported on cess-pool drainage and connection to the main sewerage system.

Safety matters - Mr. Lukehurst said that Mr. Standish had been offered another post with the District Council and that it

seemed possible that the post of Safety Officer would not be filled. This would save £7,060, the amount budgeted for the work of the Safety Committees; the Council felt that the work done by the Safety Officer, including 192 talks during the year, was of incalculable value to the community in the prevention of accidents. The Clerk was asked to write to the District Council expressing the Parish Council's concern.

9. Other Business and Items for the Parish Magazine

The Clerk was asked to telephone Mr. Parker in an effort to expedite the repair of the road at Westenhanger which had been cordoned off for several days.

It was noted that work on the carpark at Ross House had cost £4,000.

For the Parish Magazine - Donation to "Youth Club", news of rail services.

Date of next meeting - WEDNESDAY, 27th February, 1980, at 7.30pm.

After thanking Mrs. Turner for her attendance and accepting her offer to act as temporary Clerk, the Chairman closed the meeting at 10.30pm.

..... Clerk

Clifford G. Holt
..... Chairman

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 27th February 1980 in the Parish Room, Stanford

Present: Mr. C.G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. D.W. Lukehurst
Mr. C.G. Rousell
Mrs. V.A. Wren

The Chairman opened the Meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. These were signed as a true record.

2. Matters Arising

- a) Mr. Lukehurst enquired if there had been any developments concerning the bus service to William Harvey Hospital. The Clerk was requested to write to both Elham and Lympne Parish Councils inviting their comments regarding any action they would be taking.
- b) The Clerk reported on the following replies to enquiries:-
 - (i) Letter from the Personnel Officer of Shepway District Council that the position of Home & Safety Officer is currently under discussion as to whether or not the post will be refilled. He will write again when a decision has been made. The Parish Council felt very strongly that a Home & Safety Officer should be appointed and Mr. Holt suggested that it should be brought up at the Kent Association of Parish Councils' Meeting.
 - (ii) Letters had been written to Mrs. Nissen, Chairman, Boxley Parish Council and to Kent County Council supporting efforts to secure a review of the policy for the protection of the North Downs.
 - (iii) Letter sent to Mrs. Fielding sending a donation of £20.00 for the Youth Club and wishing every success in the venture. Mr. Holt stated that a letter had been received in reply thanking the Council on behalf of the Youth Club.
- c) Mr. Holt promised to report on the grants situation from the Shepway District Council when he had had a reply from them.

3. Curtailment of rail services at Westenhanger Station

A letter from Mr. Carter of T.U.C.C. was read by the Clerk. Mr. Carter's letter stated that certain suggestions for additional stops at Westenhanger on weekdays and a late train to London on Sundays were under consideration. Considerable discussion followed and it was agreed that a letter should be written to British Rail asking for their suggestions to improve the service to Westenhanger Station particularly since the meeting of some six weeks ago.

A letter from the Shepway District Council to Mr. Holt was reported. The letter enclosed a copy letter from the Secretary of T.U.C.C. to the County Surveyor of Kent County Council regarding certain compromise proposals.

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4. Correspondence

- a) Letter from the Controller of Technical & Planning Services in reply to a letter written to him on the 3rd January regarding possible infringement of planning controls.
- b) Letter from Shepway District Council regarding appeal against refusal of planning permission for erection of detached bungalow and garage on land at rear of Wayside.
- c) Letter from the Registration Officer of County of Kent Folkestone & Hythe Parliamentary Constituency with Publication of the 1980 Register of Electors.

5. Planning Applications

SH/80/177 - Erection of vehicle repair workshop to replace existing Hope Farm, Gibbins Brook, Sellindge

There was considerable discussion concerning this application, but no objections were raised.

6. Reports - there were no reports.

7. Finance - no business

8. Other business and items for Parish Magazine

- a) British Trust for Conservation Volunteers offering volunteers to do conservation work within the Parish. It was felt that the stream behind Yew Tree Close and Churchfields might be a good start and the Clerk was requested to write to them asking for a representative to call.
- b) Mr. Holt requested that the Clerk write to the Roads Department at Barham as complaints had been received regarding the overhanging hedges on both sides of Church Lane. Hearses were experiencing difficulty getting to the Church.
- c) Mr. Holt gave Mr. Jenner's apologies for not attending the meeting. However, Mr. Jenner felt he had nothing useful to report at the present time.
- d) There was considerable discussion regarding the children's school bus service, but it was generally agreed that the onus for payment of the bus service should stay with the parents rather than having an increase in general rates.
- e) Mr. Lukehurst read a letter from Shepway District Council regarding the District Plan. Mr. Rousell would be attending the Seminar on 28th February.

Date of Next Meeting - Wednesday, 26th March 1980 at 7.30 p.m.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.35 p.m.

..... Clerk

Clifford G. Holt

..... Chairman

Present: Mr. C.G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. C.G. Rousell
Mrs. V.A. Wren

Apologies for absence were received on behalf of Mr. Lukehurst.

In the absence of the Chairman, Mr. Cutting proposed that Mr. Rousell take over the Chair until Mr. Holt, who was unavoidably delayed, arrived at the meeting. This proposal was seconded by Mrs. Wren.

Mr. Rousell opened the Meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. It was agreed that these were a true record.

2. Matters Arising

- a) Mr. Rousell enquired whether there was any news regarding the bus service to William Harvey Hospital. The Clerk read a letter received from Shepway District Council stating that they were undertaking a market analysis and the Bus Company would be giving consideration to the current problems of Stanford. It was agreed that no further action be taken until the results of the Market analysis were known.
- b) No reply had been received from the Roads Department regarding overhanging hedges in Church Lane.

3. Curtailment of rail services at Westenhanger Station

A letter from Mr. Newlyn of British Rail had previously been circulated. There was considerable discussion regarding the extra trains which British Rail had allocated to Westenhanger Station.

(Mr. Holt arrived at the meeting and took over the Chair after thanking Mr. Rousell for his assistance).

It was agreed that a strongly worded letter be sent to Mr. Newlyn asking for his comments on the points raised. Mr. Rousell also suggested that a letter be sent to Transport Users Consultative Committee.

4. Correspondence

- a) Letter from Department of Transport re landscaping proposals for M20 Sellindge - Folkestone Section. Mr. Kramer, Senior Landscape Architect, proposed he should attend a Parish Council Meeting on Wednesday, 17th September, and that a representative of the Council attend a site meeting on Monday, 22nd September.
- b) Notice from Shepway District Council regarding increase in rates.

5. Planning Applications

'D' SH/80/310 Erection of two storey extension to Sunnyside Cottage, Stone Street, Stanford

After considerable discussion, it was agreed that an extension of time to consider this application should be requested.

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The Clerk was requested to check that planning or building permission had been granted for the extension of Springwood House, Stone Street, Stanford.

6. Reports

Mr. Rousell reported on the Folkestone & Hythe District Plan Seminar.

7. Finance

There was no business.

8. Other business and items for the Parish Magazine

The Clerk was requested to investigate the procedure for having Station House listed.

The Clerk was requested to contact the G.P.O. regarding the telephones on the racecourse. Although the G.P.O. have previously stated that the two telephones situate on the Racecourse are public telephones, there is some evidence that these have been fenced off and there is, therefore, no access to the public.

For the Parish Magazine - additional services being provided by British Rail but, as yet, no Saturday service.

Date of next meeting - MONDAY, 14th April 1980.

After thanking Mrs. Turner for her help in acting as temporary Clerk in Mrs. Jameson's absence, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.25 p.m.

.....Clerk

.....*T.W. Lukehurst*..... Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 14th April, 1980, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

Mr. C. G. Holt had telephoned apologies for absence. Mrs. Wren and Mr. Lukehurst apologised for being late. Mr. Rousell proposed and Mrs. Wren seconded that Mr. Lukehurst take the Chair.

Mr. Lukehurst opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) William Harvey Hospital Bus Service - No report of the market survey had been received.

b) Overhanging hedges in Shere Lane - The Clerk was asked to telephone the Divisional Office.

c) Telephone kiosks on racecourse - No reply had been received. The Clerk was asked to pursue the matter.

d) The Controller of Technical and Planning Services had replied that the extension to the rear of "Springwood" came within the "Permitted development" limits; planning permission was not needed.

e) Listing of building of interest - No reply yet received.

3. Matters relating to the M20

Mr. Jenner said that the main telephone cable had been connected; work on main drainage and river diversion were not yet complete. The Contractor had to meet a deadline on 25th May for the completion of works which would result in the closure of Stone Street but had hopes of finishing by 5th May. (Mr. Jenner thought this date unlikely.)

On the matter of the Draft Landscape Proposals, Mr. Jenner had arranged for the entire Council to attend a Site Meeting in Stanford on Wednesday, 17th September. There was discussion about a suitable time, 6p.m. was decided upon.

The question of lighting of the accommodation bridge was raised. It was thought that this had been decided upon but Mr. Jenner would check.

A question from a member of the public brought the answer that all re-alignment of footpaths had been arranged and published.

4. Curtailment of Rail Services at Westenhanger Station

The Divisional Manager had answered the question regarding season ticket holders. Most of the remainder of his letter consisted of re-iteration of previous arguments. He stated "I am not prepared to agree to any trains calling on Saturdays as this is when our Continental traffic is at its heaviest." *[Signature]*

There was considerable discussion of this letter and the further

steps to be taken. It was decided to reply that the Council was not convinced that the time gained by not stopping at Westenhanger achieved all that was claimed; a further re-consideration was asked for; the Council was continuing to pursue the matter elsewhere.

Copies of BR's letter and the Council's reply to be sent to:- County and District Councils; the Parish representatives on those Councils; the Secretary of the T.U.C.C. and Mrs. Rhodes; Mr. C. Capon. The television programme "People Rule" to be contacted.

5. Correspondence

a) From the County Surveyor, seeking local opinion on the exact wording on the new traffic signs to be erected at Newingreen. The Council decided that to add "Westenhanger" to "Racecourse" and "Station" would be sufficient but the fact of ten dwellings having a postal address, Stanford, Ashford, should be mentioned. (Telephone call to Maidstone authorised.)

b) Notice of change of licence holders at The Royal Oak.

c) Annual report and appeal for donation from Kent Association of Youth Clubs. The Clerk was requested to ask Mrs. Fielding if any assistance had been received.

d) From the Secretary and Solicitor, Shepway D.C., notice of allocation of funds from the Lottery. It was decided to apply on behalf of the Parish Room Improvement Fund.

6. Planning Applications

'D' SH/80/310 Erection of two storey extension to Sunnyside, Stanford. Objection - supporting the claim of adjacent bungalow owner that it would deprive his property of light and outlook, with consequent depreciation of its value.

'D' SH/80/331 Erection of extension to rear of Plantagenet, Stanford. No objection.

7. Reports

KALC - Mr. Rousell reported that a member of the East Kent Road Car Company had attended the last meeting. The "standard fare" system had been thoroughly discussed; many reasons for it being impractical locally were put forward.

Mr. Lukehurst reported:-

a) Cancellation of Water Safety Committee Meeting because the office of Safety Officer was still vacant.

b) Executive Meeting of the KALC - There had been a very full agenda briskly accomplished. A remarkable booklet of information about a fast rail link between London and the Channel ports, including detailed provisional timetable, had been distributed.

Speakers from British Rail and the Council for the Preservation of Rural England would address the AGM of the Association in October.

8. Finance

Cheques were signed for the hire of the Parish Room for the

year, 1st April, 1979, to 31st March, 1980, (including £1.25 outstanding from the previous year) and for the Clerk's honorarium, and re-imbusement for heating, postage, etc.

Mrs. Jameson raised the question of VAT on telephone calls. Mr. Lukehurst asked that this be made a separate item on the agenda for the next meeting.

9. Other business and Items for the Parish Magazine

a) Antiques had been sold to the general public from a stall in the garden of a Westenhanger resident. It was felt this was a definite traffic hazard (it was a "Race Day"), besides being a "change of use". The Clerk was asked to telephone the District Council.

b) It was suggested that Mrs. Fielding be invited to report on the recently formed Youth Club at the Annual Parish Meeting. This was agreed.

c) The 1st Stanford Guides were again Kent Champions in the Fire Prevention Quiz. Councillors agreed this was an outstanding achievement.

For the Parish Magazine - Up-to-date information about the rail services.

Date of next meeting - Wednesday, 14th May.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING - Thursday, 22nd May, subject to confirmation by Mr. Holt.

Both meeting to commence at 7.30p.m.

The meeting closed at 10.45p.m.

..... Clerk

..... Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 14th May, 1980, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

The Chairman opened the Meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

- a) William Harvey Hospital bus service - No information about the relevant "market survey".
 - b) Hedge in Shere Lane - The Clerk had telephoned the Divisional Highways Office, Mr. Breech would deal with the matter.
 - c) Public telephones on the Racecourse - The Racecourse Authorities had assured P.O. Telecommunications that the public would have access to these telephones.
 - d) "Listing" of Station House - The District Council Officer dealing with this had sent a copy of his letter to the appropriate division of the Department of the Environment.
 - e) Mr. Jenner being present, the Chairman asked him to deal with all matters relevant to the M20. Stone Street having been closed the previous day to vehicular traffic, feelings ran high about the resulting problems. The question of why the road was closed before the access bridge was ready was answered (not entirely to the Council's satisfaction) by the reply that the contractor could not complete the turning bay while Stone Street was in use; there was a need to open the by-pass, and a difference in levels at the junction of Stone Street with the by-pass caused difficulties. The state of the pedestrian crossing was unacceptable; Mr. Jenner said he would present the Council's view to Tarmac. Regarding parking of vehicles, Mr. Jenner said that employees' cars could be dealt with, commuters were in a difficult position; he advised the Council to press the District Council and his own department for the construction of the promised car park. The Clerk was instructed to do this and to write to the County Council. There was a comment that there appeared to be insufficient parking space and bus turning area, Mr. Jenner agreed that this appeared to be so but that the area surfaced for bus turning had been to measurements given by the bus company after an on site Experiment. Mrs. Wren complained about the number of lorries passing through Westenhanger and reported a complaint of lorries using a private drive for turning; Mr. Jenner would investigate.
- Mr. Jenner reported on the lighting of the access bridge, the lamps would be of higher power than normal street lighting.
- f) Wording on new road signs - following advice from the County Surveyor's office, the Clerk had visited the ten houses with a Stanford, Ashford, address. The majority wanted Stanford (south) included.
 - g) Youth Club - Mrs. Fielding had not received (or asked for) help from the County Association. She had agreed to give a report on

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the club at the Annual Parish Meeting.

