

Meeting of the Council  
Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> January 1937  
At 7.30pm.

Present, Mr. A.J. Monk, (Chairman), Messrs Freeman, Gower, Norman, Stotesbury, Tobin and the Clerk F. Simmons.

The Chairman apologized for the absence of Mrs. E.J. Wolfe, Messrs Filmer, Gooding, Greenacre and Hammond.

Minutes

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

Baths

Mr. Gower reported that the number of Bathers for the last five weeks to be 456 and the fees amounted to £4-0-6d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 547 and £5-1-2d.

He also reported that the hot and cold taps in the Caretakers Cottage were very bad and needed attention. Mr. Norman proposed that an order be placed with the Mid Kent Water Co to re-seat and repair these. Sec'd by Mr. Freeman and carried.

Cemetery

Mr. Gower reported that everything was in order. He proposed that the Conveyance of Grave Space No. 1379 to Mrs Eliza Jane Fowler be signed by the Council. Sec'd by Mr. Norman and carried.

Mr. Gower submitted plan of Marble Kerbs and Vase with inscription for Grave No. 1374 late Walter Philloman Hope and proposed that this be approved. Sec'd by Mr. Norman.

Finance

Mr. Gower submitted the Financial Statement and moved that Cheques be signed to pay the following accounts. Sec'd by Mr. Stotesbury and carried.

General Account

Prett. F	Rep' Recreation Paths	4.	5.	9.
Bond. W.F.	Local Government Chronicles		3.	3.
Shaw & Sons	Forms Charity		2.	6.
Royal Ins' Co.	3rd Party Ins' Brook	1.	17.	6.
"	Fire Ins' Club	1.	17.	6.
Public Wrks Loan Board	Loan & Interest	6.	5.	3.
"	"	7.	7.	3.
Com, Inland Revenue	Tax Brook	3.	16.	0.
"	Tax Birling Lands	3.	18.	5.
"	Tax Slough Field	3.	6.	6.
"	Tax Shorne Hill Fields	2.	9.	10.
Hinds. C.W.	Rep' Allotments	1.	12.	4.

Cemetery Account

Evenden. J	Caretakers Wages	14.	12.	1.
"	5. N.H.I.A. Stamps		15.	10.
Austin. H.	Apprentice	6.	12.	1.

“	5. N.H.I.A. Stamps	15.	10.
Morrison. E.	Help	5.	0.
Com. Inland Revenue	Tax House	1. 15.	7.
Hinds. C.W.	Paraffin etc	14.	6.
Royal Ins' Co	Fire Insurance	19.	9.
Crowhusrt. D.	Firewood	6.	0.
Mid Kent Water Co	Water Cottage	4.	8.
“	“ Cemetery	11.	7.
Mid Kent Gas Co	Coke	18.	4.
Hayman Ltd	Coal	1. 18.	0.
<u>Lighting Account</u>			
Hinds. C.W.	Petrol etc	11.	6.
Mid Kent Water Co	Water	12.	1.
Crowhurst. D.	Firewood	3.	0.
Mid Kent Gas Co	Moving Lamp Column	19.	6.
Penny. Mrs	Preparing Room	13.	0.
Com. Inland Revenue	Tax Fire Station	3. 11.	3.
“ “	Tax House	1. 2.	4.
<u>Baths Account</u>			
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages	7. 3.	4.
“	4. N.H.I.A. Stamps	6.	4.
Crowhurst. D.	Firewood	6.	0.
Hayman Ltd	Coal	19.	0.
Mid Kent Gas Co	Coke	1. 16.	8.
Mid Kent Water Co	Water	3. 8.	3.
Com. Inland Revenue	Tax	7. 2.	6.
		<u>£96.</u>	<u>6. 1.</u>

Cheque for wages £30.

#### Correspondence

1. Letter from Malling R.D. Council re:- Rates for year to 31<sup>st</sup> March 1938.  
The Clerk was instructed to requisition this sum of £675.
2. Letter from Malling R.D. Council re:- Air Raid Precaution Officer.
3. “ Capt. Hordern re:- Air Raid Precautions.  
The Clerk was instructed to write and say the Chairman and Mr. Greenacre would interview him when this way.
4. Letter from Maidstone District Motor Services re:- Compulsory & Request stopping places.  
Mr. Tobin moved that the stops on the Chatham to Malling routes must be opposite Brenchley's shop and not opposite No. 35 Malling Road. Sec'd by Mr. Norman and carried.
5. Letter from Charity Commission re:- Sale of Charity Land.
6. “ Kent Council of Social Services re:- Kent County Parish Councils Advisory Service.

#### Coronation Celebrations

The date of the Public Meeting was fixed for Thursday the 28<sup>th</sup> January at 7.30pm.

The Clerk was instructed to get the necessary Posters and write to the local organizations for their support and co-operation.

A.J. Monk  
Chairman  
9<sup>th</sup> February 1937.

Meeting of the Council  
Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February 1937  
At 7.30pm.

Present, Mr. A.J. Monk, (Chairman), Mrs. E.J. Wolfe, Messrs Austin, Bishop, Filmer, Freeman, Gower, Greenacre, Norman, Skinner, Stotesbury, Tobin and the Clerk F. Simmons.

The Chairman apologized for the absence of Messrs. Gooding and Hammond.

Minutes

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

Allotments

Mr. Freeman reported that the gate post erected was not satisfactory, also that a lorry had damaged the one on opposite side also gate itself. It was arranged for Messrs Freeman, Greenacre, Skinner and Stotesbury to meet here on Saturday at 2pm with the power to act.

Baths

Mr. Gower reported that the number of Bathers for the last four weeks to be 423 and the fees amounted to £3-14-3d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 483 and £4-5-6d.

He also reported that the taps were being repaired by Mid Kent Water Co. were not yet done, meantime other taps leaking badly, had to employ Abery and his boy for several hours before opening baths, they also had covers in passage up and cleared drain out. Time approaching for annual cleaning of boiler and tanks, suggest the Council allow this to be done as usual at some convenient date in the near future, without loss of fees. Suggest Abery as usual as he is the most useful man to us on these occasions, also that fence abutting roadway blown down in gale across Public path, he arranged with Draycon to temporary strut it up until this meeting. He suggests 4 new posts properly creosoted would last many years.

Mr. Bishop proposed that Mr. Draycon be given the order for 4 new posts, creosoted and put fence in order. Sec'd by Mr. Greenacre.

Cemetery

Mr. Gower reported that the mowing machine requires general overhaul, and seeds to the value of 10/- wanted for Caretaker. Mr. Greenacre proposed that the mowing machine be sent to Haynes Bros' for overhaul, and seeds be purchased from Ryder & Son. Sec'd by Mr. Skinner.

It was also reported that H. Austin's apprenticeship expires on March 27<sup>th</sup>. Mr. Bishop proposed that the lad be notified that his agreement finishes on March 27<sup>th</sup> and advertise for a new apprentice. Sec'd by Mr. Norman.

Mr. Gower proposed that additional inscription for Grave No. 739 be approved, also the conveyance of Grave Space No. 1385 to Mrs. Mary Ann Southon be signed by the Council. Sec'd by Mr. Norman.

### Lighting

Mr. Freeman reported the Lamp affixed to the Victory Inn had to be removed owing to structure alterations and moved that the Mid Kent Gaslight & Coke Co, be given the order to remove Lamp Column near Verrall's shop and re-erect on side of road at the top of Brook Street and put in order. Sec'd by Mr. Norman and carried.

### Finance

Mr. Gower submitted the Financial Statement and moved that Cheques be drawn to pay the following accounts. Sec'd by Mr. Filmer.

#### General Account

Hambrook A.N.	Stationery	1.	9.	1.
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#### Cemetery Account

Evenden. J.	Caretakers Wages	11.	13.	8.
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"	4. N.H.I.A. Stamps		12.	8.
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Austin. H.	Apprentice	5.	5.	8.
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"	4. N.H.I.A. Stamps		12.	8.
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Cook. A.	Removing Chalk	1.	5.	0.
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"	Supplying Manure	1.	16.	0.
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#### Lighting Account

Mid Kent Gas Co	Gas a/c Fire Station		8.	2.
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#### Baths Account

Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages	7.	3.	4.
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"	4. N.H.I.A. Stamps		6.	4.
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Mid Kent Gas Co	Gas a/c	1.	13.	3.
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Abery. F.	Repairs Taps etc		2.	1.
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			<u>2.</u>	<u>1.</u>
			<u>0.</u>	
			<u>£34.</u>	<u>6.</u>
				<u>10.</u>

Cheque for wages £25.

### Correspondence

1. Letter from Working Men's Club re:- Leakage in Roof.

To be considered at next Meeting.

2. Letter from Nichols & Son Ltd enclosing Cheque for rent.

3. " Mid Kent Water Co giving analysis of water.

4. " Palfrey Ltd re:- Second-hand Jute Sacks.

5. " Wallis & Sons Ltd re:- Soil Drain at Brook Street.

Mr. Stotesbury proposed that Council agrees to proposal. Sec'd by Mr. Tobin.

6. Letter from Capt. P. Hordern, arranging to meet all representatives re:- Air raid Precautions.

It was reported the appointment was fixed for February 12<sup>th</sup> at 11.30am.

7. Letter from Mid Kent Gas Co re:- Lamp Victory Inn.

8. " Terry Quarries Ltd re:- Rolling Recreation Ground.

Mr. Stotesbury proposed that the holes be filled up and roller engaged for the last week in March. Sec'd by Mr. Filmer. Limit of expense £5.

9. Letter from Kent Councils of Social Services re:- Homecoming Reunions.

Mr. Freeman reported dangerous corner at Bramley Road and suggested a letter to Mr. Pell regarding it.

Mr. Norman pointed out that an important meeting of National Deposit was being held on March 15<sup>th</sup>, clashing with parish meeting, and suggested the Kent County Council be approached with a view to altering date to 17<sup>th</sup> March.

The Chairman reported an offer from Mr. Dedrick of Messrs C.T. Hook & Co. Ltd offering to flood-light the Parish Church on the occasion of the Coronation, which was gratefully accepted by the Council. The Clerk was instructed to thank him and notify the Rector.

It was arranged for the Council to meet in Committees on Thursday February 18<sup>th</sup> in the Church of England School's half an hour previous to Coronation Committee meeting, reference Coronation Celebrations.

#### Receipt

Mr. Norman proposed that a receipt on Rating Authority be issued and signed by the Council, amount £325. Sec'd by Mr. Freeman.

A.J. Monk  
Chairman  
9<sup>th</sup> March 1937.

#### Meeting of the Council

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At 7.30pm

Present Mr. A.J. Monk, (Chairman), Mrs. E.J. Wolfe, Messrs Austin, Bishop, Filmer, Freeman, Gower, Greenacre, Jackson, Norman, Skinner, Stotesbury, Tobin and the Clerk F. Simmons.

The Chairman apologized for the absence of Messrs Gooding & Hammond through illness.

#### Minutes

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

Arising out of the Minutes Mr. Greenacre gave a report of his meeting with Mr. Monk and Capt. Hordern, Air Raid Officer. It was arranged for this to be brought up after the election of new Council. Thanks were given to Mr. Greenacre for the use of his office.

