

Meeting of the Council.
Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tues' January 14th 1908.
At 8pm.

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

Minutes.

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

Mr. Bateman sent message that he was unable to attend of account of illness.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Woodburn seconded that the standing orders be suspended to take Mr. Allison & Mr. Souter. Carried.

Surface Water.

Mr. Allison and Mr. Souter attended the meeting in order to explain the reason for the desirability of excluding the surface water from the sewers and to prevent the silting up of the pipes & much trouble in the future.

He made the following suggestion.

1. That the whole of the surface water be excluded from the sewers.
2. That the Parish Council exercise their influence in persuading the people to divert the water from the ? from the Sewers to Soak-ways.
3. Schedule the whole of the houses that drain into the sewers & carry out the work of diversion by contract & charge the expense to the special expenses fund.
4. Apply to the District Council & the County Council to empty Catch Pits oftener & so prevent as far as possible the silting up of the Sewers.

Catch Pits.

Mr. Beadle proposed that the District Council & through the District Council, the County Council, be requested to clean out the Catch Pits oftener & where necessary to deepen them.

Mr. Wilford seconded & it was carried.

Mr. Hodgkinson proposed that the whole matter under discussion be referred to the General Purposes Committee to report to the next meeting. Mr. Smith seconded & it was carried.

Sewerage Tanks.

A letter from Messrs C.T. Hook & Co' Ltd was read complaining of the stench from the effluent from the Sewerage Tanks.

Dr. Freeland proposed that the General Purposes Committee meet Mr. Souter at the Sewerage Tanks to consider & elaborate Mr. Wilford's scheme. Mr. Beadle seconded and it was carried.

Mr. Cook's Contract.

Several letters from Mr. Hy' Cook were read complaining of the large amount of work he had had to do to keep the refuse cleared away from the houses, and asking to be paid for extra work.

Mr. Allison explained that Mr. Cook must adhere to his Contract.

The Chairman thanked Mr. Allison & Mr. Souter for kindly attending and explaining the various matters.

Brook Committee.

Mr. Thomson reported that the men were still working on the Brook, and it was decided to continue the work at present.

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported that the no. of bathers for the past six weeks was 139, and the fees amounted to £1.8.1d.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that the fence next the Baths has two coats of Creosote. Carried.

Cemetery Committee.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Mason seconded that the usual amount of seeds be purchased for the Cemetery. Carried.

The Lamps.

Mr. Woodburn proposed that tenders be invited from Messrs. Brattle, Draycon and Langridge for the scraping and painting of the Lamp Columns two coats. Carried.

Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Hodgkinson reported that both the beds at the Convalescent Homes were occupied.

Finance Committee.

Mr. Woodburn proposed, Mr. Fletcher seconded and it was resolved to draw Cheques to pay the following accounts.

Notices closing Baths.	Harris. T.P.	3. 0
Income Tax.	Hilder. T.	1. 13. 3
Caretakers Salary.	Judges. A.	2. 18. 4
Gas Account.	Mid Kent Gas Co.	2. 12. 1
Repairs to Boiler & c & wood.	Wilford. T.H.	2. 5. 0
Water Supply. Baths.	Mid Kent Water Co.	18. 6
Coal & Coke. Baths.	Hayman. W.	3. 19. 0
Coke. Cemetery.	" " "	13. 0
Notices of Meetings Allotments	Harris. T.P.	5. 0
Hire of room for Meetings.	Clegg. W.E.	2. 14. 0
Water Rate. Fire Station.	Mid Kent Water Co.	3. 0
Water Rate. Cemetery.	" "	6. 6
Water Rate. Cemetery.	" "	3. 0
Gas Account. Fire Station.	Mid Kent Gas Co.	1. 10
Stoves for Cemetery	Norman. Ed.	5. 12. 9
8 loads Manure.	Hayward. E.	1. 4. 0
Income Tax.	Hilder. T.	2. 11. 6

200 Indicators.	Mercers & Son.	11. 6. 6
Caretakers Salary.	Fletcher. W.	7. 16. 0
Wages of men on Brook.	Flint, Waller, Pearsons	8. 2. 6
	Total.	£48. 8. 9

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- Surface Water.
2. Letter from Messrs. C.T. Hook & Co. re:- Effluent.
3. Letter from Mr. Cook re:- Scavenging.
4. 2 letters from Mr. Allison re:- Mr. Cooks Contract.
5. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- Tar- spraying roads.
Mr. Beadle proposed and Dr. Freeland seconded that the "Tarring" the \district Roads be referred to the General Purposes Committee. Carried.
6. Letter from Mercer & Son re:- Indicators.
7. Letter from Allotments & Small Holdings Association.
It was decided to refer this matter to next meeting & in the mean time the Clerk to obtain leaflet.
8. Letter from Messrs C.T. Hook & Co. re:- Brook Road.
9. Letter from the Mid Kent Water Co. giving analysis of water for the month of December.

Conveyance of Grave Space.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Wilford seconded that the Conveyance of Grave Space No. 398 to Mr. John Jeffery be signed. Carried.

Agreement with Mr. Nichols.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that the agreement with Mr. J. Nichols be signed and stamped. Carried.

Receipt on Overseers.

Mr. Mason proposed and Mr. Wilford seconded that a receipt for £90 under the Burials Act be issued on the Overseers. Carried.

Soup Kitchen.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Woodburn seconded that if a Soup Kitchen is necessary, that the Council do it themselves assisted by outside helpers. Carried.
Mr. Woodburn proposed and Dr. Freeland seconded that a special meeting of the Council be called as a Committee to consider the best means of running a Soup Kitchen. Carried.

Dr. Freeland proposed and Mr. Fletcher seconded that the meeting take place tomorrow, Wednesday night at 8.30pm. Carried.

Feb. 11th 1908.
Joshua. Burke.

Meeting of the Council.
Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday February 11th 1908.
At 8pm.

Present. Messrs. Burke. (chairman). Woodburn. (vice-chairman). Beadle, Norman, Fletcher, Thomson, Smith, Dr. Freeland, Mason, Wilford, Hodgkinson and the Clerk T. Hilder.

Minutes.

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

Vote of Condolence.

Mr. Burke proposed the a vote of condolence be sent to Mr. Fowle in his late bereavement of his son, and also to the Widow. Dr. Freeland seconded and it was carried.

Brook Committee.

Mr. Thomson reported that the work on the Brook had been completed. He proposed that 2 bus. of grass seed be purchased and sown on the three cornered piece of the Brook, between the Railway and the Stream. Mr. Norman seconded and it was carried.

Cemetery.

Mr. Bateman sent report.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Woodburn seconded that the report be referred back to the Committee with power to act. Carried.

Baths.

Mr. Beadle reported the number of bathers for the past 4 weeks to be 156, and the amount of fees £1.15.3d. Last year the numbers were 132 and £1.7.8d.

Convalescent Homes.

Dr. Freeland reported that Annie Mannering was at Wear Bay Home and Alfred Macoy at Herne Bay.

Mrs. Payne to go to Herne Bay on Saturday & five more were waiting.

Mr. Woodburn proposed that the report be referred back to the Committee. Mr. Norman seconded and it was carried.

Lighting Committee.

Mr. Woodburn reported that the Lighting Committee had met and opened the tenders for painting the Lamp Columns, and that Mr. Draycon being the lowest was accepted. The Tenders were as follows.