3. Correspondence

- a) Invitation to Shepway District Civic Church Service - Mr. Lukehurst accepted, Mr. Holt and Mr. Rousell hoped to do so.
- b) Home Defence Planning Presentation - It was strongly felt that the Council should be represented; the names of Mr. Holt, Mr. Lukehurst and Mrs. Jameson to be given as attending, with an effort to find deputies if necessary.
- c) Kent County Council's Public Transport Plan 1980/81 - Mr. Lukehurst reported on this, drawing the Council's attention to para. 9.1 which stated that "British Rail has a statutory duty under the 1974 Railways Act to provide a public service comparable generally to that in operation before the passing of the Act."

4. Curtailment of Rail Services

The Clerk reported response to letters sent after the last meeting. Mr. Newlyn's reply had been received on 1st May, the day of the Tucc's meeting; the Chairman had agreed to the text of the letter being telephoned to London.

At this Tucc meeting the Chief Passenger Manager, Southern Region had been persuaded to "look again at the situation with regard to trains on Saturday which have no boat train following then." Encouraged by this the Clerk had written to this officer asking that he apply the same principle to off-peak trains during the week. No reply had yet been received.

The Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. Newlyn, the District and County Councils, the KADC (Colonel Thrift), Mrs. Rhodes and Mr. Walter Johnson, MP, President of the Transport Salaried Staff Association, quoting the extract from the KCC Public Transport Plan.

Mr. Lukehurst reported three requests for the Social Car Service since the cuts had begun; these he had had to refuse through lack of drivers, despite his appeal in the Parish Magazine.

5. Planning Applications

Re "D" SH/80/310 Erection of two-storey extension, Sunnyside. The Clerk to express the Council's concern that this application had been passed without an explanation to the Parish Council.

SH/80/515 Outline Application for erection of house and garage on land adjacent to Swiss Cottage, Stanford.

No objection, but a note of past drainage problems.

The Council's opinion concerning buildings on the Vehicle Maintenance Compound had been sought. Because of the time limit, the Chairman had asked the Clerk to reply that the Council was concerned about the size of these buildings and their visual impact on the environment.

6. Telephone calls and VAT

There was some discussion but no decision was made. The Clerk was asked to time and cost local calls.

7. Finance

a) The Annual Audit of Accounts would be held on 16th June.

b) Notice of renewal of insurance - It was felt that this should be increased. The Clerk was asked to refer to the policies and consult the Chairmen.

8. Other business and Parish Magazine

a) Verbal complaint by Mr. Birch to the Chairman about the enclosure of the "lay-by" near "Prospect House", Newingreen. The Clerk to reply that the owners were within their rights in re-fencing their property.

b) Concern about the quality of the in-filling being used to reclaim land in Hayton Road.

c) Cricket Field - A request that the Council ask the District Council to carry out heavy rolling, the Cricket Club agreeing to meet any charges.

d) Churchyard Wall - Mr. Holt said that the PCO had approached him as Chairman of the Parish Meeting concerning the disrepair of the wall. This would be discussed at the Annual Parish Meeting on 22nd May.

e) Mr. Wren reported that Mrs. Evans had asked if a litter bin might be provided on the Church Green. There was some discussion about this; an offer by Mr. Holt to speak to the members of the Youth Club about the matter of dropping litter was agreed.

f) A suggestion by Mr. Hull that there should be a telephone box at the junction of the by-pass and Stone Street; it was decided to defer a decision about this pending completion of the immediate roadworks.

For the Parish Magazine, a report after the Annual Parish Meeting.

Date of next Meeting - Monday, 9th June, to be preceded by the ANNUAL MEETING of the Council, this to commence at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 10.20pm.

..... Clerk

Clifford G. Holt

..... Chairman

9 June 1980

The Annual Meeting of Stamford Parish Council

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Monday, 9th June, 1980, in the Parish Room, Stamford.

The Chairman of the Council, Mr. C. G. Holt, welcomed members of the public and press and then asked the Clerk to read the minutes of the last Annual Meeting.

These were confirmed as a true record.

There were no matters arising.

Election of Chairman for the year 1980/81

Mr. Holt vacated the Chair, which was then taken by Mrs. Wren who called for nominations. It was proposed by Mr. Lukehurst and seconded by Mr. Rowell that Mr. C. G. Holt be re-elected. This was carried.

On resuming the Chair, Mr. Holt thanked councillors for their continued confidence in him.

Membership of the Kent Association of Local Councils

It was proposed by Mr. Lukehurst and seconded by Mrs. Wren that membership be renewed. A cheque for the increased subscription (£15.12, £1.12 more than the previous year) and including £1.15 for notices, was signed.

Here the Clerk asked if the Council thought that notice of meetings should now be posted in Westenhanger. It was decided that this should be done.

Mr. Lukehurst and Mr. Rowell being willing to continue as delegates on both area and county committees their services were gratefully accepted.

Home and Water Safety Committees.

Mr. Lukehurst reported that a Safety Officer had not yet been appointed. The Clerk was asked to write to Shepway District Council re-iterating the Council's concern about this. Mr. Lukehurst was willing to continue his work on these committees when they were re-convened. Mr. Holt expressed the Council's thanks.

Finance

The Clerk stated that the Council had a credit balance of approx. £100 on the 31st March, 1980. (She had forgotten to check the exact amount). The precept for £500, previously agreed, had been requested and paid directly into the Council current account.

It was decided that £175.00 be transferred to the Deposit Account in the near future.

Fourteen meetings had been held in the year.

This concluded the business of the Annual Meeting

Clifford G. Holt, 1 June 1981

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 9th June, 1980, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

- Present:-
- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
 - Mr. D. Cutting
 - Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
 - Mr. C. G. Rousell
 - Mrs. V. A. Wren

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) The hedge in Shere Lane - This had not received attention and there was a complaint that the milk delivery van had been hit. The Clerk was asked to write to the Divisional Surveyor.

b) Station House - Mr. Dobbie had sent a copy of the Department of the Environment's letter, which stated that unless the building was at risk in any way, it would only be surveyed when the area was revisited. It was felt that as the external shelter had already been removed and some internal alterations done, there was a more immediate need for a survey. The Clerk would write to Mr. Dobbie.

c) All matters relevant to the M20 works

There was still concern about the children crossing the site. Mr. Jenner had made representations to the contractor with little success; the police appeared to be satisfied with the state of things. Mr. Jenner advised the Council to write directly to the police as the only body who could force the contractor to employ safety measures. This was agreed. It was hoped that the access bridge would be opened by the end of June.

The Car Park - There were still legal difficulties over the land. Yellow lines would not be laid down, the police feeling that the regulations governing their use could not be enforced.

Contractor's lorries using Stone Street, Westenhanger - Mr. Jenner said that this was no longer necessary and he would inform the contractor so. The re-instatement of Stone Street could now be asked for. Emergency repair was requested for a pot-hole near Manor Cottage.

Mr. Jenner asked which type of footpath signs the Council wished to be erected; the Council preferred the "finger post" to the concrete "milestone".

Inadequate road signing at each end of Kennett Lane/Hayton Road - The Clerk to write to Mr. MacPherson, County Surveyor's department.

The attention of the Divisional Surveyor to be drawn to the obscuring of "Stanford (north)" on the Stanford roundabout by loose plastic material.

d) Insurance - The Clerk reported that the premium on the personal accident policy had been doubled but no confirmation that this had been accepted had been received.

e) Mr. and Mrs. Lukehurst had enjoyed the well-attended Civic Service.

f) Mr. Holt said that he had spoken to the Youth Club about

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litter on Church Green; members agreed to be very careful in future.

g) Cost of telephone calls - decision was again deferred.

3. Matters arising from the Annual Parish Meeting

Expression of concern that the area of land being considered as a possible site for a new Parish Room was too small for a hall and carpark. It was, besides, rented by another village body.

4. Curtailment of Rail Services

The Clerk reported on replies to letters written drawing attention to the statement in the Kent County Council's Public Transport Plan. No reply from British Rail; support from Mr. Walter Johnson, who had passed his letter on to Sir Peter Parker and from Colonel Thrift, KAIC, who had written to the County Council. The County and District Councils felt that "comparable generally" could be interpreted so widely that they felt a case could not be made against British Rail. The Council did not agree that an eight hour gap between trains after having an hourly service was in any way "comparable generally" and it was decided to ask Mr. Costain to put the matter before the Ombudsman.

Mr. Lukehurst reported that two people had volunteered their services as drivers for the Social Car Service.

Mr. Hull told the Council that nearly 8 gallons of petrol had been removed from the tank of his car while it was parked at Sandling Station. This was a direct result of the curtailment of services at Westenhanger.

5. Correspondence - None requiring action

6. Planning Applications

SH/80/553 Outline application for erection of Village Stores with provision for Sub Post Office and living accommodation over, land forming part of paddock between "Belmont" and "Stanford House", Stanford.

Because of the time limit and because all councillors had seen the plan it had been returned marked "no objection". However, it became apparent that members were unaware of the time limit and had a number of comments to make. A majority of councillors opposed the application on the grounds of unsuitability of the site. The Clerk was asked to telephone the Planning Department as soon as possible.

7. Finance - In answer to a question, the Clerk stated that only a formal reply had been received concerning the lottery money.

There was no other business.

Date of next meeting - WEDNESDAY, 9th July.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.45p.m.

Clifford G. Holt
..... Clerk

..... 9-7-1980 Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 9th July, 1980, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. D. Cutting,
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst,
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming Mr. Jenner and several members of the public. He then referred to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Arising from the Annual Meeting of the Council

The Personnel Officer, Shepway D. C., had replied that no decision had yet been made concerning the appointment of a Safety Officer.

3. Matters arising from the Minutes of the last Council Meeting

a) No reply had been received from the Divisional Highway Surveyor regarding the various complaints reported; none had yet been rectified.

b) From Mr. Dobbie, re Station House, a copy of his covering letter to the Department of the Environment.

c) Insurance - The Clerk reported that the cheque had been cleared by the bank but nothing had been received from the insurance company. Councillors felt that the company should by now have sent notice of acceptance of the increased premium; the Clerk was asked to write if no acknowledgment had been received by the end of the month.

d) Telephone charges - According to the current directory the charge for a local call was 3p for two minutes at peak time. The Clerk felt that the present payment of 7p for a local call was reasonable; the Council agreed to pay VAT at the appropriate rate.

SH e) SH/80/553 Outline application for shop and sub-Post Office - A telephone call and letter of confirmation had been made regarding the Council's ~~change of~~ view. The Clerk mentioned that it was reported in the current issue of the "Gazette" that the District Council had refused the application.

There followed a very lengthy session of criticism, mainly by one member of the public, concerning the Council's action in this matter as reported in the local press.

The members of the public felt uninformed about applications and meetings. On explanations being made, it was asked if the dates of meetings could be published in the Parish Magazine, this was agreed.

Regarding the shop plan, it was suggested that individuals asked Mr. Spicer to appeal and also that they approach the Residents' Association.

4. Matters relating to the M20

Mr. Jenner reported that weather had adversely affected work. The matter of the car park was still held up by the present owner

Mr. Jenner

of the land.

The Clerk reported that the County Surveyor would put up the requested signs. The Traffic Inspector had replied that it was considered that children faced no greater danger crossing the Motorway site - where the sightlines were excellent - than they had previously faced on a narrow road with traffic and no footpath.

Mr. Lukehurst asked that the County Surveyor's attention be drawn to the wrong spelling of Sellindge on the new road signs.

The appearance of mud on the "slip" road following the recent heavy rain caused Mr. Lukehurst to enquire if rain water gullies had been laid. Mr. Jenner replied that they had been, possibly they were blocked, he would investigate. Mrs. Wren asked about rights of way on the roundabout; Mr. Jenner explained and would draw the attention of the appropriate official to the position of the lines on the A20 approaching the roundabout from Folkestone. An official letter of confirmation re alteration of parts of FPs 226 and 227 had been received; Mr. Jenner said these would be walked and stiles erected as soon as weather permitted.

5. Curtailment of Rail Services

Mr. Newlyn had replied that a service "comparable generally" referred to the service as a whole, not to one particular station.

Mr. Walter Johnson had sent a copy of the letter he had received from the General Manager, British Rail; this re-iterated the points already made to the Parish Council.

The Council felt there was little else to be done. It was agreed that copies of all letters be sent to Mrs. Rhodes of the TUCC.

6. Correspondence - Items giving information only.

7. Planning Applications - None

8. Reports

a) Home Defence Planning Presentation, attended by Mr. Lukehurst and the Clerk. A very thought provoking meeting reported Mr. Lukehurst who outlined civil administration under nuclear attack. A brief description of how to prepare an ordinary room to avoid contamination by fall-out dust was given.

b) Meeting at Lympne Castle on Public Transport in Shepway arranged by Folkestone and Hythe Conservative Association. Mr. Lukehurst and the Clerk had made a late appearance at this meeting. Mr. Newlyn was a member of the panel; it was clear that the curtailment of the services at Westenhanger was concerned with the Channel tunnel and fast rail link despite previous denials by BR. Mr. Newlyn said more than once that he thought that the residents of Stanford and himself would never agree. The whole subject was treated generally. specific services (of any type) not being discussed.

9. Finance

The Clerk reported successful completion of the Audit, the fee being £9.20.

The Shepway D. C. Lottery allocation of £100 had been received;

Mr. Lukehurst

it was agreed that this be paid into the Council's Deposit Account pending information about plans for the Parish Room.

10. Other business

a) Bridge on FP 222 needed repair, Mr. Hardy had told the Chairman.

b) Complaint about the erection of a "tin shed" on the land being reclaimed on Hayton Road; also concern about the quality of the material being used as "in-filling".

