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FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

Annual Meeting of the Council held in the Council Chamber, Town Hall, N.11.

15th April, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. C. A. Sparks ... Chairman

Cr. A. Richardson ... Vice-Chairman

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Simmonds and Tarlton.

1. PRAYERS. The Rev. H. E. McLeod, the Rector of Friern Barnet opened the Meeting with Prayers.

2. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Mason.

3. URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL ELECTIONS 1948. The Clerk submitted the result of the Elections held on 7th April, 1948, and reported that the newly elected Councillors had made their Declarations of Acceptance of Office.

4. VOTE OF THANKS TO CHAIRMAN. On the motion of Cr. Pickering, seconded by Cr. Henry, it was unanimously resolved that the thanks of the Council be accorded to Cr. Sparks for his services to the District during his term of office as Chairman of the Council.

5. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN. On the motion of Cr. Richardson, seconded by Cr. Henry, it was resolved that Cr. C. F. Simmonds be elected Chairman of the Council. Cr. Simmonds expressed thanks for his election, and duly made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office as Chairman.

Cr. Sparks here vacated the Chair in favour of Cr. Simmonds.

Cr. Simmonds ... Chairman

6. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN. On the motion of Cr. Sparks, seconded by Cr. Foley, it was resolved that Cr. A. Richardson be re-appointed Vice-Chairman of the Council.

Cr. Richardson expressed thanks to the Council for his re-appointment.

7. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 1st April, 1948, were submitted, approved, and signed by the Chairman.

8. LIST OF ATTENDANCES 1947/48. The Clerk submitted a list of attendances of the Members at Council and Committee Meetings during the past year.

9. COMMITTEES. On the motion of Cr. Simmonds, seconded by Cr. Richardson, it was resolved that the following Committees be appointed to consist of the Councillors, and other persons, whose names are given against each Committee :-

(a)	Public Health	Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards and Tarlton.
(b)	Highways and Public Works	Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell and Tarlton.

(c) Allotments	Crs. Draper, Martin, Pickering, Richardson, Simmonds and Tarlton. Messrs. Harris, Harman, and Ovenden (representing the North, Central and South Allotment Associations respectively).
(d) Parks	Crs. Draper, McClane, Mrs. McCarthy, Mason, Matthews, Pickering, Richardson and Tarlton.
(e) Entertainments	Crs. Draper, McClane, Mrs. McCarthy, Mason, Matthews, Pickering, Richardson and Tarlton.
(f) Rating and Valuation	Crs. Henry, Martin, McClane, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards and Sparks.
(g) Housing	All Members of the Council.
(h) Housing Lettings	Crs. Draper, Henry, Martin, Mrs.McCarthy, McClane, Pickering, Sparks and Tarlton.
(i) Town Planning	Crs. Draper, McClane, Martin, Matthews, Pickering, Miss Richards, Sparks and Tarlton.
(j) Joint Staff (Officers and Staff)	Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson and Simmonds. Miss Martin, Mrs. Manning, and Messrs. Duller, Herrington, Howe, Kingston, Matthews and Wilson.
(k) Joint Staff (Manual Workers)	Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson, and Simmonds, and Messrs. Bryce, Clarkson, Flamson, Jackson, Lowen, Mitchell, Penn and Richardson.
(l) Establishment	Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson and Simmonds.
(m) Finance	Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Sparks and Tarlton.
(n) General Purposes	All Members of the Council.
(o) Public Buildings Lettings	Crs. Draper, McClane, Martin, Matthews and Sparks.

The Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council are ex-officio members of all Committees to which they are not specifically appointed.

10. CHAIRMAN AND VICE-CHAIRMAN OF EACH COMMITTEE. Chairman and Vice-Chairman of each of the under-mentioned Committees were appointed as follows :-

Committee	Chairman	Vice-Chairman
Public Health.	Cr. Henry	Cr. Tarlton
Highways and Public Works.	" Foley	" Meynell
Allotments.	" Tarlton	-
Parks.	" Richardson	" McClane

Committee	Chairman	Vice-Chairman
Entertainments.	Cr. Richardson	Cr. McClane
Rating and Valuation.	" Meynell	" McClane
Housing.	" Pickering	" Draper
Housing Lettings.	" Pickering	" Draper
Town Planning.	" McClane	" Pickering
Establishment.	" Simmonds	" Richardson
Finance.	" Matthews	" Meynell
General Purposes.	" Simmonds	" Richardson
Public Buildings Lettings	" Draper	" McClane

11. DATES AND TIMES OF COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS. On the motion of Cr. Simmonds, seconded by Cr. Richardson, it was resolved that during the ensuing year Meetings of the Council and Committees commence at the times indicated hereunder, and be held on the days stated during each month, subject to slight variation in dates where necessary. A list of dates and times of Meetings is appended.

First Tuesday in the month	Allotments	7.15 p.m.
	Parks	7.45 p.m.
First Thursday " " "	Public Health ...	6.30 p.m.
	Highways	7.15 p.m.
Second Thursday" " "	Rating and Valuation	6.30 p.m.
	Town Planning ...	6.45 p.m.
	Housing	7.00 p.m.
Third Tuesday " " "	Joint Staff (Officers & Staff)..	6.30 p.m.
	(Manual Workers) ...	6.45 p.m.
	Establishment	7.00 p.m.
Third Thursday " " "	Buildings Lettings ...	6.15 p.m.
	Finance	6.30 p.m.
	General Purposes ...	6.50 p.m.
Last Thursday " " "	Council Meeting ...	7.00 p.m.

12. OLD AGE PENSIONS COMMITTEE. On the motion of Cr. Simmonds, seconded by Cr. Richardson, it was resolved that Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Martin, Matthews, Richardson, Sparks and Tarlton be appointed to serve on the Old Age Pensions Committee for the ensuing year.

13. EDUCATION ACT, 1944 - DISTRICT SUB-COMMITTEE. On the motion of Cr. Draper, seconded by Cr. Meynell, it was resolved that the following Members be appointed as this Council's representatives on the District Sub-Committee for the ensuing year :- Crs. Foley, Mason, Pickering, Richardson, Simmonds and Sparks.

14. REPRESENTATIVES ON JOINT AUTHORITIES ETC. It was resolved that representatives be appointed as follows for the period of one year, or as otherwise stated :-

(a) Finchley and Friern Barnet Citizens' Advice and Social Service Guild.
Cr. McClane - No specific period of office.

(b) Friern Barnet Road Safety Committee.
Crs. Draper, Foley, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Simmonds and Tarlton.

(c) Lawrence Campe's Almshouses.
Cr. Henry - One year to fill vacancy.

(d) Local Library Committee.
Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, McClane and Tarlton.

(e) London Council of the Royal Society for the prevention of Accidents.
Cr. Foley, and the Engineer and Surveyor.

(f) Middlesex Borough and Urban District Councils' Association Executive Committee.
Cr. Richardson and the Clerk of the Council.

(g) Middlesex Local Authorities Superannuation Joint Committee.
Cr. Richardson - three years to 31st March, 1951.

(h) Middlesex County Council Traffic Sub-Committee.
Cr. Meynell.

(i) Ministry of Labour and National Service Local Employment Committee.
Cr. Sparks - no specific period of office.

(j) North Middlesex Assessment Committee.
Cr. Foley.

(k) North Middlesex and South East Hertfordshire Joint Planning Committee.
Cr. McClane - to fill casual vacancy to 30th November, 1948.

(l) New Southgate Recreation Ground Joint Committee.
Crs. Draper, Richardson and Tarlton. (There were four nominations for the appointment of three representatives, the voting being as follows :-

For	Cr. Draper ...	12
"	Cr. Miss Richards	3
"	Cr. Richardson..	10
"	Cr. Tarlton ...	9

(m) Provincial Joint Industrial Council.
Cr. Pickering with Cr. Matthews as Deputy - Three years to March 1951.

(n) Wood Green and Southgate Hospital.
Cr. Henry.

15. ACCOUNTS. It was resolved on the motion of Cr. Matthews, seconded by Cr. Meynell that the Council authorise and order Barclays Bank Limited to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed on Pages 5 and 6 of the Treasurer's Order, amounting to the sum of £15,372.4.9d.

Chairman

NOTE: At the conclusion of the above Meeting the Members present informally dealt with two matters as follows :-

16. YEAR BOOK 1948/49. With reference to Minute No. 25 of the General Purposes Committee on the 18th March, 1948, the Clerk submitted the quotations received for the printing of the Council Year Book incorporating a Diary, and alternative quotations to include the insertion of Council and Committee Meetings therein.

It was decided that subject to the Burlington Press giving an undertaking in writing that they comply with the Clause in the Council's Standing Orders with respect to Contracts relating to Fair Wages and Conditions, their quotation for the supply of 100 copies of the Year Book only, in the sum of £33.17.6d be accepted.

In the event of the undertaking not being received, or being unsatisfactory, it was decided that the next lowest tender be accepted.

17. APPLICATION FOR USE OF BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND FOR MAY DAY FESTIVITIES. An application was submitted for the use of Bethune Recreation Ground on Saturday the 1st May, 1948, for the purpose of arranging festivities for children.

It was decided to refer the matter to the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council for action.

SUGGESTED DATES AND TIMES FOR COUNCIL AND COMMITTEE MEETINGS 1948/49

Month	Allotments 7.15 Parks 7.45	Public Health 6.30 Highways 7.15	Entertainments.	Rating and Valuation 6.30 Town Planning 6.45 Housing 7.00	Housing Lettings	Joint Staff (Officers & Staff) 6.30 (Manual Workers) 6.45 Establishment 7.00	Buildings Lettings 6.15 Finance 6.30 General Purposes 6.50	Council 7.00
1948.	First Tuesday	First Thursday		Second Thursday		Third Tuesday	Third Thursday	Last Thursday
May	4	6		13		18	20	27
June.	1	3	As and	10	As and	15	17	24
July.	6	1	when	8	when	20	15	29
Aug.	-	-	required	-	required	-	-	-
Sept.	7	9 (Second Thursday)		16		21	23	30
Oct.	5	7		14		19	21	28
Nov.	2	4		11		16	18	25
Dec.	7	2		9		21	16	30
1949								
Jan.	4	6		13		18	20	27
Feb.	1	3		10		15	17	24
Mar.	1	3		10		15	17	24
Apl.	5	7		14		19	21	28

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

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No. 5

To BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED,
233, WOODHOUSE ROAD, FRIERN BARNET, N.12.

PURSUANT to a Resolution adopted this 15TH day of APRIL 1948
WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 5 to 6 of this Order, amounting to the sum of ----------FIFTEEN THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY TWO---------- pounds ---FOUR--- shillings and ---------NINE--------- pence, ~~also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of ..... pounds and in any one week a maximum of ..... pounds signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.~~

..... *Chairman.*

..... } *Members of the Council.*

Countersigned :

..... *Clerk of the Council.*

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S. & S. LTD. G61924

Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
6	EMERGENCY IMPREST ACCOUNT.--	722 9 6
7	ASSOCIATED ASPHALTE CO LTD.--	963 13 6
8	ATLAS STONE CO LTD.--	66 - -
9	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	40 19 7
10	J.H.BEATTIE & CO LTD.--	25 8 8
11	A.W.J.BRYCE.--	4 11 10
12	H.C.BUDDINGTON.--	7 4 2
13	J.A.CABLE & CO LTD.--	21 17 5
14	CARBIC LTD.--	2 12 9
15	COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE.--	228 - -
16	E.COWING & SON LTD.--	2 13 -
17	W.CREIGHTON & CO LTD.--	172 5 2
18	CULLEN'S STORES LTD.--	69 12 -
19	CONGATE OFFICE EQUIPMENT CO.--	32 4 8
20	FALKIRK IRON CO LTD.--	22 18 6
21	FINCHLEY & FRIERN BARNET CITIZENS ADVICE & SOCIAL SERVICE GUILD.--	75 - -
22	G.T.FLETCHER.--	40 9 4
23	GOODMAN BROS (BUTCHERS) LTD.--	42 - 4
24	WILLIAM GREASBY & CO LTD.--	115 1 6
25	HALES CLINKERS LTD.--	48 2 6
26	J.HENDON & SONS.--	1 15 8
27	H.W.HERMANS.--	30 3 1
28	FRED.HODGE LTD.--	49 12 5
29	F.HORNE.--	18 19 1
30	HOSPITAL SAVING ASSOCIATION.--	4 17 4
31	V.A.HUMARD LTD.--	1,106 7 2
32	C.J.HUNT & CO LTD.--	19 16 1
33	W.JACKAMAN.--	33 12 4
34	E.JOHNSON.--	30 - -
35	C.KIRK & SONS LTD.--	10 9 6
36	LEA VALLEY DEMOLITION & EXCAVATION CO LTD.--	99 8 -
37	LEYLAND PAINT & VARNISH CO LTD.--	48 1 4
38	T.C.LLOYD.--	21 - -
39	MARSHALL.--	18 - 1
40	J.MARSHALL.--	24 - -
41	H.MATTHEWS.--	- 7 -



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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment		
42	N.McLEOD LTD.--	1	-	-
43	McMANUS LTD.--	7,125	-	-
44	McNABB PROPERTIES LTD.--	35	-	-
45	L.MEEARS.--	9	16	4
46	J.FENTON-MILNE.--	-	19	6
47	NEWTON CHAMBERS & CO LTD.--	48	15	-
48	WM.PAGE & CO LTD.--	2	10	10
49	THOS.PARSONS & SONS LTD.--	20	9	6
50	R.PERRIOR.--	13	5	11
51	A.PITT.--	14	2	7
52	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	26	2	4
53	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	11	10	-
54	R.N.POWE & REVELL LTD.--	880	-	-
55	PRUDENTIAL ASSURANCE CO LTD.--	155	-	8
56	J.G.CONSTRUCTION LTD.--	192	15	8
57	PRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.--	35	14	-
58	RESMAT SALES LTD.--	38	7	5
59	ROYAL LIVER FRIENDLY SOC.--	492	2	8
60	A.F.SMITH.--	22	10	-
61	K.R.SMITH.--	27	18	-
62	THOMAS SMITH & SON LTD.--	6	6	-
63	ST.ALBANS SAND & GRAVEL CO LTD.--	17	10	-
64	P.J.STEPHENS.--	35	3	5
65	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	1,190	3	11
66	M.KING.--	23	5	1
67	V.GEORGE.--	20	15	4
68	N.E.JANES.--	15	13	7
69	P.BROUGHTON.--	10	3	9
70	H.FANCETT.--	20	14	2
71	K.R.SMITH.--	49	9	10
72	F.H.GENTLE.--	33	11	6
73	I.A.HAYWARD.--	26	5	10
74	C.S.WALKER.--	19	5	6
75	D.F.BARKER.--	24	-	8
76	C.TAYLOR.--	25	9	8
77	H.W.HERMANS.--	32	9	2
78	H.PHILLIPS.--	27	12	8
79	J.F.WARD.--	25	10	8
80	N.HASKELL.--	11	18	4
81	E.I.MARTIN.--	26	11	9
82	R.J.GANN.--	20	19	9
83	L.MANNING.--	28	7	-
84	I.TIBBENHAM.--	19	2	-
85	I.CODRAI.--	18	15	-
86	W.J.CLARKE.--	14	17	11
87	H.W.CRISP.--	9	14	1
88	A.C.BRUMWELL.--	8	-	-
89	C.TAYLOR.--	30	17	11
90	TEUTEN & CO LTD.--	2	3	11
91	TOOMEY & MARSHALL.--	25	1	1
92	TWICKENHAM GRAVEL CO LTD.--	73	6	8
93	F.WOODING & SON.--	43	1	8
94	A.C.WOODROW & CO.--	63	3	-
		15,372	4	9

Report and Recommendations of the Allotments Committee.