Mr. Draycon.	2/10d Standard.	2/- Wall Lamp.
Mr. Brattles.	2/- " "	1/6 "
Mr. Langridges.	1/11 ½ " "	1/9 ½ "

Finance Committee.

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

Gas Account. Street Lamps.	Mid Kent Gas Co.	46. 10. 9
Repair Fireman's Boots.	Watts. G.E.	3. 10
Globe Polish & Waste	Manger. H.	2. 4
4 galls S.B. Oil.	" "	3. 0
8 loads Gravel.	Gates. Geo. & Sons	1. 0. 0
Caretakers Wages.	Fletcher. W.	5. 4. 0
Swabs & c for Baths.	Stanger. H.	6. 8
Caretakers Wages.	Judges. A.	2. 18. 4
Making up Road. Queens Ave.	Allison. T. J.	9. 7. 6
Nails for Brook.	Stanger. H.	8
Wages of Men on Brook.	Flint, Waller & Day	4. 12. 6
Ministers Fees.	Portnall Rev' B.	7. 6
	Total.	£70.17. 1

General Purposes.

Mr. Wilford read the report of the General Purposes Committee.

"Tar-Spraying" the roads.

Mr. Wilford proposed that the District Council be requested to "Tar-Spray" the District Roads, hither to watered, two coats, and considering the benefit expected to be derived from the operation, in the preservation of the roads, that the District Council be asked to defray the whole cost. Mr. Woodburn seconded and it was carried.

Surface Water.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Woodburn seconded that the District Council be informed that only small portions of the roads of Snodland are drained into the Sewers:- Viz. Part of Queens Road, Waghorn Road and East Street – and that if the District Council would channel the roads, the disposal of the surface water would be facilitated. Carried.

Roof Water.

Mr. Wilford proposed that the District Council be informed that the question of the roof water having been considered by this Council it was found that the nature of the sub-soil of Snodland would not lend itself to the adoption of Soak-ways. Mr. Norman seconded and it was carried.

Sewage Tanks.

Mr. Wilford gave an exhaustive report of the meeting at the sewage tanks, and moved that the report be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

Mr. Hodgkinson seconded and it was carried.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded that a letter be written to Col. Holland stating that the matter has been referred back to the Committee for further consideration. Carried.

Holboro. Road.

Mr. Wilford proposed that a letter be written to Mr. Maybury asking him to kindly carry out the proposed work in the Holborough Road, and make the alteration to the footpath at the top of the High Street by Mr. Gammons shop. Carried.

Mr. Wilford proposed that a letter be written to Mr. Gammon asking him to load his carts from the Bake-house instead of the Shop in order to prevent accidents. Mr. Hodgkinson seconded and it was carried.

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- Revised Valuation List.
2. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- Balance to W. Marshall re:- Queens Avenue.
3. Letter from Mr. Souter re: Meeting of General Purposes Committee.
4. Letter from Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- Painting the Lamps.
5. Letter from Mid Kent Water Co giving analysis of water for the month of January.

Assessment of Property

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Mason seconded that the Clerk purchase a copy of Dolby's Books. Carried.

Purchase of Grave Space.

Mr. Mason proposed and Mr/ Fletcher seconded that the Conveyance of Grave Space 397 to Mrs. Ella Gammon be signed. Carried.

10/3/1908.

Joshua Burke.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday March 10th 1908

At 8pm.

Present Messrs. Burke (Chair). Woodburn. (Vice-Chair). Mason. Fletcher. Thomson. Beadle. Smith. Norman. Parris. Hawks. Dr. Freeland & T. Hilder. Clerk.

Minutes

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

Letter from Mr. Hodgkinson asking to be excused on account of sickness.

Cemetery Committee.

Mr. Norman proposed that 5 9ft boards 9"x2" and 6 6ft boards 9"x1 1/2 " be purchased for use in the Cemetery. Mr. Mason seconded and it was carried.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded that the Caretaker have help to the value of four pounds during the ensuing year. Carried.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded that the grass in the Cemetery be sold to Mr. Hy. Cook for 12/- and that he be allowed to spread not more than 10 loads of road scrapings per acre. Carried.

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle proposed that the Caretaker at the Baths be paid £2.5.0d for painting the fence in the front of the Baths & Tarring and repairing the fences at the back two coats. Mr. Smith seconded and it was carried.

Mr. Beadle proposed that the Chimney be repaired, Tiles replaced & Shoots cleaned out. Mr. Fletcher seconded and it was carried.

Mr. Beadle proposed that the boilers be cleaned out and taps repaired with lead washers in the place of leather ones. Mr. Smith seconded and it was carried.

Mr. Norman proposed that Mr. J.H. Wilford be employed to do the work. Mr. Thomson seconded and it was carried.

Mr. Beadle reported that the number of bathers during the past four weeks was 166 and the fees amounted to £1.15.4d. Last year for the corresponding period the figures were 116 and £1.8.10d.

Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Beadle reported that Mrs. Mitchell of Portland Place, and Arthur Allchin of Bull Field occupied the beds at the Convalescent Homes at the present time. He proposed that the best thanks of this Council be forwarded to Miss. Hook for providing the beds for the use of the sick people in the Parish. This was seconded by Mr. Mason and carried unanimously.

Finance Committee.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Norman seconded and it was resolved to draw Cheques to pay the following accounts.

Stationery.	Hambrook. A.N.	1. 1. 3.
Stamps.	The Clerk.	7. 3
Printing Tickets & forms. Baths,	Hambrook. A.N.	16. 0
Guarantee Premium.	Judge. A.	7. 6
Caretakers Wages Feb & March,	“ “	5. 16. 8
Repairs Fire Brigade.	Hinds. C.W.	19. 0
“ “ “ “ “	Brattle. C.	5. 6
Ministers Fees.	Reed. G.	5. 0
“ “ “ “	Finch Smith E.D.	1. 10. 0
“ “ “ “	Armitage. P.	7. 6
“ “ “ “	Faraday. A.	2. 6
Cartage of Indicators.	Botton. F.	1. 6
Repairs of Tools Cemetery.	Hinds. C.W.	7. 2
Caretakers Wages.	Fletcher. W.	7. 16. 0
Room for Meetings	Clegg. W.E.	14. 0
Room for Parish Meetings.	Godfrey. C	3. 0
	Total.	£20.19. 10

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that a Cheque for £2.5.0d be drawn to pay A. Judges for Tarring, Painting and repairing fences at the Baths. Carried.

Mr. Bateman's Resignation.

Mr. Bateman sent his resignation as Councillor to the Chairman, giving ill health & increased work as reason.

Mr. Beadle proposed that his resignation be accepted with regret, and that the best of thanks of the Council be accorded him for his past services. Seconded by Mr. Parris and Carried.

Correspondence.

1. Letter from H.W. Langridge re:- Path by Mark Farm.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Norman seconded that the letter be sent to the District Surveyor. Carried.

2. Letter from Mr. Maybury re:- Holboro. Road.

3. Letter from Mr. Maybury re:- Dust Laying.

4. Letter from Mr. Maybury re:- Scavenging of main roads.

5. 2 letters from Shand Mason re:- Escape- Wire.