The Clerk was asked to write to the appropriate departments.

During the Chairman's holiday, 13th - 31st July, it was agreed that any urgent business be referred to Mr. Lukehurst.

11. Date of next meeting - Monday, 1st September, 1980.

The meeting closed at 9.30p.m.

..... Clerk

Mr. Lukehurst Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 1st September, 1980,
in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. Lukehurst
Mr. Rousell
Mrs. Wren

Apologies had been received from Mr. Holt and Mr. Cutting.

It was proposed by Mr. Rousell that Mr. Lukehurst take the Chair.
This was agreed.

Mr. Lukehurst opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. It was requested that the words "change of" be deleted from Item 3e, the Council not having previously discussed the application. Mr. Lukehurst then signed the deletion and the Minutes as being a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Insurance - The Cornhill Insurance Company had replied (with apology for delay) that the premium for double coverage was 65%, so that an extra 50p was required. This had been sent.

b) All matters relating to the M20 roadworks - Mud on the slip/feeder road was still in evidence after heavy rain. The meeting was adjourned for a short time to enable Mr. Lukehurst and Mr. Jenner to look at the problem. There was great dissatisfaction about the generally unfinished and "tatty" state of the areas adjacent to the roadworks; Mr. Jenner explained that any tidying up the Contractor was asked to do, other than that required at the end of the job, involved extra payment - ultimately by the ratepayers. One particular eye-sore was a private matter between the contractor and the landowner.

Other items discussed included, the damaged footpath at Stonehayne lighting on the new bridge and the use of the bridge by "through" traffic. Mr. Jenner would attempt to deal with these matters.

The date and time of the Motorway site meeting re landscaping was confirmed as Wednesday, 17th September, at 6pm.

It was possible that the meeting at Frogholt on Monday, 22nd September, might be changed.

c) A letter from the Divisional Highway Surveyor; regarding the bridge on FP222, this was being dealt with the County Council; regarding the hedge in Shere Lane, a letter had been sent to one owner asking him to cut his hedge. The Council felt strongly that action had been requested so long ago in this matter that another letter be sent to the Divisional Surveyor and a copy to the County Surveyor.

d) "Tin shed" and in-filling of land in Kennett Lane - The Controller of Technical and Planning Services had sent a copy of his letter to the landowner and a subsequent letter stating that the area was being enclosed to prevent unauthorized tipping. No mention was made of the building.

3. Correspondence

a) The East Kent Road Car Company's Market Analysis Project - This had been circulated to councillors as comment had been required

by 18th August. The Clerk reported a telephone call from the District Council that the service might be cut before being implemented. Concern about this was noted in the comment. Surprisingly no information had yet been received about commencement of the service: the Clerk to enquire about this.

b) From the Acting Head Postmaster at Ashford (via Mr. Small, Clerk to Sellindge P. C.) asking the Council's opinion on his suggestion concerning change of postal arrangements due to the closure of Stone Street. As these were precisely what the Parish Council thought should be done, as long ago as May, a letter of agreement would be sent.

c) A proposal from the Secretary and Solicitor, Shepway D.C. that to save money copies of the Electoral Roll for Church porches would not be issued. The Council deplored this and the Clerk was asked to request the usual number of copies.

Remaining correspondence itemised but required no action.

4. Planning Applications

Two had been received and dealt with because of the time limit.

SH/80/831 Outline application for the erection of dwelling on land at 3 Little Greys, Newingreen. No objection.

SJ/80/906 Outline application for demolition of existing two semi-detached houses and erection of replacement pair of dwellings, land adjoining Nickolls Depot, Newingreen. No objection, Majority decision.

Received - Copies of the report of the appeal by Mr. Holbrook regarding SH/79/519. This had been dismissed.

5. Reports

a) Select Committee of House of Commons meeting at Dover to hear local bodies express opinions regarding the Channel tunnel/fast rail link project. Mr. Rousell reported that he and Mr. Lukehurst had attended this very interesting meeting. The Dover Harbour Board, whose spokesman was masterly, objected strongly to the project, pointing out that any disruption occurring on the French side would bring the link to a standstill; Dover Harbour could be kept open by diverting shipping to Belgian ports. Most of the bodies represented were against the project; Ashford and Shepway Districts (the latter did not object to the tunnel) were more concerned with the rail aspect. The meeting was attended by representative of British Rail.

b) Mr. Lukehurst reported on a letter by Mr. Southorn, representing Shepway Area Committee of KALC, opposing a suggestion that the proceeds from the District Lottery be allocated almost entirely to the company operating the Community Youth Centre at Hawkinge Aerodrome. The Council approved of this move.

6. Finance

The Clerk reported repayment of VAT.

A bill for work done by Shepway D.C. on the cricket field had been received. The Chairman had informed Mr. Spicer.

7. Other business and items for the Parish Magazine

a) Comment was made on the deplorable state of the Airport

Filling Station/Cafe site. As an Enforcement Order had been made and legal proceedings were about to be taken regarding the sale of second-hand cars on land adjacent to the site and as it was the concern of the owner to maintain (or otherwise) his property, no action could be taken.

b) Mr. Rousell commented that the District Council had arranged visits by local bands to Lyminge (twice) and Elham; he suggested that enquiries be made regarding such a visit to Stanford next year. This was agreed; the Clerk to write to the Entertainments Officer.

For the Parish Magazine - Date of next meeting only.

8. Date of next meeting - WEDNESDAY, 8th October, at 7.30pm.

Mr. Lukehurst closed the meeting at 9.30pm.

..... Clerk

..... Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 8th October, 1980, in The Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the meeting with an apology for non-attendance at the last meeting and thanks to Mr. Lukehurst for taking the Chair. He then referred to the previously circulated minutes which were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) On enquiry, the Clerk stated that the District Council had still not made any comment re the building on the land being reclaimed in Kennett Lane. After some discussion it was decided not to pursue the matter.

b) The East Kent Road Car Company's Market Analysis Project - The Secretary and Solicitor, Shepway D. C., had replied to the Council's Comment; the proposed cuts had been implemented but there was to be a twice weekly service to Ashford by a private operator.

c) The usual number of copies of the Electoral Roll would be sent.

d) District Lottery Money and Youth Adventure Centre - The Council had been represented at the meeting at the Centre. A letter opposing the proposal to give the entire proceeds from the Lottery to the project had been sent.

e) From the Entertainments Officer, Shepway D. C., to say he would be in contact with the Rector regarding the possibility of arranging a concert in the Parish Church in 1981.

f) Matters relating to the M20 - Mr. Jenner reported that owing to a change in regulations the carpark land had now to be offered for sale on the open market. He also reported that the District Council would not now provide finger post signing for footpaths, although it would erect same if the Parish Council paid for them; stones would be provided free. The Parish Council agreed to have stones. The number of lights on the access bridge was now to be six. The gate on this bridge was now locked. Mr. Jenner said that the use of the footbridge by motor cycles and horses was illegal but there was difficulty in preventing this.

Mr. Jenner showed final plans on the vehicle maintenance compound, with details of planting, also photographs relevant to the project. Arrangements would be made for the Council to see the "concrete train" in action.

3. Correspondence

From the Divisional Education Office, with news that Mr. Old had resigned his membership of the governing body of Sellindge Primary School and asking the Council to agree with Sellindge P. C. on a new appointment. Mr. Holt said that Mr. John Ironside was willing to serve on this body; this was agreed.

4. Planning Applications

'D' SH/EO/1039 Construction of two rooms in roof space at "Nijinsky", Stone Street, Stanford.

There was no objection to this.

SH/EO/831 Outline application for dwelling on land at 3 Little Greys, Newingreen, had been refused.

Notice of Appeal by A. A. Horner, Builders, against refusal of application to build on land at Connaught Lodge, Westenhanger - It was agreed that the Council should see the District Council's opinion on this.

5. Reports

a) KAIC Area Committee AGM - Mr. Southorn (Lyminge) had been elected Chairman, Mr. Lukehurst Vice-Chairman and Mrs. Golding (Saltwood) Secretary. Mr. Lukehurst was also appointed to the KAIC Executive Committee and the Shepway District/Parish Councils Joint Consultative Committee.

Mr. Rousell further reported that the Committee had discussed the Youth Adventure Centre project, only three parishes supported the proposal that all the Lottery money should be allocated to this project.

A Shepway Omnibus Services Sub-Committee has been formed; Mr. Jutsum, (Lyminge 879) is the KAIC representative.

b) Mr. Lukehurst reported that the post of Safety Officer had not been filled; it seemed unlikely now that it would be.

6. There was no Financial Business.

7. Other business and items for the Parish Magazine

The Clerk to draw the attention of the Divisional Highways Surveyor to the hole in the road near Manor Cottage - again.

For the Parish Magazine - Date of next meeting, landscape meeting and visit to "concrete train".

8. Date of next meeting + Wednesday, 12th November.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.45pm.

..... Clerk

..... Clifford G. Holt, Chairman
12, Nov, 1980.

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, November 12th, 1980, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

The Chairman opened the Meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) District Lottery Money and Youth Adventure Centre - The District Council has decided that half the proceeds from this fund shall be available to this project for four years and that the remainder will be used as determined by the Council from time to time.

b) Appeal by A. A. Horner (East) against the District Council's refusal for the erection of seven detached dwellings with garages and construction of estate road on land at Connaught Lodge, Westenhanger - Mr. Lukehurst reported on Shepway D. C's case. As this included the Parish Council's view made at the time of the original application no further action had been taken.

c) Hole in road near Manor Cottage - The Clerk reported that Mr. Breech, of the Divisional Highways Department, had called on her, explaining that he had looked at the area and adding that the entire length of the cul-de-sac was to be re-surfaced and the kerbs re-instated.

d) All matters relating to M20

Three Councillors had seen the "concrete train" in action and Mr. Lukehurst thanked Mr. Jenner for arranging the most interesting trip. A visit for the rest of the Councillors would be arranged.

Mr. Cutting made a request for temporary lighting on the bridge; Mr. Jenner replied that this had already been requested and that the contractor had refused because similar equipment had been stolen from the roundabout site. The Clerk was asked to telephone and write to Seaboard and write directly to the Resident Engineer, Beachborough.

A complaint about the state of the East Stour by a member of the public present would be investigated by Mr. Jenner who undertook to visit the site.

3. Correspondence - None requiring attention

4. Planning Applications

SH/EO/ 1137 Outline application for residential development on land between "Belmont" and Stanford House.

There was unanimous objection to the application on the grounds that "low density" housing was too vague a term for consent to be given; more than one Councillor objected to any development of the site.

Here an inquiry was made regarding the appearance of a notice of a planning application on Church field; the Clerk stated that she had received no information about this; she would inquire.

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5. Reports

a) KCC Public Transport Plan 1981/82 - Mr. Lukehurst reported that this stated that the hourly semi-fast trains from London stopped at ALL stations from Ashford. The Clerk was to point this out to both district and county councils.

b) KAIC AGM - Mr. Rousell had apologised for not being able to attend. Mr. Lukehurst reported on British Rail's film on the Channel Tunnel project. The presenter had faced rather a "rough passage".

6. Finance

A Receipts and Payments Statement had been circulated with the Minutes. After some discussion it was decided to precept £500 (Five hundred pounds) for the financial year 1981/82.

7. Other business and items for the Parish Magazine

There was no other business.

For the magazine - visit to "concrete train" and date of next meeting. The Clerk asked that information about reporting faulty street lights be again published in the magazine. This was agreed.

8. Date of next meeting - Wednesday, 17th December; to be followed by discussion of the distribution of Fordred's Charity.

The Meeting closed at 9pm.

..... Clerk

Clifford G. Holt

..... Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 17th December, 1980, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

The Chairman opened the Meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) The Clerk reported no information had been received regarding A. A. Horner's appeal or SH/80/1137 Outline application for development on land between "Belmont" and "Stanford House".

b) Lighting on the accommodation bridge - Replies from Seeboard and the Resident Engineer, Department of the Environment, were read. Two lights had been completed and were in use; the Resident Engineer to be urged to press for the completion of the remainder; the accidental tipping of soil into the culvert north of the motorway also to be notified.

c) On inquiry at Ross House, the Clerk was told that a planning application for Church Field had just been received.

Mr. Lukehurst reported that the P.C.C. had a written agreement of tenure for the entire area of the Church Field south of Shere Lane right down to the bridge.

d) The request for the amount of the precept had been received; the form had been completed and returned. Information re future capital loans was included and noted

3. Correspondence

a) From St. Mary's Bay and District Residents' Association re the Folkestone Amenity Rate. After discussion it was decided that as the Shepway Area Committee of KAIC was already pursuing the matter, a reply on this line be sent.

b) From the Secretary and Solicitor, Shepway D. C., asking the Council's opinion on British Rail's request for the procedure for the extinguishment of FP 346 (where it crosses the railway line) to be implemented. The Council unanimously objected to this in particular and in principle.

c) KAIC Circular 97 - Two items on Insurance were discussed and it was suggested that the Circular be filed with the Council's insurance policies. An item on Capital Grants for Village Halls was noted.

4. Planning Applications

- SH/80/1220 Outline application for erection of dwelling on site of existing Parish Room, Stanford
- SH/80/1221 Outline application for erection of Village Hall, on land adjacent to the Church, Stanford

These applications had been seen by all Councillors (time limit expiring before Meeting). No objection had been made but a number of

of points concerning the latter had been made.

'D' SH/EO/ 1225 Erection of garage, Myrtle Cottage, Swan Lane,

Time limit expiring and no new entrance onto road required, after consulting the Chairman the plan had been returned with no objection.

Mr. Lukehurst reported a press notice of an application relating to Hope Cottage, Swan Lane. The Council having received no information the Clerk was asked to contact Ross House.

There were no reports and no financial business.

Other business and Items for Parish Magazine

a) From the Agenda of Shepway D. C. Plans Sub-committee Meeting, for 18th December, sent to Mr. Lukehurst - The Converter Station, Sellindge/Aldington, the possibility of the Public Inquiry being re-opened. The Clerk to telephone Mr. Egan re this meeting.

b) From the Agenda of Shepway D. C. Works Committee Meeting, for 15th December, sent to Mr. Lukehurst, Car Park, North of M20, Stanford Village. From this it appeared that the £6,000 allocated for the project would not be sufficient to meet both acquisition and development costs. The Works Committee's opinion was sought re proceeding with the project.