The Chairman said that the footpaths in Malling Road were to be inspected by the Rural Council's Surveyor.

It was reported that the Brook Gate needed repairing before Cattle could be turned out. Messrs Bishop & Filmer agreed to inspect and report at next meeting.

#### Allotments

Mr. Freeman reported the gateway at Slough Field was still unsatisfactory and he had the matter in hand and would leave it to the next meeting.

#### Baths

Mr. Gower reported that the number of Bathers for the last four weeks to be 487 and the fees amounted to £4-5-10d. For the corresponding periods last year the figures were 490 and £4-8-2d.

The Chairman of the Council spoke of the long wait by the Ladies and suggested that the first class baths could be dispersed with and used to avoid this. Mr. Gower promised to give at next meeting 12 months statistics regarding these and submit a suggestion to the Council for consideration.

#### Cemetery

Mr. Gower proposed that the conveyance of Grave Space No. 1386 to the Exors' late Mrs. Lilian Cashman be signed by the Council. Sec'd by Mr. Stotesbury and carried.

#### Designs

Mr. Gower submitted the following plans of memorials and moved they be approved by the Council. Additional Inscription, Grave No. 1306, Marble Kerb with Inscription to Grave No. 1245. Sec's by Mr. Stotesbury and carried.

It was agreed to purchase 25 seed boxes from A. Burrow for use of Caretaker.

Mr. Gower reported the lad Austin had pricked his hand on a Rose bush, compensation had been paid by Royal Insurance Co, only one application having been received for the position of Apprentice. It was agreed for the Clerk to try and arrange with Austin to stay on for another month or so. The applicant Slythe was considered too young and too small at present.

#### Lighting

Mr. Gower reported the Lamp at Victory Inn now replaced on opposite side of road, rebate from Mid Kent Gaslight & Coke Co. 13/8d, while not in use from 1<sup>st</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> February, and also moved that the lighting period be extended until the commencement of summer time April 18<sup>th</sup>. Sec'd by Mr. Freeman. Carried.

#### Recreation Ground

Mr. Stotesbury reported the path from Birling Road to Bramley Road had been repaired with gravel and clinker and was fairly satisfactory. The question of rolling

part of the ground in connection with Coronation Celebrations was advised, and it was agreed for the Clerk to notify Recreation ground Committee asking as many as possible to meet Terry's representative on site on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March.

A large Elm tree had blown down in gales and damaged fence. It was agreed to leave this for a time.

Mr. Watts (Scout Master) asked permission to light a camp fire and erect tent in Recreation Ground one evening during Coronation Week.

Mr. Stotesbury proposed that special permission be given by the Council on this occasion in connection with the Celebrations. Sec'd by Mr. Norman and carried.

### Finance

Mr. Gower submitted the Financial Statement and moved that Cheques be signed to pay the following accounts. Sec'd by Mr. Norman.

#### General Account

Prett. F.	Rep' Recreation Paths	2.	4.	2.
Hambrook. A.N.	Stationery	2.	4.	10.
Prudential Ass' Co.	Loan & Interest	16.	16.	10
Clerk	¼ Salary	17.	10.	0.
"	Postage a/c	3.	3.	7.

#### Cemetery Account

Evenden. J.	Caretakers Wages	11.	13.	8.
"	4. N.H.I.A. Stamps		12.	8.
Austin. H.	Apprentice	3.	19.	3.
"	3. N.H.I.A. Stamps		9.	6.
"	Compensation	1.	6.	0.
Hambrook. A.N.	Internment Forms	1.	3.	6.
Ryder & Son	Seeds		10.	1.
Crowhurst. D.	Firewood		6.	0.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Coke	1.	16.	8.

#### Lighting Account

Mid Kent Gas Co	Street Lighting	110.	12.	4.
"	" All Night Lamps	6.	16.	0.
"	Removing Lamp		6.	9.

#### Baths Account

Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages	7.	3.	4.
"	4. N.H.I.A. Stamps		6.	4.
Mid Kent Gas Co	Coke	2.	15.	0.
"	Globe & Mantles		2.	0.
Local Gov' G. Ltd	Premium		7.	6.
			<u>192.</u>	<u>6. 0.</u>

Cheque for wages £30

### Correspondence

1. Letter from Kent Council of Social Services re:- Election of Parish Councillors.  
Lie on table.

2. Letter from Parochial Church Council re:- Starting time of the Carnival Procession.

Mr. Norman proposed that no alteration in times. Sec'd by Mr. Stotesbury.

3. Letter from Kent County Council re:- Alteration of date to Election of Parish Councillors 1937.
4. Letter from Kent County Council, agreeing to March 17<sup>th</sup> for election of Parish Councillors.
5. Letter from Mr. Stotesbury re:- Devonshire Rooms for meeting.
6. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “
7. “ Mid Kent Gas Co re:- Lamp Victory Inn.
8. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “
9. “ Royal Insurance Co re:- Compensation Austin.
10. “ J.W. Pell, Surveyor re:- Kerbing Malling Road.
11. “ Malling R.D. Council re:\_ Fire Hydrant Church Fields  
Mr. Norman proposed and Mr. Bishop sec'd, “not accept this”.
12. “ Letter from Malling R.D. Council re:- Receipt.  
Crossed our letter.
13. “ Mr. North making application for son re:- Apprenticeship at Cemetery,  
also reference from Schoolmaster.
14. “ Working Men's Club from last meeting.  
No action.

Mr. Jackson asked about Malling Road's new footpath and the Chairman informed him the Kent County Council had this matter in hand.

Mr. Stotesbury called attention to the danger at the stream through Allotments and suggested the Malling Rural District Council's attention should be called to this and suggested a safe guard fence to protect the public.

The Chairman reminded the Members, the next Meeting of Council would be held on Tuesday April 20<sup>th</sup>. (Not the second Tuesday as usual).

#### Draft Report

The Draft Report of Parish Council Proceedings for the year was submitted, and with slight alterations was approved.

#### Balance of Wages to March 31<sup>st</sup> 1937

##### Cemetery

Evenden. J.	Caretakers Wages	8. 15. 3.
“	3. N.H.I.A. Stamps	9. 6.
Austin. H.	Apprentice	3. 19. 3.



“	3. N.H.I.A. Stamps	9. 6.
<u>Baths</u>		
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages	7. 3. 4.
“	5. N.H.I.A. Stamps	7. 11.
		<u>£21. 4. 9.</u>

Balance Cash in hand of Clerk 31<sup>st</sup> March 1937. £15-7-8d.

J.J. Hammond  
Chairman  
20<sup>th</sup> April 1937.

Annual Meeting of the Council  
Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday April 20<sup>th</sup> 1937  
At 7.30pm.

Present Messrs J.W. Freeman, C. Filmer, W.G. Freeman, W. Gooding, R. Gower, J.H. Greenacre, J.J. Hammond, J.G. Harrington, T.E. Hood, A.J. Monk, B.H. Norman, W.F. Saul, W. Stotesbury, G.A. Tobin, F.C. Wray, and the Clerk F. Simmons.

The Declaration on acceptance of Office was signed by each of the members.

Mr. Monk welcomed the new Members and congratulated the old Members on their re-election. Pleasure was expressed by the Members seeing Mr. J.J. Hammond back in Council after his recent illness.

Chairman

Mr. Freeman proposed that Mr. J.J. Hammond be elected Chairman for the ensuing year. Sec'd by Mr. Norman and carried.

Mr. Hammond thanked the members for the compliment.

Vice-Chairman

Mr. Gooding proposed and Mr. Bishop sec'd that Mr. Greenacre be elected. The Clerk pointed out the instructions in regulations governing a case of this sort, where a member was connected with any company interested in contracts etc. Mr. Greenacre with the consent of the proposer and seconded withdrew.

Mr. Gower proposed Mr. Filmer who declined.

Mr. Monk proposed that Mr. B.H. Norman be elected Vice-Chairman for ensuing year. Sec'd by Mr. Greenacre.

Committees

Brook & Allotments

Mr. Monk proposed that Messrs Harrington, Freeman, Norman, Hood, Filmer, Greenacre, Wray & Saul constitute this Committee. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding and carried.

### Baths & Cemetery

Mr. Gooding proposed that Messrs Gower, Norman, Filmer, Monk, Greenacre, Gooding, Freeman and Harrington form the Baths & Cemetery Committee. Sec'd by Mr. Saul and carried.

### Finance Committee

Mr. Monk proposed and Mr. Norman sec'd the whole of the Council in Committee.

### Lighting Committee

Mr. Monk proposed that Messrs Monk, Filmer, Norman, Wray, Tobin, Gower, Freeman, Stotesbury and Bishop form this Committee. Sec'd by Mr. Saul and carried.

### Recreation Ground

Mr. Gooding proposed that Messrs Stotesbury, Gower, Harrington, Hood, Saul, Bishop, Greenacre, Filmer & Tobin form this Committee. Sec'd by Mr. Saul and carried.

### Trustees of Godden's Charity

Mr. Monk proposed that Messrs Stotesbury, Gower, Hammond and Wray be appointed Trustees of this Charity. Sec'd by Mr. Filmer.

### Trustees of May's Charity

Mr. Monk proposed that Messrs Gooding, Greenacre, Bishop and Saul be elected Trustees of this Charity. Sec'd by Mr. Gower.

### Trustees of Clock Tower Trust

Mr. Monk proposed that Messrs Norman, Tobin, Hammond, Filmer and Harrington be elected to Trustees of the Clock Tower Trust. Sec'd by Mr. Bishop.

### William Lee Roberts Trust

Mr. Monk proposed that Messrs Monk, Freeman, Gower And Hood be elected trustees of this Trust. Sec'd by Mr. Tobin.

### Minutes

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

### Brook

Arising out of Minutes Mr. Filmer reported that he and Mr. Bishop had inspected the Brook gate, and moved that Crowhurst be given an order for repair. Sec'd by Mr. Monk.

### Baths

Mr. Gower reported that the number of Bathers for the last six weeks to be 823 and the fees amounted to £7-4-11d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 766 and & £6-18-7d.

Mr. Gower asked for permission of his report for reduction of price of 6d baths to stand till next Meeting. Agreed.

### Allotments

Mr. Freeman reported gate at Slough Field entrance was now satisfactory.

### Cemetery

It was reported that Austin was leaving at end of this week, and it was arranged for Cemetery Committee to meet on Saturday at 3pm.

### Plans & Inscriptions

Mr. Gower proposed that the plan of Headstone & Kerb with inscription to Grave No. 1043, and also Kerb and Vase with inscription to Grave No.1356 be approved by the Council. Sec'd by Mr. Bishop and carried.

### Recreation Ground

Mr. Stotesbury gave the report of the Recreation Ground Committee which met on Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> March.

The question under discussion was the rolling of the Ground. A representative from Messrs Terry & Co was present and it was eventually agreed to accept quotation for rolling the Ground with a 2 ½ ton petrol roller. It was decided to roll only the comparatively flat section from Malling Road as far as the bank, leaving the section between the bank and Birling Road un-rolled.