6. Letter from District Council re:- Surface water & Tar-Spraying.

7. Letter from Medway District Traders Association re:- Quality & price of Gas.

8. Letter from Mid Kent Water Co. giving analysis for water for the month of January.

9. Letters from the Local Government Board re:- Special expenses.

10. Letter from Mr. Prosser re:- County Rate Basis.

The clerk was instructed to write to the district Council respecting the charge for tar-spraying District Roads.

Scavenging.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded that the Clerk write to Mr. Maybury for explanation as to cost of Scavenging the main roads, and that the reply be left in the hands of the General Purposes Committee to deal with.

Gas.

Mr. Woodburn proposed that the Clerk write to the Gas Co' and complain of the quality and price of the gas supplied. Seconded by Dr. Freeland & carried.

Receipt.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Woodburn seconded that a receipt for £30 be issued on the Overseers for General Expenses. Carried.

Conveyance of Grave Space.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that the conveyance of Grave Space 410 to George Fuller and the Conveyance of Grave Space 411 to Harriett Woodruff be signed. Carried.

Date for turning Cattle on Brook.

Mr. Thomson proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that April 15th be the date for turning Cattle on the Brook this year. Carried.

Report of Parish Council Proceedings.

The draft report of the Parish Council Proceedings was read and revised.

Mr. Mason proposed that the report be approved and adopted as read. Seconded by Mr. Thomson & carried.

Gatekeeper.

Mr. Thomson proposed that Thomas Hood be re-appointed Brook Keeper at the usual salary of six guineas. This was seconded by Mr. Norman and carried.

Parish Meeting.

Mr. Beadle proposed that the Annual Parish Meeting take place on March 24th at 8pm in the National School Room. This was seconded by Mr. Woodburn and carried.

Joshua Burke
21/4 1908.

Annual Meeting of the Council.
Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday April 21st 1908.
At 8pm.

Present Messrs. Burke. (Chair). Woodburn (Vice-Chairman). Thomson, Fletcher, Lambert, Wilford, Norman, Beadle, Hawks, Parris, Dr. Freeland, and the Clerk T. Hilder.

Dr. Freeland brought a message from Mr. Smith, asking to be excused on account of sickness.

Post Card from Mr. Hodgkinson stating he was away on holiday.

Minutes.

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

Chairman.

Mr. Wilford proposed that Mr. Burke be re-elected Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year. Mr, Norman seconded and it was carried.

Vice-Chairman.

Dr. Freeland proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded that Mr. Woodburn be re-elected Vice Chairman for the ensuing year. Carried.

Overseers.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Hawks seconded that Messrs W.L.H. Roberts. A. Norman, B. Lambert and F .S. Dedrick be re-appointed Overseers. Carried.

Committees.

Brook.

Mr. Parris proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded that the Brook Committee stand with Mr. Thomson as Chairman. Carried.

Baths.

Mr. Parris proposed and Mr. Norman seconded that the Baths Committee stand, with Mr. Beadle as Chairman. Carried.

Cemetery.

Mr. Lambert proposed and Mr. Fletcher seconded that the Cemetery Committee be re-elected with Mr. Norman as Chairman. Carried.

Finance.

Mr. Parris proposed and Mr. Hawks seconded that the Finance Committee be re-elected with Mr. Woodburn as Chairman. Carried.

General Purposes.

Mr. Fletcher proposed and Mr. Woodburn seconded that Mr. Beadles name be substituted for Mr. Parris, and the rest of the General Purposes Committee stand with Mr. Wilford as Chairman. Carried.

Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Woodburn proposed that the Convalescent Homes Committee be re-elected substituting Mr. Parris for Mr. Lambert with Mr. Fletcher as Chairman. Carried.

Brook Committee.

Mr. Thomson reported that the grass seed had been sown on the Brook: the Brook gate painted – and the drinking place lowered.

It was suggested the Chairman of the Brook Committee, request the Mill Authorities clear away the remainder of the rubbish , deposited by them on the Brook for convenience.

Baths.

Mr. Beadle reported that the number of bathers for the past six weeks was 254 and the fees. £2.14.11d.

Cemetery.

Mr. Beadle and Mr. Wilford seconded that the Clerk be instructed to write to the Coroner for fee for the use of the Chapel to hold inquests. Carried.

Convalescent Homes Committee.

Dr. Freeland read report of Convalescent Homes Committee which stated that George Kimber was waiting to go to the Herne Bay & Mrs. Hor to Wear Bay.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Dr. Freeland seconded that the Clerk write for explanation why the order of admittance for George Kimber has not been sent. Carried.

Finance Committee.

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

Painting Lamps per contract.	Langridge. R.T.	7. 2. 2.
Oil & C Fire Brigade.	Stanger. A.H.	4. 7
Subscription to N.F.B.U.	Peters Headley.	1. 1. 0
Gas a/c Fire Station.	Mid Kent Gas Co.	2. 7
Water Rate.	Mid Kent Water Co.	3. 0
½ yrs rent Fire Station.	Hook. Miss.	2. 10. 0
2 Bus Grass Seeds.	Styles Bros. & Wickings.	1. 16. 0
½ doz memos.	Dickinson. W.P.	2. 0
Water Rate Cemetery.	Mid Kent Water Co.	6. 6
Water Rate. Cemetery Cottage	Mid Kent Water Co.	3. 0
1 Chal. Coke. Cemetery.	Hayman. W.	13. 0
Insurance. Cemetery.	Kent Fire Office.	10. 6
Seeds.	Frost. J. & Co.	9. 0
Lamp Glass & Feeder Cemetery,	Stanger. A.H.	1. 1
Ministers Fees.	Portnall. Rev.	5. 0
Poor & Lighting Rates.	Hilder. T.	1. 4. 9
Caretakers Wages.	Fletcher. W.	5. 4. 0
Caretakers Wages. Help.	Fletcher. W. Jnr.	6. 0
Broom, Scrub & Swabs Baths.	Stanger. A. H.	7. 3
Rates. Baths.	Hilder. T.	4. 19. 0
Water Supply. Baths.	Mid Kent Water. Co.	1. 18. 9
Coal & Coke. Baths.	Hayman. W.	4. 1. 0.
Gas A/c Baths	Mid Kent Gas Co.	2. 2. 1
	Total.	£35. 12. 3

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Sergeant Burbridge thanking the Council for their help during the time he had been stationed at Snodland.

Mr. Woodburn proposed that a letter be written to the Chief Constable, stating the great satisfaction Sergeant Burbridge had given the Parish in the carrying out of his duties during the time he had been stationed at Snodland.. Mr. Norman seconded and it was carried.

Mr. Wilford proposed that a testimonial of some kind be presented to Ser. Burbridge as a recognition of his services and that the Council form themselves into a Committee for the purpose. Mr. Norman seconded and it was carried.

2. Letter from Editor of the Kent Messenger re:- reports

3. Letter from District Council re:- "Tar-Spraying".

Mr. Wilford proposed and Dr. Freeland seconded that the Clerk write to the County Surveyor, stating that as the District Council were unable to pay for the "Tar-Spraying" at present, that he should continue last years arrangement and pay ½ the cost of watering the main roads. Carried.

4. Letter from Mr. Maybury re:- Scavenging the main roads.

5. Letter from Mr. Maybury. re: Repairing main roads.

6. Letter from Local Government Board re:- Allotments.

7. Letter from Local Government Board re:- use of Buildings.
8. Letter from Mr. Maybury re:- Dust laying & Scavenging.
9. 2 letters from the Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- price & quality of the gas.
10. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- Tar-spraying.
11. Letter from Rochester Bridge Wardens.