It was understood that the matter would come before the full Council on 21st January. The Clerk was instructed to write to Mr. Margery asking him to support provision of the car park.

c) Concern had been expressed to the Chairman about visibility at the junction of Stone Street with the new road - would landscaping the island obscure drivers' vision?

d) Soil tipping was again being carried out at Gibbins Brook.

No action was resolved on either of these matters but both would be kept in mind.

For the Magazine - Converter Station Inquiry, car park, footpath closure and date of next meeting.

Date of next meeting - Wednesday, 4th February, 1981.

The meeting closed at 9.30p.m.

..... Clerk

..... Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 4th February, 1981, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

The Chairman opened the Meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Various planning matters

The Council had not received official information about the appeal by A. A. Horner but Mrs. Wren reported that she had received - as an objector to the application - news that the appeal had been dismissed.

SH/EO/1137 Land between "Belmont" and "Stanford House" - Application refused.

* SH/EO/1220 and 1221 - Relevant to the Parish Room, no information.

Hope Bungalow - A verbal apology from the Planning Department that this application had not been sent to Stanford. The application - for demolition and replacement - had been passed, subject to certain conditions.

b) Lights on the bridge - Two were still incomplete - the reason, Mr. Jenner said, was that the fittings were not to hand.

c) Folkestone Amenity Rate - Mr. Lukehurst reported a meeting between the Liaison Committee and the main committees of Shepway D.C. regarding this matter.

d) The Converter Station Inquiry was being re-opened but at a later date than originally stated.

e) Car Park, north of M20 - Although the Works Committee had resolved not to proceed with the project and its decision was confirmed by the Council at the meeting on 21st January, the Vice-chairman of the Committee had agreed he would meet members of the Parish Council to discuss the matter further. This meeting was to be held at 2.30pm on Monday, 9th February, at the Civic Centre. Four Councillors hoped to attend and the way to approach the subject was discussed.

Mr. Margery had written, apologising for not being able to attend the Parish Council Meeting; he very much hoped to be present at the meeting on 9th February.

Here the Chairman invited Mr. Jenner to report on progress on the M20. In answer to a question about the planting of trees on the triangle of land at the junction of Stone Street and the "feeder" road, Mr. Jenner replied that planting was being done but would take a long time to complete. Two complaints were made; displaced timber barriers were partially obstructing the "feeder" road and water was also draining across it for a considerable distance at its lowest point. Mr. Jenner would investigate.

Mr. Jenner showed aerial photographs of the M20 and it was agreed that a showing of slides from them would be made at the Annual Parish Meeting.

3. Correspondence

a) From the Secretary and Solicitor, Shepway D.C., regarding a suggestion that copies of documents relevant to Planning Appeals be sent to the concerned Local Council, allowing for easier access by local residents and other interested persons. The Council agreed to support the suggestion.

b) Kent Minerals Subject Plan - Comments to County Planning Officer by 15th March.

c) Report on Ashford Airport, with covering letter stating that a meeting, to which a representative from the Parish Council was invited, would be held sometime in May.

d) From Mr. Finn, announcing his retirement, and his successor in dealing with local planning matters. The Clerk to reply suitably.

Other items giving information:-

- Kent Countryside Plan leaflet
- Annual Conference of Civic Societies and Local Government
- Public Paths Conference and details of competition
- Sheltered Schemes Communal Facilities
- Annual Report, Kent Association of Youth Clubs

4. There were no Planning Applications.

5. Reports

Mr. Lukehurst reported briefly on the very full agenda of the Executive Committee of the KALC for the meeting on 3rd January.

6. There was no financial business.

7. Other business and items for the Parish Magazine

Mud on the road, not a complaint, but a request for information by Mrs. Wren. The Chairman replied that the Police dealt with complaints of this nature.

For the Parish Magazine - Date of next meeting.

8. Date of next meeting, Wednesday, 4th March, at 7.30pm.

The Meeting closed at 9.30pm.

..... Clerk

..... *T.W. Lukehurst* Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 4th March, 1981, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

Apologies had been received from the Chairman and on behalf of Mr. Cutting.

It was proposed by Mr. Rousell and agreed by Mrs. Wren that Mr. Lukehurst take the Chair.

Mr. Lukehurst then opened the Meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes which were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Folkestone Amenity Rate - Mr. Lukehurst reported that it was proposed by the Finance and General Purposes Committee that 40% of the Amenities Committee's expenditure be charged to Folkestone; the parishes had agreed to this and it was understood that the matter would be put before the next full District Council Meeting.

b) Carpark, north of M20 - Mr. Rousell reported on the meeting held on 9th February, which he and Mr. Lukehurst attended, as had Mr. Margary who had proved very helpful. The District Council had been represented by Councillor Hamer, Mr. East and Mr. Brame. Mr. Brame had visited the site. It was eventually admitted by the District officials that a proper valuation of the land had not been made. It was felt that this should be done before the next Works Committee meeting was held and that the valuation figure be given to the Parish Council. Councillors thought the meeting had been worthwhile.

c) Matters relating to the Motorway works

It was noted that the two previously incompletd lights now had fittings but only one of them was alight.

The Chairman had asked the Clerk to pass on a suggestion he had received from drivers that a "No through road" sign be placed at the bottom of the southern slope of the station bridge.

The drainage of water was still a problem.

Mr. Jenner would look into these matters. There was some discussion about mud and gravel on the feeder road near the interchange but no resolution was made.

3. Correspondence - Reports and information only

4. Planning Applications

Since the last meeting two applications had been received and dealt with because of the time limit.

They were:-

'D' SH/81/103 Erection of garage and utility room, front

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porch and conservatory, The Chalet, Westenhanger.

SH/81/105 Demolition of existing stables and erection of replacements, Folkestone Race Course.

No objection had been made to either.

Before the Council was:-

SH/81/132 Erection of Dwelling for farmworker at Whiteways, Newingreen. (Outline only)

There was no objection to this.

5. There were no further Reports

6. Finance

The Clerk circulated copies of the Receipts and Payments Account. This was commented on briefly and cheques were signed for the hire of the Parish Room and the Clerk's honorarium and re-imbusement of expenses.

7. There was no other business

8. Date of next meeting, MONDAY, 6th April. This to be sent to the Parish Magazine.

The meeting closed at 9pm.

..... Clerk

..... Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 7th April, 1981, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

The Chairman opened the meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

Car park, north of M20, Stanford - From the Secretary and Solicitor, Shepway D.C., stating that he understood from the bus company that the existing bus service to Stanford was virtually certain to be withdrawn; in view of this it would seem possible, at least in principle, to utilise the turning bay. No confirmation of a telephone conversation regarding the valuation of the land designated to be a car park was made. Mr. Lukehurst formally proposed that the Parish Council purchase the land, Mr. Rousell seconded this; after discussion, the proposal was amended to read "investigate the possibility of purchasing the land". This was agreed unanimously. Mr. Jenner agreed to start proceedings regarding this.

Regarding the withdrawal of the bus service, the Clerk was asked to write to the County Surveyor requesting him to approach British Rail regarding the possibility of restoring some services to Westenhanger Station; and also to Shepway D.C.

Mr. Jenner reported that a drain was being constructed to remove surplus water running across the feeder road. Nothing was being done about water draining along the sides of the road.

Mr. Holt enquired the whereabouts of the village signs removed during the roadworks, Mr. Jenner agreed to investigate.

3. Correspondence

From the Secretary and Solicitor, Shepway D.C., a circular letter seeking temporary accommodation for gypsies. It was agreed there were no suitable sites in Stanford parish.

Other items received were noted but needed no action.

4. Planning Applications

'D' SH/81/353 Erection of garage at Bankside. No objection.

5. Reports

Mr. Lukehurst had received notice that the Home and Water Safety Committees would not be re-formed.

Mr. Lukehurst and Mr. Rousell both stated they were unable to attend the Committee Meeting of the Shepway area of KALC on Thursday, 9th April. Mr. Holt hoped to deputise for them.

6. Finance

a) Lottery money - A sum of £100 was available to Stanford for

an approved purpose, to be claimed by 30th September. A decision on how this money should be used was deferred.

b) Precept - It was agreed that the Clerk apply formally for the Precept to be paid into the Council's current account.

c) Telephone calls - The Clerk asked if telephone calls could be charged at the rate listed in the leaflet recently published by Telecom for 5 minutes; the amount varied according to the time and distance of the call, a 5 minute local call at standard rate being 9p, VAT included. This was agreed.

7. Other business and items for Parish Magazine

The state of the surface of the station approach road and yard, the Clerk was asked to write to British Rail.

For the Parish Magazine, the possibility of purchasing the plot of surplus land, dates of Annual Parish Meeting and next Council Meeting.

8. Date of ANNUAL PARISH MEETING, Thursday, 14th May, 1981.

Date of next Parish Council Meeting, Monday, 1st June, 1981

Both meetings to start at 7.30pm.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.45pm.

..... Clerk

Clifford G. Holt

..... Chairman

The Annual Meeting of Stanford Parish Council

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting, held on Monday, 1st June, 1981, in the Parish Room, Stanford

The Chairman of the Council, Mr. C. G. Holt, welcomed members of the public and then asked the Clerk to read the Minutes of the last Annual Meeting.

These were confirmed and signed as a true record.

The only Matter arising was the statement, made by Mr. Lukehurst, that the Home and Water Safety Committees had not been re-formed. This was regretted.

Election of Chairman for the year 1981/82

Mr. Holt vacated the chair, which was then taken by Mr. Cutting who called for nominations. It was proposed by Mr. Lukehurst and seconded by Mr. Russell that Mr. Holt be re-elected. This was carried. Mr. Holt resumed the chair, thanking Councillors for their continued support.

Membership of the Kent Association of Local Councils

It was proposed by Mrs. Wren and seconded by Mr. Russell that membership be renewed. This was carried. A cheque for the subscription and various official notices was signed.

Mr. Lukehurst and Mr. Russell being willing to continue as delegates to both Area and County Committees of KALC their services were gratefully accepted.

The Bornhill Insurance Policy was also re-newed; the premium for increased coverage made in 1980 was £7.40.

Finance

Bank balances at the end of the financial year, 31st March, 1981, were, Current account £224.95;

Deposit Account £667.91. Current Account to date £725.29, the Precept of £500 having been received.

There was some discussion about transferring some of the money into the Deposit Account but a decision was deferred until the immediately following Council Meeting.

This concluded the business of the Annual Meeting.

Clifford G. Holt

7.6.1982.

Present at Council Meeting, 1st June

Mr. Crook
Allwright

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J. M. Thomas (MBS)
A. E. Thomas

F. Hitchcock (MBS)
Frank Hitchcock

A. E. Hull

E. M. Hull

Mr K. HULL

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 1st June, 1981, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

The Chairman opened the Meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Car Park, north of M20 - A diagram illustrating conversion of the bus turning area into a 10 place car park had been received. Councillors thought this was not practical; Mr. Jenner offered to investigate and his offer was accepted.

b) Land north of M20 formerly designated to be a car park - No reply had been received from the Department of Transport. Following the Annual Parish Meeting a telephone call to the owner's agent gave no relevant information. There was considerable discussion about this in which the public joined. The Council was given to understand that the owner's agent was at liberty to sell; the Clerk to telephone him.

c) Withdrawal of the bus service - Despite the Parish Council's efforts this had been effected. The County Surveyor had sent a copy of his letter to the Secretary and Solicitor, Shepway D.C., in which he was not optimistic that a request to BR to restore some services to Westenhanger Station would be met. A reply from Shepway D.C. regretted that on figures shown, while sympathising with the Parish Council, it could not support its appeal.

There was considerable discussion here involving members of the public. It was decided that Mr. Johnson, of "Crosskeys", be asked if he could arrange a service.

d) Repair of the station approach and yard had been carried out.

e) Village signs - Mr. Jenner reported one had been re-erected at the north end of the village. The other, he regretted to say, had been lost or mislaid. It had been signed for as being removed and, if untraceable, would be replaced, though not, unfortunately, in its original form. A decision on where it should be re-erected was deferred.

A number of points relating the M20 roadworks were made by members of the public.

i) Repair of the northern end of Stone Street? After the opening of the Folkestone/Stanford roundabout section of the M20.

ii) Direction signs on Stanford roundabout not easily seen - Mr. Jenner answered that the criteria relevant to these signs had been met; if drivers could not cope they were driving too fast.

iii) Cars using the pedestrian section of the accommodation bridge! Bellards would be erected.

iv) Complaint that the pedestrian section had too slippery a finish.

3. Matters arising from the Annual Parish Meeting

The subsidence of Stone Street, Stanford, over the line of the main sewer - The Clerk to write to Shepway D.C.

4. Correspondence

Extinguishment of F1 346 - British Rail wished to proceed with this despite local opposition. The Clerk to re-iterate the Parish Council's objections and enlist Mr. Margary's support at the Amenities Committee meeting on 10th June.

b) Questionnaire on Parish Council work sent to all Town and Parish Councils by a Wye College post-graduate student. The Clerk and Mrs. Wren to answer and return.

Other items received needed no action.

5. Planning Applications

SH/81/486 Details for the erection of replacement dwelling at Hope Bungalow, Swan Lane, Sellindge.

Because of the time limit this had been dealt with; there was no objection.

6. Reports

KALC Area Committee - Mr. Rousell had, after all, been able to attend the Meeting on 9th April; he said there was nothing of significance to report.

Regarding County Committee matters, Mr. Lukehurst observed that Lydd had felt the need to rejoin the Association.

7. Finance

a) Lottery Money - After considerable discussion it was decided to allocate this as follows:- International Year of the Disabled and Stanford Youth Club, £25 each; repair of Churchyard wall, £50.

b) General discussion and possible transfer of money to Deposit Account - There was considerable discussion over a wide range. It was decided that improvement of lighting in Stone Street, Stanford, was desirable, particularly at its junction with Yew Tree Close; the Clerk to write to Shepway D.C. regarding the possibility of re-positioning of lights. It was said here that the light from one fitting in Westenhanger was being restricted by trees, This to be reported to Shepway D.C.