4th May, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. M. R. Tarlton ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Martin, Pickering, Richardson and Simmonds.
Messrs. Harris, Harman and Ovenden representing the North, Central and South Allotment Holders' Associations respectively.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Foley, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mason, Matthews, Meynell and Miss Richards.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 8th March, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. SCHEME FOR THE AWARD OF CERTIFICATES OF MERIT, 1948.
With reference to Minute No.2 of this Committee on the 8th March, 1948, particulars of the Scheme has been supplied to the respective Allotment Associations, and their observations invited.

The Associations' Representatives stated that the matter had received due consideration but it was felt that there was insufficient interest to justify the work involved in the organisation of such a Scheme and it had therefore been decided to take no action in the matter.

3. NORTH ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION LIMITED.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 18 applications outstanding for permanent plots and no vacancies, and no applications for the 8 uncultivatable plots on the Buckingham Avenue site.

(b) Fence - Boundary to Parkwood Flats. With reference to Minute No. 3 (c) of this Committee of 8th March, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had communicated with the owner of Parkwood Flats with a view to the fence in question being repaired and maintained in a sound condition but no reply had been received from the owner. It is estimated that the cost of repairing the fence with Chestnut fencing would amount to £15.

The Committee have requested the Clerk to investigate the question of the liability as to the maintenance of the fence in question and to submit a report thereon to the next Meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

(c) Water Supply. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that provision had been made in the estimates of expenditure for the current year for the expenditure of £15 for extending the water supply a distance of approximately 150 ft. The Association's representative reported that the extension of the water supply was considered to be necessary and would reduce the wastage of water caused mainly by children, having regard to its location near the entrance to the site.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for this work to be carried out as soon as possible.

(d) Provision of Gate to East Crescent. With reference to Minute No. 3 (c) of this Committee on 8th December, 1947, the Engineer

and Surveyor reported that the gate to be provided in the fence line in East Crescent, had now been constructed and it was hoped that it would be erected within the next few days.

(e) Denham Road Boundary. With reference to Minute No.3 (c) (ii) of this Committee on the 13th October, 1947, the Engineer and Surveyor referred to the fact that provision had been made in the estimates of expenditure for the current year for fencing repairs to the boundary of the allotments fronting Denham Road, to the extent of £40 and the Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for this work to be carried out as soon as possible.

(f) Glebe Field Allotments - Request for fencing. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that a communication from Mr. T. C. Buck and signed by four other allotment holders on this site, had been received, requesting that a fence be provided at the northern boundary of the allotments adjoining Queens Avenue, and that necessary repairs be effected to the gate in the fence on the western side. The cost of carrying out this work would amount to approximately £25.

The Committee recommend that the request be forwarded to the Association to whom requests from individual allotment holders should in the first instance be sent.

(g) Bookbinders' Cottage Homes - Trepass. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that a letter had been received from the Secretary of the Bookbinders' Cottage Homes, complaining of trepass through the grounds of the homes by means of gaining access through the adjoining allotments.

The Committee have referred the matter to the Association's representative with a view to his investigating the position with the Secretary of the Bookbinders' Cottage Homes and to report upon his negotiations to the next Meeting of the Committee.

4. CENTRAL ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION LIMITED.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have between 25 and 30 applications outstanding for plots.

(b) Possible use of Western Section for Controlled Tipping.

(i) Observations of Association. With reference to Minute No. 4 (b) of this Committee on the 8th March, 1948, the Committee considered a letter dated 12th April, 1948, from the Association, enclosing their observations, which were strongly against any suggestion to use the area for Controlled Tipping. A copy of the observations had been supplied to each Member of the Committee.

The Committee desired to place on record, their appreciation for the report submitted by the Association and recommend that the allotment holders in the area in question be not disturbed for the purpose of utilising the land for controlled tipping.

(ii) Objection from Resident. A letter dated 19th April, 1948, was submitted from the Ministry of Health, enclosing a copy of a letter from Mr. J. T. Joy of 20, Crescent Road, objecting to any proposals which might be made to use the site for controlled tipping, owing to the possibility of flooding.

Having regard to the recommendation contained in the preceding Minute, no action in this respect is necessary and the Committee recommend that the Ministry of Health be informed accordingly.

(c) Fencing.

(i) Eastern Section. With reference to Minute No. 4 (c) (i) of this Committee of the 8th March, 1948, the Engineer and

Surveyor reported that the fencing work to the temporary allotments at the junction of The Crescent and T.P. Road 6 had now been carried out together with other repairs to the boundary fences.

The Association's representative reported that an opening still remained in the fence line where the approach road had been constructed during the operation of controlled tipping in this area and the Engineer and Surveyor was instructed to inspect the site and to effect such repairs to the fence as may be necessary.

(ii) Chain Link Fence - Permanent Site. With reference to Minute No. 4 (c) (ii) of this Committee of the 8th March, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that to complete the chain link fence of the Northern boundary of these allotments, involving a length of approximately 65 yards, would cost approximately £50.

Owing to the fact that the period of delivery of chain link fencing was, at the present time, approximately 9 months from the date of placing the order, temporary repairs had been effected with chestnut fencing. The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Engineer and Surveyor be approved and confirmed and that he be authorised to place an order for the required quantity of chain link fencing forthwith.

(iii) Friary Park Temporary Allotments. With reference to Minute No. 4 (c) (iii) of this Committee of the 8th March, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the necessary repairs had been effected to the boundary fencing on this site.

(d) Water Supply. With reference to Minute No. 4 (d) of this Committee of the 8th March, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the requirements of the Association in this direction were for the extension of the existing water supply for approximately 200 yards and the provision of two additional water points. It is estimated that the cost of this work would amount to £60 and provision for this amount had been made in the estimates for the current year although it is understood that the Association have in their possession a length of the necessary piping which, if found to be suitable, would result in a reduction of the cost.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the work to be carried out on the lines now indicated.

(e) Roads - Eastern Section - Reconstruction. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that owing to urgent work of higher priority at the present time, it had not been possible to carry out any work to the roads on this section of the site, but it was anticipated that a commencement might be made during June, subject to further unforeseen work not arising.

5. HALLIWICK PARK ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 5 outstanding applications for plots but no vacancies.

(b) Construction of Roads. With reference to Minute No. 6 (a) of this Committee of the 8th December, 1947, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that it had not been possible to carry out any work on the construction of roads but it was anticipated that this work might be put in hand towards the end of May, subject to further unforeseen work not arising.

(c) Provision of Convenience. The Association's representative reported that the provision of a convenience on this site was

considered by the Association to be most necessary and desirable and the Committee have authorised the Engineer and Surveyor to expend up to £10 on the provision of a suitable structure for this purpose.

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Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.15 p.m. and terminated at 7.55 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Parks Committee

4th May, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mason, Matthews, Pickering, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance: Crs. Foley, Meynell and Miss Richards.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 8th March, 1948 were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. SUMMER ENTERTAINMENTS.
SUMMER SHOW.

The reports of Meetings of the Entertainments Committee held on the 9th March and 27th April, 1948, and the report of the Summer Show Sub-Committee held on 15th March, 1948, were received, and the Committee recommend that these reports be adopted.

3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1948. Copies of the above Act have been forwarded to all Members of the Council, together with a report by the Clerk in connection with Section 132 which gives Local Authorities wide powers in connection with the organisation of entertainments.

4. SPORTS LETTINGS.

(a) Lettings during Vacation. The Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman of the Committee in authorising the following applications be approved and confirmed :-

FRIARY PARK

Applicant	Requirements	Fee
Watcombe School	Games Facilities each Thursday afternoon - Summer Term (22nd April to 27th July).	Free of charge
	BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND	
182nd. London Company Boys' Brigade	Hockey Pitch area for special football match (League Final) in lieu of normal use on 24th April, 1948.	No additional charge
Baygreen Cricket Club	Practice cricket pitch 24th April, 1948.	5s. 0d.
Priory Athletic	Practice cricket pitch each Wednesday evening.	5s. 0d. on each occasion.
Northbank Sports Club	Practice cricket pitch each Thursday evening	- do -
Finchley Co-operative Youth Club	Practice cricket pitch each Friday evening (offer not yet accepted).	5s. 0d on each occasion.
Friary District Girl Guides	Hockey Pitch area for Annual Sports, 10th July, 1948.	Free of charge.
Mr. H. J. Hicks	Running Track for Boy Scout Tests - 2nd May, 1948.	Free of charge.

HALLIWICK RECREATION GROUND

Albion Rovers F. C.	Football Pitch - 28th March, 1948.	7s. 6d.
Albion F.C.	Football Pitch - 4th and 18th April, 1948.	7s.6d. on each occasion
Cromwell F.C.	Football Pitch - 14th April, 1948.	7s. 6d.
Finchley Taxes Sports Club	Football Pitch - 15th April, 1948.	7s. 6d.
Highwood Athletic Club	Football Pitch - 21st April, 1948.	7s. 6d.

(b) Bethune Recreation Ground, Hockey Pitch Area. The Committee recommend that the application of the New Southgate and Friern Barnet District Girl Guides for the use of the Hockey Pitch Area for their Annual Sports on Saturday, 19th June, be granted free of charge.

(c) Bethune Recreation Ground, Cricket Pitch. The Committee recommend that the application of the Baygreen Cricket Club for the use of the Cricket Pitch on the 25th September, 1948 be granted at the usual fee of £1 1s. 0d.

(d) Friary Park, Hard Tennis Courts. The Committee recommend that the application of Miss C. Rowell for the hire of two hard tennis courts in Friary Park on one evening per week during the months of June and July be not granted. The Committee have made it a practice not to grant applications for block bookings of these tennis courts.

(e) Bethune Recreation Ground, Hockey Pitch Area. The Friern Barnet Church Boys' Club who have the use of the hockey pitch area on Wednesdays, desire to change their booking to Fridays, and the Committee recommend that their application be granted.

(f) Bethune Recreation Ground, Cricket Pitch. An application has been received from the Wymbro Cricket Club for the use of the cricket pitch in the Bethune Recreation Ground on certain Thursday afternoons during the months of May, June, July and August. The cricket pitch in the Bethune Recreation Ground is not available on these dates, but the pitch in the Halliwick Recreation Ground is not in use that day. In view of the already extensive use of the pitch in the Halliwick Recreation Ground, the Committee regret that they are unable to grant the application of this club.

(g) Bethune and Halliwick Recreation Grounds. The Committee recommend that the application of the Middlesex Education Committee for the use of these Recreation Grounds for voluntary organised games during the summer vacation be granted free of charge.

5. PARKS GENERALLY.

(a) Parks Superintendent's Report. The Acting Parks Superintendent submitted a report on the work carried out by the Parks Staff since the last Meeting of this Committee.

(b) Street Trees. Arising out of the report of the Acting Parks Superintendent the Committee agreed to the proposal that one-half of the street trees on District roads should be pruned each year.

The Sub-Committee appointed to deal with the question of Ornamental Gardens have been asked to consider the question of planting trees in certain streets.

(c) Fencing. In order that the fencing works included in the annual estimates for Parks generally, and particularly for games areas such as tennis courts, may be carried out in the early

playing season, quotations and position regarding delivery have been obtained from leading manufacturers, but unfortunately the delivery position with every firm is very bad, all the firms requiring at least nine months for delivery where the Council carry out erection, and at least six months where the firms themselves would erect, and the firms are not prepared to guarantee these dates.

It is essential that certain sections of the existing fencing to both the grass and hard tennis courts in Friary Park should be replaced forthwith, and with the authority of the Chairman of the Committee an order has been placed for the delivery of 600 yards of second-hand heavy gauge wire netting, 10 ft. high, at a price of 50s. 0d. per yard roll. This wire netting will be dipped in bitumastic paint with a view to its preservation.

The Committee recommend that this action be approved and confirmed.

(d) Drinking Fountains. An order was placed last August for the replacement of the bowl and valve for the drinking fountain in Friary Park, and the Engineer and Surveyor has been advised recently by the firm that they still cannot promise delivery.

The existing fountain in Halliwick Recreation Ground is beyond repair, and following negotiations with the firm concerned, an order has been placed for three 'Puro' Junior fountains similar to the one installed in Friary Park with the exception that the bowl is in porcelain enamel instead of brass and the pedestal is in galvanised iron instead of chromium plated steel. Two of the three will be used for replacement of the existing fountains in Friary Park and Halliwick Recreation Ground, and it is proposed to install the third in Bethune Recreation Ground on a site to be selected near the cafe, as there are no drinking fountain facilities in this Recreation Ground.

The cost of the fountains is £11 16s. 6d. each, subject to trade discount of 20% and 5% monthly account.

The Committee recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

(e) Gift of Playground Equipment. An order for this equipment was placed in October 1947, but it is impossible to obtain any approximate date of delivery.

(f) Footpath Repairs. A sum of £480 has been included in the current year's estimates for repairs to footpaths in Friary Park, Bethune Recreation Ground and Halliwick Recreation Ground, and the Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to commence the carrying out of these works as soon as possible.

6. ORNAMENTAL GARDENS. The Committee are of the opinion that some action should be taken to improve the appearance of several vacant sites throughout the District and consider that this improvement can best be carried out by the Council laying out these sites as Ornamental Gardens.

The Committee accordingly recommend that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman of the Council, the Chairmen of the Finance, Parks and Highways Committees, and Cr. Mason, be appointed with power to select appropriate sites and to authorise necessary works up to a sum of £500.

The sites which have received the preliminary consideration of the Committee are as follows :-

Friern Barnet Road - Adjoining the County Library at junction of Ramsden Road (subject to the approval of the Middlesex County Council).

Friern Barnet Road - Junction of Kennard Road. (Enquiries will be made as to the possibility of obtaining a lease of this land.)

Friern Hospital Entrance. (Enquiries will be made of the London County Council as to whether they are prepared to carry out improvements to this site.)

Oakleigh Road North - Junction with Russell Lane.

Junction with Barfield Avenue.

Junction with Marlborough Gardens.

Junction with Miles Way and Barfield Avenue.

Oakleigh Road South - Site of Ely Place Pumping Station. (Consideration will be given to the possibility of providing children's playground apparatus on this site and a lay-out plan will be submitted.)

Colney Hatch Lane - Island site, North Circular Road. (Further investigation is being made as to the possibility of the County Council improving this site.)

Frontage to flat development, Housing Site No.5 on the back of the island footpath to the service road.

Vacant site, junction of Sydney Road. (Enquiries are being made as to the possibility of purchasing this site.)

Consideration was also given to the question of including the vacant site at the junction of Friern Barnet Road and Stanhope Road, but it was decided not to include this site in view of the fact that it is at present being used as allotments.

7. FRIARY PARK.

(a) Friary House.