Gas Agreement.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Wilford seconded that the agreement with the Mid Kent Gas Co. be produced at the next meeting of the Council. Carried.

Receipt on Overseers.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Woodburn seconded that a precept for £90 under the Burials Act be issued on the Overseers. Carried.

Conveyances of Grave Spaces.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that the Conveyances of Grave Spaces.

No. 412 to James Isaac Whitmore

No. 305 to Mildred Mears.

No. 403 to Caroline Hawks. Be signed. Carried.

Inscriptions.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Woodburn seconded that the Inscription on Mrs. Beadle's Headstone be left in the hands of the Committee. Carried.

Watering Streets.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Norman seconded that the streets be watered. Carried.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded that the lowest tender be accepted. Carried.

The tenders were as follows.

Mr. Cook. 8d per hour for Horse and Man.

Mr. Tilbrook. 9d per hour for Horse and Man.

Mr. Ashby 9d per hour for Horse and Man.

.the streets be accepted. Carried.

New Councillor.

Mr. Parris proposed and Dr. Freeland seconded that Mr. Charles Godfrey be elected a Councillor in the place of Mr. Bateman. Resigned. Carried.

Joshua Burke.

12/5/08.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday May 12th 1908

At 8pm.

Present. Messrs, Burke. (Chairman). Woodburn. (Vice-chairman). Lambert, Beadle, Fletcher, Wilford, Hodgkinson, Godfrey, Parris, Smith, Hawks, Thomson, Mason, Dr. Freeland and the Clerk T. Hilder.

Minutes.

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

Mr. Godfrey signed declaration of acceptance of office.

Cemetery Committee.

It was reported that a wooden box had placed on Mrs. Andrews' Grave, contrary to rules. The Council decided that the Committee should deal with the case.

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported that the number of bathers for the last three weeks was 220 and the fees £2.10.5d.

Mr. Smith reported that the repairs had been completed satisfactorily.

The question of curtain for shower bath was referred to the Committee on the proposition of Mr. Hodgkinson. Seconded by Mr. Godfrey.

Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Fletcher reported that George Chuter was occupying the bed at Herne Bay and Mrs. Hor at Wear Bay, to be followed on Saturday by Mrs. W. Saunders the 16th.

Mr. Hodgkinson proposed that in the event of no reply to an application in two days, that the Clerk write or wire for reason of delay. Seconded by Mr. Woodburn and carried.

General Purposes Committee.

Mr. Wilford proposed that the earthenware pipes lying in the ditch, many of which are broken, be replaced with 15 inch iron pipes to take the effluent from sewage tanks, and that the sewer from May Street & East Street should be extended down the stream by the addition of three lengths of 9 inch pipes, causing the discharge of sewage to take place under the Railway Bridge, and that the Clerk inform Messrs C.T. Hook & Co. Ltd. of what is proposed to be done – also pointing out to them the probable cause of the nuisance so often complained of. Viz. the connection of the overflow pipes from the settling tanks with the sewer. This was seconded by Mr. Lambert and Carried.

Street Watering.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded that the draft agreement with Mr. Hy' Cook for watering the streets be approved by the Council. Carried.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr Parris seconded that Messrs. Burke, Woodburn and Wilford sign the agreement. Carried.

Finance Committee.

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

Hood. Thomas.	Part Salary. Brook Keeper.	1. 10. 0.
Stable. D. W.	Repayment of loan & interest.	52. 17. 7
Ayers. W.H.	Financial Statements.	1. 0
Mid Kent Gas Co.	17 New Lanterns.	30. 7. 4
Dedrick. F.S.	2 Boxes of Soap.	1. 1. 0
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	2. 18. 4
Galpen Rev. A.W.	Ministers Fees.	2. 6
Fletcher. Wm.	Caretakers Wages.	3. 18. 0
Fletcher Wm. Jnr.	Caretakers Help.	12. 0
Flint Silas.	Wages of man on Brook.	3. 0
	Total.	£93.10. 9

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Dr. Freeland seconded that the question of the agreement with the Gas Co. be referred to the Lighting Committee.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Mason seconded that the Fire Brigade accounts be approved by the Council. Carried.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Mason seconded that 100 copies of the new rules be printed. Carried.

Mr. Woodburn proposed that tenders be invited for the supply of the new uniforms & c for the Fire Brigade. This was seconded by Mr. Lambert & carried.

Mr. Beadle proposed & Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that Messrs. Shand Mason & Co. Messrs Merryweather and Messrs Ogden & Co. be invited to tender. Carried.

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Rector re:- Lamp on path leading to Catts Alley.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded that this matter be referred to the Lighting Committee. Carried.

2. Letter from C.T. Hook & Co. re:- Sewage outfall.

3. Letter from Coroner re:- Fee for use of Chapel for inquests.
Mr. Wilford proposed that the Clerk ascertain to whom the fee was paid, and also if a fee had been paid on a previous occasion. Seconded by Mr. Woodburn & carried.
4. Letter from Chief Constable re:- Sergeant Burbridge.
5. 2 letters from Mr. Maybury re:- Tar-spraying the main roads.
6. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- Tar-spraying.
7. Letter from Mid Kent Water Co. Giving analysis of water.

Conveyance of Grave Space.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Godfrey seconded that the Conveyance of Grave Space 409 to Mrs. Ellen Gorham, and the Conveyance of Grave Spaces No's 417, 418 to Mr. William Gash be signed. Carried.

Plans & Inscriptions.

Mr. Parris proposed and Mr. Fletcher seconded that the plans & inscriptions for headstones to Mr. W. Hawks and Mrs. Beadle's be signed. Carried.

Joshua Burke.

9/6/1908/

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday June 9th 1908.

At 8pm.

Present Messrs Burke, Woodburn, Fletcher, Thomson, Beadle, Wilford, Parris, Smith, Godfrey, Norman, Lambert, Hodgkinson, Dr. Freeland and the Clerk T. Hilder.

Minutes.

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

Cemetery Committee.

Mr. Norman proposed that 2/6 be charged Mrs Hawks for additional height of 6ins to Headstone. Seconded by Mr. Parris and carried.

Fee for use of Chapel.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that the Council fore go the fee for the use of the Chapel for Inquests, allowing the Caretaker to retain the same, this time, but in future the rules to be adhered to. Carried.

All fees paid to Clerk.

Mr. Norman proposed that the Caretaker be free to perform any services requested, but all fees received to be paid over to the Clerk to the Council – of which decision the Caretaker to be informed. Mr. Wilford seconded and it was carried.

Repairs.

Mr. Norman proposed that the seven seats be painted & varnished two coats, repair broken batten, paint 12 iron plates (notices to keep off the grass), 2 coats, wash of and distemper the Kitchen Ceiling, & repair plaster in the Mortuary. Mr. Parris seconded and it was carried.

Tenders.

Mr. Lambert proposed the lowest tender be accepted. Mr. Wilford seconded and it was carried. The Tenders were as follows.

Draycon H.	£2..4.6d.
Langridge. R.	£2. 8 6d
Brattle. C.	£2.17. 0d
Norman. E.	£2.7.0d

Mr. Hodgkinson proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded that Mr. Draycon's tender of £2.4.6d be accepted. Carried.