It was proposed by Mr. Lukehurst and seconded by Mrs. Wren that £500 (Five Hundred Pounds) be transferred to the Deposit Account. This was agreed.

8. Other business and Items for Parish Magazine

a) Gibbins Brook included in list of Sites of Special Scientific Interest.

b) Connaught Lodge, alteration of entry.

c) Hadleigh, the apparent carrying on of a business.

The Clerk to telephone Shepway D. C. re b) and c).

For the Parish Magazine - Allocation of Lottery Money, Information on "Crosskeys" bus, date of next meeting.

9. Date of next meeting Monday, 6th July

The meeting closed at 10pm.

..... Clerk

..... Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 6th July, 1981, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

It was known that Mr. Cutting would arrive late. The Chairman being on holiday, it was proposed by Mr. Rousell and seconded by Mrs. Wren that Mr. Lukehurst take the Chair.

Mr. Lukehurst then opened the Meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes, which were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Turning area/Carpark, north of M20. Mr. Jenner reported his investigation of this, the responsible authority was confident that the plan was practical. Councillors accepted this rather doubtfully.

b) Land north of M20, formerly designated to be a carpark - From the Department of Transport a letter stating that the owner was free to dispose of the land if he so wished and a map of the area showing that part of it over which the Department has reserved an easement in perpetuity. Mr. Jenner explained that this was solely for maintenance work on the culvert there. It was decided to write directly to the owner expressing the Council's interest in the land.

c) Other matters relating to the M20 works

The missing village sign had not been found. A replacement was requested and, hopefully, would be supplied without a definite site for re-erection being decided.

Bollards would not be erected on the pedestrian bridge, it having been decided to place a wicket gate on the south side of the bridge. No action would be taken about the surface of the bridge.

The possibility of draining the water running down the east side of Stone Street into the drain taking the surplus water off the bypass would be investigated.

The Folkestone/Stanford Roundabout section of the M20 is being opened on 18th August and from that time the gates on the accommodation bridge will be locked.

d) Subsidence over line of sewer - The Chief Engineer, Shepway D.C., had inspected the area and had discovered nothing which was of concern. In a telephone conversation with the Clerk he had expressed doubt about the re-surfacing of Stone Street. The Clerk to contact Mr. Parker, Divisional Highways Surveyor, about this.

e) Lighting - A reply had been received from the Chief Engineer; it was decided to defer any discussion until all Councillors were present. Overgrowth, obscuring light, this had been referred to Mr. Parker for appropriate action.

Here was mentioned branches of tree at Hawthorn Cottage overhanging the footpath. The Clerk to write to the owner.

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f) Bus Service - Following a letter from Mr. Johnson of "Crosskeys", the Council had initiated a bus service to Hythe on Tuesday mornings and would subsidise this for one month.

g) Extinguishment of FP346 - No further correspondence

h) Questionnaire on Parish Council Work - The Clerk had added one item (re the listing of Station House) after she and Mrs. Wren filled in the form. Mr. Lukehurst said that when the information compiled by the researcher was complete it would be made available to the KAIC.

i) Lottery Money - The Council had been asked (by telephone) to allocate the £25 designated for the International Year of the Disabled to some particular charity. After some discussion it was agreed to nominate the Home Farm Trust establishment for the young mentally disabled recently opened at Lympne Place.

j) Entry at Connaught Lodge - This required no planning application.

k) Apparent carrying on of a business at "Hadleigh" - An official had called and had been assured that no business was being carried on; the motorized caravan was being used as transport by the owner. The Council was not convinced but accepted the explanation.

3. Correspondence

a) Invitation to the Annual Civic Service - This had been accepted on behalf of Mr. and Mrs. Lukehurst and Mr. and Mrs. Rousell and had been much enjoyed.

b) From the Divisional Education Officer, with information regarding the appointment of School Governors. The request to appoint Managers to Sellindge Primary School had been countermanded by telephone; all appointments would be continued until 31st December.

c) Notice of Appeal by Mr. Morgan re Airport Garage - Because the appeal was to be heard on 7th July, the Clerk had consulted the Chairman who had requested support of the appeal.

4. There were no Planning Applications.

5. Reports

From the KAIC Executive Committee, Mr. Lukehurst stated that the Chairman of this Committee would speak at the next meeting of the KAIC Shepway Area Committee.

6. Finance

It was known that funds were forthcoming to subsidise the bus service for another eight weeks. Although the number of passengers was not encouraging, after some discussion, it was proposed by Mr. Rousell and seconded by Mr. Cutting that the Council subsidise the service for a further four weeks. This was agreed. This ensures that the service will run until 29th September. The situation would be reviewed at the next Council meeting.

7. Other business and items for Parish Magazine

No door on the Letter Box at Westenhanger Station - The Clerk to Telephone Folkestone GPO.

For the Parish Magazine - Further subsidy to bus service and date of next meeting.

8. Date of next meeting - Monday, 10th August, 1981, at 7.30pm.

It was proposed by Mr. Rousell and seconded by Mr. Cutting that while the Chairman was away Mr. Lukehurst act as Chairman. This was agreed.

The Meeting closed at 9.15pm.

..... Clerk

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..... Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 10th August, 1981, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

The Chairman opened the Meeting with a welcome to members of the public and then referred to the previously circulated minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Land north of M20, formerly designated to be a carpark - The owner's agent had acknowledged receipt of the Council's letter expressing interest in the land.

b) Other matters relating to the M20

The village sign - Mr. Jenner said that the replacement sign would cost £120 and would be made when it was decided where it would be erected. After some discussion it was agreed that it be erected on the west side of Stone Street just south of the motorway, this being as near as possible to the original site. *Mr. Cutting wished it to be decided that he considered this a waste of money.*

Drainage of water at north end of village - This was still being investigated but was regarded as having a low priority. Drainage of Stone Street immediately north of the motorway would be effected, but was also regarded as of low priority.

Mr. Lukehurst proposed that an OFFICIAL FORMAL VOTE OF THANKS be made to Mr. Jenner for his assistance to the Parish Council regarding all matters relating to the Motorway; this was heartily seconded by the Chairman who added that Mr. Jenner's equable temperament had made his own task much easier. All councillors agreed and wished Mr. Jenner well in his early retirement. Mr. Jenner thanked the Council for its appreciation of his help and its good wishes. He added that the office at Beachborough would be manned certainly till Christmas; Mr. Ray being in charge.

c) Re-surfacing of Stone Street - Areas for repair had been marked.

d) Some trimming of overgrowth had been done at "Hawthorn Cottage" but not at the light in Westenhanger.

e) Extinguishment of part of FP346 - The District Council was not proceeding with this.

f) Lottery Money - Letters of thanks were read from The Home Farm Trust and the Treasurer of Stanford Parochial Church Council.

3. Planning Application

SH/81/742 Outline application for erection of three dwellings, land between "Belmont" and "Stanford House".

The owner of the land and the owners of the two adjacent properties were present and were invited by the Chairman to give their

views. These, while of opposing opinion, were given in a clear and reasonable manner. Some discussion followed, during which Mr. Rousell made the point that whatever observation the Parish Council made this was in no way final. The interested parties tactfully left the meeting. The Chairman asked for Councillors' opinions; there were two objections; the application to be returned as supported by a majority decision.

4. Bus service - The number of passengers using the bus had not increased; the same three people had used the bus every week, with an occasional fourth. After considerable discussion it was decided that, unless there was a substantial rise in the number of passengers, the service would cease at the end of September.

5. Lighting - All Councillors being present it was agreed to write to the Controller of Technical and Planning Services re the possibility of improving the street lighting.

6. Correspondence

Request from the Secretary and Solicitor, Shepway D.C., for a copy of the Council's observations on "Provision of Rural Services - A Report for Consultation". The Clerk to reply that the Report was very interesting reading but had little relevant to Stanford; County and District should be well aware of the efforts made to retain public transport facilities. Two points to be made:- Misleading information re services at Westenhanger Station, same noted in 1980; Statement made by EKRC Company that "excessive mileage due to the re-alignment of Stone Street" was a factor contributing to the withdrawal of the bus service to Stanford.

7. Reports

a) Mr. Lukehurst reported that Col. Thrift, Secretary of KALC and Director of Kent Voluntary Services, had died. He would be attending the cremation service as a personal friend and would represent the Parish Council if this was agreeable.

b) Mr. Rousell reported that the Chairman of the Executive Committee of KALC had spoken at the Area Committee Meeting. The collection of refuse from Village Halls and Churches had been discussed. Reorganization of the representation on the Committee of the Area Health Authority was being made.

8. Finance + The Annual Audit had been made; fee £12.65 including VAT. The District Auditor commented on the amount of money held by the Council, but accepted the Clerk's explanation of this.

9. Other business and Items for the Parish Magazine

a) Mrs. Wren asked if planning permission was needed for the erection of a mirror to improve vision of the road; she was advised to consult the Divisional Highway Surveyor.

b) Footbridge on FP 222 - The Clerk had been asked by the Secretary of Shepway Footpath Preservation Society to write to Mr. Wagstaffe (Parks, Shepway D.C.) about this. On referring to past correspondence the Clerk found that the matter had been referred to Mr. Ashdown, Kent C.C. The Council agreed that enquiry should be made about progress in the matter.

For the Parish Magazine - Bus service, opening of M20 and date of next meeting.

Date of next meeting - Monday, 7th September, at 7.30pm

The Meeting closed at 9.30pm.

..... Clerk

..... *T.W. Lukehurst* Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 7th September, 1981, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

The Chairman having telephoned the Clerk with his apologies for absence, Mr. Cutting proposed and Mr. Rousell seconded the proposal that Mr. Lukehurst take the Chair. This was agreed.

Mr. Lukehurst opened the Meeting with a welcome to several members of the public and then referred to the previously circulated minutes. Mr. Cutting asked that his opinion that the provision of a replacement village sign was a waste of money be inserted. The Minutes were then signed as a correct record.

2. Matters arising

a) Bus Service - The Clerk reported a conversation with Mr. Johnson of "Crosskeys" on the way to the meeting in which he said there was no reason at all why the bus service should not leave Stanford at a later time. The three regular passengers would be asked about this and if they agreed, the amended time would be advertised. Any alteration of the previous decision about the service would wait upon the outcome of this.

b) Lighting - A site meeting had been arranged between Councillors and officials of Shepway D.C. Mr. Lukehurst reported, and Mr. Rousell agreed, that this had been most helpful. An Estimate for the provision of two extra lights, one at Yew Tree Close and another between Church Field and The Drum, was to be submitted.

c) The Clerk read the letter sent to Kent C.C. regarding the "Provision of Rural Services".

d) Mr. Lukehurst reported that he had attended the cremation of Col. Thrift at Hawkinge. The very large congregation had filled the Chapel and much of the immediate surroundings.

3. Correspondence

a) Change of address and telephone number of The Controller of Technical and Planning Services.

b) Kent Countryside Plan - For comment by 23rd October.

4. Planning Applications

SH/E1/840 Change of use of ex-workshop and yard from storage of agricultural components to the repair of motor vehicles and the ground floor of the station apartments to storage, Westenhanger Station and yard.

The Council wished two observations to be made; one re the number of journeys likely to be made; the second, that enquiry had been made regarding the "listing" of Station House.

SH/E1/860 Change of use of front room of premises to a retail shop, Old Mill Cottage, Stanford

This application to be supported.

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5. Reports

Mr. Lukehurst reported that the meeting at Ashford Airport to discuss noise levels (notice of this meeting received after Council Meeting of 10th August, only one representative of Parish Council invited) had been a complete waste of time. Only one point of use emerged - The Sellindge representative had asked if there was an alternative runway for take-off, the reply being "yes". It is understood that further recordings of noise levels will be taken from the perimeter areas at unspecified times.

Mrs. Wren reported that she and the Chairman had attended the opening of the Folkestone-Stanford roundabout section of the M20. It had been quite an impressive and very pleasant occasion.

6. There was no financial business.

7. Other business and items for Parish Magazine

a) Report on Southern TV regarding stone throwing at cars on the M20 showed clearly a picture of Stanford. Mr. Rousell asked that Southern TV's attention be drawn to the fact that the M20 through Stanford was not open. This was agreed.

b) Brilliant lighting of road signs not yet required; attention of Resident Engineer, Beachborough Site, to be drawn to this waste of energy.

c) Some grass cutting having been done in Westenhanger, Mr. Parker to be asked why that on the railway bridge and the north side of it had not been done.

d) Overgrowth of trees now obscuring lights in Westenhanger, appropriate authority to be reminded that this matter has already been raised.

For the Parish Magazine, support of planning application for shop at Old Mill Cottage, date of next meeting.

8. Date of next meeting, Monday, 19th October.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.

..... Clerk

..... Chairman

19. Oct 1981

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 19th October, 1981, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell
Mrs. V. A. Wren

Apology for absence had been telephoned on behalf of Mr. Cutting.

The Chairman opened the Meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Bus Service - A letter from the County Secretary stating that it was not possible to subsidise the service. The letter further stated that the matter was being discussed at a certain meeting; at which Mr. Lukehurst immediately said that it was not on the agenda for that meeting.

It was known that there had been no substantial increase in the number of passengers using the bus and that the service had been discontinued. Crosskeys Minicoaches had rendered its account - £67.50, a cheque was signed and Mr. Lukehurst proposed that a formal letter of thanks be sent. This was agreed.

b) Street Lighting - Confirmation of receipt of order for new lights had been received.

c) Kent Countyside Plan - No comment to be sent.

d) Planning Application re Station House - From the Controller of Technical and Planning Services, a copy of a letter from the Department of the Environment stating that the building is not of the especial architectural interest to merit inclusion in the revised statutory list.

e) It was noted that the lighting of signs on the unused section of the M20 had been discontinued.

f) Bridge on FP 222 - The County Secretary has asked that a new bridge be provided if this proves necessary.

3. Correspondence

a) From Mrs. Fielding, thanks for donation from Lottery Fund to Youth Club.

b) From the County Secretary, a report "The Gypsy Problem - New Initiatives", originally for information only, but followed by a letter stating that all the recommendations had been passed by the General Purposes Sub-Committee and asking for the Council's views by 1st December: the subject to be reported to the Planning and Transportation Committee at its January Meeting.