(i) Conversion. The Chairman of this Committe and the Chairman of the Housing Committee recently inspected the living accommodation at Friary House, and came to the conclusion that the accommodation was too large and ill-planned for single occupation and appeared capable of alteration to give accommodation for two flats. Plans were prepared, and in view of the desire for one flat to be ready as soon as possible for the Parks Superintendent when appointed, the Engineer and Surveyor was given instructions to proceed with the necessary works of conversion, which are now in hand. It is estimated that the cost of the conversion will be in the region of £500, and it is hoped that the work will be completed during June.

A sum of £85 has been included in the estimates for the external painting of Friary House, together with an additional sum of £55 for repairs and maintenance. The Committee are of the opinion that this work should be carried out in conjunction with the conversion, whilst the scaffolding is erected, and therefore recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to proceed with these repairs and the painting.

(ii) Clock. Owing to the difficulty of carrying out adjustments or repairs to the electric clock on the gable to Friary House, authority has been given for it to be refixed immediately over the entrance, and the Committee recommend that this action be approved and confirmed.

(b) Greenhouses and Pavilions. An item of £60 was included in the estimates for repairs and external painting to greenhouses, and this work is now proceeding.

A sum of £25 was included in the estimates for painting two tennis huts, and this work is also in hand.

(c) Playground Equipment. This equipment has been redecorated in various colours, and the whole of the area enclosed with chestnut fencing and seats provided for parents within the enclosure.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to move this fencing back to enlarge the enclosure, and at the same time to endeavour to improve its appearance.

(d) Park Fencing. The Committe considered the question of completely removing the existing fencing around the boundary of the Park, but after giving the matter very careful thought, decided to retain the fencing for the time being.

Instructions have been given for enquiries to be made from other authorities who have removed fencing from public parks and recreation grounds, and the matter will then be considered further. In the meantime the Engineer and Surveyor was instructed to carry out the urgent repairs to the exisitng fence as provided for in the annual estimates.

(e) Rough-Cut Mowing Machine. The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to purchase a rough-cut mowing machine for use on certain odd sites in Friary Park where it is not practicable to use a gang mower or a motor mower, at a cost of £7 12s. 9d.

8. BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND.

(a) 9-Hole Golf Course.

(i) Maintenance. A report was submitted as to the work carried out to the 9-hole Golf Course since the last Meeting of the Committee.

(ii) Receipts. Receipts for the months of March and April 1948 were £69 7s. 9d. and £109 16s. 0d., respectively, as compared with £3 10s. 6d. and £73 0s. 6d. for the months of March and April 1947. The total receipts for the year 1947/48 were £1,072 18s. 9d., as compared with £687 10s. 0d. for the year 1946/47.

(b) Service Hut. An item of £20 was included in the annual estimates for decoration to this hut, and in order that advantage may be gained for the playing season, this work has been carried out.

(c) Area of Recreation Ground fronting Pavilion. An item of £400 has been included in the annual estimates for the provision of top spit for this site which it is proposed ultimately to develop as tennis courts. The Chairman of this Committee considered that this work should be carried out as early as possible, and it is now in progress. A bulldozer has been engaged for the levelling and top spitting, and it has been possible to obtain delivery of some 1,500 cubic yards of clay free of charge, but in addition it has been necessary to obtain 650 yards of clinker to top off the areas where the clay has been used.

Considerable difficulty has been experienced in obtaining the necessary amount of top spit, and 800 to 900 cubic yards will be required, the majority of which has been purchased from various sources at prices from 5s.0d. to 6s.0d. per cubic yard, and some has also been obtained from the surplus soil dump on Housing Site No. 5 where an excavator has been employed to load lorries.

The soil so obtained is being used for this area and on the restoration of the completed section of the controlled tip fronting Lily Villas and the completion of the football pitch.

On completion of the top spit the area will be seeded so that it can be used during the coming summer.

The Committee recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

(d) Football Pitch. As soon as the work of levelling off the top spit on the site of the tennis courts is completed, it is proposed to proceed with the top spit of the football pitch. The area already completed has been fairly well consolidated and portions are being seeded, and the area will be open for use as soon as possible.

(e) Catering. The new caterer has taken occupation of the cafe building, but before he took up occupation a re-arrangement of accommodation was made between his user and the use of a portion of the building by the Parks Staff. Certain external decorations have been carried out and a certain amount of material has been issued to the caterer for distempering and painting portions of the interior. Arrangements have also been made for the fixing of curtains, the Council to pay for curtains to those windows which are not part of the caterer's accommodation.

The Chairman of this Committee authorised the provision of a dwarf wall with border surround to the building, and this is being planted with shrubs and bedding plants and should materially improve the exterior appearance of the building and surrounds.

The Committee recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

9. HALLIWICK RECREATION GROUND.

(a) Pavilion. A sum of £20 was included in the current year's estimates for the decoration of the Pavilion, and this work is now in hand.

(b) Playground Equipment. Repairs have now been effected to the playground equipment, and the Ocean Wave and the Rocking Horse have been re-sited. This equipment is being painted in colours similar to that in Friary Park.

10. CROMWELL RECREATION GROUND.

(a) Fair. An application has been received from Mannings Modern Amusements for the hire of the Cromwell Recreation Ground for a Fair for a period of ten days.

After giving very careful consideration to this application the Committee recommend that it be not granted.

(b) Playground Equipment. Spare parts for the repair of the Rocking Horse have now been received, but delivery of spare parts for the Jungle Gym is still awaited.

When the necessary repairs have been carried out it is proposed to paint the equipment in various colours, as in Friary Park.

(c) Improvements. A sum of £250 was included in the current year's estimates for improvements embodying new paths, fencing to Hampden and Cromwell Roads, and provision of trees, shrubs and seats.

Consideration was given to the possibility of using second-hand fencing material as suggested in Friary Park, but the Committee came to the conclusion that new chain link fencing

should be erected, and they recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to place an order forthwith for the necessary fencing. As delivery of the new fencing will not take place for at least nine months, the Committee recommend that the formation of the paths and the planting of shrubs be postponed until the early autumn.

11. TOWN HALL FORECOURT. The Committee gave consideration to the improvement of the borders in front of the Town Hall, and have suggested that the 'Safety First' notice board be moved to another site and the gardens be laid out with flower beds.

The Committee have referred these improvements to the Sub-Committee who will be dealing with the Ornamental Gardens, with power to that Sub-Committee to take appropriate action.

12. PARKS SUPERINTENDENT. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that this vacancy has been advertised again, the last date for receipt of applications being the 22nd May, 1948.

13. ALEXANDRA PALACE. It will be remembered that this Council, at the request of the Alexandra Palace Trustees, agreed to increase its contribution for the three years commencing 1st April, 1948 from £40 to £60 per annum, subject to the other contributing authorities agreeing to take similar action.

Notification has now been received from the Trustees that several of the authorities are not prepared to increase their contributions, and in these circumstances the Committee recommend that the present contribution of £40 per annum be continued.

14. NEW SOUTHGATE RECREATION GROUND JOINT COMMITTEE. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 21st April, 1948 were submitted for information.

15. NATIONAL PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION. A copy of the 21st Annual Report of this Association was submitted for information.

Richardson

Chairman

The Meeting commenced at 8.0 p.m. and terminated at 10.10 p.m.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Entertainments Committee.

9th March, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, McClane and Mason, also Mrs. Patton, Mr. Austin, Mr. Constable and Mr. Williams in an advisory capacity.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Tarlton.

2. MINUTES. A copy of the Minutes of the last Meeting of the Committee was circulated to all Members for information.

3. LICENCES. Two Licences have now been received from the Middlesex County Council for the Marquee covering (1) Music and Dancing, and (2) Stage Plays.

The Licences are issued subject to the usual conditions covering performances of this nature, and the following special conditions have been imposed :-

Attendants to be permanently stationed on both sides of the Marquee to prevent interference with guy ropes.

The chestnut fencing surrounding the Marquee to be arranged to the approval of the County Engineer and Surveyor.

The stage electrical installation to be in conformity with the regulations, and to the satisfaction, of the County Engineer and Surveyor.

The seating accommodation to be limited to 250 persons.

The licences to be operative during the hours of daylight only and not before noon.

The licences will operate in respect of the specified dates included on the licences and may be extended to a total of 14 dates for each of the two licences during any one period of twelve months, subject to at least two weeks notice being given to the County Council in respect of each additional entertainment.

With regard to the restriction on the hours of use, the Committee would point out that as Double Summer Time is not being instituted this year it will have the effect of making the entertainments of short duration, or will mean starting the entertainments very early, probably to the inconvenience of the public, and in these circumstances have directed the Clerk to enquire whether the Middlesex County Council would be prepared to extend the hours of use by one hour, so as to bring the time more in conformity with last year's conditions.

4. LOCAL TALENT COMPETITION. The Committee interviewed Mr. Harry Gibbs, who expressed his willingness to organise the Local Talent Competition this year on somewhat similar lines to the Competition last year.

The Committee decided that there should be four preliminary rounds (three last year) to be held on Wednesdays, the 30th June, 7th July, 14th July and 21st July, with the Final on the 24th July; that the Competition should be open to residents in Friern Barnet and the surrounding Districts; that it should be divided into two classes the same as last year, Adult and Juvenile; and that prizes should be given, the amount and nature of these prizes to be decided by the Committee at a later Meeting. The adjudicators will be Members of the Entertainments Committee.

Mr. Gibbs was authorised to engage the same pianist as last year for the Competition.

5. BOXING TOURNAMENT. The Chairman of the Finchley Amateur Boxing Club was unable, owing to a prior engagement, to be present at the Committee Meeting, and the Committee decided to make further investigations regarding this matter and if possible to arrange for a representative of the Club to be present at the next Meeting.

6. PROGRAMME OF ENTERTAINMENTS. Up to the present the Committee have been able to arrange the following programme :-

June 5th - Amateur Dramatic (The Priory Club).

12th - Variety Concert (Harry Gibbs)

19th - Civil Defence Association (Brains Trust and Twenty Questions, Quiz Master Mr. Freddie Grisewood).

20th - Committee of the Churches (Religious Talk by the Vicar of Holy Trinity, Brompton).

26th - Amateur Dramatic (Oakleigh Players).

30th - Local Talent Competition (1st Round).

July 3rd - Civil Defence Association (particulars to be notified later).

4th - Committee of the Churches (Mobile Sound Cinema).

7th - Local Talent Competition (2nd Round).

10th - Amateur Dramatic ("Jays" Amateur Dramatic Society).

14th - Local Talent Competition (3rd Round).

17th - (open date at present).

21st - Local Talent Competition (4th Round).

24th - Local Talent Competition (Final).

31st - Amateur Dramatic (Incognito Amateur Dramatic Society).

August 7th - Variety Concert (Harry Gibbs).

14th - Amateur Dramatic (Christ Church).

19th)
20th)-Summer Show.
21st)

22nd - Committee of the Churches (Gardeners' Thanksgiving Service).

It has been found impossible to arrange the proposed School Musical Festival and the Table Tennis Tournament.

It is proposed to organise Children's Entertainments, and the Clerk has been instructed to obtain further particulars for consideration by the Committee at a later Meeting.

The Boys Brigade 182nd London Company have expressed their willingness to arrange a Gymnastic Display on one evening at the beginning of June, and the Committee are in favour of this being arranged by the Brigade on any evening most suitable for them, provided it does not clash with the Committee's programme. It is understood that no expense will be incurred by the Council in this connection other than, possibly, arranging for the fencing of a portion of the Park.

The Summer Show Sub-Committee suggested that during the Summer Show week this Committee might like to arrange for the

usual donkey rides and the model railway to be run in conjunction with the Summer Show, but the Committee had in mind the Council's expression of opinion that the Summer Show should be mainly a horticultural Show, and have therefore decided not to take any action.

7. CHARGES. The Committee have already fixed the following charges:-

Front Seats ... 2s.0d.
Other Seats ... 1s.6d.
Children under 16 half price.
Programme 2d.

The Committee consider that one-third of the available seats should be sold at the 2s.0d. charge, the remainder being 1s.6d, subject in both cases to children being admitted at half price, except that they do not consider the half price charge should operate in respect of the performances to be given by the Dramatic Societies.

The Programmes which will be prepared in the Office will on each occasion contain particulars of coming events.

8. ERECTION OF MARQUEE. The Committee at a previous Meeting instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to consider the possiblity of erecting the Marquee on a sloping site so that the public can have a better view of the stage, and also instructed him to submit a report on the possiblity of raising the stage and altering its construction.

The Engineer and Surveyor has submitted these reports and the Committee have instructed him to erect the Marquee in the position now suggested, namely on the sloping greensward North of Friary House.

With regard to the construction of the stage, the Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to increase the height and to alter the construction so that the stage will slope slightly towards the audience and to reduce the height of the floodlighting screens in the front.

9. LETTING OF MARQUEE. The following applications for the hire of the Marquee have been received :-

(a) Friern Barnet Communist Party for a political Meeting any week-day in June or July.

(b) Finchley Division Liberal and Radical Association, for a baby show on any Saturday afternoon.

(c) New Southgate and Friern Barnet Chamber of Commerce for a Local Trade Exhibition.

(d) King George's Fund for Sailors for a Dramatic Display in aid of the Sailors' Circle.

(e) Friern Barnet Youth Council for a Youth Dance.

When the Committee suggested that the Marquee might be let to local organisations they had in mind entertainments and functions of a social nature for the benefit of the public generally, and they do not consider it within their authority to let the Marquee for public meetings such as political meetings, especially having regard to the Council's byelaws which prohibit public meetings being held in the Park without the special consent of the Council. They therefore recommend that the application of the Friern Barnet Communist Party for the hire of the Marquee for a political meeting be refused.

With regard to applications (b), (c), (d) and (e), the Committee approve in principle subject to satisfactory arrangements being made as to the dates, and have instructed the Clerk to obtain full particulars of the applicants' proposals before fixing the charges (if any) to be made. It is probable that organisers of functions for charitable purposes, such as the King George's Fund for Sailors, will be allowed the use of the Marquee free of charge.

The Committee have decided to include the piano in the letting, if required, and any fee will be fixed accordingly.

10. HIRE OF CHAIRS, PIANO, ETC. The Committee have authorised the definite acceptance of the quotations, which have already been provisionally accepted, for the hire of chairs, piano, etc.

Richardson

Chairman

The Meeting commenced at 7.0 p.m. and terminated at 9.0 p.m.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Entertainments Committee

27th April, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Mason, Matthews, Pickering and Tarlton. Mrs. Patton, Mr. Austin and Mr. Constable attended in an advisory capacity.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence were submitted from Cr. McClane and Mr. Williams.

2. MINUTES. A copy of the Minutes of the last Meeting of the Committee was submitted for information.

3. MINUTES OF SUMMER SHOW SUB-COMMITTEE. The report of a Meeting of the Summer Show Sub-Committee held on the 15th March, 1948 was submitted and the Committee recommend that the report and the recommendations contained therein be approved and confirmed.

4. BOXING TOURNAMENT. Mr. A. T. Urwin, the Chairman of the Finchley Amateur Boxing Club attended the Meeting and discussed with the Committee the question of organising an open air boxing tournament in Friary Park on a Saturday evening, if possible at the end of June.

Two suggestions were put forward for consideration, (1) that the tournament should be organised by the Club on behalf of the Council at the Council's cost estimated to be £55 to £60 less any receipts, and (2) that the Council grant the Club facilities to hold the tournament in the Park entirely at the Club's expense.