The roller will go over the ground from wheels to wheels so that the ground will actually be rolled three times. According to Messrs Terry & Co's representative the work would take ten to eleven days. A promise was given that the work would be commenced on Monday or Tuesday April 5<sup>th</sup> or 6<sup>th</sup>, he stated that they had made a good job of the rolling which had taken 5 ½ days and also reported the grass required,???, and moved that this be done. Sec'd by Mr. Norman.

Mr. Monk proposed that the Clerk obtain prices from Messrs. Thompson, Carslaw & Cook. Sec'd by Mr. Wray.

It was agreed to write Bridgelands, Marden with a view to getting the trunk of fallen tree removed. Recreation Ground Committee have the power to act.

### Finance

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

#### General Account

Knight & Co. Ltd	Forms No. 8.	6.	5.
Hambrook. A.N.	Stationery	9.	8.
Royal Ins' Co.	Insurance Gatekeeper	1.	3.
"	Casual Labour	3.	6.
Bond. W.F.	Local G. Chronicles	3.	3.
Hinds. C.W.	Repairs Allotments	10.	6.
Malling R.D. Council	" Path Allotments	5.	10. 8.
Corben & Son	" Institute	2.	17. 9.

#### Cemetery Account

Evenden. J.	Caretakers Wages	8.	15. 3.
"	3. N.H.I.A. Stamps		9. 6.
Austin. H	Apprentice	3.	19. 3.
"	3. N.H.I.A. Stamps		9. 6.
Mid Kent Gas Co	Coke	18.	4.
Burrow. A.	Seed Boxes	4.	8.

Draycon. H.R.	Glass & Labour	4.	0.
Mid Kent Water Co	Water Cemetery	11.	7.
"	" Cottage	4.	8.
Royal Ins' Co.	Insurance Caretakers App.	1.	3. 2.
Hinds. C.W.	Paraffin etc	10.	2.
<u>Lighting Account</u>			
Betts. W.C.	Repairs Boots etc	6.	6.
Mid Kent Water Co	Water	12.	1.
Royal Ins' Co.	Fire Insurance	16.	6.
Hinds. C.W.	Battery	3.	6.
Mid Kent Gas Co	Gas a/c	5.	11.
Penny. Mrs	Preparing Room	13.	0.
<u>Baths Account</u>			
Mid Kent Gas Co	Coke	2.	15. 0.
"	Gas a/c	1.	11. 1.
Mid Kent water Co	Water	3.	11. 3.
Hayman Ltd	Coal	19.	0.
Draycon. H.R.	Repairs Fences	6.	3. 7.
Royal Ins' Co.	Insurance' Caretaker	10.	.0.
		<u>£46.</u>	<u>7. 0.</u>

Cheque for wages £25.

Mr. Monk proposed and Mr. Norman sec;gd that Corben & Son account for repairs to Institute be paid.

#### Correspondence

1. Letter from Mid Kent Gaslight & Coke Co. re:- Street Lighting till Summertime.
2. " " " " " " " " " " "
3. " " " " " " " Bull Corner Lamp.
4. " " " " " " " Broken Lamp Column.
5. " " " " " " " " " " "
6. " The Ocean Corporation Ltd re:- " " "
7. " Mid Kent Water Co. giving analysis of water.
8. " Kent County Constabulary report broken Lamp Column
9. " Kent Council Social Services re:- Planting Trees.
10. " E. Mason & Co. re:- Transfer Red Lion
11. " Wickham. A. re:- Tree Recreation Ground.
12. " Terry Quarries re:- Appointment Recreation Ground.

13. “ Westminster Bank Ltd re:- Specimen Signatures.
14. “ Pell. W.J. Surveyor re:- Public Footpath through Allotments .  
Clerk instructed Public must be protected.
15. “ Royal Insurance Co. re:- Insurance of Boiler at Baths.  
Mr. Harrington proposed that this must be insured against risk of explosion. Sec'd by Mr. Wray.  
Mr. Greenacre moved an amendment to refer to Baths Committee. Sec'd by Mr. Saul. Voting. Amendment 7. Proposition 4.  
The Chairman declared the amendment carried.
16. “ Malling R.D. Council re:- Representatives Drainage Committee.  
Mt. Tobin proposed that Messrs Hammond, Greenacre be re-elected on Snodland Drainage Committee. Sec'd by Mr. Bishop.

#### Receipt

Mr. Freeman proposed that a receipt for £180 be issued on the Rating Authority for Coronation Celebrations. Sec'd by Mr. Bishop and carried.

#### Notice of Motion

Mr. Monk gave Notice of Motion that he will bring forward at next Meeting a suggestion to alter date of Parish Council Meeting from the second Tuesday to forth Tuesday in each month.

It was arranged for May Meeting to be held on Tuesday the 18<sup>th</sup> instead of the 11<sup>th</sup> owing to Coronation Festivities.

Mr. Greenacre said he had received a communication from Snodland & Ham Hill Nursing Association reference collections in street Carnival. It was decided to refer this to Coronation Committee at their next meeting.

Mr. Greenacre thanked Mr. Monk for the way he had carried out his duties as Chairman during the past year.

Mr. Greenacre asked the members of the Council to report any cases of negligent scavenging so that the facts could be placed before the Drainage Committee if necessary.

Mr. Gooding asked for a letter to be sent to Malling R.D. Council reference footpath to Cemetery, also to urge the Association Portland Cement Mfrs' to make up the bridge where the diversion of path has taken place.

J.J. Hammond  
Chairman  
18<sup>th</sup> May 1937.

Special Meeting of the Council

Held in the Church of England School on Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May 1937

At 8.30pm.

Present Mr. J.J. Hammond (Chairman), Mr. Norman (Vice-Chairman), Messrs Bishop, Freeman, Gower, Harrington, Hood, Monk, Saul, Stotesbury, Tobin, Wray and the Clerk F. Simmons.

The business before the Council was to authorize the signing of a Cheque in connection with the Coronation Festivities.

Mr. Freeman proposed that a Cheque value £120 drawn in favour of the Clerk in connection with the Coronation Festivities be signed. Sec'd by Mr. Norman and carried.

J.J. Hammond  
Chairman  
18<sup>th</sup> May 1937.

Meeting of the Council

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> May 1937

At 7.30pm

Present, Mr. J.J. Hammond, (Chairman), Mr. B.H. Norman (Vice-Chairman), Messrs Bishop, Filmer, Freeman, Gower, Greenacre, Harrington, Hood, Saul, Stotesbury, Tobin, Wray and the Clerk F. Simmons.

The Chairman apologised for the absence of Messrs A.J. Monk and W. Gooding.

Minutes

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

Allotments

Mr. Freeman reported that several of the Allotment holders had quitted their plots leaving them in an untidy state, with arrears of rent, which he felt was un-recoverable. Mr. Saul proposed that Mr. Freeman be given authority to let these plots as soon as possible on the best terms that he can arrange. Sec'd by Mr. Hood and carried.

Brook

Everything in order. Gate not yet repaired. Mr Norman proposed that the Clerk urge Crowhurst to complete this work. Sec'd by Mr. Tobin and carried.

Recreation Ground

Mr. Stotesbury reported that fallen tree had been removed and roots replaced as best they could. Hinds was now replacing fence and gateway which had been removed for Coronation Festivities. The grass had not been cut to his satisfaction. Mr Wray asked about the Malling Road end of approach to Recreation Ground and

suggested that something more ornamental might be done here being a main through-fare. It was arranged for Committee to meet here on Thursday at 7pm, May 27<sup>th</sup>.

### Baths

Mr. Gower reported that the number of Bathers for the last four weeks to be 621 and fees amounted to £5-11-7d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 517 and £4-14-10d.

He also reported that cleaning of Boiler and Tanks had been completed. It was arranged for the Committee to meet at Baths at 6.30pm Monday 24<sup>th</sup>.

### Cemetery

Mr. Gower reported the meeting of the Cemetery Committee held on April 24<sup>th</sup> 1937, as follows. Mr. Gooding should act as Chairman of Cemetery Committee for one year.

The chief business before the Committee was respecting the lad Austin whose agreement was finished and he had decided to leave the Councils employ this day. Mr. Freeman mentioned that he understood the lad Austin would continue in the employ of the Council if they were prepared to pay him a wage of £2 per week. This was carefully discussed and the Committee decided to recommend the Council to engage him at £2 per week, meantime the Clerk to ask him to stay on at this figure until we could obtain the Council's confirmation. This was proposed by Mr. Freeman and Mr. Harrington seconded.

It was decided to recommend the Council to have two Fir trees removed from top part of Cemetery at a convenient time. It was also decided to instruct the Caretaker to remove Rose bushes from unattended Graves. The Chairman pointed out the very heavy expenses which were being incurred at the Cemetery if this report was adopted in full. He had received an application from a lad who he suggested to the Committee they should interview and report at next meeting.

Mr. Greenacre proposed that the report be adopted as read. Meantime, the Committee to try again to secure a lad for apprenticeship if possible. Seconded by Mr. Norman and carried.

The Committee agreed to meet and interview the lad that had made the application.

### Grave Space

Mr. Bishop proposed that the Conveyance of Grave Space No. 1391 to Mr. Christopher Andrews be signed by the Council. Sec'd by Mr. Filmer and carried.

### Finance

Mr. Norman presented the financial statement and moved that Cheques be signed to pay the following accounts. Sec'd by Mr. Bishop and carried.

#### General Account

Miskin F.	Election Expenses	18.	19.	1.
Terry Quarries	Hire of Petrol Roller	9.	7.	0.
Bridgeland H.	Removing Trees etc	6.	10.	0.

#### Cemetery Account

Evenden J.	Caretakers wages	11.	13.	8.
“	4. N.H.I.A. Stamps		12.	8.
Austin. H.	Help	7.	1.	8.
“	4. N.H.I.A. Stamps		12.	8.

Malling R.D.C.	Rates	2.	7.	3.
Mid Kent Gas Co	Coke	18.	4.	
Royal Ins' Co.	Excess Premium	1.	3.	
<u>Lighting Account</u>				
Mid Kent Gas Co	Street Lighting	20.	19.	4.
"	" " All Night	1.	7.	6.
"	Replacing Lamp Column	8.	0.	0.
"	Removing Lamp Column	2.	9.	4.
Malling R.D.C.	Rates	6.	0.	9.
<u>Baths Account</u>				
Judges A.	Caretakers wages	7.	3.	4.
"	4. N.H.I.A. Stamps		6.	4.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Coke	1.	16.	8.
Abrey. F.	Repairs etc	1.	15.	0.
Malling R.D.C.	Rates	7.	17.	6.
		<u>£115. 19. 4.</u>		

Cheque for Coronation Festivities      £240  
Cheque for Wages                              £25.

Lighting

The Chairman reported that he had given orders to the Mid Kent Gaslight & Coke Co. to light the street lamps on the nights of May 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> in connection with the Coronation Festivities and Old Folks Tea.

Mr. Gower proposed that the Chairman's action in this matter be approved. Sec'd by Mr. Saul. This was unanimous.