Objections were made to various aspects of the report and the way it had been presented for comment. The Clerk to send a copy of the letter to "Manor Road" and request Mr. Southorn to convene a meeting of the Area Committee of KAIC to discuss the Problem and Report.

c) From the County Secretary, requesting information on the

number of footpaths and bridleways still needing signstones; the Clerk would check and reply.

4. Planning Applications

SH/81/0900 Erection of extension to provide sunlounge, Kennett House, Kennett Lane, Stanford.

Because of the time limit this had been dealt with, No objection.

5. Reports

a) Mr. Rousell reported on the AGMO the Shepway Area Committee of the KAIC, at which Mr. Lukehurst had taken the Chair at very short notice. Mr. Southorn had been re-elected Chairman and Mr. Lukehurst Vice-Chairman. A new secretary had been appointed.

b) Mr. Lukehurst reported on the AGM of the KAIC. A presentation had been made to Professor Keith-Lucas who was retiring from the Presidency after a number of years. Mr. D. G. Downes, M.A., was elected President. The motions, relating to hedgerows, the parking on footways and verges and high volume usage of certain footpaths, were all passed with the exception of one clause relating to hedgerows - "That Planning Authorities should be required to offer to delegate such new powers of hedgerow preservation to parish and town councils".

Mr. A.D.M. Hilton, O.B.E., Spoke on "The Gypsy Problem" and Professor Keith-Lucas spoke on "The Future of Parish Councils".

On 28th November there is to be a Channel Tunnel Meeting in the Council Chamber, Maidstone.

6. Finance

Copies of the year's Receipts and Payments Account to date and estimated had been circulated. Following some general discussion, it was agreed that the matter of next year's Precept be placed on the agenda of the next meeting.

7. Other business and Items for the Parish Magazine

The belief that businesses are being conducted from "Hadleigh" and "Rancho Lodge" to be reported to Shepway D.C.

The parking of vehicles on Stone Street, Westenhanger, is causing concern, the legal position to be ascertained.

For the Parish Magazine - The two new street lights.

8. Date of next meeting - 10th December, subject to confirmation.

On the closing of the meeting by the Chairman, Mrs. Wren stated informally that she would be tendering her resignation on her removal from the Parish. The Chairman immediately declared the Meeting re-opened in order that Mrs. Wren be formally thanked for her services on the Council. This was sincerely endorsed by the other Councillors present.

The Meeting was finally closed at 9.30pm.

..... Clerk

Clifford G. Holt

..... Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Thursday, 17th December, 1981, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. G. H. Britton
Mr. D. Cutting
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the Meeting with a welcome to all present.

1. The Casual Vacancy

The Clerk reported Mrs. Wren's formal written resignation had been received on 30th October, and that the proper procedure had then been followed. The Secretary and Solicitor, Shepway D.C., had written that as no two electors had asked for a poll, the Council could fill the vacancy. He enclosed a copy of a letter, in which two electors nominated Mr. George Britton, of Kennett House, Stanford, to fill the vacancy. On consultation all Councillors agreed that Mr. Britton be invited formally to fill the vacancy.

Mr. Britton made his Declaration of Acceptance of Office and was formally welcomed as a Councillor by the Chairman.

2. Minutes

These were accepted as a true record.

3. Matters arising

a) Bus Service - Mr. Lukehurst reported that there was some support from Shepway D.C. in the discussion at the Liaison Committee Meeting.

b) Lighting - The bill for the newly fitted street lighting had been received. It was £303.76; this was £15.76 more than the estimate. There was some discussion about the difference between "Quotation" and "estimate". It was agreed to transfer £300.00 from the Deposit Account to meet this expense.

c) Motorway - From the Resident Engineer, Beachborough, a letter re the danger of crossing the M20 after the opening of the Stanford/Willesborough section on 9th December. This had been read to the Chairman on receipt.

From the Divisional Surveyor, notice that a section of chain-link fencing is to be attached to the motorway fence in the carpark/Stone Street area, subject to the Parish Council's agreement. This was given.

d) The Gypsy Problem - Mr. Lukehurst reported on the specially convened meeting. The suggestion of "tolerated" sites was not approved of; Shepway D.C. was to be asked to press the County Council to establish designated sites.

e) Footpath Stones - The County Surveyor had been informed that 24 footpath stones were required.

f) The Channel Tunnel Meeting at Maidstone - Mr. Lukehurst reported on this interesting meeting and displayed literature.

4. Correspondence

Road widening, Swan Lane - The Chairman had received a letter and verbal requests for the Parish Council to support local residents' objection to the widening of Swan Lane to accommodate large loads destined for the Converter Station. This was agreed in principle, though the Council felt there was a need for some minor widening.

Here was raised the matter of the route of the supply cables to the Converter Station. The Clerk to seek information from CEGB, County and District Councils; also membership of a Committee existing to concern itself with these matters.

Other correspondence was noted but needed no action.

5. Planning Applications

SH/81/1008 Land adjoining Whiteways, Newingreen. Details of a detached house and garage.

Because of the time limit this had been dealt with; the Council had already agreed to the outline planning application.

6. There were no further reports.

7. Finance

a) Precept - After considerable discussion - the Auditor's remark being recalled - it was decided to precept for £300.00.

b) Letter from the Treasurer, Stanford P.C.C., re the possibility of a grant towards the cost of the maintenance of the Churchyard. After some discussion, it was proposed by Mr. Rousell and seconded by Mr. Cutting that £50.00 be donated. This was agreed nem. con.

8. Other business

a) The non-adjustment of timing apparatus on street lighting after planned power cuts. The Clerk to write to Seeboard and Shepway recalling earlier correspondence on this matter.

b) Ice across Stone Street near The Drum and across the by-pass, relating to previous surplus water drainage problem discussed at length with Mr. Jenner. The Divisional Highway Surveyor to be contacted.

9. Date of next meeting - Monday, 1st February, 1982, at 3.30pm.

This concluded the Parish Council Meeting.

The Council then discussed the distribution of Fordred's Charity; this ended at 6pm.

..... Clerk

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Alfred G. Holt
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Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 1st February, 1982, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. G. H. Britton
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the Meeting by reading a letter received from Mr. Cutting in which he tendered his resignation from the Council for personal reasons. This news was received with regret: a formal letter of thanks for his services to be sent and the Clerk to start the proper procedure to be followed on the occurrence of a casual vacancy.

The Chairman then referred to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Matters relevant to the Converter Station. The Clerk read the replies received from District and County Councils and CEGB. Summary of information - The shelving, for the time being at least, of the scheme to widen Swan Lane to accommodate large loads; no information at all about the "cable route"; conflicting information about the committee existing to concern itself with the station.

Mr. Gluntz, of Shepway D.C. Technical and Planning Services, was present and gave the following information. The terms of reference of the aforementioned committee expressly excluded the "cable route." The route did not need planning permission; negotiations with land-owners were 80% agreed; the route would be north of the M20 and when completed nothing would appear above ground. (The Council was dubious about this.) Mr. Gluntz added that it was very difficult to decide when to "go public"; he appreciated the Parish Council's concern. The possibility of a meeting between representatives of interested Parish Councils and representatives of the CEGB was mooted.

b) Time switches on street lights. Seeboard confirmed that it sent notices of planned cuts of supply to Shepway D.C. It did not carry out the re-setting of the switches. No reply had been received from the District Council. Mr. Gluntz would investigate.

3. Appointment of School Governors

It was agreed that the Parish Council support the choice of Sellindge P.C. and Lympne P.C. in the appointment of the one governor now allocated jointly on each governing body under the new regulations. It was decided to submit names for consideration for appointment as direct LEA governors. It was strongly felt that the village should be represented on Lympne School Governing Body and, as Mrs. Spicer did not really wish to continue, it was agreed to approach Mrs. Kenny. Failing Mrs. Kenny's agreement, Mrs. Heath to be approached. Mr. Ironside, known to be willing to serve, would be put forward for Sellindge School.

A formal letter of thanks and appreciation of her services over a considerable number of years to be written to Mrs. Lucy Spicer.

4. Correspondence

a) Boundary Review - Completed survey for comment by 26th Februa:

This was being circulated; there was a brief discussion of the proposals affecting the parish, it being noted that the "takeover" of Westenhanger proposed by Lympne was not supported by the District Council. A comment would be sent to the D.C. noting this.

b) From K.V.S.C. a questionnaire on housing - Questions read out by Clerk and answered by Councillors.

c) From Kent C.C. re the up-dating of the film "Caring for the County". It was agreed to show this again at the Annual Parish Meeting.

d) From Postling Parish Council re Bridle Way - This to be referred to Mr. Rpllinson. The Clerk reported on the state of the BR.

e) News that the Rural Services Forum is to be held on 3rd April. Mr. Lukehurst expressed his interest in attending this; Mr. Britton would study the Report and possibly attend.

f) Information about Village Halls Conference with request to pass on to appropriate people.

g) Alternatives to Domestic Rates - Circulated to Councillors.

h) Kent Minerals Subject Plan. No comment on this but the Council felt it appropriate to express to Mr. Gluntz appreciation of Shepway D.C.'s acquisition of the mineral rights of Lydd Airport.

5. Planning Applications.

Sh/E2/0002 Rancho Lodge, Westenhanger, Use of land for the erection of ponds for stocking of coldwater fish for wholesale distribution.

After close study of the application the Council agreed there was no objection to it. The "change of use" was noted.

6. Reports

Mr. Lukehurst reported on the Area Committee Meeting of KALC. It was felt that the District Council should notify the Parish Council when it received notice of changes in British Rail's timetables.

The January Executive Committee Meeting had been postponed because of bad weather.

7. Finance

The cost of telephone calls had increased from 1st November. It was proposed by Mr. Rousell that the principle agreed previously i.e. that calls be charged at the rate published for 5 minutes, which varied according to time and distance of call and included VAT, be continued: this would allow for any future increase. This was agreed. (The Standard rate for a 5 minute local call is now 15p.)

The appropriate form was filled in to include Mr. Britton in the list of signatories able to sign cheques on behalf of the Council.

8. Other business and Items for the Parish Magazine

a) Noise from the M20 - This had been raised earlier in the meeting by a member of the public who, on being assured that the Council would discuss the matter, then left. Councillors would inquire informally about complaints and the Clerk would visit Mrs. Down.

b) Blocked man-hole, Stonehayne/Bankside, the Clerk to write to the Divisional Highways Surveyor.

c) A list of heavy loads being carried on Hythe Hill was noted.

For the Parish Magazine - Hope that the newly opened Village shop would receive good support.

9. Date of next meeting - Wednesday, 3rd March, at 7.30pm

Because of the need to book "Caring for the County" the Annual Parish Meeting was provisionally arranged for 13th May; acceptable alternative dates, 6th and 20th May. Mr. Reed to be asked to show the film.

The Meeting closed at 5.45pm.

..... Clerk

..... *Clifford G Holt* Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday, 3rd March, 1982, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. G. H. Britton
Mr. P. A. Jaques
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst

The Chairman opened the Meeting by inviting Mr. Jaques to make his Declaration of Acceptance of Office as a Parish Councillor.

2. Minutes These were accepted as a true record and signed.

3. The "Cable Route" The Chairman invited Mr. St. Amand and Mrs. Campbell-Smith to speak on the "cable route" and answer questions.

Mr. St. Amand introduced himself as Senior Estates and Wayleave Officer for the CEGB and Mrs. Campbell-Smith as Chief Wayleave Officer. He then went on to explain that no Local Authority had any jurisdiction over the "cable route". The route is not finally settled but councillors were able to examine a map showing what is believed to be the most practicable route - in Stanford parish this keeps to the northern boundary of the M20. A diagram of the cross-section of the trench with cables in situ was also shown and explained.

Summary of information and answers to questions relevant to the parish - The route requires a strip of land 20 metres wide, this will be properly fenced off and all work will be carried out within this. Local agricultural contractors will be engaged to remove and replace the top soil and because the project will be carried out in two stages there will be no movement of earth away from the site. The only above ground structures will be quite small and unobtrusive. Traffic to the route will use main roads as far as possible but not the M20. Though not definite yet, it is thought unlikely that Swan Lane will be widened to take the heavy loads to the Converter Station. The project will take approximately four years to complete. Pedestrian access to Westenhanger Station will be maintained at all times.

The Chairman thanked the visitors for a most informative and helpful session.

4. Matters arising from the Minutes

a) Time switches on street lighting - Mr. Brame had telephoned the morning after the Council meeting; he had been away and had not seen the Council's letter.

b) Appointment of School Governors - It was understood that Lympne P.C. had asked for Mrs. Heath to be considered as a direct LEA Governor.

c) "Caring for the County" - K.C.C. had confirmed the booking of this film for the Annual Parish Meeting on 13th May.

d) Bridle Way - Mr. Rollinson had telephoned that he hoped to get this cleared by the end of March.

e) Noise from the M20 - The Clerk had seen Mrs. Down and later had been asked to help with a letter. Mrs. Down had sent her letter of complaint on 15th February. There was some discussion but it was generally felt that the noise would have to be lived with.

f) Blocked man-hole - It was not clear whether any action had

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been taken over this. No reply from the Highway Surveyor.

g) Rural Services Forum - Mr. Lukehurst had received and accepted a separate invitation to this. Unfortunately no other councillors were able to attend.

h) Alternatives to Domestic Rates - No comment to be sent.

5. Correspondence

a) From the Secretary and Solicitor, Shepway D.C., re his letter of 5th November, 1981, about the Stanford-Hythe bus service. His suggestion that the Council's lottery fund allocation might be used in this way did not receive support.

b) An inquiry about ownership of a property in Westenhanger - to which the Clerk had replied that the property was not available.

c) Annual Report and Appeal from Kent Association of Youth Clubs.

6. Planning Applications

SH/82/0083 Renewal of outline permission for the erection of bungalow, land rear of "Collingwood", Stone Street, Stanford.

Comment to state that the Parish Council actively supports the renewal; it can see no logical reason why it should not be granted.