The Committee gave this matter very careful consideration and decided that the Club be granted all necessary facilities to organise and hold a boxing tournament in Friary Park on a date to be arranged, on the understanding that the Club will be entirely responsible for the organisation and finances and will repay any expenses which may be incurred by the Council in providing necessary facilities except that the Council will permit them to use the Chairs in the Park free of charge. The Engineer and Surveyor will supply estimates of expenditure on being informed of the Club's requirements.

5. LICENCES. With reference to Minute No. 3 of the report of this Committee dated the 9th March, 1948, the Middlesex County Council state that they have given careful consideration to this Council's application for a variation of the conditions of the Licences to permit the use of the marquee after the hours of daylight, but they cannot see their way to accede to the request.

6. BAND FESTIVAL. In 1946, the Council permitted the organisation of a Band Festival in the Park during the Summer Show week and the Committee have received an enquiry as to whether they would again give facilities for a Festival this year or would be prepared to finance the organisation of such a Festival.

The Committee gave this matter very careful consideration and came to the conclusion that a Band Festival or Band Contest of this nature has very little entertainment value to the Public generally and as the function of the Committee is to provide entertainments for the public the Committee feel unable either to finance the project or provide the necessary facilities.

7. CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENTS. The Committee had before them further particulars of children's entertainers and decided to engage a different entertainer for each of the dates, August 4th, 11th and 18th.

One entertainer will be Mr. Edward Proudlock who was engaged by the Council last year and the other two engagements will be reported later.

The entertainments will be held in the open air, commencing at 3 p.m. and will consist of Punch and Judy, Conjuring, Comic, Magic, etc., the fee in each case being £4 4s.0d. for a performance lasting one hour.

No charge will be made to the children or their parents so that it will not be necessary to incur expense in fencing an enclosure. Seats will be available free of charge.

8. GYMNASTIC DISPLAY. Further particulars were received from the 182nd London Company Boys' Brigade regarding the proposed gymnastic display and the Committee decided to include this display in their programme of entertainments for the evening of the 9th June, to pay the expenses of the Boys' Brigade in staging the display up to a maximum of £1 1s.0d., to make no charge for admission as the display will be held in the open air, thus avoiding the expense of fencing off a portion of the Park. It may be necessary to rope off a small enclosure actually used by the Brigade for their display.

9. PROGRAMME.

(a) Correspondence. Correspondence requesting engagements was submitted from the Friern Barnet Follies, Freddie Norris, Teddy Dupree and the Vaudeville Players Concert Party. The Chairman of the Committee also submitted a letter which the Chairman of the Council had received from Mr. Freddie Norris.

The Committee have given instructions that all these applicants be informed no more engagements are being made.

(b) Local Talent Competition. The adjudicators will be five members of this Committee. Mr. Gibbs who attended the Meeting gave the Committee details of the action he had so far taken.

(c) Civil Defence Association. The fee payable by the Association to Mr. Freddie Grisewood who will act as Quiz Master at the "Quiz and Twenty Questions" to be given on the 19th June, will be £10 10s.0d. The Committee resolved to repay this amount to the Association.

For the 3rd July the Association have provisionally booked the Hogarth Puppetts of television fame at a fee of £18 18s.0d. The Committee have authorised the Association to confirm this booking, the fee for which will be paid by the Council.

The charges to the public for both these entertainments will be :-

One third of available seats @ 2s.0d.
remainder @ 1s.6d.
(children under 16 being admitted to both at half price).

(d) Committee of the Churches. All facilities will be provided free of charge to the Committee of the Churches and no charge will be made to the public.

(e) Stewards. The Committee decided to ask the Organisations who are arranging their own performances to provide two Stewards on each occasion for the purpose of showing people to their seats. It will then only be necessary for the Committee to arrange for the provision of Stewards at the professional concerts and for a person to act as cashier.

(f) Time of Entertainments. All evening entertainments in the Marquee are to commence at 7 p.m., having regard to the prohibition on the use of the Marquee after the hours of daylight.

(g) Posters. The Committee decided to issue a poster giving details of the whole of the season's entertainments rather than two separate posters as previously arranged.

10. HIRE OF MARQUEE. The Committee gave further consideration to the applications which had been received for the hire of the Marquee.

(a) Liberal and Radical Association. The Committee have already refused an application for the use of the Marquee for political purposes and bearing in mind the action which the Council have taken on applications of a somewhat similar nature, they decided that to be consistent they should refuse any applications which appeared to them to have political connections. The Committee therefore resolved this Association be informed that their application for the use of the Marquee cannot be granted.

(b) Chamber of Commerce. Definite details regarding the suggested Trade Exhibition cannot yet be supplied by the Chamber but it is understood that if the suggestion is proceeded with they would require the use of the Marquee for three days, one day for preparation, one day for the exhibition, and one day for clearing, and they have asked the Committee to give them some idea of what the charge would be.

The Committee have provisionally fixed a charge of £10 10s.0d. for the use of the marquee only for the three days on the understanding that the Chamber of Commerce would pay in addition any expenses incurred by the Council in meeting any of their requirements in connection with the exhibition.

(c) Appeals Committee. The Appeals Committee are proposing a series of short plays on the evening of the 16th June and would want the use of the marquee, the chairs, the piano and the microphone. A charge would be made to the public and the proceeds would be given to the King George's Fund for Sailors.

The Committee decided to grant the application free of charge.

Richardson

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7 p.m. and terminated at 8.30 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Summer Show Sub-Committee.

15th March, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. M. R. Tarlton ... Chairman

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mead and Richardson, and
Messrs. Blatch, Constable, Harris, King, Squire, White and Winch and
Mrs. W. M. Meadows and Mrs. M. G. Whitelaw.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Cr. Sparks and Mrs. Smallwood.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on the 23rd January, 1948, were submitted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. CONSTITUTION OF COMMITTEE - CO-OPTED MEMBERS. With reference to Minute No. 6 of this Sub-Committee on the 23rd January, 1948, it was reported that Mrs. M. G. Whitelaw (representing the Dog Show Section), Mrs. Wills (Secretary of the Finchley and Friern Barnet Rabbit and Poultry Club), Mrs. W. M. Meadows (representing the Tropical Fish Section), and Mr. C. Winch (representing the Produce Section), had intimated their willingness to serve on this Sub-Committee.

The Barnet and District Beekeepers' Association and the Wood Green, Southgate and District Beekeepers' Association will appoint a joint representative to serve on the Sub-Committee in due course.

4. ENTERTAINMENTS. With reference to Minute No.5 of this Sub-Committee on the 23rd January, 1948, it was reported that the Entertainments Committee on the 9th March, had decided not to take any action in connection with the suggested provision of entertainments during the period of the Summer Show, bearing in mind the Council's expression of opinion that the Summer Show should be mainly a Horticutural Show.

Accordingly it was resolved that no further action be taken in this matter.

5. MARQUEES, TABLING AND PENS. With reference to Minute No. 9 of this Sub-Committee of the 23rd January, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor has booked the following :-

1 - 100' x 30' Marquee (Vegetables, Fruit and Flowers)
1 - 90' x 30' " (Exhibition of Trade Displays)
1 - 60' x 30' " (Rabbit and Poultry Exhibition)
1 - 60' x 30' " (Tropical Fish Exhibition)
700' of 3-ft. Tabling
5,000' of 2⅓-ft. Tabling
100 Pens (for Rabbits and Poultry and Childrens' Pet Show).

Having heard the views of Mrs. Meadows who was responsible for the organisation of the Tropical Fish Exhibition last year, the Sub-Committee recommend that if possible, a larger marquee, approximately 80' x 30' be substituted for the 60' x 30' marquee for this exhibition.

6. SITING OF MARQUEES. With reference to Minute No.9 of this Sub-Committee on the 23rd January, 1948, a plan showing the proposed siting of the before-mentioned 4 marquees completely enclosed with chestnut pale fencing with one entrance and one exit, and a refreshments marquee sited alongside and also completely enclosed with chestnut pale fencing, was submitted and approved.

7. DISPLAYS, ADVERTISEMENTS AND GIFTS IN CASH AND KIND. Approximately 120 horticultural and similar firms have been communicated with by the Clerk with a view to obtaining their co-operation in connection with the above, and the following is the position to date :-

Advertisements. 9¼ pages of advertisements have been definitely booked including one full page for the Northmet Power Company free of charge in return for works to be carried out by them free

of charge, the paid advertisements being at the rate of £8.8.0d per page pro rata, less advertising agents commission in certain cases.

In addition, one firm (Gibbs Box) have asked for an advertisement, but particulars as to the size have not yet been received.

Prizes 34 firms have promised to give prizes by way of cash or kind as set out in the Schedule attached.

Displays.

Tottenham & District Gas Co.	Site 20' x 10'.
Unwin Limited	Trade Exhibit (Space not specified).
Plant Protection Ltd.	12' Stand.
Northmet Power Co.	Centre Stand.
Intensive Gardening Ltd.	12' x 3' Display.

8. JOINT ISOLATION HOSPITAL COMMITTEE. The above Joint Committee have again authorised their Horticultural Superintendent (Mr. Robinson) to arrange a display of fruit, vegetables and flowers at the Show.

9. ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE. An application was submitted from the Road Safety Committee for the allocation of 10-ft. of space in the displays marquee for a display similar to that arranged last year, and also for permission to have a self-contained mobile exhibition housed in a caravan in the Park during the period of the Show, and it was resolved that the application be granted and arrangements made accordingly.

10. M. C. C. AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT - DISPLAY. Application has been made to the Agricultural Department of the Middlesex County Council for a display in the exhibition marquee on similar lines to previous years, and a further report in connection therewith will be submitted to the next Meeting.

11. MINISTRY OF FOOD DEMONSTRATION VAN. A letter dated 13th March, 1948 was submitted from the Ministry of Food stating that their Food Advice Organiser (Miss M. Cumming) would be pleased to make the necessary arrangements for their Demonstration Van to be in attendance at the Show as in previous years, and it was resolved that the offer be accepted with thanks.

12. NORTHMET POWER COMPANY. A letter dated 17th February, 1948, was submitted from the Northmet Power Company intimating that they would provide wiring etc. as in previous years free of charge, and requesting one full page advertisement free of charge and allocation of space in the trade display marquee.

It was resolved that the advertisement space be granted free of charge and the display space agreed as referred to in Minute No.5 above.

13. CATERING. With reference to Minute No.11 of this Sub-Committee on the 23rd January, 1948, correspondence was submitted with Mrs. S. G. Thurston, the Council's Caterer in Friary Park, intimating that she was prepared to undertake the catering for the Summer Show and to pay to the Council the sum of £5 for the privilege, and also to pay for the labour involved in connecting up the water supply, joinery work, laying paths, general labour, fencing, haulage and materials in connection with the marquee which she is hiring, the cost of which is estimated by the Engineer and Surveyor to be £10.

It was resolved that the offer be accepted and that the Engineer and Surveyor be requested to arrange for the loan to Mrs. Thurston of the miscellaneous items such as water coppers, dustbins, buckets etc. required free of charge, on the understanding that she will pay for any damage that may be caused to these articles whilst in her possession.

14. SUPPLYING OF ESSENTIAL LUNCHES AND LIGHT REFRESHMENTS FREE OF CHARGE. The Sub-Committee had under consideration the question of the desirability of again supplying light refreshments during the period of the Show to stewards and stall-holders, who are required to be in attendance for long periods, and also of supplying lunches to judges etc.

After lengthy discussion it was resolved that consideration of this matter be deferred until the next meeting with a view to particulars being submitted as to the approximate number of stall-holders and stewards who will be concerned.

15. NEIGHBOURING LOCAL AUTHORITIES' COMPETITION. With reference to Minute No.8(a) of the 23rd January, 1948, it was reported that the East Barnet Urban District Council, the Wood Green Borough Council and the Finchley Borough Council had accepted the offer to participate in the above-mentioned Competition.

The Southgate Borough Council have declined the invitation to participate, but the Potters Bar Urban District Council are communicating with their local allotments and gardens associations, and also their local Horticultural Society, to ascertain whether they are interested in the proposal.

Replies have not yet been received from the Hornsey Borough Council or the Enfield Urban District Council.

16. JUDGING OF PRODUCE, FLOWERS AND FRUIT SECTION. It was reported that Mrs. May and Messrs. Westgate, Robinson and Rudd had all accepted the invitation to act as Judges for the Produce, Flowers and Fruit Section.

17. BEES AND HONEY SECTION. A letter dated 11th March, 1948, was submitted from the Barnet & District Beekeepers' Association stating that they would be pleased to put on a comprehensive display of beekeeping appliance, including observation hive of live bees at the Show, and confirmation is awaited from the Wood Green Beekeepers' Association that they will stage a Honey Show and Competition.

The Wood Green Beekeepers' Association have however requested this Sub-Committee to make some contribution towards the Prize Fund, and the Sub-Committee recommend that the sum of £5 be allocated for this purpose.

18. TROPICAL FISH EXHIBITION. It was resolved that Mrs. Meadows be requested to make all necessary arrangements for the above exhibition and that the Engineer and Survyeor arrange for the provision in the marquee of facilities for hot and cold water for the use in connection with the fish.

Mrs. Meadows' requirements in this connection will be made known to the Engineer and Surveyor in due course.

19. DOG SHOW. It was resolved that Mrs. Whitelaw be requested to make all necessary arrangements for the Dog Show including the drawing up of the Schedule and engaging the Judge.

The Sub-Committee are undecided as to the most suitable site in the Park for the holding of this Show, and have requested the Engineer and Surveyor to arrange an appointment with Mrs. Whitelaw in the Park with a view to considering this matter and to report thereon at the next Meeting.

The Engineer and Surveyor is exploring the possibility of obtaining a permit from Jute Control to enable him to obtain a supply of hessian to screen the Dog Show arena, it being estimated that approximately 100 yards will be required.

Mr. Harris undertook to furnish the Engineer and Surveyor with the name and address of a firm from who somesubstitute secondhand material which would be suitable for the purpose, could be hired.

20. RABBIT AND POULTRY EXHIBITION. A letter dated 5th February, 1948 was submitted from the Finchley and Friern Barnet Rabbit and Poultry Club stating that they are willing to stage a Rabbit and Poultry Exhibition at the Summer Show on the lines suggested by Mr. King at the last meeting, and Mrs. Wills and Mr. King have been requested to make all necessary arrangements in connection therewith.

Reference was made to the Live Poultry (Regulation of Sales, Exhibitions and Movements) Order, 1948, which came into operation on the 3rd March, 1948, and it was reported that a communication had been

addressed to the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries ascertaining whether the proposed Poultry Exhibition would be affected by such Order. A further report in connection therewith will be submitted to the next Meeting.

Mr. King stated that he hoped to be able to arrange for a fur and pelts exhibition, and also for a Ministry of Agriculture Weeds Display on similar lines to last year, and it was resolved that he be authorised to proceed with this matter.

21. MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES. It was report that a supply of pamphlets and blank posters had been received from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, but that the leaflets on Food Production which are used as special insets to the programme, embodying the Entry Forms, had not yet been received.

22. PRODUCE SHOW SUPERINTENDENT. It was resolved that Mr. C. Winch be appointed as Produce Show Superintendent.

23. CHILDRENS' PET SHOW. It was resolved that Cr. Mrs. McCarthy be requested to make all necessary arrangements for the organisation of the Childrens' Pet Show on similar lines to previous years, including a Prize Giving Ceremony.