The Clerk reported that the Insurance co had paid in full for the damaged lamp column.

Correspondence

1. Letter from Ocean Accident Corps' re:- Damaged Lamp Column.

2. " " " " " " " " " "

3. " " " " " " " " " "

4. " Kent County Council re:- Housing of Rural Workers.

5. " " " " re:- Level Crossing Gates.

It was agreed for as many members to attend this meeting as possible. The Clerk was instructed to invite the interested firms to the meeting.

6. Letter from Kent County Council, addressed to Mr. Monk re:- Land for extension of Cemetery.

7. " Malling R.D. Council re:- Representatives, Rating Committee.  
Mr. Alex Thomson & Mr. W.G. Freeman again agreed for their names to go forward.



8. “ Malling R.D. Council re:- Cost of Election of Parish Councillors/
9. “ Malling R.D. Council re:- Footpath to Cemetery.
10. “ J.W. Pell re:- “ “ “ “
11. “ A.P.C. Manufacturers re:- “ “ “
12. “ Mid Kent Gaslight & Coke re:- Street Lamps for Coronation.
13. “ “ “ “ “ re:- Renewing Contract for Street Lighting.  
This was referred to the Lighting Committee to obtain full particulars as to terms & improvements etc and report fully at next meeting. Mr. Greenacre did not take part in this discussion.
14. “ Mr. J.H. Greenacre re:- Vice-Chairmanship.
15. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “

Declaration

Mr. J.H. Greenacre gave a declaration notifying the Council of his connection with the Mid Kent Gaslight & Coke Co. and the Clerk was instructed to enter same on register.

Notice of Motion

Mr. Monk's Notice of Motion re:- alteration in gate of Meetings was brought forward. Mr. Wray proposed that this be left over until next meeting and to again be placed on agenda. Sec'd by Mr. Norman.

Mr. Harrington called the Council's attention to the danger from Elm trees in Bedlam Lane, and proposed that the Malling R.D. Council be asked to lop the dangerous boughs. Sec'd by Mr. Stotesbury.

Mr. Harrington proposed that the attention of the Clerk to the Malling R.D. Council be called to the unsightly iron dump at the bottom of Rookery Hill. It was an eye sore and dangerous to children. Sec'd by Mr. Saul.

Mr. Wray proposed that the Snodland Parish Council move immediately to inform the Associated Portland Cement Manufactures they raise an objection to the excavating of the ground within reasonable distance under the "Town Planning Act". Sec'd by Mr. Hood.

A letter also to be sent to Mr. Hole the Surveyor on the matter.

Mr. Wray proposed that a letter be sent to the A.P.C. Mfts, Holborough, objecting to their dump in Holborough Road and suggesting something should be done to alter this. Sec'd by Mr. Greenacre.

Mr. Wray called attention to the very bad state of the High Street during the recent wet weather and moved a letter be sent urging the Kent County Council to deal with this without further delay.

J.J. Hammond  
Chairman  
8th June 1937.

Meeting of the Council  
Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> June 1937  
At 7.30pm.

Present, Mr. J.J. Hammond, (Chairman), Mr. B.H. Norman, (Vice-Chairman), Messrs Bishop, Filmer, Freeman, Gower, Greenacre, Harrington, Hood, Monk, Saul, Stotesbury, Tobin, Wray and the Clerk F. Simmons.

The Chairman read an apology from Mr. Gooding, absent through illness.

Minutes

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

Allotments

Mr. Freeman reported that the grass alongside banks on ditches through Allotments needed cutting and clearing. It was arranged for Mr. Freeman to engage a man to do this work as usual, at this time of year. At the same time arrange for him to cut and clear grass alongside Willow Walk footpath.

Brook

Mr. Bishop reported that the gate on the Brook had been put in good order. Mr. Wray asked if some of the larger ditches on Brook could be filled in with rubbish. He considered then dangerous to cattle. The Chairman said that this could be considered by Brook Committee when they went on site.

Baths

Mr. Gower reported that the number of Bathers for the last three weeks to be 541 and the fees amounted to £4-18-4d. For the corresponding period last year the figures were 469 and £4-2-9d. Mr. Gower read the report of the Baths Committee Meeting which recommended the Council to still retain the better class 6d baths as before, also to agree to an increase in the second class baths from 2d to 3d from a date to be arranged. The Committee also recommended the Council to insure the Boiler against risk of explosion.

Mr. Freeman proposed not to insure Boiler. Sec'd by Mr. Bishop.

Mr. Monk moved as an amendment that the report be adopted accept the insurance of Boiler clause. Sec'd by Mr. Bishop.

Mr. Harrington moved as a further amendment that the report be adopted as read. Sec'd by Mr. Tobin.

Voting for Mr. Harrington's amendment (5). Viz - Messrs, Gower, Harrington, Norman, Tobin, Wray.

Voting for Mr. Monk's amendment (8) Viz - Messrs, Bishop, Filmer, Freeman, Greenacre, Hood, Monk, Saul, Stotesbury.

The Chairman declared Mr. Monk's amendment carried.

Regarding the date of increasing price of baths and retaining of the better class baths. Mr. Monk proposed that this does not take place until after the annual meeting. Sec'd by Mr. Freeman.

This would give the Parishioners an opportunity of speaking on the matter. Agreed.

### Recreation Ground

Mr. Stotesbury read the report of the Recreation Ground Committee. It recommended that three wooden seats be provided and placed in suitable positions to be agreed.

That the old Elm tree in the centre of Ground is dangerous and be lopped.

That the footpath leading from Rookery Hill to Bramley Road entrance be properly reconstructed with hardcore and surfaced with tarred Macadam.

Regarding the Malling Road entrance, the Committee would not agree to spend any money on improvement and decided not to approach the owner of adjoining house regarding the dilapidated fence.

Mr. Tobin proposed that the footpath be repaired with hardcore as suggested. Sec'd by Mr. Harrington.

Mr. Monk moved as an amendment that no money be spent on the upkeep of this path during the summer months. Sec'd by Mr. Saul.

Voting            Amendment (10)            Resolution (4).

The Chairman declared the amendment carried.

Mr. Stotesbury proposed that the tree be removed. Sec'd by Mr. Hood

Mr. Gower moved as an amendment that this matter be left over until the autumn.

Sec'd by Mr. Bishop.

Voting            Amendment (6)            Resolution (7).

The Chairman declared the Resolution carried.

Mr. Stotesbury proposed that three wooden seats be provided. Sec'd by Mr. Greenacre.

Mr. Bishop moved as an amendment that the Chairman of the Recreation Ground Committee consult Mr. Crowhurst on this matter and report at the next meeting.

Sec'd by Mr. Saul. This was agreed to.

Mr. Filmer proposed that the grass be cut again, but this time by a man with a Sythe. Sec'd by Mr. Monk.

### Cemetery

Mr. Gower gave the report of the Cemetery Committee Meeting held in the Fire Station on May 27<sup>th</sup>, to consider an application by a lad named Lavender for a position at the Cemetery. The Committee interviewed him and expressed satisfaction at the general appearance, good manners and intelligence of him. It was decided for the Chairman to arrange with his parents for a four year agreement on exactly the same terms as the last lad, with the exception of the last year of term, wages to read 30/- per week instead of 27/-

The Chairman reported that he had interviewed the lads parents who were quite willing for him to enter into an agreement with the Council for 4 years. He would

arrange for the lad and his father to attend at next meeting to sign necessary agreement forms.

It was reported that the grass at the top end of the Cemetery required cutting at end of June, and Mr. Filmer was asked if he could arrange with the same man as would do recreation Ground.

It was reported that Mr. Housden of the Imperial War Graves Commission had visited the Cemetery and expressed his pleasure at the maintenance.

### Plans & Inscriptions

Mr. Gower proposed that the following Plans & Inscriptions be approved by the Council. Kerb with Inscription to Grave No. 1324. Kerb with Inscription to Grave No. 728. Kerb and Scroll with Inscription to Grave No. 735. Kerb and Headstone with Inscription to Grave NO. 1204. Sec'd by Mr. Norman.

### Lighting

The report of the Lighting Committee Meeting was deferred until next months meeting.

### Finance

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

#### General Account

Crowhurst D.	Repairs to Brook Gate	13.	9.
Cook A.	Grass Rec' Ground	6.	10. 0.
Shaw & Sons	Minute Book	17.	7.
Knight & Co	Financial Statements	3.	2.
Clerk	¼ Salary	17.	10. 0.
Hinds C.W.	Fence Recreation Ground	2.	9. 3.

#### Cemetery Account

Evenden J.	Caretakers Wages	8.	15. 3.
Austin H.	Help	5.	15. 3.
"	3. N.H.I.A. Stamps	9.	6.

#### Lighting Account

Mid Kent Gas Co	Street Lighting	18.	7.
"	"	1.	13. 5.
Hinds C.W.	Petrol	13.	0.

#### Baths Account

Judges A.	Caretakers Wages	7.	3. 4.
"	5. N.H.I.A. Stamps	7.	11.
Mid Kent Gas Co	Coke	1.	16. 8.
		<u>£56.</u>	<u>6. 2.</u>

Cheque for Wages £45.

### Correspondence

1. Letter from James Nichols & Son re:- Wicket Gates Level Crossing.

2. “ Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- “ “ “ “ “
3. “ British Steel Wool Co. re:- “ “ “ “ “
4. “ Mid Kent Water Co. re:- “ “ “ “ “
5. “ Kent County Council re:- “ “ “ “ “
6. “ “ “ “ re:- High Street
7. “ “ “ “ “ “ “
8. “ A.P.C. Mftrs Ltd re:- Holborough Works.
9. “ Malling R.D. Council re:- “ “ “
10. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “
11. “ “ “ “ “ re:- Rating Valuation Committee.
12. “ “ “ “ “ re:- Iron Dump. Rookery Hill
13. “ “ “ “ “ re:- Trees Bedlam Lane.
14. “ Mid Kent Gas Co re:- Public Lamp
15. “ “ “ “ “ “ “
16. “ Bridgland H. re:- Tree Recreation Ground.
17. “ Morris J.T. re:- Fireman.

Mr. Greenacre proposed that Fireman Morris resignation be accepted with regret and that a letter expressing the Council's thanks and appreciation of his long service be sent to him. Sec'd by Mr. Norman and carried unanimously.

It was arranged for Messrs Harrington, Hood, Tobin and Wray to meet Mr. Milnes the Works Manager at Holborough early next week. Clerk to arrange. Mr. Norman kindly agreed to introduce them.

#### Notice of Motion

In accordance with previous Notice of Motion, Mr. Monk proposed that the Council's regular meeting date be altered from the second Tuesday in each month to the fourth Tuesday in each month. Sec'd by Mr. Greenacre.

Mr. Gower pointed out that the time that would be available between the Parish Council Meetings and the Malling R.D. Council meetings in case of important matters, but was assured by the representatives of the Malling R.D. Council that this was ample.

Mr. Gower asked if the Parish Council as a public body would support him in a strong protest to the Police Authorities regarding the number of large dogs that roam

uncontrolled in the High Street, Snodland. He considered them a nuisance on the pavements and particularly dangerous to children.