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported that the number of bathers for the last four weeks to be 377 against 328 of last year, and the fees £4.0.6d against £3.7.0d of last year.

Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Fletcher reported that Mrs. White was at Wear Bay Home and Hy. Witham at Herne Bay to be followed on Friday by Thomas Chapman.

Finance Committee

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

Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas for Street Lamps.	46. 10. 9
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Altering position of Columns.	16. 6
Cook. Henry.	Sowing, Harrowing & C	13. 6
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages. Baths.	2. 18. 4
Chalklen D.	1 Gall. Oil. Fire Brigade.	2. 0
Fletcher. W.	Caretakers Wages. Cemetery.	5. 4. 0
Fletcher. W. Jnr.	Caretakers Help.	18. 0
	Total.	£57. 3. 1

Lamp Columns.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded that the Lamp Columns be moved back & 3 raised in the Holborough Road. Carried.

Lamp top of May Street.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Godfrey seconded that a new lamp column be erected at the top of May Street in the place of the one recently knocked down. Carried.

Reward.

Mr. Wilford proposed that a reward of £1 be offered for information leading to conviction of the person who knocked down the lamp column at the top of May Street. Mr. Hodgkinson seconded and it was carried.

Lamp in Catts Alley.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Norman seconded that no additional lamp be erected in the path leading to Catts Alley. Carried.

Brigade Uniforms.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded that Messrs Shand Mason & Co tender for Fire Brigade Uniforms be accepted, the second Officers Uniform to stand over for the present.. Carried.

Mr. Norman proposed an amendment that the order for the uniforms be postponed for the year. Seconded by Mr. Wilford – lost by 8 to 3.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Thomson seconded that Messrs Shand Mason & Co.'s man attend to take the measurements. Carried.

The Tenders for Uniforms were as follows.

1. Shand Mason & Co.

2nd Officers Uniform.	£5. 0. 0
12 Trousers @ 12/6	£7. 12. 0
12. Tunics @ 23/-	£13. 16. 0
Total.	£26. 6. 0

2. Messrs Merryweather.

2 nd Officers Uniform	
12 Mens Uniforms	£28. 18. 0

3. Mr. Ogdens

2 nd Officers Uniform	£4. 12. 9
12 Mens Tunics.	£15. 0. 0
12 “ Trousers.	£9. 6. 0
Total.	£28. 18. 9

4. Mr. H.G. Russell's	
2 nd Officers Uniform	£4. 2. 0
12 Trousers.	£7. 10. 0
12 Tunics.	£18. 0. 0
Total.	£29. 12. 0

5. Mr. T.J. Weaire's	
2 Officers Uniforms	£6. 0. 0
12 Tunics. }	
12 Trousers. }	£36. 0. 0
Total.	£42. 0. 0

2 nd Officers Uniform.	£6. 0. 0.
12 Tunics. }	
12 Trousers. }	£27. 0. 0
Total.	£33. 0. 0

6. Mr. E. Baldock & Sons.	
2 nd Officers Uniform.	£4. 1. 0
12 Trousers.	£8. 14. 0
12 Tunics.	£18. 12. 0
Total.	£31. 7. 0

Receipt on Overseers.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that a receipt for £60 be issued on the Overseers under the Baths & Wash-houses Acts. Carried.

Plan of Stone & Inscription

Mr. Fletcher proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded that the plan & Inscription of stone & kerb to H.D. Bonneywell's Grave be approved by the Council. Carried.

Correspondence.

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

2. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- sewer in Holborough Road.

3. " " " " " " " " .

4. Two letters from C.T. Hook & Co re:- sewage effluent.

5. Letter from the Coroner re:- fee for use of Chapel.

6. Letter from "The Wm' Rose Hose Co Ltd.

7. Letter from the Mid Kent Water Co giving analysis of water for May.

Joshua Burke.
14/7/1908

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday July 14th 1908

At 8pm.

Present Messrs. Burke. (Chairman), Thomson, Fletcher, Beadle, Parris, Lambert, Hawks, Hodgkinson, Godfrey, Mason, Dr. Freeland and the Clerk T. Hilder.

The Chairman explained with much regret that Mr. Wilford was unable to attend on account of serious illness & Mr. Smith sent message asking to be excused.

Minutes.

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

Brook Committee.

Mr. Thomson reported that the grass along the path in the Willow Walk had been cut at a cost of 9/-.

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported that the number of bathers for the past five weeks to be 522, and the fees £5.9.0d against 396 & £4.1.1d of last year.

Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Fletcher reported that the Committee had decided that Ben Penny have the use of the bed at Herne Bay after Thos. Chapman's return, and Mrs Knott the bed at Wear Bay after Mr. White's return. Mr. Fletcher proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that adoption of the report. Carried.

Cemetery Committee.

Mr. Godfrey proposed that the Caretaker be allowed to take his holiday, the Council as usual paying for a substitute. Seconded by Mr. Parris and carried.

Finance Committee.

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

The Clerk.	Audit Stamp.	3. 0. 0
Harris F.P.	Printing Notices.	6. 0
The Clerk. (Shaw & Sons)	Stationery.	4. 9
Hood. J.	Caretakers Salary.	1. 16. 0

Barnden Thos.	Wages. Work on Brook.	9. 0	
Hambrook. A.N.	Printing Rule Books.	15. 6	
Kent Fire Office.	Insurance Apparatus	6. 6	
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Rate	3. 0	
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas A/C	1. 0	
Hinds. C.W.	Repairs Fire Station.	19. 2	
Stanger.A.H.	Nubolic Soap.	3. 0	
Judges. A. Baths.	Caretakers Salary.	2. 18. 4	
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas a/c Baths.	1. 1. 3	
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Supply	1. 17. 9	
“ “ “ “	Water Rate.	3. 0	
“ “ “ “	“ “	6. 6	
Stanger &Co.	Oil & Trowel.	1. 4	
Armitage Rev.	Ministers Fees.	2. 6	
Reed Rev'	“	5. 0	
Finch Smith Rev.	“	12. 6	
????????Rev.	“	2. 6	
Fletcher W.	Caretakers Salary.	6. 16. 0	22. 17. 7
Seaborne Coal Co.	Coal & Coke.	5. 7. 0	5. 7. 0
Frost. Messrs Thomas & Co.	Weed Killer	1. 5. 6	1. 5. 6
	Total.		£29. 10. 1

Mr. Lambert read that list of subscriptions to the fund for the Annual Fire Brigade outing & stated the list to be still open. The Brigade have expressed a wish to have their outing altogether this year – The Halling Fire Brigade having promised to take charge of the Parish on that day.

Mr. Lambert proposed and Mr. Hawks seconded, that the Council allow the whole of the Brigade to have their outing on the same day, and that 12/6 be allowed per man. Carried.

Mr. Lambert stated that Mr. T. Dale was not leaving the Parish, and would like to have new uniform with the other members of the Brigade. The Committee to report to next meeting. Carried.

General Purposes Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported that the General Purposes Committee with the Sanitary Inspector had met Colonel Holland & his engineer at the Mill Creek and explained what the Council had recommended the District Council to do. He agreed, but suggested that the first section of pipes be extended & joined with the second section, so as to have one outfall under the Railway Arch. The Committee agreed to this suggestion & recommended the Council to adopt it. Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded that the report be adopted. Carried.

Correspondence.