24. SCHEDULE OF PRODUCE, FLOWERS AND FRUIT SECTION. A special Sub-Committee comprising Messrs. White and Blatch reported that they had carefully considered the Schedule for the above and were of opinion that with minor amendments, last year's Schedule could be repeated, in which case, a saving in cost of printing would be effected as the type was still standing.

After discussion on the question of persons entitled to enter under Section "A"(Novices), it was resolved that the special Sub-Committee be given full powers to act in this matter, and to arrange for theprinting of the Schedule, and in connection therewith, to make such variations as they may deem necessary in Section "A" (Novices).

25. SCHEDULE FOR JAMS, CAKES AND BOTTLED FRUIT COMPETITION. It was resolved that in consultation with Mrs. Smallwood, the special Sub-Committee be authorised to arrange for the preparation and printing of the above-mentioned Schedule.

26. SCHEDULE FOR HANDICRAFT COMPETITION. It was resolved that in consultation with Mrs. Smallwood the special Sub-Committee be authorised to arrange for the preparation and printing of the above-mentioned Schedule.

27. BRAINS TRUST. The special Sub-Committee suggested that a Brains Trust should be arranged and contact has already been made with a view to endeavouring to obtain Kenneth Horne as question-master.

The Sub-Committee are undecided at the present time as to whether it is desirable to hold a Brains Trust, and resolved to defer consideration of this matter until the next meeting, by which time it is anticipated that it will be known whether or not Mr. Kenneth Horne is prepared to act as question-master should a Brains Trust be arranged.

28. PREPARATION, PRINTING AND DISPLAY OF POSTERS. It was resolved that the special Sub-Committee be authorised to arrange for the preparation, printing and display of such posters as they deem desirable. At the present time it is anticipated that not exceeding 3 posters will be necessary, and it was resolved that the Finchley Press be requested to carry out the printing.

29. PROGRAMME.

(a) Number of Copies. It was resolved that 3,000 programmes be printed.

(b) Colour. The Sub-Committee feel that the colour of the programme should be changed for this Show, and have authorised the special Sub-Committee to arrange accordingly.

(c) Printing. It was resolved that the programmes be printed by the Finchley Press.

(d) Preparation. It was resolved the special Sub-Committee be authorised to proceed with the preparation of the complete programme and to arrange printing.

(e) Distribution. It was resolved that the question of the method of the distribution of the programmes when printed be deferred for consideration at the next Meeting.

30. STEWARDS. It was resolved that the question of the appointment of stewards be deferred for consideration at the next Meeting.

31. OFFICIAL OPENING. It was resolved that no official opening of the Show be arranged this year.

32. PRIZE GIVING AND AUCTION. It was resolved that the prize giving be arranged for 8 p.m. on Saturday evening, and that no auction be held.

33. GARDENERS' THANKSGIVING SERVICE. As it has been decided not to hold an auction this year, it was resolved that the produce be handed over to the churches, who it is understood will arrange for a Gardeners' Thanksgiving Service to be held on the Sunday following the Show.

34. LOUD SPEAKER EQUIPMENT. In addition to the Council's loud speaker equipment, Mr. T. H. Vaughan of Radio Rentals Limited has again been requested to place at this Sub-Committee's disposal their loud speaker equipment free of charge and a further report in connection therewith will be submitted to the next Meeting.

35. SPECIAL SUB-COMMITTEE. It was resolved that the special Sub-Committee be authorised to deal with all matters of urgency in connection with the Show without reference to this Sub-Committee, subject however, to financial commitments not exceeding the estimates.

36. NEXT MEETING. It was resolved that it be left to the Chairman of the Committee to arrange the date of the next Meeting.

M W Gosling.

Chairman

The Meeting commenced at 7.30 p.m. and terminated at 10.35 p.m.

List of Prizes

Reference No.	Firm	Prize	1st	2nd	3rd
2	Sheriff & Sons Ltd. 83 Gt. North Road, Hatfield, Herts	10/-d towards Prize Fund.			
5	Poultmure Ltd., 5 Colledge Road, Harrow, Middx.	4 - 7 lbs Poultmure			
6	Liquinure Sales Ltd., Durham Road, Elstree, Herts.	One dozen Bottles Liquinure			
9	Lowis (Seeds) Ltd. Boston, Lincs.	10/6d Gift Voucher for Seeds and Bulbs.			
12	Sofnol Ltd. 58 Westcome Hill Greenwich, S.E.10.	2 - 28 lbs National Growmore Fertiliser.			
23	Ryder & Son (1920)Ltd. 27 Holywell Hill, St. Albans, Herts.	5/-, 3/-, and 2/- Vouchers for Seeds. Also prepared to supply Entry and Prize Cards.			
30	Bayer Products Ltd. Africa House, Kingsway, W.C.2.	Sollosan, D.D.T. etc.			
31	May & Baker Ltd Manufacturing Chemists, Dagenham, Essex.	(1 - 8 oz. " Cycloson" (1 - 1 lb. " (1 - 2½ Gall. Bordeaux Mixture (1 - 5 " " " (1 - Size 1 Grafting Wax. (1 - 1 pint D.N.C. Winter Wash (M. & B. (1 - Unit Carton "Seradix" B.No.1 (1 - 25 cc. "Seradix".			
32	Graham Farish Ltd. 153 Masons Hill, Bromley, Kent.	4 - 2/6d Packets Snap Vacuum Closures for Fruit Bottling Section.			
34	Tottenham & Dist.Gas Co. 658 Lordship Lane, N.22	24 - 14 lb. Bags of Sulphate of Ammonia			
35	E.Griffiths Hughes Ltd. Adelphi, Salford, Manchester.	Special Prize being posted			
37	H. R. Napp Ltd. 3 Clements Inn, W.C.2.	Some packets of Metaldehyde.			
38	Allwood Bros. Ltd Haywards Heath, Sussex.	(Vase of Border (Carnations	15/-	10/-	7/6d
		(Vase of Cottage (Carnations	15/-	10/-	7/6d
		(Bowl Allwoodi	15/-	10/-	7/6d
		(Vase Laced Pinks	7/6	5/-	3/-
		Dianthus (3 classes)	5/-	3/-	2/-
39	Adco Ltd. 78 High Street, Harpenden, Herts.	1 - 28 lb Bag Standard Adco. 1 - 28 lb Bag Adcompost Hop Manure.			
40	J. Carter & Co. Raynes Park, S.W.20.	"Q" 5/- Collection for sowing in the Spring of 1949.			
42	W. T. French & Son Mysto Works, Browning Street, Birmingham, 16.	One Nippy Sprayer.			
43	Gibbs Box Esq., Brookhill Nurseries, New Barnet Herts.	Same as last year i.e. Fruit Trees 30/-, 20/- and 15/-			

Reference No.	Firm	Prize.
46	Plant Protection Ltd S. E. Region, Yalding, Kent.	£1. 1. 0d towards Prize Fund. If possible purchase their products.
50	Maskells Fertilisers, 11 Dirleton Works, E.15.	56 lbs. Napthe Lime 56 lbs. S. H. Manure.
51	Thomas Rivers Sons Ltd. Sawbridgeworth, Herts.	Voucher for 21/-d (Trees or Plants).
52	Clay & Son Ltd. Temple Mill Lane Stratford, E.15.	4 - 7 lb. Bags of Clays Fertiliser (Vouchers enclosed).
56	Newton Chambers (Chemicals), 413 Grand Buildings, Strand, W.C.2.	Three 2/- Containers Sterizal Powder.
62	Boots Drug Co.Ltd. Station Street, Nottingham.	£3. 3. 0d.
65	Telkamp & Sons Ltd. 148 Fenchurch Street, E.C.3.	3 - Gift Vouchers for Flower Section value 10/6d each.
73	Popular Gardening, Tallis House, Tallis Street, E.C.4.	3 Diplomas.
77	Amateur Gardening, Tower House, Southampton Street, Strand, W.C.2.	1 Silver-Bronze Medal 1 Bronze Medal 2 Diplomas.
84	Vitax Fertilisers Ltd. Burscough Bridge, Ormskirk.	Vouchers for £1, 10/- and 5/-.
87	Acme Chemical Co., Bedfont Road, Stanwell, Middx.	1 Acme Powder Blower 1 lb. Acme Derris Powder } Value 9/-
93	Poultry World Dorset House, Stamford Street, E.C.1.	Diploma.
96	A. F. Sherley & Co. Ltd 16-18 Marshalsea Road, S.E.1.	5/- Voucher for Veterinary Products for Dogs and Cats.
101	Bob Martin Ltd., Southport, Lancs.	One Special Presentation Box to be sent.
102	Howard Salmon & Co.Ltd. 1269 High Road, N.20.	£1. 1. 0d
81	Girlings (Ferro-Concrete) Ltd. Great West Road, Feltham, Middx.	£1. 1. 0d
76	"Garden Work", 62 Doughty Street, W. C. 1.	Voucher for 6 months' subscription to "Garden Work".
109	Macrome Ltd., Aldersley, Wolverhampton.	"Easi-diggers". Subject to their leaflet being inset in programmes.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Health Committee

6th May, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. A. C. Henry ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Foley, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Richardson and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin and Mason.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 4th March, 1948 were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. NOTIFICATIONS OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES. The following notifications of infectious diseases have been received since the last Meeting of the Committee :-

Disease	Wards					Total for District only	Friern Hospital
	North	South	Cent.	East	West		
Measles	39	30	8	12	12	101	-
Whooping Cough	22	5	5	8	1	41	-
Scarlet Fever	-	1	1	-	4	6	-
Diphtheria	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
Pneumonia	1	-	2	1	-	4	-
Tuberculosis	-	2	-	2	-	4	-
Dysentery	1	-	-	-	-	1	1

4. DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION. The Medical Officer of Health reported as to the present position in the District in connection with the above, stating that 2,390 immunisations have been completed to date.

5. THE MEASLES AND WHOOPING COUGH AMENDMENT REGULATIONS 1948. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned Regulations which amend the Measles and Whooping Cough Regulations of 1940, came into operation on the 1st April, 1948.

The compulsory notification of measles and whooping cough was regarded, at the time it was introduced during the War, as likely to be of temporary duration, but it is now intended that this requirement shall be retained. The effect of the new regulations is, therefore, to bring the notification fee paid to the Medical Practitioner into line with the statutory rate laid down in the Public Health Act, 1936 for notifying infectious diseases generally, viz. 2s 6d. for each notification by a Medical Practitioner if the case occurs in his private practice, and 1s.0d. if the case occurs in his practice as Medical Officer of any public body or institution.

6. COMPLAINTS. Since the last Meeting of the Committee 121 complaints, including 27 complaints of rat infestation, have been received and investigated and the necessary action taken to secure a remedy.

7. ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES. The works necessary to comply with Notices served requiring the abatement of nuisances at 57 properties throughout the District have been completed.

8. UNSOUND FOOD. The Sanitary Inspector reported as to the various types of food which have been condemned as unfit for human consumption since the last Meeting of the Committee.

9. RODENT CONTROL.

(a) Financial Arrangement for the year ending 31st March, 1949. With reference to Minute No. 11 (b) of this Committee on 4th March, 1948, the Sanitary Inspector reported that, following the decision of the Council to enter the scheme of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, details of the programme of rodent control work proposed to be carried out during the current year had been submitted to that Ministry, who have formally accepted the proposals and welcomed the decision of the Council to enter the scheme. One half of the expenditure on this service during the present financial year will therefore be reimbursed by the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

(b) Rodent Destruction Work. As part of the programme referred to in the preceding Minute, the Sanitary Inspector reported that examinations have been made of the various public undertakings which include the sewage works, refuse tip, depot, stores, parks and other open spaces.

10. FACTORIES ACT 1937 - MEANS OF ESCAPE IN CASE OF FIRE.

(a) Cambridge Instrument Company, Sydney Road, N.10. The Sanitary Inspector reported that a Certificate as to adequate means of escape in case of fire was issued in respect of these premises on the 23rd November, 1939, when the maximum number of persons empoloyed therein was 245.

Having regard to the fact that the number of persons now employed has been increased to 350, further inspection has been made of the premises, and the Sanitary Inspector is satisfied that the existing means of escape are satisfactory and adequate.

The Committee therefore recommend that an amended certificate be issued in respect of these premises.

(b) Japurco Ltd., Cardrew House, Friern Park, N.12. Having regard to the fact that 28 persons are employed at the above-mentioned premises, the Sanitary Inspector reported that an inspection had been made and in his opinion the means of escape provided are satisfactory and adequate.

The Committee recommend that a Certificate as to adequate means of escape in the case of fire be issued in respect of these premises.

(c) Motor Spray Repairs Ltd., Oakleigh Road, N.20. The Sanitary Inspector reported that cellulose spraying was being carried out at the above-mentioned premises which will, therefore require to be certified as being provided with adequate means of escape in case of fire.

Certain modifications and alterations have been effected to comply with the requirements of the Sanitary Inspector, and the Committee recommend that a Certificate be issued in respect of these premises.

11. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1936, SECTION 75 - 129, Cromwell Road - Provision of Dust Bin. The Sanitary Inspector reported that these premises are without a proper dust bin for the reception of house refuse.

The Committee recommend that a Notice under Section 75 of the Public Health Act, 1936 be served on the Owner of the premises requiring him to provide a covered dust bin.

12. CONDITION OF CERTAIN PREMISES IN HOLMSDALE ROAD. The Committee have requested their Chairman, the Chairman of the Housing Committee and the Sanitary Inspector to inspect the premises in question, and if necessary in consultation with the Medical Officer of Health to submit a report on the matter to the next Meeting of the Housing Committee.

13. NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT, 1946.

(a) Middlesex County Council - Health Administration. With reference to Minute No. 14 (a) of this Committee of 4th March, 1948, the Clerk submitted a report (a copy of which has been supplied to each Member of the Council), summarising the decisions of the County Council in connection with the arrangements for decentralised administration of functions of the County Council as Health Authority, together with the observations of the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association thereon.

It will be observed that this report deals with the appointment of Area Medical Officers, the constitution of the Health Committee, the constitution of and terms of delegation to Local Area Committees and the division of the County into areas. The County Council have decided that the original Scheme "A" be adopted. This is the Scheme which places this Urban District in No. 2 area comprising the Boroughs of Southgate and Wood Green and the Urban District of Friern Barnet and Potters Bar.

This Council's representation on the Area Committee will be two Members, one of whom must be a person nominated by the District Council to serve on the District Education Sub-Committee. The County Council ask that these nominations shall be forwarded not later than the 2nd June.

Three nominations were received the voting being :-

Chairman of the Committee	- 5 votes
Cr. Foley	- 4 votes
Cr. Mason	- 2 votes

The Committee recommend that the Chairman of this Committee, Cr. Henry and Cr. Foley, who is a representative on the District Education Sub-Committee, be nominated as this Council's representatives.

(b) Publicity. Ministry of Health Circular No. 36/48 invites Local Authorities to co-operate in giving information as to the Health Services which will be available after the 5th July, 1948. Copies of the leaflet which has been prepared by the Minister have been received and these are being retained in the Public Health Department for distribution to the public on request.

(c) Care of Mothers and Young Children. A letter dated 15th April, 1948, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council, referring to the proposals under the Act relating to the care of mothers and young children and stating that in view of the doubt which arose as to whether Mother and Baby Homes and Residential Nurseries should, after the 5th July, 1948, be provided by the County Council as Local Health Authority or in some other capacity, enquiry was made of the Minister of Health who takes the view that the provision of Mother and Baby Homes by County and County Borough Councils should, after the appointed date, be undertaken by them in their capacity as Local Health Authority.