It was suggested a letter be sent to the local Sergeant of Police.

The Clerk was instructed to notify the Devonshire Rooms reference to alteration of date of meetings.

J.J. Hammond  
Chairman  
27<sup>th</sup> July 1937

Meeting of the Council  
Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> July 1937  
At 7.30pm

Present, Mr. J.J. Hammond, (Chairman), Mr. B.H. Norman, (Vice-Chairman), Messrs Filmer, Gooding, Gower, Greenacre, Harrington, Hood, Monk, Saul, Stotesbury, Tobin, Wray and the Clerk F. Simmons

Mr. Saul offered an apology for the absence of Mr. Bishop.

Allotments

In the absence of Mr Freeman, Mr Norman reported that two plots were very much overgrown and should be cut and burned and suggested Mr. Freeman be given power to employ labour to get this done. Agreed.

Baths

Mr. Gower reported that the number of Bathers for the last seven weeks to be 1206 and the fees amounted to £10-18-5d, for the corresponding period last year the figures were 1155 and £10-3-7d.

Cemetery

Mr. Gower proposed that the Conveyance of Grave Space No 1394 to Ellen Florence Stiles be signed by the Council. Sec'd by Mr. Monk.

Designs

Mr Gower submitted the following plans of Memorials and moved that these be passed subject to the 2 being completed in ink as per the rules. Marble Headstone with Inscription, Grave No. 1367, Granite Headstone with Inscription Grave No. 1375. Granite Scroll with Inscription Grave No. 1295. Marble Headstone and Kerbs with Inscription, Grave No. 1340, Additional Inscription, Grave No. 1187, Granite Headstone and Kerbs with Inscription Grave No. 1220. Sec'd By Mr. Norman.

The plan from Wallis for wooden posts and chains was not entertained, not being in accordance with regulations.

The Clerk was informed to tell Wallis.

Mr Gower proposed that 60' x ¼ " J.R. Corrugated Hose be purchased for use at Cemetery. Sec'd by Mr. Norman.

### Apprentice

The lad Lavender attended with his father and signed Indenture forms agreeing to be bound for a period of 4 years, wages as follows. First year 15/-, second year 18/-, third year 22/-, fourth year 30/- per week.

It was arranged for him to start his employment on August 9<sup>th</sup> 1937, the Chairman expressing the hope that he would be quite happy, and tendering him advice.

After discussing the position further it was arranged for the assistant Austin to terminate his employment with the Council on August 7<sup>th</sup> 1937. The question of references having arisen, Mr Gower proposed and Mr Hood sec'd that the matter be referred to the Council as and when occasion arose. Agreed.

The Chairman called the Council's attention to the untidy state inside the Chapel, and it was arranged for Cemetery Committee to meet there on Saturday July 31<sup>st</sup> at 3pm.

### Recreation Ground

Mr Stotesbury reported that the grass was now about 2' 6" high and must be cut with a Sythe. It was suggested that Ashbee ( a railway platelayer) and his men might undertake this.

Mr. Greenacre proposed that the Chairman of Recreation Ground together with Chairman and the Vice-Chairman of Council be given power to act in this matter after interview with him. Sec'd by Mr Harrington. Agreed.

Mr Stotesbury proposed that three seats as suggested by Crowhurst be erected in the Recreation Ground price 18/- each. Sec'd by Mr Harrington and carried.

### Finance

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

#### General Account

Monk A.J.	Padlock	1.	9.
Dence J.	Work on Brook	3.	0. 0.
"	" Allotments	3.	0. 0.
Bond W.F.	Local Government Chronicles	3.	3.
Hambrook	Stationery	1.	3. 7.
Betts W.C.	Leather Case	1.	2. 6.
Medway D' Board	Rates. Brook	2.	0. 0.
" "	" Allotments	2.	2. 0.
Public Works Loan	Loan & Interest	6.	3. 8.
" "	" "	7.	5. 5.
Clerk	Audit Stamp	8.	0. 0.

#### Cemetery Account

Evenden J.	Caretakers wages	20.	8. 11.
"	7. N.H.I.A. Stamps	1.	2. 2.
Austin H.	Assistant	13.	8. 11.
"	7. N.H.I.A. Stamps	1.	2. 2.
Shirley W.	Help	8.	0.

Draycon H.R.	Reps' Garden Lights	1.	3.	5.
Mid Kent Water Co	Water Cemetery	11.	7.	
“	“ Cottage	4.	8.	
<u>Lighting Account</u>				
Mid Kent Gas Co	Replacing Lanterns	3.	7.	0.
Draycon H.R.	Reps' Cottage	1.	9.	0.
Mid Kent Water Co	Water	12.	1.	
Penny. Mrs	Preparing Room	13.	0.	
<u>Baths Account</u>				
Judges A.	Caretakers wages	7.	3.	4.
“	4. N.H.I.A. Stamps		6.	4.
Draycon H.R.	Notice Boards		5.	8.
Hambrook	Return Forms	1.	10.	6.
Mid Kent Gas Co	Coke	2.	15.	0.
Mid Kent Water Co	Water	4.	19.	9.
Crowhurst. M.	Brasso		3.	9.
				<u>£95. 17. 5.</u>

Cheque for wages £38.

#### Holborough Works

Mr Wray gave detailed report of the interview with Mr Milnes who had received them and explained matters to the deputation. Mr Milnes had promised to do everything possible to avoid any further complaints. Mr Wray and the other members were quite satisfied.

#### Correspondence

1. Letter from Kent County Council re:- Wicket Gates Level Crossing.

Mr Saul proposed that the Council again urge the Kent County Council to assist the Parish Council and use every endeavour possible to retain these Wicket Gates to the Public use. Sec'd by Mr. Greenacre.

2. Letter from Kent County Council enclosing Cheque Public A. Office.

3. “ “ “ “ “ re:- Advance price of Coke.

4. “ “ “ “ “ re:-Lamp Column Malling Road.

5. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “

6. “ “ “ “ “ re:- Lamp Column Holboro' Road.

7. “ Maidstone District Bus Co. re:- “ “ “ “

8. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “

9. “ “ “ “ “ “ enclosing Cheque for damage.

10. “ Hillier French asking permission to bore for oil.



11. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “
12. “ A.P.C. Manufacturers re:- Interview Holborough Works.
13. “ Malling R.D. Council re:- A.P.C. Mftrs Holborough Works.
14. “ Kent County Constabulary re:- Uncontrolled Dogs.
15. “ Mid Kent Water Co, giving analysis of water.
16. “ The District Auditor re:- Notice of Audit.
17. “ C.T. Hook & Co Ltd re:- Purchase of part of Brookland .  
Mr Saul proposed that the Council agree to a sale subject to price etc having been agreed upon. C.T. Hook & Co. Ltd to submit a plan and approximate measurements of piece required. Sec'd by Mr. Gooding.

18. Letter from J.T. Brattle re:- Emptying Cesspits at the Groves.  
It was agreed this matter be submitted to Malling R.D. Council.

19. Letter from Kent County Council, addressed to Mr. Monk informing him the Ministry of Transport did not consider Traffic Signals at the Bull Corner necessary. Mr. Harrington proposed that this matter be again urged upon the Kent County Council as an absolute necessity. Sec'd by Mr. Tobin.

20. “ Letter from Kent Electric Power Co. giving quotation for Street Lighting.

21. “ “ “ “ “ “ asking for consent of Installation in the Fire Station.  
Mr. Monk proposed and Mr. Harrington sec'd that the question of installation be left to the discretion of Chairman & Vice-Chairman.

22. “ Letter from Working Men's Club re:- Leaky Roof.  
Mr Stotesbury proposed "Lie on Table". Sec'd by Mr. Saul.

The Clerk reported that the owners of the lorry that knocked down Lamp Column in Malling Road had not yet been found. The Police were helping in this matter.

The Chairman reported the receipt of a letter from the Kent Electric Power Co. re:- Electric lighting installation in Fire Station. It appears the C.O. of the Fire Brigade had taken this matter up on his own responsibility without consulting anybody on the matter. The Clerk was instructed to write the C.O. pointing out all matters must be dealt with through the proper channels.

#### Receipt

Mr Harrington proposed that receipt on Rating Authority be issued for £350 and signed by the Council. Sec'd by Mr Stotesbury.

#### Lighting

The question of a further contract for street lighting had been under consideration from the previous meeting. Mr Gower proposed that a contract be entered into with the Mid Kent Gaslight & Coke Co. for a period of 15 years @ £2 per Lamp from 1<sup>st</sup> October to 31<sup>st</sup> March in each year. Sec'd by Mr. Monk.

Mr Wray moved as an amendment, sec'd by Mr. Gooding that the period be 10 years @ £2-7-0 per Lamp from 1<sup>st</sup> October to 31<sup>st</sup> March in each year.

Mr. Norman moved as a further amendment "Period 3 yrs only". No seconder.

Voting Mr Wray's Amendment (4).

" Mr. Gower's proposition (7).

The Chairman declared the proposition carried.

Mr. Norman did not vote.

The Clerk was instructed to arrange with the Mid Kent Gaslight & Coke Co. regarding necessary contract form.

Mr. Monk proposed that the street Lamps be lit on August 22<sup>nd</sup> next. Sec'd by Mr. Filmer and carried.

The Chairman asked to be relieved of Committee Meetings owing to ill health reasons. The Members readily agreed and expressed the hope that he would soon be fully recovered from his illness.

#### High Street

Mr Saul proposed that the Kent County Council's attention be called to the level of roadway in High Street where repairs were being effected, at present the storm water flows down into the Cottages causing both damage and inconvenience to the Cottagers. Sec'd by Mr. Hood.

#### Stream

It was decided to write Malling R.D. Council regarding the clearing of stream back of Bramley Road and near Hinds Garage etc.

#### Scavenging

Mr. Harrington proposed that the Sanitary Inspector's attention be called to the unsatisfactory way the Dustbins were being emptied in the neighbourhood of the Groves. Sec'd by Mr. Tobin.

J.J. Hammond.

Chairman

24<sup>th</sup> August 1937.

Meeting of the Council  
Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> August 1937  
At 7.30pm.

Present, J.J. Hammond, (Chairman), B.H. Norman, (Vice-Chairman), Messrs Bishop, Freeman, Gooding, Gower, Harrington, Saul, Stotesbury and the Clerk F. Simmons.

Apologies were tendered for the absences of Messrs Filmer, Greenacre, Hood, Monk, Tobin

### Minutes

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

The Clerk reported on the annual audit. The District Auditor gave instructions that all claims in connection with fires where the Engine, Hose and equipment belonging to the Council have been in use must pass through the Council's account book. The Clerk was arranging with the Chief Officer of Brigade for this to be done.

### Allotments

Mr. Freeman reported the work of clearing the overgrown plots had been carried out entirely satisfactory.

### Baths

Mr Gower reported that the number of Bathers for the last four weeks to be 696 and the fees amounted to £6-6-11d, for the corresponding period last year the figures were 697 and £6-1-10d.