7. Reports

Mr. Lukehurst reported that the Liaison Committee had discussed the "rates", including a change of policy over the cost of cesspool emptying.

8. Finance

Cheques were signed for the annual hire of the Parish Room (21 hours of meeting at £1 an hour) and the Clerk's honorarium (£50) and re-imbursment for postage, telephone, heating and stationery (a total of £18.58).

Mr. Jaques signed the appropriate Bank forms.

9. Other business and items for the Parish Magazine

a) The Clerk asked for guidance about the retention of various papers received over a period of years. It was agreed that councillors would examine such as could possibly be discarded.

b) Verbal information that the 9.02 am train from Westenhanger to Folkestone is to be discontinued had been received, together with the suggestion that BR be asked if the 9.03 from Ashford could be stopped in replacement. It was also suggested that Mr. Bedser, Service Group Manager be the contact. This was agreed.

c) It was understood that the village shop was being well supported.

For the Parish Magazine - Filling of "casual vacancy", Annual Parish Meeting, "Cable Route", stressing length of time of project.



10. Date of next meeting - Monday, 5th April, at 7.30 pm.

The Meeting closed at 9.45 pm.

..... Clerk

..... *T.W. Lukehurst* Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 10th May, 1982, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. C. G. Holt, Chairman
Mr. P. A. Jaques
Mr. T. W. Lukehurst
Mr. C. G. Rousell

Apologies had been received from Mr. Britton.

The Chairman opened the Meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted and signed as a true record.

2. Matters arising

The "blocked man-hole", near "Bankside" - It was not known whether any action had been taken over this; the Clerk to write to the Divisional Highway Surveyor.

3. Correspondence

Items received gave information only and included Bus Timetables and the Kent C.C. Public Transport Plan 1982/83.

4. Planning Applications

SH/82/0337 The Drum, alterations (including present outside toilets into main structure)

SH/82/0346 Springwood, Stone Street, Stanford, first floor extension

SH/82/0357 Felicidad, extension to lounge

No objection was made to any of these, but a note was to be made of two errors on The Drum application.

5. Reports

a) The Parish Council had been invited (by telephone) to send observers to a Public Meeting called by Lympne Parish Council to discuss an application to build facilities enabling a club to fly "micro-light" aircraft at Ashford Airport. Mr. Jaques, Mr. Lukehurst and Mr. Rousell, together with Mr. Britton, had attended this meeting and gave their views. After discussion it was decided that no action would be taken at present.

b) KAIC County Executive Meeting - Mr. Lukehurst reported on this very full meeting; among the subjects discussed was the Cross-Channel Link. The County is to receive £5.6 million above the estimate, for highway maintenance, from Central Government. A Clerks' training day is to be held on 11th September.

6. Finance

The Clerk confessed that, no request for the transfer of money from the deposit account having been made, the current account had been overdrawn for a short time. The Precept had been requested and paid and

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 10th May, 1982, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

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the current account now stood at £276.48. No bank charge had been made at present.

Mr. Holt reported on the progress of renovations to the Parish Room. (The "dropped" ceiling was in position.) A discussion followed but no resolution was made; no actual request for financial assistance had been made.

7. There was no other business.

For the Parish Magazine, a report of the Annual Parish Meeting.

8. The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Monday, 7th June.

This would be preceded by the ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL, which would start at 7.30 pm.

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15 pm.

..... Clerk

..... *T. W. Lukehurst* Chairman

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The Annual Meeting of Stamford Parish Council

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council
held on Monday, 7th June, 1982, in the
Parish Room, Stamford.

Apologies had been received from Mr. Rousell.

The Chairman of the Council, Mr. C. G. Holt, opened the meeting with thanks to councillors for agreeing to the alteration of the time of the meeting. He then asked the Clerk to read the Minutes of the last Annual Meeting. These were confirmed and signed as a true record.

There were no matters arising.

Election of Chairman for the year 1982/83

Mr. Holt proposed from the Chair that Mr. Lukehurst be elected Chairman. On it being ascertained that Mr. Lukehurst was willing to accept nomination, the proposal was seconded by Mr. Jacques and carried.

Mr. Lukehurst made and signed his Declaration of Acceptance of Office as Chairman of the Council and then assumed the Chair.

Mr. Lukehurst said his first charge must be to thank Mr. Holt for his services as Chairman: Mr. Holt had become a Parish Councillor in May, 1970, and was elected Vice-chairman at his first meeting; in December that year, following the death of Mr. Spicer, he had been elected Chairman, a position he had filled until today. His ~~great~~ knowledge of the village and wide range of

Mr. Lukehurst

contacts had been invaluable to the Council and, Mr. Lukehurst hoped, would long continue to be so.

Membership of the Kent Association of Local Councils

It was proposed by Mr. Holt and seconded by Mr. Jacques that membership be renewed. This was agreed. A cheque for the subscription, £18.21 was signed.

Mr. Lukehurst and Mr. Rousell being willing to continue as delegates to both Area and County Committees, their services were gratefully accepted.

The Bornhill Insurance Policy was also renewed; the premium was £7.40.

Finance

Bank balances at the end of the financial year, 31st March, 1982, were: Deposit Account, £940.58
Current Account £23.88 QD
Balance carried down £946.40.

Current account on present date, £276.48, the Precept of £300 having been paid in.

This concluded the business of the Annual Meeting.

Mr. Lukehurst
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STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 7th June, 1982, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. T. W. Lukehurst, Chairman
Mr. G. H. Britton
Mr. C. G. Holt
Mr. P. A. Jaques

Apologies had been received from Mr. Rousell.

The Chairman opened the Meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record and signed.

2. Matters arising

Mr. Patfield, of the Divisional Surveyor's office, had called on the Clerk. The "blocked man-hole" near "Bankside" had been attended to the day after the original telephone call, mud under the rim had prevented the cover re-seating itself; should the problem re-occur it was the District Council's responsibility. Trees obscuring street light in Westenhanger, this was the responsibility of the owner; on the circumstances being explained to him, Mr. Patfield said that he would try to get some trimming done. Mr. Parker had also acknowledged receipt of the Clerk's letter.

Mention was made of an item in the local press which announced a plan to produce micro-light aircraft at Ashford Airport.

3. Matters arising from the Annual Parish Meeting

Observation to be kept on the condition of the trees planted in the vicinity of the M20. It was felt there were no further practicable steps that could be taken to eliminate noise.

A suggestion that enquiry be made of the County Education Officer about films for showing at next year's Annual Parish Meeting was agreed.

4. Correspondence

a) Details of Seminar on Sport and Recreation, 26th June.

b) Day's Conference on the Gipsy Problem. A reply having been requested by 31st May, the Clerk had approached Mr. Lukehurst, who had agreed to attend.

c) Shepway D.C. Lottery Money, an allocation of £100.00. It was agreed that this be claimed at once, to be paid to the Parish Room Committee specifically towards the cost of new curtains.

d) Notice of Appeal by Messrs. R. H. and B. J. Spicer against refusal by Shepway D.C. of planning permission for the erection of three dwellings at land situate between Belmont and Stanford House. A letter of support to be written.

e) List of properties eligible for sound insulation, to be exhibited for six months.

f) From the Divisional Education Officer - County Schools had appointed their new Governing Bodies and Mr. J. Ironside had been



appointed LEA Governor to Sellindge School as suggested by the Parish Council. The Church of England Voluntary Schools had not yet formed their new bodies.

g) From KAIC - County Circular 105 for Clerk and delegates and considerable information, including a brief summary of the results of the Wye College Questionnaire on Parish Council Activities in Kent and a full report on the Rural Services Forum held on 3rd April. Any comments on this latter item to be made by the end of July; also notice of any action arising from same taken after July.

A Questionnaire on planning application consultation - to be returned by the end of July.

From Maidstone District, a paper on Parish Finance - any comments by 1st July.

5. Planning Applications None

A Public Notice in the "Folkestone Herald" stating that documents re a planning application involving Westenhanger Castle proved, on inquiry by the Clerk, to be premature. Great interest was shown in the possibility of receiving it in the near future.

6. There were no reports.

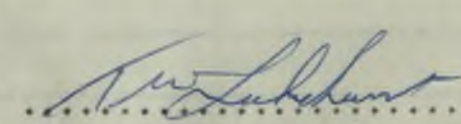
7. There was no other business.

For the Parish Magazine - Tribute to Mr. Holt, lottery money.

8. Date of next meeting - Monday, 12th July, at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 6.0pm.

..... Clerk

 Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 19th July, 1982, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. T. W. Lukehurst, Chairman
Mr. G. H. Britton
Mr. C. G. Holt - Apologies for late attendance
Mr. P. A. Jaques - Apologies for late attendance
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the Meeting by asking the Clerk to read the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council. These were signed as a true record.

2. There were no matters arising.

3. The Minutes of the last Council Meeting, previously circulated, were accepted and signed.

4. Matters arising

a) Mr. Rousell reported that the "farm access only" sign was obscured by vegetation; some motorists were crossing the accommodation bridge in ignorance to find the second gate locked. The Clerk to notify the Highways Dept.

b) The County Education Officer had sent only two leaflets about films, one regarding the film already shown and the second "The Making of Kent". A decision regarding the booking of this film to be made at the next meeting.

c) Conference on the Gypsy Problem. Mr. Lukehurst reported on this. Attended by forty County Councillors and presided over by the Chairman of the Planning and Transportation Committee, this had been a very full and worthwhile event. Many figures were given and opinions versed, though none of the gypsies themselves could be persuaded to speak. Mr. Lukehurst said he was impressed by the representative from Canterbury District which seemed to be managing its site very well and was setting up a second one. Mr. Lukehurst further stated he had managed to extract from the DOE spokesman the fact that the Department was willing to allow Shepway D.C. to acquire the old "Tarmac" site at Cheriton for a gypsy site.

d) Mr. Lukehurst had attended and spoken at the Public Appeal by Messrs. Spicer. This had lasted from 10am to 7pm and was followed by an hour long site meeting the next morning. Two points emerged of which the Parish Council was unaware; the County Council owned a strip of land of varying width fronting on to Stone Street; the area was in an area now classified as of Special landscape Area *over-lapping the much larger Northdown Special Landscape Area.*

The Clerk to ask Shepway D.C. for clarification of this.

The local press had telephoned the Chairman, stating that the land frontage above was not now to be used for a footpath; Mr. Lukehurst had replied that the Council had not received any information about this.

e) The Planning Application Consultation Questionnaire was completed.

T.W. Lukehurst

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5. Correspondence

a) Invitation to the Annual Civic Service. This had been attended by the Chairman and Mrs. Lukehurst, Mr. and Mrs. Jaques and Mr. and Mrs. Rousell.

b) From the Entertainments Officer, Shepway D.C., offer of six tickets for the "Summer Show". The Chairman had arranged for a party to attend this.

c) Annual Audit - The books were to be deposited on 2nd August. Notices of Audit had been posted.

d) From Kent Trust for the Preservation of Ancient Buildings regarding the planning application involving Westenhanger Castle.

6. Planning Applications. The only one received since the last Council Meeting had been circulated to all Councillors and returned.

It was SH/E2/0343 Westenhanger Castle, change of use to residential and licenced premises for restaurant, dances and functions.

Comment: The Parish Council supports this application which appears to treat this "listed building" and interesting archeological site with sympathy.

7. Reports

Mr. Lukehurst reported from the Area Committee Meeting of KALC (which he had chaired) that complaints to the County Office that delegates had not received agenda had brought the caustic reply that if County did not know who the delegates were, delegates would not receive agenda.

From the Executive Meeting of KALC Mr. Lukehurst reported that the number of parishes not in membership was surprising. A meeting of representatives from non-member parishes was being arranged.

8. Finance - No business

9. Other business and Items for the Parish Magazine

Mr. Holt mentioned that there was an opportunity for the Parish Room Committee to buy some "stacking" chairs at £2 each; what did councillors think? Design of these chairs was the crucial fact, Mr. Lukehurst said, but it was generally agreed that the opportunity should be followed up.

Mr. Rousell said that he had been told that children were climbing the Motorway fence and crossing the M20 to fish in the stream on the south side. The children being unidentified, it was agreed to insert the fact as reported in the Parish Magazine.

10. Date of next meeting, Monday, 6th September, at 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 9pm.

..... Clerk *T.W. Lukehurst* Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 6th September, 1982, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. T. W. Lukehurst. Chairman
Mr. G. H. Britton
Mr. C. G. Holt
Mr. P. A. Jaques
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the Meeting by referring to the purposely left space in the previously circulated Minutes into which should now be inserted "Special Landscape Area". The Minutes were then accepted and signed as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) The Clerk reported that it had not been necessary to telephone the Highways Department re the obscured sign as the Department's mower had attended to the matter the very next morning.

b) The booking of the film, "The Making of Kent", for the Annual Parish Meeting. This was agreed and the date of that meeting was arranged for Thursday, 17th March, 1983.

3. Correspondence

a) The Chairman had received and accepted an invitation from the Chairman of the District Council to an informal reception to promote further good relations between District and Parish Councils and to meet Mr. Robert Summers, the new Chief Executive Officer.

b) From the County Surveyor, notice of curtailment of bus services. As comment had been required by 20th August, after consulting the Chairman, the Clerk had replied, deprecating any further cuts in public transport.

c) Letters re the proposed Hythe Sewage Disposal Scheme from Postling P.C. and the prospective Liberal and SDF Alliance parliamentary candidate. After discussion it was decided to write directly to the Southern Water Authority deprecating in strong terms the proposed scheme. A letter stating this to be sent to Postling P.C.

d) A letter of thanks from the Secretary of Stanford Parish Room Committee to the Chairman, acknowledging receipt of the "lottery money".

e) From the Treasurer, Stanford Parochial Church Council, hoping the Parish Council could make a donation toward the maintenance of the Churchyard: labour alone had cost £147 so far this year. It was proposed by Mr. Holt and seconded by Mr. Rousell that £75 be donated to Stanford PCC for this purpose. This was agreed unanimously.

f) Grants for Environmental Improvements - This was discussed but it was felt that the clearance of the footpath from Church Field to Shere Lane would not be covered by this. The Clerk to write to the Parks Manager, Shepway DC about this.