1. Letter from J.T. Ogden re:- Uniforms
2. Letter from Messrs Shand Mason & Co. re:- Uniforms
3. Letter from Messrs Shand Mason & Co. re: date for taking measures.
4. Letter from Mid Kent Gas Co. asking for 6 more new lanterns. 2 in Church Fields, 1 at paper Mill, 3 at the upper end of Holboro. Rd.
Mr. Hodgkinson proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that the matter be referred to the company.
5. Letter from Messrs. C.T. Hook & Co re:- meeting the General Purposes Committee.
6. Letter from Mr. Souter re:- meeting with Col. Hollands.
7. Letter from Mr. Souter re:- cows being kept off portion of Brook lately sown with grass.
8. Statement of a/c from Rochester Bridge Wardens.
9. Letter from Mr. J. Langridge re:- Paddlesworth Lane.
10. Letter from Mr. English re: Paddlesworth Lane.
Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that a letter be written to the Clerk to the District Council calling his attention to the very bad state of Paddlesworth Lane. Carried.
11. Letter from Thomas Fowle & Sons asking the amount of fees that would be charged for erection of Headstone 7ft high on two grave spaces Class A & Class B, which would be surrounded with a Kerb – also fee for erection of stone 5ft 8ins.
Mr. Godfrey proposed that the fee for erection of headstone be 18/- & the Kerb 18/- total £1.16.0. Carried having been seconded by Dr. Freeland.

Mr. Godfrey proposed and Mr. Thomson seconded that the charge for extra height be 12/6 for the larger stone and 7/6 for the smaller one.

Smoke from Factory.

Dr. Freeland proposed, Mr. Mason seconded and Mr. Godfrey strongly supported that a letter be written to the Inspector of Nuisances, complaining of a nuisance caused by the large volume of smoke issuing from the chimney of the oil factory in Churchfield. Carried.

Joshua H.Burke.
11/8/1908.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday August 11th 1908.

At 8pm.

Present Messrs. J.H. Burke, (Chairman), A.W. Woodburn. (Vice-Chairman), J. Fletcher, H.T. Beadle, B. Lambert, A.M. Smith, C. Godfrey, H. Hawks, A. Norman, Dr. Freeland, and the Clerk. T. Hilder.

Minutes.

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

Mr. Wilford sent a message that he was ill and away from home. Mr. Thomson also sent message of his inability to attend.

The Clerk tendered his resignation as reported to the Kent Messenger.

Dr. Freeland proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded that his resignation be accepted. Carried.

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported that the number of bathers for the past four weeks was 440 and the fees £4.9.9d. For the same period last year the number was 464 & fees £4.16.7d.

Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Fletcher reported that Mrs. Saul was at Wear Bay and Thomas Bailey at Herne Bay, and that Mrs. Leman was to follow Mrs. Saul & George Mayger Thos, Bailey on Saturday.

Finance Committee.

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

Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas a/c Street Lamps	46. 10. 9	46. 10. 9
Draycon Horace.	Repairs at Cemetery.	2. 4. 6	2. 4. 6
Watts G.C.	Repair Fireman's Boots	4. 0	
Hill Augustus	Drill Books. 18	18. 0	
Norrington S.	Chips for Baths.	6. 0	
Judges. A.	Caretakers Salary July	2. 18. 4.	48. 18. 3
Malt. J.	Caretakers Help.	6. 10. 0	
Waller.T	Wages of man on Brook	3. 0	11. 15. 4
	Total		£60. 10. 7

Lighting Committee.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Fletcher seconded that 6 new lanterns be purchased to replace the old ones – viz. 1 by the Mill, 2 in Churchfield, & 3 in the further end of Holborough Road. Carried.

Fire Brigade.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded that Lieutenant Dale have his Uniform, with the exception of the white helmet which shall be exchanged for a Brass one. Committee. Carried.

It was decided to return for alterations the following items on the Brigade Uniform's.-
White Metal Helmet.

Hayward's Tunics – Too Light.

Buggs Trousers. – No Stripe.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Godfrey seconded that the Brigade accounts be referred to the Brigade Management Committee. Carried.

Correspondence.

1. 3 letters from Shand Mason & Co. re:- Uniforms.
2. 2 letters from Mr. Allison re:- Paddlesworth Road.
3. 3 letters from Messrs C.T. Hook & Co Ltd. re:- Sewerage Pipes
4. 4 letters from Mr. Allison re:- Sewerage Pipes.
5. Letter R.C. Cutting & Co. re:- Lightening Conductors.
6. Letter from the Mid Kent Water Co giving analysis of water for the month of June.
7. Letter from Mr. Souter re:- Smoke Nuisance.

Dr. Freeland proposed and Mr. Woodburn seconded that Mr. Souter be asked what is being done in the matter of the smoke nuisance, as there was no statement at present. Carried.

Receipt.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Dr. Freeland seconded that a receipt for £180 be issued on the Overseers under the Lighting Act. Carried.

Dust in Main Roads.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Hawks seconded that a letter be written to Mr. Prosser calling his attention to the dirty & dusty state of the main roads in Snodland. Carried.

Joshua Burke.
8/9/1908.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday September 8th 1908

At 8pm.

Present. Messrs Burke (Chairman), Woodburn (Vice-Chairman), Fletcher, Beadle, Norman, Godfrey, Parris, Mason, Smith, Hawks, Dr. Freeland and the Clerk T. Hilder.

Minutes.

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

Cemetery. Committee.

The Caretaker at Cemetery made application for help & suggested that his son aged 15, should be employed permanently.

Mr. Godfrey proposed and Mr. Hawks seconded that the question be referred to the Cemetery Committee for consideration and report to next meeting. Carried.

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported that the number of bathers during the past four weeks was 312 and the fees amounted to £3.12.11d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 430 bathers & the fees £4.9.0d

Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Fletcher reported that Mrs. Leman had returned from Wear Bay and Mr. Dale had taken her place. George Mayger had returned from Herne Bay but there was no male patient to take his place, Henry Gunner having declined the offer of the Committee.

The Clerk was instructed to offer the bed to William Wingate of Hope Terrace.

Finance Committee.

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

Mid Kent Gas Co.	New. Col' & Raising Cols'	4.	4.	0
S.E. & C. Ry' Co.	Carriage of Uniforms.	3.	5	
Hood. J.	Gatekeepers Salary. Part of.	1.	0.	0
Fletcher. W.	Caretakers Salary. Cemetery.	5.	4.	0
Judges. A.	Caretakers Salary. Baths.	2.	18.	4
Fletcher. W. Jnr.	Caretakers Help.	1.	2.	0
Hood. T.	Wages of man on Brook.	6.	6	
Grey. Rev.	Ministers Fees.	2.	6	10. 16. 9

Total.

15. 0. 9

Hydrants.

Mr. Norman proposed that the bill for supplying and fixing seven hydrants be approved by the Council and sent on for the District Council for payment. This was seconded by Mr. Mason and carried.

Correspondence.

1. Letter from the Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- Charge for Lanterns.
2. Letter from Mr. Souter & Mr. B. Dick & Co re:- Smoke nuisance.
3. Letter from Mr. Prosser re:- Dust Nuisance.
4. 2 letters from Mr. Allison re:- Dust nuisance & Scavenging.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Dr. Freeland seconded that the district Council be requested to enter into an agreement with the County Council to scavenge the main roads on Saturdays – the Parish to bear one third the cost of 7/- per week & the agreement to extend till next Spring. Carried.