The Minister states however that it is contemplated that Residential Nurseries, both for short stay and otherwise, will be maintained by the County Council in pursuance of its powers under the Children Bill when it becomes law and not as Local Health Authority or National Assistance Authority.

Copies of this letter are being circulated to all the Members of the Council at the Committee's request.

14. CERTIFICATES OF VACCINATION AND INOCULATION-AUTHENTICATION. Circular 60/48 was submitted from the Ministry of Health stating that attention has been drawn to the difficulties which are being experienced in

some Countries by travellers from the United Kingdom who are required to prove that Certificates of vaccination or inoculation carried by them are genuine.

The general question of authenticating these Certificates is being considered by the World Health Organisation with a view to international agreement but until such a decision is reached, Local Authorities have been asked to authenticate these certificates.

The Committee recommend that the Medical Officer of Health or in his absence a Member of the Public Health Department be authorised to authenticate the Certificates.

15. CENTRAL COUNCIL FOR HEALTH EDUCATION - REDUCTION IN SERVICES. A letter dated 8th March, 1948, was submitted from the Central Council of Health Education, stating that since the grant received by that Council from the Ministry of Health will be reduced by £5,000 from 1st April, 1948, that Council is regretfully obliged to make some cuts in its existing services. It has, therefore, been decided to close down its area organisation in England and Wales entirely and to cease to maintain its panel of part-time lecturers and all its resources will be concentrated on providing central services and material which can be called upon by the officers of local authorities to assist in local education work.

It was however hoped that local authorities would consider that the action taken was the best method under the circumstances and that they would continue to make annual grants to the Central Council at least equal to present grants.

In connection therewith, a letter dated 23rd March, 1948, was submitted from the Urban District Council's Association referring to a Minute of the Meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the Executive Council held on 27th February, 1948, containing a report of the Conference between the Central Council and representatives of local authorities when the view was expressed that as Urban District Councils would not be the local health authorities after 5th July, 1948, they should not be asked to contribute to the funds of the Central Council or alternatively they would not wish to do so.

16. SMOKE ABATEMENT.

(a) Greater London Advisory Council for Smoke Abatement - General Meeting. An invitation was submitted from the above-mentioned Council to appoint representatives to attend the General Meeting to be held in London on the 12th May, 1948, and the Committee have appointed Cr. Martin as their representative to attend such Meeting.

(b) National Smoke Abatement Society - Annual Conference. An invitation was submitted from the National Abatement Society to appoint representatives to attend their Annual Conference to be held at Cheltenham between 29th September and 1st October, 1948, and the Committee recommend that no action be taken in the matter.

17. PUBLIC HEALTH AND MUNICIPAL ENGINEERING CONGRESS AND EXHIBITION. An invitation was submitted to appoint representatives to attend the above-mentioned Congress and Exhibition to be held in London on 15th November, 1948, and the Committee recommend that no action be taken in the matter.

18. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SHOPS ACTS INSPECTORS - ANNUAL CONFERENCE. An invitation was submitted from the above-mentioned Association to appoint representatives to attend the Annual Conference, to be held at Southport on 7th and 8th September, 1948, and the Committee recommend that no action be taken in the matter.

19. NATIONAL SOCIETY OF CHILDREN'S NURSERIES - CONFERENCE. An invitation was submitted from the above-mentioned Society to appoint representatives to attend a Conference to be held in London on 21st May, 1948, and the Committee recommend that no action be taken in the matter.

20. WOOD GREEN AND SOUTHGATE HOSPITAL - ANNUAL REPORT AND ACCOUNTS. A letter dated 24th March, 1948, was submitted from the Wood Green and Southgate Hospital giving Notice of the fifty-third Annual General Meeting to be held on Wednesday 31st May, 1948, and enclosing a copy of the annual report and accounts of the Hospital for the year ended 31st December, 1947.

21. CONTRIBUTIONS TO HOSPITALS AND NURSING ASSOCIATIONS, 1948. With reference to Minute No. 16 of this Committee on the 8th January, 1948, the question of the payment of contributions to Hospitals and Nursing Associations was considered but having regard to the fact that the accounts of the North and South District Nursing Associations for the past year were not yet available, the Committee decided to defer further consideration of this matter until their next Meeting.

22. AMBULANCE CALLS. Particulars as to the number of Ambulance calls during February, March and April, 1948, were submitted for information.

23. PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT - APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL SANITARY INSPECTOR. The Chairman of the Committee made a statement on the duties of the Public Health Department, with particular regard to the work required to be carried out under the Public Health and Housing Acts to bring about an improvement in the condition of many of the houses in the District. A very large number of houses are in need of extensive repair, due in the main to their age accentuated by lack of maintenance and repair during, and immediately following, the war years.

The progress of repair work subsequent to the war had been restricted by shortages of labour and material and the high costs, and the remedy of defects had not therefore proceeded with the smoothness and speed to be desired.

It will be remembered that the Council in their post-war programme decided that when circumstances permitted consideration should be given to the redevelopment of certain areas in the District by way of clearance or improvement schemes. The Committee realise that action on these lines cannot at present be taken, but there is a considerable amount of preparatory work which can be undertaken.

The Department now consists of the Senior Sanitary Inspector and an additional Sanitary Inspector and the Committee are of opinion that this staff is not sufficient to carry out the many and varied tasks requiring attention, proceed with a progressive policy towards remedying unsatisfactory housing conditions, and carry out preparatory work in connection with the proposed redevelopment areas.

The Committee are therefore of opinion that the staff of the Department should be increased immediately by the appointment of an additional Sanitary Inspector, and recommend that the approval of the Minister of Health be sought to such an appointment, and that the Establishment Committee be asked to fix a salary for the appointment.

The Committee further desire to record their view that at some future time, consideration should be given to the appointment of an officer who has received the Octavia - Hill training.

Chairman

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 7.50 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Highways and Public Works Committee

6th May, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. J. Foley ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Henry, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Richardson and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy and Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 4th March, 1948 were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. MAKING UP OF PRIVATE STREETS - RALEIGH DRIVE, TEMPLE AVENUE, OAKLEIGH PARK SOUTH AND ALEXANDRA ROAD. With reference to Minute No. 16 of the General Purposes Committee on the 18th March, 1948, correspondence was submitted from the Ministry of Health stating that :-

(a) Raleigh Drive and Temple Avenue. Further consideration would be given to the making up of these streets upon receipt of a Certificate either from the Engineer and Surveyor to the effect that these streets are considered to be in a condition dangerous to life and limb, or a report from the Medical Officer of Health to the effect that the condition of the streets is a menace to public health.

(b) Oakleigh Park South. Further consideration would be given to the proposal to make up this street upon receipt of the following particulars and information :-

(i) That the time limit laid down in the Notices served on the frontagers has expired.

(ii) A detailed priced estimate and plans of the proposed works.

(iii) Details of the minimum amounts of controlled materials required.

(iv) An assurance that no priority for labour will be required.

(v) Particulars in regard to the amount of loan required, together with the resolution of the Council authorising that such an application should be made.

(c) Alexandra Road. The Minister was prepared to make an approach to the Regional Building Committee for a commencing date, on receipt of certain further information which has since been supplied.

The Committee are still of the opinion that the Minister should give a more definite lead to the Council before requiring the Council to carry out the considerable amount of work entailed by the service of notices, preparation of plans, estimates etc., and the Minister could more readily make a determination if he had before him a report of one of his Inspectors following an inspection of the roads.

The Committee accordingly recommend that the Minister be again urged to arrange for a visit by one of his Inspectors.

4. STREET LIGHTING - PARKWOOD HOUSE, OAKLEIGH ROAD NORTH.
With reference to Minute No. 19 of this Committee on the 6th November, 1947, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the Estate Developer had failed to comply with the notice served on him under Section 150 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to provide means of lighting.

The Committee recommend that the work be carried out by the Council in accordance with the provision of Section 150 and that the cost be recovered from the Owner as Frontager, on completion of the work.

5. EAST BARNET FLOOD RELEIF SCHEME - MARNE AVENUE AND FALKLAND AVENUE.
A letter dated 22nd April, 1948, was submitted from the Ministry of Health enclosing a copy of a letter which had been forwarded to the East Barnet Urban District Council, who are at present culverting the watercourse up to the boundary of their District.

Representations have been received by the Ministry of Health in regard to that portion of the open watercourse west of Falkland Avenue, which runs beneath the footbridge from whence the stream enters the existing culvert between Falkland Avenue and Marne Avenue. The representations contend that the leaving open of this length of stream the major portion of which is situate within this Urban District, will still afford opportunity for the unauthorised deposit of rubbish which will result in the flooding of the area in that vicinity. Observations of the Council were therefore requested as to whether the effectiveness of the remedial works at present being undertaken by the East Barnet Urban District Council would not therefore be nullified.

The culverting of the portion within this District is estimated to cost from £450 to £500 and although no provision has been made in the current estimates for such work, the Committee are of the opinion that it should be carried out whilst the Contractors are on the site, and recommend accordingly, subject to the Minister issuing the necessary authorisation under the Defence Regulations.

6. SALVAGE HUT, BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND - ALLEGED TREPASS.
The Clerk reported that information had been received from the Police of a case of alleged trepass inside the wire fence enclosing the Waste Paper Salvage Hut in Bethune Recreation Ground on the 24th March, 1948. Accordingly, communications had been addressed to the parents and guardian of the juveniles concerned, inviting them to submit their observations.

Letterswere submitted from the parents and guardian concerned expressing regret, and stating that the children had been punished.

The Committee therefore recommend that no further action be taken in the matter.

7. ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC LIGHTING ENGINEERS - ANNUAL MEETING AND CONFERENCE. An invitation was submitted from the Association of Public Lighting Engineers to appoint representatives to attend the Annual Meeting and Conference of the Association to be held at Eastbourne from the 13th to 17th September, 1948, and the Committee recommend that no action be taken.

8. INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC CLEANSING - ANNUAL CONFERENCE. An invitation was submitted from the Institute of Public Cleansing to appoint representatives to attend the Annual Conference of the Institute to be held at Margate from the 14th to 18th June, 1948, and the Committee recommend that no action be taken.

9. PUBLIC HEALTH AND MUNICIPAL ENGINEERING CONGRESS AND EXHIBITION.
An invitation was submitted to appoint representatives to attend the Public Health and Municipal Engineering Congress and Exhibtion to be held in London on the 15th November, 1948, and the Committee recommend that no action be taken.

10. HIGHWAYS.

(a) General Maintenance. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on maintenance work carried out during the months of March and April, 1948.

Arising from consideration of the report the Committee understand that heavy vehicles belonging to Messrs. Fisher Renwick are still using the side roads when proceeding from or to their Depot in Coppetts Road, and the Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to again bring this matter to the notice of the Firm.

(b) Surface Dressing of Carriageways. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that owing to the shortage of labour and accumulation of outstanding works requiring attention throughout the District, it was considered to be advantageous to engage a Contractor to carry out the tar spraying in connection with the surface dressing programme. The work of spreading chippings, rolling etc., would be carried out by the Council labour.

The Committe recommend accordingly.

(c) Roadside Sites for Gardens. With reference to Minute No. 6 of the Parks Committee on 4th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported as to the sites which had been considered by that Committee for laying out as ornamental roadside gardens.

In addition to the sites already considered, attention was drawn to the site fronting the Priory Civic Restaurant, and the Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to include this site in the lay-out schemes.

In connection therewith the Clerk reported that it had been ascertained that Messrs. Huggins & Co. Ltd., were the owners of the vacant site at the junction of Sydney Road and Colney Hatch Lane, such site at present being let to Messrs. A. A. Sites Ltd., for advertising purposes. A communication had however been addressed to the owners enquiring whether they would be prepared to arrange for the use of the land by the Council.

(d) Marlborough Gardens - Tar Paving of Verge, Eastern Side. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that owing to settlement taking place in the verge opened by statutory companies at the time of development, considerable areas of paving both in Marlborough Gardens and Marlborough Close were being re-laid, and following completion of this work the grass verge on the Eastern side would be resurfaced with tarred paving.

(e) Cardrew Avenue. With reference to Minute No. 16 (a) of this Committee on the 4th March, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the outstanding works to the paving margins and carriageway in Cardrew Avenue, with the exception of the second surface dressing to a section of the carriageway, had been completed.

11. PRIVATE STREETS.

(a) Warnham Road. With reference to Minute No. 4 of this Committee on 4th March, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the clearance of trees, shrubs and debris etc., from Warnham Road, and in addition temporary repair works, had been completed, such works having revealed that a considerable amount of unauthorised dumping of garden and other refuse had taken place, and such a practice was continuing since the clearance of this site.

It was further reported that arrangements were being made for "No Tipping" notices to be put up in the road in the hope that this would act as a deterrent.

(b) General Repairs. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that owing to pressure of other urgent work it had not been possible to commence temporary repairs to that section of Alexandra Road between Housing Site No.3 and Wetherall Road, but as soon as the necessary labour was available this work would be commenced. Complaints were, however, being received on the general condition of other private streets, of which the following were considered as requiring urgent attention:-

Friern Mount Drive.
Buckingham Avenue (part).
Temple Avenue.
Oakleigh Park South.
Porch Way.
Torrington Avenue.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the necessary repair works to be carried out to Friern Mount Drive, Buckingham Avenue (part), Porch Way and Torrington Avenue, but that such repairs to Temple Avenue and Oakleigh Park South should be deferred until it is known whether the Minister of Health will approve the making up of these streets.

(c) Fernwood Crescent. With reference to Minute No. 9 (a) of this Committee on 4th December, 1947, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the maintenance period under the Contract for making up the above street had now expired, and the Committee recommend that subject to the payment of the proportionate cost by the four private frontagers concerned, the section of the street situate within the Urban District be adopted as a highway repairable by the inhabitants at large.

(d) Porch Way and Torrington Avenue - Lighting. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that communications had been received from residents in Porch Way and Torrington Avenue requesting that street lighting be provided therein.

The Committee recommend that Notices under Section 150 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the frontagers, requiring within a period of two months, adequate street lighting in accordance with plans and estimates prepared by the Engineer and Surveyor.

In the case of Porch Way, the Engineer and Surveyor was, however, requested to ascertain whether the Estate Developer concerned would be prepared to provide such lighting without service of Notice.

(e) Alexandra Road - Proposed Extension of present Scheme. With reference to Minute No. 16 (b) of this Committee on 4th March, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that having regard to the attitude of the Minister of Health on the application already before him for the making up of certain private streets, it was considered inadvisable to pursue the question of the extension of the present scheme in relation to Alexandra Road, particularly as this would involve the acquisition of land for widening purposes.

The Committee recommend that no further action be taken in this matter at the present time.

12. CLASSIFIED ROADS.

(a) County Roads, Estimates 1948 - 49. With reference to Minute No. 3 (b) of this Committee on the 5th February, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that following further negotiations with the County Engineer, he had received intimation that slight increases in approved expenditure of £300 and £100 for Class I and II roads respectively would be made.

(b) Maintenance 1947 - 48. With reference to Minute No. 12 (b) of this Committee on the 4th March, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the amended programme of maintenance for the year ended 31st March, 1948, had been completed.