The Clerk stated that she was attending the Clerks Training Day on 11th September. It was decided that the Council should pay the fee - £2. The Clerk expressed her appreciation.

Other correspondence received was itemised but needed no further action.

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4 and 5. There were no planning applications or reports.

6. Finance

The Annual Audit had been completed; the Auditor, while remarking on the large balance, noted the lower Precept. The scale of fees for the Audit had been greatly increased, and the fee charged was £26.75, including VAT £3.75.

7. Other business and items for the Parish Magazine

Mr. Holt informed the Council that officials of the Ministry of Agriculture had been prospecting various areas of Grade 3 land in the parish re the possibility of extracting sand.

Members of the public present raised the subject of a safety barrier on that section of the M20 adjacent to the carpark. Councillors admitted that this point had not previously occurred to them. The matter to be placed on the agenda of the next meeting.

For the Parish Magazine - The Council's attention has been drawn, by several people, to the fact that, despite the recent tragic accident, young cyclists are riding out of Shere Lane in a highly dangerous manner.

Donation to PCC and appreciation of "new look" to Parish Room.

8. Date of next meeting, Monday, 4th October, at 7.30 pm.

The Meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

..... Clerk

T.W. Lukehurst..... Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 4th October, 1982, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. T. W. Lukehurst, Chairman
Mr. G. H. Britton
Mr. P. A. Jaques

Telephoned apologies had been received from Mr. Rousell.

The Chairman opened the Meeting by referring to the previously circulated minutes. These were accepted and signed as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) The form and cheque for booking "The Making of Kent" had been sent.

b) The Chairman reported on the informal reception given by the Chairman of the District Council. There had been a good attendance and it was warranted a worthwhile occasion - possibly to be repeated annually.

c) Mr. Rollinson, Footpaths Officer, Shepway D.C., had telephoned the Clerk that the footpath between Church Field and Shere Lane was not the responsibility of the District Council. The Clerk to refer the matter to the local KCC Highways Division.

Mention was made here that the drain near The Drum was again blocked. The Clerk to report this.

3. Safety Barrier on the A20

After some discussion it was decided to approach the County Surveyor for advice.

4. Correspondence

a) From KAIC - "Parish News", including "Stonewall cladding" (an adverse comment was made by councillors); Waste Disposal Plan, 1981 - 1991, on view at Public Libraries, comments required by 31st October.

b) From Minutes of Planning Sub-Committee - new procedure for site meetings. This was discussed and noted for future reference.

c) The Chairman had received a letter from Mr. Drury, who felt that "something should be done to make vehicle users of Stone Street more aware of the dangers of children playing in the village". After some discussion, it was decided to support Mr. Drury's plea for warning signs to be erected. The Clerk to write to the County Surveyor, enclosing a copy of Mr. Drury's letter. The Chairman said that he had spoken with the local policeman (now at Sellindge) who had undertaken to do what he could in the matter.

5. Planning Applications

31/82/0781 Erection of bungalow, land rear of "Granville", Westenhanger.

The Chairman had spoken to the owner of "Granville", who knew nothing of the application and consequently it was discovered that there were serious errors relating to the boundary of the plot and the access. These were admitted by Messrs. Brooks Taylor who prepared

the plan. It was decided that the application be returned suggesting withdrawal and correction of plan before any decision was made. A note deprecating the fact that adjacent occupiers had not been notified of the application to be added.

6. Reports

Mr. Lukehurst said that the AGM of the Area Committee of KAIC would be held on 14th October; two days later the AGM of the KAIC would be held. The AGM of K.V.S.S. would also be held shortly.

The Clerk reported that she had been disappointed with the Clerks' Training Day. Two points:- £1,000,000 cover was the minimum sum suggested to Councils insuring against actions; after 8th November, a casual vacancy can only be filled by co-option; Election Day, Thursday, 5th May, 1983. It was proposed by Mr. Britton and seconded by Mr. Jaques that the Clerk's fare to Maidstone be paid (£2.20). This was agreed.

7. Finance

Copies of the Receipts and Payments Account to date and estimated to the end of March had been circulated.

8. Other business and items for the Parish Magazine

It was reported that verbal complaints had been made that large vehicles unloading at The Old Mill were blocking Kennett Lane. After some discussion, it was agreed to write to Mr. Martella informing him of the complaints. Councillors undertook to note closely any further incidents.

For the Parish Magazine - (It was noted that the Council's last report had not been published in the October magazine) - The concern about children cycling out of Shere Lane, Police consultation and possible warning signs.

9. Date of next meeting, Monday, 15th November, at 7.30pm.

The Meeting closed at 9 pm.

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..... Chairman

T. W. Lukehurst

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held on Monday, 22nd November, 1982, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present: Mr. T. W. Lukehurst, Chairman
Mr. G. H. Britton
Mr. C. G. Holt
Mr. P. A. Jaques
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the Meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Confirmation of the booking of "The Making of Kent" had been received by Mr. Reed.

b) The County Surveyor had replied to both subjects referred to him.

The matter of a safety barrier on the M20 is under consideration by the department's Trunk Road and Motorway Group: the Department of Transport who are responsible for the motorway will be contacted.

"Children playing" is not a sign authorised by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Direction 1981, the reasons being given. Taking Mr. Drury's point, which implied that familiarity may lead to thoughtlessness, the County Surveyor has asked the Chief Constable to arrange attention. After considerable discussion it was decided to write to the Chief Constable quoting the County Surveyor's letter.

c) Stonewall cladding, referred to in "Parish News", the Clerk to inform KALC that the Council considers that this "improvement" should be brought under planning control.

d) SH/82/0781 Erection of bungalow, land rear of "Granville". It was noted from District Council Minutes that this application has been refused on the grounds of policy - development within villages and backland development.

e) Councillors reported that the parking of lorries unloading at The Old Mill had improved.

3. Correspondence

Number of items received were detailed but no action was required.

4. Planning Applications

SH/82/0870 "D" Placing of H.V. Overhead lines to reinforce supply to sewage pumping station, Stanford

After circulation, this had been returned with a majority decision not to object.

SH/82/0872 Use of land for the stationing of 13 holiday caravans for a temporary period of 5 years, land rear of The Drum Inn, Stanford.

Two verbal amendments to this application were received by the Clerk before the Council Meeting - permanent replacing temporary and 11 caravans instead of 13.

Comments:- The Parish Council objects to the granting of PERMANENT permission, it agrees with the granting of temporary permission, maximum period 5 years as at present. It is also considered that 11 caravans are far too many for the site. If the vans are to be allowed to remain on the site (though not in use), the Council considers this is detrimental to the environment of an area where any permanent development is refused on these grounds.

5. Reports

Mr. Lukehurst reported on the AGM of KALC. All the chief officers had been re-elected. Mr. Bagnall, recently retired after an interim period as Secretary, was elected to the Executive Committee. The Annual Report by the President is being circulated among councillors.

At the AGM of the Area Committee of KALC, Mr. Lukehurst was elected Chairman and appointed one of the two representatives on the Executive Committee. He is again a member of the ShepwayDC/KALC Liaison Committee.

At the AGM of KVSS Mr. Lukehurst was elected a Committee Member.

6. Finance

After some discussion, noting the possible cost of a local election in May (max.e estimate £250) it was decided to precept for £500 (Five hundred pounds).

7. Other business and Items for the Parish Magazine

There was some discussion about the recent flooding in the village. With regard to the area near the Motorway, it was suggested, for the future, that the Highways Department be contacted in the autumn and asked to raise the grids on the river allowing a free flow of debris. At the north end of the village, surfacewater running off an arable field was causing a problem; a "Road flooded" sign had been posted and the grid over the road gully had been displaced several times.

8. Date of next Meeting - Monday, 10th January, 1983, at 4pm.

This concluded Parish Council business and Councillors went into private session to discuss the distribution of Fordred's Charity. This was concluded at 10pm.

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..... Chairman

STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on 10th January, 1983, in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. T. W. Lukehurst, Chairman
Mr. G. H. Britton (Apologies for late arrival)
Mr. C. G. Holt
Mr. F. A. Jaques (Apologies for late arrival)
Mr. C. G. Rousell

The Chairman opened the Meeting with New Year Greetings to all. He then referred to the previously circulated Minutes which were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) The Superintendent, Traffic Management, had replied, on instruction from the Chief Constable. Speed checks had been carried out in October, at peak times a majority of five vehicles used the road, most were local residents. Councillors felt this was a disappointing reply.

b) "Stonewall cladding" - Mr. Lukehurst had information that 13 councils supported the idea that this should be brought under planning control, two were opposed to the idea. The suggestion had now been forwarded to the National Executive Committee of Local Councils.

c) It was noted (in the local press) that planning permission had been granted for 11 caravans to be accommodated at "The Drum" for a temporary period of 5 years.

d) Flooding at the north end of the village - The Highways Department thought that the nature of the crop grown (potatoes) was the reason for this excess of water; this had subsequently proved to be correct.

3. Correspondence

Items received were reported; none needed any action.

4. Planning Application

SH/82/1058 'D' Alterations and erection of an extension to form utility room and bathroom, Hayton Cottage.

There was no objection to this application. It being known that the owners of the two adjacent properties had not been notified, a note asking if there had been a change of policy about this was to be added.

5. Reports

Mr. Lukehurst reported on the Executive Committee Meeting of KALC. Two very full documents had been presented to members; comments on both were expected in an unreasonably short time. Mr. Lukehurst had registered a protest about this.

Document A) "A Framework for Action" - Mr. Lukehurst explained this briefly and Councillors felt generally that its ideas were towards more centralisation and further away from "the grass roots".

Document B) Concerning the setting up of a Police Advisory

W. Lukehurst

Committee in each of the Police Areas of the county, meaning one for Shepway, Dover and Ashford Districts. Mr. Lukehurst detailed its proposed functions, which aimed at better relations between police and general public, and how the committee would be constituted. Councillors felt there was some merit in this idea but that the committee as proposed would be far too unwieldy.

These documents would be fully discussed at the Area Committee Meeting on 14th January and the Parish Council representatives would give their views.

6. Finance

The receipt form had been received, completed and returned.

It was agreed that the Chairman and one other Councillor sign a letter arranging for the transfer of an unspecified amount of money from the Council's D/A to the C/A if it became necessary before the next Council Meeting.

7. Other business and items for the Parish Magazine

It was known that the village postmen would be retiring shortly and it was felt that a recognition of his services to the village should be made; arrangements for this to be done at the Annual Parish Meeting were put in hand. Advance notice of the Annual Parish Meeting for the February Parish Magazine stating that the film "The Making of Kent" would be shown. A repeat for the March issue.

Mr. Britton stated that despite the sending of THREE postcards the most westerly light in Kennett Lane had not yet been repaired. Mr. Lukehurst stated that the traffic bollard light at the north end of the village had not been repaired despite a known telephone call by the Highways Department to Shepway D.C. The Clerk undertook to telephone Ross House the next morning.

8. Date of next meeting - Monday, 7th March, at 7.30 pm.

The Meeting closed at 6 pm.

T. W. Lukehurst
..... Chairman

..... Clerk

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STANFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday, 7th March, 1983 in the Parish Room, Stanford.

Present:- Mr. T. W. Lukehurst, Chairman
Mr. G. H. Britton
Mr. C. G. Holt
Mr. P. A. Jaques

Apologies had been received on behalf of Mr. Rousell who was suffering from Influenza.

The Chairman opened the Meeting by referring to the previously circulated Minutes. These were accepted as a true record.

2. Matters arising

a) Staff illness at Ross House was stated to be the reason for the delay in repairing the street lamp.

b) The Controller of Technical and Planning Services had replied that the notifying of owners/occupiers adjacent to land or property the subject of a planning application was entirely at his discretion: in the case of "Hayton Cottage" the distance of the property from its nearest neighbour was considered sufficient to obviate the need for notification.

3. "A Framework for Action" and "Kent Police Advisory Committee"

Copies of these documents had been circulated to councillors. It was generally considered that these documents, particularly the former, were badly worded and difficult to understand. The Council would be represented at the Special Meeting of the Area Committee of KALC on 10th March.

4. Correspondence

From the Secretary and Solicitor, Shepway D.C., a circular letter suggesting that parishes should nominate someone to hold a supply of refuse disposal sacks to avoid those requiring extra sacks having to travel to the Civic Centre. After consulting the Chairman, the Clerk had arranged for 20 rolls to be collected. Mr. Lukehurst was holding most of these for Stanford; arrangements would be made for some to be held in Westenhanger. The bags are purchased from the District Council and re-sold locally at the same price - 75p a roll of 15 bags.

Other items received were detailed but needed no action.

5. Planning Applications

SH/83/0108 D land fronting Hayward House, Kennett Lane, erection of a 6ft close boarded fence and use of land as garden in connection with Hayward House.

Because of the time limit this had been dealt with. There was no objection.

SH/83/0147 Lyveden, Stone Street, Westenhanger, outline application for demolition of existing and erection of a detached house and garage.

There was no objection to this.

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6. Reports

Mr. Lukehurst gave information on public transport matters reported by the Public Transport Liaison Group. There was now weekly bus service to Canterbury via the Royal Oak, Newingreen. Alterations in train services were to be made at present but details proposals were to be circulated for possible implementation in Mar.

KALC Area Committee, as already noted, Special Meeting on

7. Finance

After a general discussion, it was proposed by Mr. Jaques and seconded by Mr. Britton that £350 be paid to the Parish Room towards the cost of the new curtains. This was agreed nem

8. Other business and Items for the Parish Magazine

The Chairman announced that the Clerk was resigning as was 31st March because she was shortly leaving the parish. This was received with regret.

Mr. Lukehurst stated that he would be away from the Parish on holiday from 31st March to 18th April. It was agreed that Mr. Jaques act as Chairman during this time.

Arrangements were made for the serving of refreshments at the Annual Parish Meeting.

For the Parish Magazine - Advertisement for Clerk bus service to Canterbury, refuse disposal sacks.

9. Date of next meeting, Thursday, 28th April 7.30pm.

The Meeting closed at 9.30pm.

B. A. Lukehurst Clerk

T. W. Lukehurst Chairman