### Cemetery

Mr. Gooding reported that a Committee Meeting was held on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> July. The state of the Chapel was discussed, and it was pointed out to the Caretaker the floor must be scrubbed over twice a year, windows to be cleaned down and all dust and rubbish removed. The Committee recommended the purchase of a long handled broom, and a strip of cocoanut matting, also 2 doz' books of Burial Service. The Mortuary was next inspected and this was very bad. The Caretaker was instructed to get this cleaned and washed down without delay. The Committee recommended that this should be whitewashed and all paint work cleaned and perished cords to Skylights renewed.

The Caretaker was acquainted with the position regarding the new Apprentice and was asked to give him all help possible.

The Caretaker was given definitely to understand that he must not on any account leave the Cemetery for a day un-attended without referring to Chairman and Clerk, every facility and help would be given him in cases of emergency.

Mr. Gooding stated that an improvement to Chapel etc. had been affected.

Mr Gower moved that the report be adopted. Sec'd by Mr. Harrington.

Mr Freeman proposed that Draycon be employed for whitewashing the Mortuary etc where necessary. Sec'd by Mr. Gower.

The letter received from Apprentice Austin was considered, and Mr Gower proposed that the lads indenture papers be endorsed by the Council as having carried out the Apprenticeship to the entire satisfaction of the Council. Sec'd by Mr. Bishop and carried.

### Conveyances

Mr Gower proposed that the two Conveyances of Grave Spaces No's 1397 & 1398, Section C. Consecrated portion to Robert Body be signed by the Council. Sec'd by Mr. Norman.

#### Additional Inscription

Mr. Gower proposed that the additional inscription to Grave No. 1004 be approved by the Council. Sec'd by Mr. Norman.

#### Finance

Mr Norman proposed, Mr. Stotesbury seconded and it was resolved to draw Cheques to pay the following accounts:-

##### General Account

Bridgland H.	Removing Tree	5.	0.	0.
Crowhurst. D.	Erecting Seats	2.	14.	0.
Cheeseman A.	Grass Recreation Ground	2.	0.	0.
"	1. N.H.I.A. Stamp		1.	2 ½
Dence. J.	Grass Recreation Ground	1.	12.	0.
"	Allotments	3.	15.	10.
Blackman. Mrs	Brook Gatekeeper.	2.	0.	0.

##### Cemetery Account

Evenden. J.	Caretakers Wages	11.	13.	8.
"	4. N.H.I.A. Stamps		12.	8.
Austin. H.	Assistant	5.	15.	3.
"	3. N.H.I.A. Stamps		9.	6.
Lavender. S.	Apprentice	1.	10.	0.
Haynes Bros'	Repairs to Mowing Machine	1.	0.	0.

##### Lighting Account

Mid Kent Gas Co	Gas a/c Fire Station		5.	11.
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##### Baths Account

Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages	7.	3.	4.
"	4. N.H.I.A. Stamps		6.	4.
Mid Kent Gas Co	Gas a/c		12.	6.
Crowhurst D.	Firewood		6.	0.
Hayman Ltd	Coal		19.	0.
			<u>£47.</u>	<u>17.</u>
				2 ½

Cheque for wages £40

#### Lighting

Mr Gower proposed that Messrs Hammond, Stotesbury and Filmer be authorized to sign the new lighting agreement with the Mid Kent Gaslight & Coke Co. to light and maintain the whole of the street lamps for the next 15 years, on behalf of the Council. Sec'd by Mr. Harrington and carried.

#### Recreation Ground

Mr Stotesbury reported three seats have been erected in the Recreation Ground and were satisfactory, also the dangerous tree had been cut down and removed. He had employed two men, Cheeseman & Dence to cut grass, and suggested the job should be completed. He also suggested a Committee Meeting in the near future.

#### Correspondence

1. Letter from Mid Kent Gaslight & Coke Co. re:- Street Lighting.

2. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “

3. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “

4. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ New Lighting Contracts.

5. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “

6. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ Painting Lamp Columns.

7. “ Kent Electric Power Co. re:- Street Lighting.

8. “ “ “ “ “ “ Estimate Fire station.

9. “ “ “ “ “ “ Fire Station Cottage.

10. “ Kent County Council re:- Traffic Signals Bull Corner.

11. “ “ “ “ “ re:- Flooding High Street.

12. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “

13. “ Mid Kent water Co, giving analysis of water.

14. “ Malling R.D. Council re:- Stream in Bramley Road.

15. “ “ “ “ “ re:- Cesspool Emptying.

16. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “

17. “ Eclipse Motor Policies re:- Damaged Lamp Column.

18. “ Kent County Constabulary re:- “ “ “

19. “ Burton J. re:- Overgrown Footpaths.

Mr Norman proposed, Mr Bishop sec'd that this be referred to the Surveyor of Malling R.D. Council.

20. Letters from Secretary of the Working Men's Club re:- Leaky Roof.

Mr Freeman proposed, Mr Stotesbury sec'd that Draycon be asked to report on this. Estimated cost.

21. Letter from Wilkinson & Son re:- Consent Alterations to property at Shirley, Southampton.

Mr Gower proposed and Mr Stotesbury sec'd and it was resolved that John Joseph Hammond, Chairman of the Parish Council, and Basil Henry Norman, John George Harrington members of the Council be authorized to sign the consent for

alteration to the premises known as 5. Ramsey Road, Shirley, Southampton, on behalf of the Parish Council and the Seal of the Council be affixed.

22. Letter from C.T. Hook & Co. Ltd re:- Sale Brookland.

Mr Freeman proposed, Mr Norman sec;d leave over till next meeting.

23. Letter from A.E. Rud & Co. re:- Sale of Brookland.

It was arranged to mark off our land on plan and forward to A.E.Reed & Co.

24. Letter from Whitehead & Co. re:- Right of way across Brook.

25. “ “ Kent Education Committee re:-Minor Local Authority Manager, Snodland C.E. School.

Mr Gower proposed and Mr. Norman sec'd that Mr. J.J. Hammond be appointed to hold office until 30<sup>th</sup> June 1939, subject to that the Manager be appointed to hold office until 30<sup>th</sup> June 1939 and therefore until the appointment of his successor, subject to reservation of the Council of the right to determine any appointment at any time when an alteration is required by the Kent Education Committee in the constitution of the Managing Body of the school in question or when any good cause the Council may after due enquiry resolve that it is desirable an appointment be terminated forthwith.

#### Cemetery Extension

Mr Freeman spoke of the position of land for Cemetery extension and moved that a letter be sent to the Kent County Council asking for the present position. If this not satisfactory application then be made to Associated P.C. Manufactures direct. Sec'd by Mr Harrington.

Mr Saul reported a complaint regarding the dirty state of the baths after some users. The Chairman of Baths Committee promised to enquire into this and report at next meeting.

#### Fire Brigade

Mr Freeman suggested that an inventory of the Council's property at the Fire Station be taken and reported at next meeting.

Mr Harrington asked that the Malling Rural District Council be again written to reference the trees in Bedlam Lane and Iron dump, Rookery Hill.

J.J. Hammond

Chairman

28<sup>th</sup> September 1937.

#### Meeting of the Council

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> September 1937

At 7.30pm.

Present, Mr J.J. Hammond, (Chairman), Mr B.H. Norman, (Vice-Chairman), Messrs Bishop, Filmer, Freeman, Gooding, Gower, Greenacre, Harrington, Hood, Monk, Saul, Stotesbury, Tobin and the Clerk F. Simmons.

Mr Tobin apologized for the absence of Mr. Wray.

Before commencing the business of the evening the Chairman spoke in sympathetic terms of the death of Mrs Wilford of The Lodge. The deceased lady's husband and also Mrs Wolfe her daughter had served for many years on the Snodland Parish Council, and other public bodies connected with the Parish. It was arranged for a letter of sympathy to be sent to the family from the Council.

### Minutes

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

### Brook

Mr. Hammond reported the gate at end of Brook near rubbish dump had collapsed. Mr Monk proposed, Mr Bishop sec'd that about 10' to 12' Spile Fencing be placed here as a gate was no longer required. Carried.  
The question of clearing the ditch was left over for a time.

### Cemetery

The Chairman of the Committee reported that everything was in order. A letter having been read from Kent County Council with reference to the purchase of further land for extension. Mr Monk proposed that the Kent Count Council be informed the Parish Council would like to purchase the strip of land on South Side and about half the space of the portion (as coloured pink on plan).at West Side would they open negotiations regarding price etc. Sec'd by Mr Freeman and carried.  
Application to Ministry for permission to raise loan to be made at a later date.

### Baths

Mr. Gower reported that the number of Bathers for the last five weeks to be 783 and the fees amounted to £7-1-10d, for the corresponding period last year the figures were 831 and £7-8-3d.

He mentioned he had visited the Baths quite unexpectedly and could find nothing to substantiate the complaint reported at last meeting.

### Lighting

Mr Filmer reported everything satisfactory, and asked for a Committee Meeting on Tuesday October 5<sup>th</sup>.

### Recreation Ground

Mr Stotesbury reported the work of cutting and clearing grass had been completed, and it was arranged for the Committee to meet in the Recreation Ground on Saturday October 2<sup>nd</sup>.

### Finance

Mr Norman proposed and Mr Saul seconded and it was resolved to draw Cheques to pay the following accounts:-

General Account

Dence. J.	Grass. Recreation Ground	10.	0.	0.
Cheeseman. A.	“ “ “	9.	16.	0.
“	5. N.H.I.A. Stamps		6.	0. ½
Blackman Mrs	Brook Gatekeeper	3.	0.	0.
Prudential Ass' Co;	Loan & Interest	16.	12.	8.
Gower C.H.	Book to Audit		10.	0.
Clerk	¼ Salary	17.	10.	0.
<u>Cemetery Account</u>				
Evenden J.	Caretakers wages	14.	12.	1.
“	5. N.H.I.A. Stamps		15.	10.
Lavender. S.	Apprentice	3.	15.	0.
<u>Lighting account</u>				
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Replacing Lamp Column	8.	7.	6.
“ “	Repairs to Lanterns		13.	6.
London Guarantee	Premium	5.	0.	0.
<u>Baths Account</u>				
Judges A.	Caretakers wages	7.	3.	4.
“	5 N.H.I.A. Stamps		7.	11.
Mid Kent Gas Co	Coke		4.	3. 4.
				<u>£102. 15. 4 ½</u>

Cheque for wages £38.

Correspondence

1. Letter from Martyn & Ganes re:- Working Men's Club.
2. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “
3. “ Kent Education Committee re:\_ Appointment of Managers.
4. “ A.E. Reed & Co' Ltd re:- Brookland.
5. “ Halling Parish Council re:- Bridge over River.  
Mr Gooding proposed that the Parish Council support this matter. Seconded by Mr. Filmer. Carried.
6. Letter from L. Forrest enclosing P.O. re:- damage to Street Lantern.
7. “ Eclipse Motor Policies re:- Damaged Lamp Column.,
8. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “
9. “ “ “ “ “ re:- Enclosing Cheque in settlement.
10. “ Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- Damaged Column.
11. “ “ “ “ re:- Damaged Street Lantern
12. “ “ “ “ “ Enclosing Lighting Agreement duly signed and sealed by the company.