13. REPAIRS TO FOOTPATH MARGINS. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that certain footpath tar-paved margins in the District were in a defective condition, causing a considerable amount of unnecessary maintenance.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the necessary repairs to be effected to the margins in Pollard Road, Loring Road and Balfour Grove in the first instance, as and when the necessary labour becomes available.

Pollard Road, being a Class III road, it will be necessary for this work to be carried out within the approved estimate of the County Council.

14. ROAD SAFETY - ACCIDENT RETURNS. The Engineer and Surveyor reported the receipt of the Road Accident Returns for the month of March. During that period there occurred two accidents in this District involving one serious and one slight injury.

15. SEWERS.

(a) Raleigh Drive - Relief Sewer. With reference to Minute No. 6 (a) of this Committee on the 4th March, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that this work had now been completed and temporary repairs carried out to the carriageway and footpaths for the whole length of the unmade portion of the road, and not only the area effected by the works. A further report as to the cost of this work will be submitted to the next Meeting of the Committee.

(b) Collapse of Surface Water Sewer - Friern Mount Drive.

The Engineer and Surveyor reported the collpase of a section of the surface water sewer across the vacant land north of Friern Mount Drive. As a matter of urgency, having regard to the flooding of the adjoining land, the Chairman of the Committee authorised the employment of a Contractor on a cost plus basis, and it was anticipated that a commencement would be made in the very near future.

Having regard to the fact that the sewer in question is 20 ft. below ground level and owing to the waterlogged state of the ground, it is anticipated that the cost will be considerable although it is not possible for an estimate to be given at the present time.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Chairman of the Committee, and the Engineer and Surveyor, be approved and confirmed.

(c) Surface Water Sewer across L.C.C. Land. With reference to Minute No. 13 (b) of this Committee on the 6th November, 1947, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that notification had been received from the County Council to the effect that the Ministry of Transport had no objection to the construction of the culvert under the North Circular Road. Approval was, however, still awaited from the London County Council to the connection of the culvert into Bounds Green Brook before tenders could be invited to carry out this work.

16. ANALYSIS OF SEWAGE EFFLUENT. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on a sample of sewage effluent taken from Bounds Green Brook on the 5th April, 1948.

17. IMPROVED STREET LIGHTING ON MAIN ROADS. It will be remembered that in February 1947, the Minister of Transport indicated his willingness to give favourable consideration to a scheme for the installation of improved street lighting in Colney Hatch Lane, Friern Barnet Lane and Oakleigh Roads North and South. The scheme then proposed was for the installation of 134 sodium discharge lanterns at an estimated cost of £6,500.

Subsequently the Sub-Committee appointed by the Council to further investigate this matter, visited various districts in which this lighting had been installed, and expressed a preference for the sodium lighting/at Pence, but a decision was deferred to enable all Members of the Council to inspect new installations of fluorescent and sodium

lighting. Following this inspection, the Committee favoured the sodium installation, and have given consideration to the estimated costs of the installation of the various types of sodium and fluorescent lighting, and as the sodium is less costly to install and compares favourably with fluorescent lighting on subsequent maintenance, the Committee confirm the recommendation of the Sub-Committee that sodium lighting is preferable for this District.

The Committee consider that the lanterns should be spaced at 40 yard intervals, providing for the installation of 176 columns, the estimated cost of installation being £8,800.

The Committee accordingly recommend that :-

(a) the Sodium (General Electric Company) lighting as installed at Penge be approved for installation in Colney Hatch Lane, Friern Barnet Lane and Oakleigh Roads North and South, the columns to be spaced at intervals of 40 yards, at an estimated cost of £8,800.

(b) application be made to the Minister of Transport for an authorisation under Defence Regulation 56.

(c) application be made to the Minister of Transport for sanction to loan in the sum of £8,800 for a period of 20 years.

18. STATUTORY OPENINGS.

(a) Receipt of Notices. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on statutory openings being carried out by and on behalf of statutory companies.

(b) Co-ordination of Work. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that as a result of the extensive openings being made at the present time by statutory companies, it was being found impossible to maintain the normal standard of reinstatement and accordingly an endeavour was being made for the various companies concerned to co-ordinate the work by giving advance notice of programmes, and thereby reducing the amount of reinstatement.

19. SALVAGE.

(a) Returns. The Salvage Returns for March and April, 1948, were 36 tons 10 cwts., value £154 and 48 tons 17½ cwts., value £234.10.0d respectively, as compared with 31 tons 9 cwts., value £141.0.0d and 31 tons 18 cwts., value £136.0.0d for the corresponding periods during 1947.

(b) Statistics for Year ended 31st March, 1948. The Salvage Returns for 1948 were 401 tons 7 cwts., value £1,652.0.0d as compared with 370 tons value £1,446.0.0d during 1947.

(c) Food Waste Collection. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that further unserviceable bins had been replaced and arrangements are being made for intensive cleansing of the sites and bins for the summer season.

(d) Waste Paper - National Competition. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that for the months of February, March and April, 1½ tons, 2 tons, and 1 ton of waste paper respectively were in stock, and during March and April 18 tons 16 cwts., value approximately £132.0.0d and 31 tons 7½ cwts., value approximately £230.0.0d had been sold.

Arising from consideration of this report, the Committee have authorised the Engineer and Surveyor to arrange for waste paper baskets to be provided in the Council Chamber and Committee Rooms, and other suitable places in the Town Hall.

20. CONTROLLED TIPPING.

(a) Future Sites. The Engineer and Surveyor reported following the recommendation of the Allotments Committee, at the Meeting held

on the 4th May, 1948, that the Allotment holders on the Central Allotments should not be disturbed for the purpose of carrying out controlled tipping. Consideration was being given to the use of a site within the curtilage of the Sewage Works for this purpose, and a report thereon will be submitted to the Committee in due course.

(b) Crescent Road - Restoration. With reference to Minute No. 15 of this Committee on the 4th March, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported as to the work of restoration of the site in the vicinity of Lily Villas upon which controlled tipping had taken place recently.

(c) Bethune Recreation Ground - Negotiations with Railway Executive. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had been in negotiation with British Railways regarding the further tipping on the railway embankment necessitated by the new tipping level.

Tentative approval had been given to this work subject to the Council providing a 9" surface water cut-off drain at the toe of the embankment and the provision of a fence along the enbankment.

It was also considered that a chain link fencing should be provided as soon as possible above the line of the proposed tip, to be transferred to the boundary between the Council's land and that of British Railways at some later date when the tip had consolidated.

Owing to the difficulty of obtaining chain link fencing at the present time, it may be necessary to erect temporary Chestnut fencing.

The Committee are advised that the cost of providing the surface water drain would be approximately £550 but it will not be necessary to carry out this work during the current financial year. In view of the delay in obtaining chain link fencing, the Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to place an order forthwith for sufficient quantity of this material, the estimated cost of which is £130.

(d) Special Measures during Summer Months. The Engineer and Surveyor reported as to the special measures being taken to minimise nuisance in the vicinity of the controlled tip during the summer months.

21. MAINTENANCE OF TRAFFIC SIGNALS. The Engineer and Surveyor reported the receipt of a letter from the Automatic Telephone and Electrical Co. Ltd., dated 30th April, 1948, giving notice of the increase from £60.11.0d to £75.13.0d per annum in the cost of the maintenance of the Electromatic road signals in operation at the juntion of Friern Barnet Road, Friern Barnet Lane and Colney Hatch Lane.

22. 'BUS GARAGE, SYDNEY ROAD - DAMAGE TO FOOTPATH. With reference to Minute No. 18 of this Committee on the 4th March, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the London Transport Executive were prepared to bear the cost of setting back the Kerb line at the junction of Hampden Road and Sydney Road in the vicinity of the 'bus garage.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to carry out the necessary work, the cost thereof being charged to the London Transport Executive.

Chairman

The Meeting commenced at 7.55 p.m. and terminated at 9.40 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Rating and Valuation Committee.

13th May, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. A. C. S. Meynell ... Chairman

Crs. Henry, Martin, McClane, Matthews, Miss Richards, Simmonds and Sparks.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Pickering and Richardson.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 11th March, 1948 were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. NEW PROPERTIES. Having received a report by the Valuation Officer as to particulars of new buildings and structures erected in the District, the Committee recommend assessments as follows :-

		Recommendation
(a)	Council Flats Nos.323 - 333 Alexandra Road	
	4 - 2 Bedroom type	£25/18 each
	2 - 3 " "	£27/20 each
(b)	House - 8, Chandos Avenue	£46/36
(c)	House - 39, Church Way (war destroyed house re-built, but to improved plan)	£87/70
(d)	Houses - 14, 15 and 16, Friary Close	£42/32 each
(e)	Hoarding - junction Woodhouse Road and Lyndhurst Avenue.	£24/22

4. ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS. Having received a report by the Valuation Officer as to particulars of alterations and additions to the following properties, the Committee recommend amended assessments as indicated.

		Recommendation
(a)	23, Oakleigh Park South - temporary extension to existing garage	increase from £100/80 to £104/83
(b)	42, Bramber Road - temporary garage	increase from £45/35 to £48/38
(c)	6, Friary Road - temporary garage	increase from £50/40 to £57/46
(d)	17, Barfield Avenue - temporary garage	increase from £28/21 to £33/25
(e)	12, Chandos Avenue - temporary garage	increase from £46/36 to £50/40
(f)	14, Chandos Avenue - temporary garage	increase from £46/36 to £50/40
(g)	22 & 23, Oakleigh Gardens - garages completed	increase from £48/38 to £50/40 each

		Recommendation
(h)	32 & 33, Queens Parade, Friern Barnet Road - Half-shop known as No.32 taken over by occupier of No.33.	No.32 reduced from £55/44 to £40/30 No.33 increased from £30/22 to £47/37

5. HOUSES ASSESSED IN PARTS. The following two houses which are assessed in parts are now in single occupation and accordingly the Committee recommend that the original assessments be reinstated as indicated.

		Recommendation
(a)	34, Beaconsfield Road	from £29/22 on each floor to £52/42 on whole house.
(b)	9, Bellevue Road.	from £26/19, £23/16 and £12/7 in respect of three floors to £45/35 on whole house.

6. OCCUPIERS' PROPOSALS.

(a) Northmet Power Company and Tottenham and District Gas Company. The Valuation Officer reported that proposals for the year 1947/48 have been received from the Northmet Power Company and the Tottenham and District Gas Company, and that Notice of objection had been served in each case.

(b) Properties in Friary Close. The Valuation Officer reported that communications had been received from occupiers of properties in Friary Close requesting the necessary forms to appeal against the assessments of the properties on the grounds of loss of amenity because the tennis courts have been built upon, although no proposals have to date been received.

The Committee recommend that if and when proposals are received on these grounds, the Valuation Officer be instructed to object to the proposals and to uphold the present assessments.

7. CHURCH HALLS.

(a) Church Hall, Friern Barnet Lane. Having received a report from the Valuation Officer as to the lettings of the Church Hall, Friern Barnet Lane, the Committee recommend that the present assessment of £70/56 be increased to £100/80.

The Committee further recommend that the Parochial Church Council be asked to keep more detailed records to facilitate the division of future assessments between parochial and non-parochial use.

(b) Whetstone Congregational Church Hall. The Valuation Officer reported that intimation had been received from the Church Authorities of their intention to commence letting the Hall and the Committee recommend that these premises be assessed at £60/48 and that the Authorities be asked to keep detailed records of lettings to enable the Council to review the assessment at the end of the year.

8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1948.

(a) Valuation for Rating Purposes. The Valuation Officer submitted a report upon the provisions of the Act dealing with Valuation for Rating purposes.

(b) Repeal of Railways (Valuation for Rating) Act, 1930. A letter dated 31st March, 1948 was submitted from the Railway Assessment Authority giving notice of the abolition of that Authority as from the 31st March, 1948, as a result of the Repeal of the

Railways (Valuation for Rating) Act, 1930, and the transfer of its functions thereafter to the Board of Inland Revenue (Valuation Department).

9. RAILWAY ASSESSMENT AUTHORITY - ANNUAL REPORT. The Annual Report of the Railway Assessment Authority for the year ended 31st March, 1948 was submitted for information.

10. 95, FRIERN BARNET ROAD. A Statutory Notice was submitted for information indicating that an application for the transfer of the licence to sell beer, wines and spirits by retail to be consumed off the premises was made on the 14th April, 1948.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 7.0 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Town Planning Committee

13th May, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. L. W. McClane ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Martin, Matthews, Miss Richards, Simmonds, Sparks and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, Mason and Meynell.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Pickering and Richardson.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the last Meeting of the Housing and Town Planning Committee held on the 11th March were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (GENERAL INTERIM DEVELOPMENT) ORDER, 1946. The North Middlesex and South East Hertfordshire Joint Planning Committee have recently had under consideration the question of consultation between the Joint Committee and Local Authorities in connection with applications under the Interim Develpoment Order, and have now given instructions as to the types of applications on which they desire to be consulted.

4. PRELIMINARY OUTLINE PLAN. The North Middlesex and South East Hertfordshire Joint Planning Committee have prepared a Preliminary Outline Plan for the whole of the Region, and are inviting the observations of Local Authorities on the proposals contained in that plan, a copy of which so far as it affects each District will be forwarded in due course.

When the plan has been received it will be submitted to the Committee for their observations.

5. NATIONAL HOUSING AND TOWN PLANNING COUNCIL. An application has been received from this Council for renewal of subscription amounting to £6. 6. 0d for the year 1948/49, and the Committee recommend that the subscription be renewed.

6. ACQUISITION OF LAND. Circular No. 39 from the Ministry of Town and Country Planning was submitted for the information of the Committee. This Circular deals in the main with acquisition of land by Local Authorities under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1944, and stresses the need at the present time for reducing expenditure on acquisition of land for planning purposes, unless Local Authorities are reasonably certain that the development is likely to take place within a reasonable period.

Although this Circular is intended as guidance for acquisitions under the 1944 Act, similar considerations are to be applied in connection with acquisition under the Act of 1947.

7. 246, FRIERN BARNET LANE. Arising out of Minute No. 6, the Committee have considered the proposal to purchase this property for housing purposes and have instructed the Clerk to urge the Minister of Health to give early approval to the purchase.

8. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (MAKING OF APPLICATIONS) REGULATIONS, 1948. Circular No. 41 from the Ministry of Town and Country Planning was submitted for the information of the Committee, together with the Regulations. These regulations are designed with a view to making one authority responsible for the issue of forms and the receipt of applications for development for both byelaw purposes and planning purposes.

Where the County Council as the planning authority has delegated functions to the District Council, the District Council will issue the necessary forms and receive applications under their building byelaws and under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947. The Minister is endeavouring to prescribe the necessary forms, but if it is impossible to do this before the appointed day, it is assumed that the County Council, as the planning authority, will give local authorities some guidance as to the type of form to be used, but it is doubtful whether the form of application can for the time being be a combined form for both byelaws and town planning.

The local authority will also be required to issue the necessary forms of application for determining the development charge under the Act of 1947, but any such completed forms of application will be forwarded direct to the Central Land Board by developers.

9. 264, COLNEY HATCH LANE. The occupier of these premises has requested planning approval to the use of a portion of the premises for the business of light refreshments. The premises have been inspected by the Shops Inspector and are, in the main, satisfactory.