5. Letter from Messrs S.E. & C. Ry' & Co giving notice of appeal against their assessment.
6. Letter from Shand Mason & Co re:- Uniforms.

Mr. Godfrey's Notice of Motion.

Mr. Godfrey in accordance with his notice of motion re:- Train service proposed:- "That facilities be offered by the S.E. & C. Ry' Co by issuing week-end Tickets from Friday to Tuesday from Snodland to London and vice versa, pro rata, as those obtainable from Strood and Maidstone and other Stations on the companies lines". Mr. Parris seconded. Carried.

Mr. Godfrey proposed -.

"That a later Train 4.45 be run on Wednesdays from London to Snodland & Maidstone, as was the case a few years ago." Mr. Parris seconded. Carried.

Conveyance of Grave Space.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Godfrey seconded that the conveyance of Grave Space No' 423 to Mr. Gay be signed. Carried.

Inscription.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that the Inscription on Mr. Gash's headstone be approved by the council. Carried.

Holborough Road.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Norman seconded that the attention of the County Council be called to the state of the Holboro' Road between the Institute and the British Schools. Carried.

Joshua Burke.
13 -10 1908.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday October 13th 1908

At 8pm.

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

Minutes.

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

The Chairman announced with much feeling & regret the death on October 9th of Dr. Freeland. He spoke of the many good qualities of the late Councillor. And the great help he had been to the Council and the Parish generally. In recognition the Council rose in silence.

Mr. Burke proposed that a letter of condolence be sent to Mrs Freeland expressing the regret and sympathy of the Council. Mr. Woodburn seconded and it was carried.

The Chairman further suggested as a mark of respect to the deceased Councillor that the Council adjourn till next Tuesday, but the Council decided to go on with the business.

Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Fletcher reported that Mrs Coulter was in occupation of the bed at Wear Bay, and J.T. Mayger the bed at Herne Bay, Fredk' Hickmott having decided not to go.

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported and Mr. Smith seconded that 6 dozen unbleached towels be purchased off Mr. Sims for use at the Baths.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that 2 chimneys at the Baths be swept by Mr. Wood of Ham Hill. Carried.

Mr. Beadle reported that the number of bathers for the past five weeks was 374 and the fees £3.14.3d. For the corresponding period last year that figures were 412 and the fees £4.3.2d.

Mr. Wilford proposed that the closing the Baths for the winter months be left entirely in the hands of the Committee. Mr. Lambert seconded and it was carried.

Cemetery Caretakers Help.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Mason seconded that the application of the Caretaker for permanent help be not entertained by the Council. Carried.

Height of Kerb.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that the matter of altering the height of Mr Gash's Kerb be left in the hands of the Committee. Carried.

Manure.

Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Wilford seconded that 8 loads of manure be purchased for the Cemetery. Carried.

Finance Committee.

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

Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Rate. Cemetery.	3. 0.
Mid Kent Water Co.	“ “ “	6. 6
The Rector.	Tithe Rent Charge.	1. 5. 8
Wilford J. H.	Repairs to water pipes.	4. 6
Fletcher. W.	Caretakers Wages.	6. 10. 0
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas a/c Fire Station.	6. 2
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Gas a/c Street Lamps.	46. 10. 9
Wilford J.H.	Repairs to Baths.	3. 12. 9
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water supply to Baths.	2. 19. 6
The Seaborne Coal Co.	Coal & Coke to Baths.	5. 11. 0
Hambrook A. N.	Printing & Stationery.	11. 0
Watts G.E.	Repairs Fireman's Boots.	4. 0
Betts W.C.	“ “ “	2. 10
Mid Kent Water Co.	Water Rate Fire Station	3. 0
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	2. 18. 4
Mid Kent Gas a/c	Gas a/c Baths.	1. 4. 5
Wood Edward.	Sweeping Chimneys.	2. 0
Dickenson W.P.	Cheque Book.	14. 4
Royal Insurance Co.	Insurance Servants	15. 9
	Total.	£74. 5. 6

Fire Brigade.

Mr. Woodburn submitted a statement of the expenses incurred in the late fires.

Lighting Committee.

Mr. Hodgkinson proposed and Mr. Beadle seconded that notice be given to the Gas Co to terminate the present agreement in order to alter the clause referring to the

term of three years to a term of one year with six months notice instead of twelve months. Carried.

Cost of Gas.

Mr. Hodgkinson proposed and Mr. Wilford seconded that the Committee be requested to investigate the relative cost of Gas.

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Mr. Prosser re:- state of Holboro' Road.

2. 2 letters from S.E. & C. Ry' Co re:- Week-end tickets & late trains.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Godfrey seconded that the Railway Co. be asked to re-consider the question of week-end tickets, Friday till Tuesday from Snodland to London. Carried.

The Clerk was instructed to write the Parish Councils of Aylesford, Burham, Wouldham, Halling and Cuxton asking them to make a similar application.

3. Letter from Mr. Allison re:- bill for Hydrants, suggesting the Council should write to the Local Government Board for permission to pay it.

Mr. Beadle proposed that the Clerk make application to the Local Government Board for sanction to pay the bill. Mr. Woodburn seconded and it was carried.

4. Letter from C.T. Hook & Co, asking when the sewage pipes were to be fixed.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Godfrey seconded that a copy of the letter be sent to Mr. Souter, asking him what he intended to do in the matter. Carried.

5. Letter from Medway Traders Association re:- price of gas.

Mr. Hodgkinson proposed and Mr. Lambert seconded that the letter be referred to the Lighting Committee to report to next meeting. Carried.

6. Letter from Mid Kent Water Co. giving analysis of water for the month of August.

Plan & Inscription.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Smith seconded that the plan & Inscription of Head – Stone to Mrs. Whitmore's grave be approved by the Council. Carried.

Dr. Freeland's Funeral.

It was decided that 6 extra Police be asked for to manage the arrangements at the Cemetery, and that discretion be given in order to control the people expected to assemble – Mr. Norman to see the Sergeant & make the request.

Mr. Lambert proposed that the Fire Brigade be allowed to march in the Funeral Procession. This was seconded by Mr. Hodgkinson and Carried.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that the South Eastern & Chatham Railway Companies be asked to repair the road in front of the station, which in rainy weather is very wet and muddy.

Joshua Burke.
10/11.1908.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 10th November 1908.

At 8pm.

Present. Councillors Burke (Chairman). Woodburn (Vice-Chairman). Fletcher Thomson, Beadle, Lambert, Norman, Smith, Hodgkinson, Wilford, Godfrey, Parris, Hawks and the Clerk T. Hilder.

Minutes.

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

Convalescent Homes

Mr. Fletcher reported that Miss. Hartnup was at the Wear Bay Home, to be followed by Ella Wells, Mrs. Saunders and Mrs. Vallins and that Gerald James Andrews was at Herne Bay.

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported that the No' of bathers for the last four weeks was 174 and the fees amounted to £1.14.4d. Last year the figures were 194 and £2.0.4d.

General Purposes Committee.

Mr. Wilford proposed that the County Council be asked to repair the path in the High Street between the Rectory Avenue and the New Church. Mr. Norman seconded and it was carried.

Mr. Wilford proposed that the District Surveyor's attention be called to the bad state of the road round the Bull Hotel, with the view of getting some improvement carried out. Mr. Norman seconded and it was carried.