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

14. “ J.W. Pell re:- Overgrown Footpath.

15. “ “ “ re:- Elm Trees. Bedlam Lane.

16. “ Malling R.D. Council re:- iron Dump. Rookery Hill.

17. “ “ “ “ “ Enclosing Bye-Laws Hop-Pickers

18. “ “ “ “ “ re:- Air Raid Precautions Lectures.  
Messrs Hood, Tobin, Saul, & Wray agreed to attend lectures.

19. Letter from Malling R.D. Council addressed to Mr Greenacre re:- Air Raid precautions Lectures

Mr Greenacre had replied that himself and Mr Hammond would attend.

20. Letter from Chief Officer Fire Brigade enclosing inventory of property at Fire station.

21. Letter from Kent County Council re:- Land for Cemetery Extension.

22. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “

23. “ “ “ “ “ returning plans of land.

24. “ “ “ “ “ re:- Snodland Station Level Crossing.

Mr. Gower proposed that the Kent County Council be again pressed to support our protests re:- Abolition of Wicket Gates. Sec'd by Mr. Hood and carried.

25. Letter from H.R. Draycon enclosing estimate for repairs to roof at Working Men's Club.

Mr Norman proposed that the work be put in hand. Sec'd by Mr. Harrington and carried.

26. Letter from Wilkinson & Son re:- 5 Romsey Road, Shirley, Southampton.

Mr Saul called attention to the Cattle straying over new bridge and along the Willow Walk, and suggested Malling R.D. Council should erect a post to prevent this.

Mr Greenacre asked that the question of Air Raid Precautions be placed on next months agenda.

Mr Monk proposed that Mr Greenacre be appointed (temporarily) Chief Air Raid Warden. Sec'd by Mr Tobin and carried.

It was agreed to try and arrange a public meeting.

Fire Brigade

Mr Freeman spoke of the inefficiency of the Fire Brigade. Mr Saul supported and suggested a small Committee of 5 members together with Chairman and Vice-Chairman be formed to try and put this on a better basis. Messrs Freeman, Filmer, Hood, Saul and Tobin were appointed.

#### Notice of Motion

Mr Saul gave Notice of Motion re:- erection of new Lamp Column in Oxford Street.

J.J. Hammond  
Chairman  
26<sup>th</sup> October 1937.

#### Meeting of the Council

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> October 1937

At 7.30pm

Present, Mr J.J. Hammond, (Chairman), Mr B.H. Norman, (Vice-Chairman), Messrs Bishop, Filmer, Freeman, Gooding, Gower, Greenacre, Hood, Monk, Saul, Stotesbury, Tobin and the Clerk F. Simmons.

Apologies for non attendance were received from Messrs Harrington & Wray.

#### Minutes

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

#### Standing Orders

Mr. Norman moved that the standing orders be suspended and the business of new Firemen be taken. Sec'd by Mr. Saul.

#### Fireman

H E.A. Vinton & H.E.A. Loader probationer Firemen attended and signed the usual declaration on acceptance of office which was witnessed by the Chairman, who thanked them for coming forward and gave them a warm welcome on behalf of the Council.

#### Baths

Mr Gower reported that the number of Bathers for the last four weeks to be 608 and the fees amounted to £5-9-1d, for the corresponding period last year the figures were 541 and £4-15-7d.

He also mentioned a lock had been broken and he instructed Draycon to repair. Mr Tobin proposed that the Chairman of Baths Committee's action be approved. Sec'd by Mr Freeman.

#### Brook

The Chairman asked the Council as a special concession to allow him to turn his Cows on to the Brook for a short time longer than November 5<sup>th</sup> 1937 owing to his disastrous fire and his new sheds would not be completed on time.

The Members were unanimous in agreeing to this request.

### Cemetery

Mr. Gower reported two overalls requires, and moved they should be purchased. Sec'd by Mr Gooding.

Mr Gooding reported an evergreen tree was blocking the drain near greenhouse. Mr Saul proposed, leave to Cemetery Committee with power to act. Sec'd by Mr Freeman.

Messrs Gooding, Gower, Freeman & Clerk meet on Saturday at 3pm.

### Plans & Inscriptions

Mr Gower proposed the plan & of Kerb & inscription to Grave No. 1392, also additional inscription to Grave No. 1169 be approved by the Council. Sec'd by Mr Norman and carried.

### Finance

Mr Norman proposed, Mr Filmer seconded and it was resolved to draw Cheques to pay the following accounts:-

#### General Account

Bond. W.F.	Local Government Chronicles	3.	3.
Hinds C.W.	Sythe etc	1.	3. 5.
"	Repairs to Gate	10.	0.
Hambrook A.N.	Printing & Stationery	2.	9. 9.
The Clerk	Typewriter	5.	5. 0.

#### Cemetery Account

Evenden. J.	Caretakers Wages	11.	13. 8.
"	4. N.H.I.A. Stamps	12.	8.
Lavender. S.	Apprentice	3.	0. 0.
Hinds C.W.	Gate, Pail etc	13.	9.
Draycon H.R.	Repairs. Mortuary	7.	14. 2.
Mid Kent Water Co	Water Cemetery	11.	7.
"	" Cottage	4.	8.

#### Lighting Account

Mid Kent Water Co	Water	12.	1.
Hinds. C.W.	Petrol etc	9.	8.
Nat' F.B. Ass'	Subscription	1. 10.	0.
Penny. Mrs	Preparing Room	13.	0.
Mid Kent Gas Co	Gas a/c Fire Station	8.	2.

#### Baths Account

Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages	7.	3. 4.
"	4. N.H.I.A. Stamps	6.	4.
Mid Kent Gas Co	Gas a/c	13.	11.
"	Mantles	2.	0.
"	Coke	1.	0. 10
Draycon. H.R.	Repairs Lock	4.	9.
Mid Kent Water Co	Water	4.	15. 3.
		<u>£52.</u>	<u>1. 3.</u>

Cheque for Wages £25.

### Fire Brigade

Mr. Norman read the report of the meeting held on October 13<sup>th</sup> to which the Chief Officer and three Firemen had been invited.

The Chief Officer explained that the shift system on the Factories prevented the men from attending the drills regularly, never the less every care was taken and in one single case had the Parish been let down in case of Fire Calls the men had responded immediately.

The usual procedure for long service Medals was for a Fireman to make a written application for this which was forwarded by the Chief Officer to Headquarters with records of Fireman's services. The utmost unison prevailed amongst the members of the Fire Brigade and they welcomed this opportunity of explaining their position to the Committee's.

The Committee recommended that all future resignations be notified to them, and that after the Chief Officer and Clerk to Council confer re:- changes to be made also a letter be sent to Water Company asking that full pressure in future be supplied in case if fire.

A vote of thanks was given to C.O. Hinds and his men for attending and explaining. It was thought a deal of good had been done by the meeting. Mr Greenacre proposed that the report be approved as read. Sec'd by Mr Tobin. Carried.

#### Recreation Ground

Mr Stotesbury reported the Committee had met and agreed that a considerable improvement was noticeable.

Mr. Tobin reported the question of about 1 doz' small trees be left in the hands of Mr Stotesbury to deal with. Sec'd by Mr. Bishop.

#### Lighting

Mr. Filmer reported the Committee had met in streets to examine the new Lamp Column extensions and burners, they expressed satisfaction of the scheme and considered it a great improvement. Several members kindly offered to interview the owners of trees where branches obscured the light and get the boughs removed.

#### Correspondence

1. Letter from Ministry of Transport re:- Bridge river Medway.

2. " " " " " " " " " "

3. " Malling R.D. C. Surveyor re:- Footpaths etc.

4. " C.T. Hook & Co. Ltd re:- Proposed sale of Brookland.

It was arranged for Messrs Hammond, Monk & Bishop to interview Mr. Dedrick and report at next meeting. Suggested Mid-Day Tuesday November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

5. " Letter from Mrs Wolfe re:- Letter of Condolence.

6. " Kent County Council re:- Cemetery Extension.

7. " " " " " " " " " "

8. " A. P.C. Mftrs Ltd re:- " " " "

9. “ “ “ “ “ asking £400 per acre for land for proposed extension of Cemetery.

The Clerk was instructed to reply the Council thought the price asked was too much.

10. Letter from Kent County Advisory Service re:- Annual Meeting.

11. “ Malling R.D. Council re:- Air Raid Lectures.

12. “ Capt' Hordern re:- Air Raid Precautions.

13. “ Mid Kent Water Co. re:- Pressure at Fires.

#### Air Raid Precautions

Mr. Monk proposed the whole of the Council form themselves into a Committee and meet at Fire Station on Tuesday next at 8pm. Sec'd by Mr Tobin.

#### Mr Saul's Notice of Motion

In accordance with previous Notice of Motion, Mr Saul moved that a Standard and Lamp be erected at the lower end of Oxford Street with improved reflectors. Sec's by Mr Freeman and carried.

The Clerk was instructed to ask Malling Rural District Council the present position reference the cesspits at the Groves also Ditch at Bramley Road Allotments.

J.J. Hammond

Chairman

23<sup>th</sup> November 1937.

#### Meeting of the Council

Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 1937

At 7.30pm

Present, Mr J.J. Hammond, (Chairman), Mr B.H. Norman, (Vice-Chairman), Messrs Bishop, Filmer, Gooding, Gower, Greenacre, Harrington, Hood, Monk, Saul, Stotesbury, Tobin, Wray and the Clerk F. Simmons.

#### Minutes

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

#### Allotments

Mr Norman called the Council's attention to the roadway at bottom of Allotments being used by Woodhams and stated that this caused a certain amount of inconvenience to some of the Allotment holders. It was decided to ask the Chairman of the Allotment Committee in enquire into this matter.

#### Baths

Mr Gower reported that the number of Bathers for the last four weeks to be 558 and the fees amounted to £4-19-10d, for the corresponding period last year the figures were 460 and £4-0-10d.

### Brook

Mr Hammond reported that Crowhurst had made a satisfactory job of the fence near the rubbish dump.

Mr Monk gave a detailed report of his and Mr Bishop's meeting with Mr W.E. Dedrick, Director of C.T. Hook & Co. Ltd with reference to purchase of a further portion of Brookland belonging to this Council. Messrs C.T. Hook & Co. Ltd made the Council a definite offer of £225 for about 7 ½ acres, the purchasers paying all legal charges in connection with same. Mr Monk suggested this a very fair and reasonable offer and asked the members to accept. Mr Bishop supported the proposal stating this would be a great benefit to the Parish of Snodland. Mr Monk proposed the offer of Messrs C.T. Hook & Co. Ltd be accepted subject to the necessary permission being obtained, and that a special Parish Meeting be called to confirm the Council's action. Sec'd by Mr Bishop. Carried unanimously.

### Cemetery

Mr Gower reported on the meeting held at the Cemetery on Saturday October 30<sup>th</sup> with reference to blocked drains. The Caretaker had now cleared this and everything was in order.