Finance Committee.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Wilford seconded that Mr. Cook's a/c £27.8.6d for watering the District roads and the Mid Kent Water Co a/c £10.11.5d for water, be approved by the Council and forwarded to the District Council for payment. Carried

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

Stable.D. W.	Repayment of Loan & Interest.	52. 18. 1.
Sims. Charles.	6. Dozen Towels.	3. 6. 0
Miss Hook.	½ yrs rent Fire Station.	2. 10. 0
Mid Kent Gas Co.	6. New Lanterns.	10. 14. 4
Hawks W.	Painting & C. Brook	11. 6
Hilder. T.	Poor & Special Rate.	1. 4. 0
Hood. Thos'	Salary Balance Of.	2. 0. 0
Hawks. W.	Boards & C. Brook.	1. 11. 3
Finch Smith. Rev' E.D.	Ministers Fees.	12. 6
Fletcher. W.	Caretakers Salary	5. 4. 0
Judges. A.	Caretakers Salary.	2. 18. 4
Hilder T.	Poor & Special Rates.	4. 16. 0
	Total.	£88. 6. 0

Glass Fire Station.

Mr. Woodburn proposed and Mr. Wolford seconded that the broken panes of glass at the Fire Station be repaired. Carried.

Mr. Woodburn proposed that the Clerk be instructed to ask the Mid Kent Gas Co. if all the lights of 100 c.p. were put in at one time and if so at what rate? If spread over a period- when they began to put them in & when finished?. Mr. Lambert seconded and it was carried.

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Mr. Cook asking for extra pay for the extra work done in January

Mr. Woodburn proposed that the letter be considered at the end of the Contract if in the opinion of Mr. Souter the work had been carried out satisfactorily.

Mr. Hodgkinson seconded & it was carried.

2. Letter from Local G.B. re:- bill for Hydrants.

Mr. Beadle proposed that the bill be paid by the Council. Mr. Wilford seconded and it was carried.

3. Letter from Mr. Souter re:- sewer in Creek.

4. Letter from S.E.& C Ry. Co. re:- road.

5. Letter from Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- Notice to terminate contract.

6. Letter from Halling Parish Council re:- Application for week – end tickets & late trains.

7. Letter from Burham P.C. re:- “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “

8. Letter from Cuxton P.C. re:- “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “

9. Letter from Mrs. Freeland re:- letter of Condolence.

10. Letter from W. Smithers. Re;- path in the Malling Road.

Mr. Wilford propose that the County Council be urged to grant the request of the memorialists in Malling Road by making up the path similar to the path in front of the shops in the Holborough Road. Mr. Woodburn seconded and it was carried.

11. Letter from the Mid Kent Water Co. giving analysis of water for the month of October.

Receipt.

Mr. Beadle proposed and W. Hawks seconded that a receipt for £90 under the Burials Act be issued on the Overseers. Carried.

Scavenging.

Mr. Hodgkinson proposed and Mr. Parris seconded that advertisement be inserted in the Kent Messenger inviting tenders for scavenging the Parish. Carried.

Mr. Wilford proposed that only ratepayers be allowed to tender. Seconded by Mr. Lambert & carried.

Mr. Hodgkinson proposed and Mr. Norman seconded that next Council Meeting take place on Tuesday November 24th. Carried.

New Councillor.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Hodgkinson seconded that Mr. Robert Smith be elected a Councillor in the place of Dr. Freeland. Carried.

Joshua Burke.

24/11/1908.

Meeting of the Council.

Held in The Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 24th November 1908.

At 8 pm.

Present. Messrs. Burke (Chairman). Woodburn (Vice – Chairman). Beadle, Fletcher, Thomson, Norman, Smith, Wilford and the Clerk T. Hilder.

Messrs, Hodgkinson, Godfrey and Lambert sent messages asking to be excused attendance.

Mr. R. Smith signed the declaration of acceptance of office.

Minutes.

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

Brook Committee.

Mr. Thomson reported that the Brook Committee recommended the Council to dredge out the ditches on other side of the Willow Walk. – to clean out the grips & instruct the Clerk to ask Mr. Lee to clean out the ditch on the South side of the Brook & that the work left entirely in the hands if the Chairman of the Committee.

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

Convalescent Homes.

Mr. Fletcher reported that Andrews was back from Herne Bay & Hedgecock had taken his place - but that all the women, Ella Wells, Mrs. Saunders & Mrs. Vallins had declined the offer of the home. It was decided to offer Mrs. Hedgcock the bed at Wear Bay.

Baths Committee.

Mr. Beadle reported that the number of bathers for the last fortnight was 82 and the fees 15/3. For the corresponding period last year the number was 66 & 13/8.

General Purposes Committee.

Mr. Wilford reported that the General Purposes Committee had met the Engineer of the Mill & discussed the sewerage outfall question. It was decided to leave the matter in the hands of Messrs Souter & Taylor – and plans to be submitted to the Council.

Finance Committee.

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

Clegg W.C.	9 Council Meetings & Comm' meetings	1. 9. 6.
Fletcher. W.	Caretakers Wages.	2. 12. 0
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages.	2. 18. 4
	Total.	£6. 19. 10

Correspondence.

1. Letter from Mr. Maybury re:- Path in High Street.

2. Letter from Mr. Maybury re:_ Path in Malling Road.

Mr. Wilford proposed that the Clerk write again to the County Surveyor urging him to undertake the repair of the paths in question & pointing out the path on the western side of the road had been made up and kerbed at the expense of the County Council.

Mr. R. Smith seconded. Carried.

3. Letter from Mr. Marshall re:- Road round the Bull Hotel.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Wilford seconded that a letter be written to Mr. Maybury and suggest that the path in the Holboro' Road be continued past the Hotel. Carried.

4. Letter from Mr. Souter re:- Meeting at Mill.

5. Letter from Aylesford Parish Council. Re:- Week-end Tickets.

Gas Question.

Mr. Wilford proposed that the Clerk be instructed to write to Councils in Kent - Tunbridge, Hollingbourne, Edenbridge, Crayford, Sevenoaks, St. Marys Cray, Greenhythe & Sittingbourne asking the following questions.

1. Price of Gas per 1000ft.
2. Candle power of the Street Lamps.
3. Price of Lighting for each lamp during year & what is included in the price.
4. How long lamps are lighted in hours & days.
5. Any other information respecting street lighting.

Mr. Woodburn seconded & Carried.

Reply to letter.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Woodburn seconded that the Manager of the Gas Co. be asked to reply to the letter of the Council. Carried.

Conveyance of Grave Space.

Mr. Beadle proposed and Mr. Fletcher seconded that the conveyance of Grave Space No 248 to Mr. Jesse Richard Brook be signed. Carried.

Tenders for Scavenging.

There were two tenders for Scavenging the Parish and Mr. Wilford proposed that the lowest be accepted. Mr. Norman seconded and it was carried.

The Tenders were as follows.

Mr. H. Cook £122.

Mr. W.H. Tilbrook. £100

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Fletcher seconded that the District Council be recommended to accept Mr. Tilbrook's tender of £100 for scavenging the Parish for the year of 1909. Carried.

Mr. Wilford proposed and Mr. Thomson seconded that it be suggested to Mr. Allison that a 6d stamp would answer the purpose for the Council. Carried.

Joshua Burke.

12/1/1909.