### Plans & Inscriptions

Mr Gower submitted the following plans of memorials and moved they be approved by the Council. Headstone & Kerb with Inscription to Grave No. 1391, Kerb with Inscription to Grave No. 292, Headstone & Kerb with Inscription to Grave No. 1397. Sec'd by Mr Norman.

Requisition was put forward for 2 casts 48 flower pots and 2 casts 60 flower pots. The Clerk was instructed to purchase, also Clerk's action in purchasing 4 sheets of glass for Greenhouse was approved.

The Sill on west side of Greenhouse was reported to be in a bad state. Mr Harrington proposed that prices be obtained for renewing from Draycon, May & brattle. Sec'd by Mr Filmer.

It was suggested the Chairman of the cemetery Committee and Clerk should meet contractors on site and point out what is required.

Mr Gower proposed that the usual procedure be adopted for extra supply of Coal at Cemetery as in former years. Sec'd by Mr Saul.

Mr Harrington called attention to the very unsatisfactory state of the Ladies Lavatory at Cemetery. Mr Gower proposed that this matter be dealt with by the Cemetery Committee. Sec'd by Mr Monk

### Cemetery Extension

A letter was read from the associated Portland Cement Manufactures with reference to land for extension purposes. After discussion at some length Mr. Monk proposed that this matter be deferred and dealt with at next months meeting. Sec'd by Mr. Saul. Agreed.

## Finance

Mr Norman submitted the Financial Statement and it was resolved to draw Cheques to pay the following accounts. Sec'd by Mr. Saul.

### General Account

Blackman Mrs.	Brook Gatekeeper.	3.	0.	0.
Nat. Local Gov' Insurance	Clerk's Premium		3.	0.
Knocker A. C.	Register		2.	9.
Post Office	Stamping Cheque Book		16.	8.

### Cemetery Account

Evenden. J.	Caretakers Wages	11.	13.	8.
"	4. N.H.I.A. Stamps		12.	8.
Lavender. S.	Apprentice	3.	0.	0.
Malling R.D. Council	Rates	2.	6.	6.

### Lighting account

Malling R.D. Council	Rates Fire Station	3.	2.	0.
"	" Cottage	2.	16.	10.
Beadle F.C.	Maroons	2.	5.	0.

### Baths account

Judges A.	Caretakers Wages	7.	3.	4.
"	4. N.H.I.A. Stamps		6.	4.
Malling R.D. Council	Rate	7.	15.	0.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Coke	2.	1.	8.
		<u>£47.</u>	<u>5.</u>	<u>5.</u>

Cheque for Wages £25.

## Fire Brigade

Mr Norman said the report of the meeting held on November 8<sup>th</sup> which recommended this Council to purchase 2 Uniforms for Firemen and have 2 Tunics repaired by Mr Austin, Bull Field, he also stated the Mid Kent Water Co.'s reply reference pressure at Fire, Woodlands farm was explained. The Chief Officer said he thought an agreement was in existence with the Water Co re' pressure in case of Fire. Mr Norman proposed that 3 Tunics @ 40/-, 3 pairs of Trousers @ 16/9, and 3 Caps @ 6/6 be purchased. Sec'd by Mr Greenacre and carried.

## Lighting

Mr Harrington proposed that a No. 7291 3ft No. 1 square pattern "Windsor Lamp complete on top of Column price £9-2-0d, be erected in Oxford Street. Sec'd by Mr Norman.

## Recreation Ground

Mr Stotesbury reported he had obtained several young trees for planting and hoped the inhabitants would help protect these from damage.

## Correspondence

1. Letter from A.P.C. Mftrs re:- Land Extension Cemetery.

2. " " " " " " " " "

3. “ Messrs C.T. Hook & Co. Ltd re:- Proposed Sale of Brookland.
4. “ Mid Kent Gas Co re:- Overpayment.
5. “ “ “ “ “ New Lamp.
6. “ Mid Kent water Co. giving analysis of Water.
7. “ Kent County Council re:- Level Crossing.
8. “ Malling R.D. Council Surveyor re:- Stream Bramley Road.
9. “ “ “ “ “ Clerk re:- District Planning Scheme.
10. “ “ “ “ “ “ re:- Scavenging Contract
11. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “
12. “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “ “
13. “ “ “ “ “ “ re:- Cesspools. The Groves.
14. “ “ “ “ “ “ re:- Land owned by P.C.
15. “ Coronation Planning Committee re:- Fees.

#### Footpath

Mr. Stotesbury called attention to the dangerous state of footpath near bridge in Allotments and moved that the matter be again taken up. Sec'd by Mr Greenacre.

#### Cesspools the Groves

Mr Harrington proposed that another letter be sent to Malling R.D. Council asking what could be done for the inhabitants in neighbourhood of Groves as regards the emptying of Cesspools until such a time as this area might be connected with a main Sewer. Sec'd by Mr Wray.

#### Refuse Dump

Mr Monk proposed that the Malling R.D. Council be approached and suggested a payment of £10 per annum be made to Snodland Parish Council for the use of Refuse Dump where the Scavenging is done there direct from 1<sup>st</sup> January next. Sec'd By Mr. Wray and carried.

#### Belisha Crossing

Mr Norman proposed that application be made to the authorities for a Belisha Crossing at Holborough. Sec'd by Mr. Monk.  
It was stated that this is a dangerous road and much traffic here.

Mr Saul called the Council's attention to the dangerous practise of a lorry owner standing a heavy vehicle with 2 wheels on the footpath in May Street. It caused damage to Kerb and was also an un-necessary obstruction.



Mr Monk proposed that a letter be sent from the Council asking the owner to discontinue the practise otherwise the matter would be reported. Sec'd by Mr Norman.

This being the last monthly meeting of the Council before Christmas the Chairman thanked the Members for their attendance and attention to business and extended to them seasonable greetings which were reciprocated.

B.H. Norman  
28<sup>th</sup> December 1937.

Meeting of the Council  
Held in the Devonshire Rooms on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> December 1937  
At 7.30pm.

Present, Mr. B.G. Norman presided and there were also present Messrs Filmer, freeman, Gooding, Gower, Greenacre, Harrington, Hood, Monk, Saul, Tobin, Wray and the Clerk F. Simmons.

Apologies for non attendance were received from the Chairman, Mr. J.J. Hammond and also Mr. Stotesbury.

Minutes

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

Baths

Mr Gower reported that the number of Bathers for the last five weeks to be 605 and the fees amounted to £5-7-11d, for the corresponding period last year the figures were 464 and £4-1-9d.

Cemetery

Mr Gower proposed that the following Plans & Inscriptions be approved by the Council. Headstone & Kerb with inscription to Grave No. 846. Headstone & Kerb with inscription to Grave No. 1098. Sec'd by Mr Hood and carried.

The Chairman of Committee reported that the Mowing Machine required general overhaul. Mr Freeman proposed the Clerk get this attended to. Sec'd by Mr Hood.

Finance

The Financial Statement was presented by Mr Greenacre who proposed Cheques be drawn as follows. Sec'd by Mr Harrington.

General Account

Penny Mrs	Preparing Room	10.	0.
Smith. R.	Hire of Room	4.	7. 6.
Royal Ins' Co.	3 <sup>rd</sup> Party Insurance. Brook.	1.	17. 6.
"	Fire Insurance Institute	1.	17. 6.
Crowhurst D.	Repairs to Fence. Brook	15.	0.
Draycon H.R.	Repairs to Institute	27.	14. 0.
Com' Inland Revenue	Tax. Brook	4.	0. 0.

“	“	Birling Lands	4.	2.	6.
“	“	Slough Field	3.	10.	0.
“	“	Shorne Hill Field	2.	12.	6.
Public Works Loan Board	Loan & Interest		6.	2.	1.
“	“	“	7.	3.	6.
Clerk	¼ Salary		17.	10.	0.
<u>Cemetery Account</u>					
Evenden. J.	Caretakers Wages		14.	12.	1.
“	5. N.H.I.A. Stamps		15.	10.	
Lavender. S.	Apprentice		3.	15.	0.
Royal Ins' Co.	Fire Insurance		19.	9.	
Draycon H.R.	Repairs		1.	13.	7.
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Coke		1.	0.	10.
Haynes Bros'	Hose		1.	3.	9.
Russell G.H.	Overalls		12.	0.	
Crowhurst D.	Firewood		6.	0.	
Com' Inland Revenue	Tax		1.	17.	6.
<u>Lighting Account</u>					
Mid Kent Gas Co.	Street Lighting		124.	18.	8.
“	All Night Lamps		11.	7.	11.
“	Bull Corner Lamp		3.	15.	0.
Crowhurst D.	Firewood		3.	0.	
Uniforms Clothing Co'	Firemen's Uniform		9.	10.	9.
Com' Inland Revenue	Tax. Fire Station		3.	15.	0.
“	“ House		1.	5.	9.
<u>Baths Account</u>					
Judges. A.	Caretakers Wages		7.	3.	4.
“	5. N.H.I.A. Stamps		7.	11.	
Mid Kent Gas Co	Coke		3.	2.	6.
Com' Inland Revenue	Tax		7.	10.	0.
			<u>£281. 18. 3.</u>		

Cheque for Wages £30.

#### Lighting

The new Lamp in Oxford Street was reported to be a great improvement.

#### Correspondence

1. Letter from T.H. Gower re:- Lorry on Footpath.
2. “ Malling R.D. Council re:- Cesspools at the Groves.
3. “ “ “ “ “ re:- Scavenging
4. “ “ “ “ “ re:- Footbridge to Allotments.
5. “ Kent County Council re:- Pedestrian Crossing Holborough.
6. “ Uniform Clothing Co. re:- Firemen's Uniforms.
7. “ Mid Kent Gas Co. re:- New Lamp Oxford Street.

8. “ Birling Parish Council re:- Air Raid Precautions.
9. “ Mid Kent Water Co. giving analysis of water.
10. “ Working Men’s Club re:- Fire Billiards Room.
11. “ Royal Insurance Co re:- Claim under Policy No. 17090839.

The Clerk reported that the fire at Working Men’s Club & Institute, and stated that the Builders estimate to make good amounted to £5-4-8d. This had been submitted to the Royal Insurance Co.

#### Scavenging

It was agreed to write to Malling R.D. Council stating that the Snodland Parish Council were prepared to let them have the present Refuse Tip for Scavenging purposes free of charges, conditionally that only the refuse from the Parish of Snodland was deposited here. This was proposed by Mr Monk and sec’d by Mr Greenacre.

#### Land for Cemetery Extension

The question was discussed at some length. Mr Gower proposed that this matter be deferred for six months and the whole position reviewed at our meeting in July next. Sec’d by Mr Gooding.

Mr Monk moved as an amendment that the District Valuer be asked to value on behalf of the Parish Council and advise us his idea. Sec’d by Mr Wray.

Voting Mr. Monk’s Amendment (7)  
“ Mr Gower’s Proposition (4).

The Chairman declared the amendment carried.

#### Path in High Street.

Mr. Wray proposed that a letter be sent to the Kent County Council Surveyor, complaining of the rough way the path way was left at the entrance to the New Jerusalem Church. Sec’d by Mr. Saul.

J.J. Hammond  
Chairman  
25<sup>th</sup> January 1938.