The Committee accordingly recommend that approval be given but that the occupier be informed that this approval does not operate to permit the parking of vehicles on the highway in the vicinity of the cafe.

10. 22, OAKLEIGH PARK NORTH. With reference to Minute No. 5 of the Housing and Town Planning Committee on the 15th January, 1948, it will be remembered that the application from the Abbey Corinthian Games Company for permission to use a portion of these premises for business purposes was approved subject to certain conditions, including a condition that the approval should operate for a period expiring on the 31st December, 1948.

Notice has been received from the Ministry of Town and Country Planning that the Company have appealed against the conditions imposed by this Council, and it has been agreed with the Minister that the appeal shall be decided without the necessity for a formal Local Inquiry.

A visit by an Inspector of the Ministry was arranged but was subsequently cancelled, as it is understood that the Company are negotiating for the acquisition of other property and it is possible that the appeal will therefore be withdrawn.

11. 1416, HIGH ROAD. With reference to Minute No. 11 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated 18th March, 1948, it will be remembered that the Council decided to refuse the application of Messrs. T. P. Breen, Ltd. for the installation of machinery at these premises, and notification has now been received from the Company that they have appealed against that decision.

12. 97, FRIERN BARNET ROAD. Application has been received from Mr. G. W. Charig of Mac Signs Ltd. for town planning approval to the use of 97, Friern Barnet Road for the business of signwriting. The applicant states that a maximum of six persons would be engaged on this work and that although they have no machinery they might in future wish to install a light power saw.

This property is situate in an area zoned under Planning Scheme No.1 for general business purposes.

The Committee recommend that approval be given to the proposed user, but that the installtion of power machinery be prohibited.

13. "THE HERMITAGE", COLNEY HATCH LANE. Application has been received from Mr. R. Brownlow for town planning approval to the use of the building at the rear of "The Hermitage" and fronting Hillside Avenue for the purpose of manufacturing Lamp Shades. The applicant states that no machinery would be installed except sewing machines, and the number of employees would be between 50 and 60.

This building is situate partly in an area zoned under Planning Scheme No.1 for general business purposes, and partly in an area subject to Interim Development which is of a residential character. The proposed user which is industrial would be contrary to the character of the neighbourhood so far as the Interim Development is concerned, but the zoning in the operative Planning Scheme permits industrial user with the Council's consent.

The Committee recommend that the proposed user be approved subject to no power machinery being installed, the approval to expire on the 31st December, 1950.

14. APPLICATIONS TO ERECT GARDEN SHEDS. The Committee recommend that applications to erect the following garden sheds be approved :-

1 Plan No.	2. Address	3. Type of Building	4. Temporary Licence to
TB.419	23 Lyndhurst Avenue	Garden Tool Shed	31.12.49
TB.420	63 Mayfield Avenue	Greenhouse	-do-
TB.421	37A Friern Barnet Lane	Garden Tool Shed	-do-
TB.422	169 Oakleigh Avenue	-do-	-do-
TB.423	39 Myddelton Park	-do-	-do-

15. PLAN NO.3654. - Dressing Room, Old Owen's Sports Ground, Chandos Avenue. Application has been received from the Association for an extension of the licence granted to them in April 1945, and which expires on the 30th May, 1948.

The Committee recommend that the licence be extended to the 31st December, 1949.

16. PLANS.

(a) Approvals. The Committee recommend that the following Plans be approved under the provisions set out in column 3, subject to the conditions, if any, set out in column 4, and where necessary to the approval of the Middlesex County Council and to the building licence for the erection of any new dwellings (when issued) containing the prescribed condition as to maximum selling price and rent under the Building Materials and Housing Act, 1945, and the conditions set out in Ministry of Health Circular No. 23/47.

Plan No. Deposited by 1	Description 2.	Approved under 3.	Remarks 4.
3840 Mac Signs Ltd.	New W.C. in existing building and additional drainage, 97 Friern Barnet Road.	Scheme 1 P.H.Act Byelaws	
3841 Mr. A. G. Champion	Temporary conversion into 2 self-contained flats, 61 Wilton Road	P.H.Act Byelaws Interim Development.	
3842 Mr. M. P. Papazian	Rebuilding war-destroyed house as 2 self-contained flats, 76 Wilton Road	P.H.Act Byelaws Interim Development.	

PLANS.

(a) Approvals continued.

Plan No. Deposited by 1.	Description 2.	Approved under 3.	Remarks 4.
3843 Mr. E. J. Rudd	Private garage at rear of 14 Goldsmith Road.	Draft Scheme 2 P.H.Act Byelaws	
3844 British Die-Casting & Engineering Co. Ltd.	Canteen, additional sanitary accommodation and additional drainage Pembroke Road.	Draft Scheme 2 P.H.Act Byelaws	
3845 Mr.B.S. Allen	Additional sanitary accommodation 39 Beaconsfield Road	P.H.Act Byelaws	
3846 Mr. H. S. Capel	Private garage at rear of 22 Ferncroft Avenue	Interim Develop-ment P.H.Act Byelaws	
3847 Mr. F. Eggar	Three detached houses and garages, west side of Oakleigh Park South between "The Alders". and "Dunheved".	Scheme 1 P.H.Act Byelaws.	

(b) Disapprovals. The Committee recommend that the following Plan be disapproved for the reason stated in column 3 :-

Plan No. Deposited by 1.	Description 2.	Reason for disapproval 3.
3839 Messrs. T. P. Breen Ltd.	Block of 4 shops with 6 self-contained flats over. 1416 High Road N.20.	Contravention of Building Byelaws.

17. ADVERTISEMENT HOARDING - WOODHOUSE ROAD/LYNDHURST AVENUE. The Committee received a report regarding this Hoarding which has been recently erected, and are satisfied that it does not contravene the Council's Byelaws nor the Middlesex County Council Act.

18. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947. The County of Middlesex (Delegation of Planning Functions) Scheme, 1948 has now received the approval of the Minister of Town and Country Planning and has been printed and copies of the Scheme have been circulated to all Members of the Council for their future reference and guidance.

Chairman

The Meeting commenced at 7.0 p.m. and terminated at 7.30 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Housing Committee

13th May, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. E. Draper ... Vice-Chairman in the Chair

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Matthews, Mason, Meynell, Miss Richards, Simmonds, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Pickering and Richardson.

2. REPRESENTATION ON COMMITTEE. The Friern Barnet Branch of the British Legion have expressed a desire to be represented on this Committee.

The Committee consider that Members of the Council, as the elected representatives of the Electors of the District, are answerable to residents for the administration of the functions of the Local Authority, and it has not been the practice of the Council to co-opt on to Committees persons representing Local Organisations.

In these circumstances the Committee feel unable to recommend the Council to accede to the request.

3. HOUSING ESTATES.

(a) Arrears of Rent. The Treasurer reported on the present position regarding collection and arrears of rent. Arising out of this report the Committee recommend :-

(i) Tenant No. 57. That a further report be submitted to the next Meeting regarding the arrears amounting to £4 14s.9d.

(ii) Tenant No. 225. That as there have been many cases of previous arrears, which now amount to £3 15s. 3d., notice to quit be served unless the amount due is paid forthwith and rent paid in full in the future.

(iii) Tenant No. 319. That a further report be submitted to the next Meeting on the arrears amounting to £3 18s. 7d., and as to arrangements for payment.

(iv) Tenant No. 1025. That a further report be submitted to the next Meeting on the arrears, which at the date of the report amounted to £4 19s. 8d., but which have since been reduced by a payment of £2 10s. 0d.

(v) Former Tenant No. 1046. That the arrears amounting to £4 17s. 7d. be written off as irrecoverable owing to the difficulty of tracing the present residence of the former tenant.

(b) Hardship Cases. Applications for reduction of rent on the ground of hardship have been received.

The Committee recommend that these applications, and all similar applications received in future, stand referred to the Housing Lettings Committee for consideration and recommendation as to action to be taken by this Committee.

(c) 11, Simmons Way. The present occupier of this house has been a tenant for a considerable number of years, and now enquires whether the Council would be prepared to sell the premises to him.

The Committee recommend the Council to agree in principle to the sale at a price to be negotiated subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health.

(d) General Maintenance. The report of the Engineer and Surveyor on the general maintenance of housing estates was submitted for the information of the Committee.

(e) Appearance of Housing Estates. The Ministry of Health have issued Circular 55/48 together with a report on the appearance of housing estates prepared by a Sub-Committee of the Central Housing Advisory Committee, to the recommendations of which the Minister gives general approval.

A report on this rather lengthy document is being prepared by the Engineer and Surveyor and will be sent to all Members of the Council, and the Engineer and Surveyor will at the next Meeting submit plans showing the application of the recommendations to housing estates in this District.

(f) East Crescent - Verges. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that to improve the appearance of certain of these verges dwarf retaining walls had been built and shrubs planted.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Engineer and Surveyor be approved and confirmed.

(g) East Crescent - Telegraph Post. An application has been received from London Telecommunications for permission to erect a telegraph post between Nos. 43 and 45 East Crescent.

The Committee recommend that permission be granted subject to wayleave agreement providing for a payment of 1s.0d. per annum.

(h) 233 and 235, Oakleigh Road North. With reference to Minute No. 4 (g) of the Housing and Town Planning Committee dated the 11th December, 1947, tenders have now been obtained for structural repairs to these two properties and the Committee recommend that the lowest tender which was submitted by Mr. H. C. Buddington in the sum of £450 be accepted subject to contract in accordance with Standing Orders.

4. HOUSING LETTINGS COMMITTEE. A report of a Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee held on the 15th March, 1948, a copy of which is attached, was submitted and approved.

5. REQUISITIONED PREMISES.

(a) Decoration and Repair. The Committee have received a petition from residents in Chandos Avenue, complaining of the external appearance of requisitioned property in that street.

The repair and decoration of requisitioned property, like all other properties, is controlled by the available labour and material, and the licensing restrictions, but a survey has been made of all requisitioned properties, and work on the property in Chandos Avenue is in progress.

(b) 9, Bellevue Road. The occupier of these requisitioned premises has complained of their condition, and following an inspection an order has been placed with Messrs. Simpson & Sons, Builders, for the carrying out of work up to a value of £50 pending Ministry of Health approval to the extensive repairs which are estimated to cost £120. The Ministry have requested further details before signifying their approval.

As the repairs are necessary and urgently required, the Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to proceed with the whole of the work in anticipation of approval.

(c) 67, Friern Watch Avenue.
31, Okehampton Close. A renewed application has been received for the release of 67, Friern Watch Avenue to the owner, who is

living in difficult circumstances at Tynemouth and wishes to return to London to enable her daughter to take up studies.

An application has also been received for the release of 31, Okehampton Close as the Agents state they have a large number of very deserving cases on their waiting list.

No. 67 Friern Watch Avenue is at present occupied by two families.

It is probable that the occupiers of 31, Okehampton Close will shortly be moving, in which case it might be possible to transfer one of the families from Friern Watch Avenue to Okehampton Close, and arrange for the owner of 67, Friern Watch Avenue to occupy a portion of the house.

The Committee recommend that arrangements be made accordingly if and when possible.

(d) 33, Carlton Road. A renewed application has been received for the release of this property for the owner's occupation, thus releasing the whole of another property, a part of which is occupied by this owner, for the occupation of the applicant.

The Committee regret that at the present time they are unable to accede to this request.

(e) 86, Chandos Avenue. A renewed application has been received for the release of this property to enable the owner to take up occupation. The owner's family are living under very difficult circumstances in a rented house under an insecure tenancy.

This property is at present occupied by two families.

The Committee have instructed the Clerk to obtain further particulars and recommend the applicant be informed that at the moment the Council are unable to release the property, as no alternative accommodation is available for the present occupants, but the application will be borne in mind for future consideration.

(f) 28, Manor Court. The Clerk reported the present position regarding the occupation of these premises, and submitted correspondence received from the occupier.

The Committee recommend that the Clerk be instructed to communicate with the Wanstead and Woodford Borough Council to ascertain whether they are able to offer accommodation to this occupier.

(g) Arrears of Contributions. The Treasurer submitted his report, and the following recommendations arise therefrom :-

(i) Occupier No. 549. This occupier has promised to pay arrears of £3 12s. 6d. by instalments, and the Committee have instructed the Treasurer to submit a further report at the next Meeting.

(ii) Occupier No. 543. The arrears amount to £4 8s. 5d. and previous difficulty has been experienced. The Committee recommend that notice terminating the licence be served unless the full amount due is paid forthwith.

(iii) Occupier No. 633. The arrears of £8 5s. 6d. have accrued due to illness. The Committee have instructed the Treasurer to submit a further report at the next Meeting.

6. 1304, HIGH ROAD, N.20. The Committee had before them correspondence from the Solicitors acting for the owners of the above property consisting of a shop and two flats over, both flats having been requisitioned. The owners are seeking approval under the Building Materials and Housing Act, 1945, to the apportionment of the rent reserved by a Lease which has already been entered into, and of the price at which it is proposed to sell the property.

The Committee have instructed the Chairman of the Council, and the Clerk, to give the matter consideration, and if possible to obtain further information, and have referred the question to the General Purposes Committee.

7. ASSISTANT HOUSING MANAGER. No suitable applications have been received for this appointment, and the Committee have referred the matter to the Establishment Committee for consideration and report.

8. FRIARY CLOSE. With reference to Minute No. 5 of the Report of the Housing Lettings Committee dated the 21st January, 1948, it will be remembered that it was at first agreed that four of these new houses should be let by the Developers to persons nominated by the Council. Subsequently it was decided that it would be preferable if suitable applicants on the waiting list were given the opportunity to negotiate for purchase, and the Developers were notified accordingly.

The Developers state that they have incurred additional expenditure on legal costs in connection with these four houses, and have requested the Council to permit an increase of £34 in each case to the maximum selling price under the Building Materials and Housing Act, 1945, already fixed.

The Committee recommend the Council to adhere to their previous decision to permit the sale of these four houses to persons nominated by this Council, and to raise no objection to the proposed addition of £34 to the maximum selling price of each house, subject to proof of the additional expenditure being submitted.

9. HOUSING SCHEMES.

(a) Permanent Housing Site No. 3 - Alexandra Road.

(i) Progress. The Engineer and Surveyor reports the completion of these 36 flats except for minor external works.

(ii) Adjustment of boundary of Site. The boundary on the East side adjoining the Golf Course, of which the Wood Green Borough Council are the Freeholders, has an old fence line along which it is proposed to erect a new fence. It has been suggested that the fence line might be adjusted to give a better line, which would involve an exchange of equal areas of land as between the Golf Course and the Housing Site.

The Committee recommend that this adjustment be effected subject to the approval of the Minister of Health, the Wood Green Borough Council and the Muswell Hill Golf Club.

(iii) Caretaker. The Committee consider that the time has now arrived when it is necessary for the Council to appoint a Caretaker for the 36 flats in Scheme 3 and the 60 flats in Scheme 4.

The Committee accordingly recommend that the Establishment Committee be asked to fix the terms and conditions of this appointment and that the appointment be then advertised.

(iv) Loan for Site. The purchase of all the parcels of land forming this site has now been completed and consent to loan is now required.

The Committee recommend that application be made to the Ministry of Health for loan sanction in the sum of £2,674 for the maximum period.

The Committee further recommend that on receipt of loan sanction the money be borrowed from the Public Works Loan Board, and that the Chairman and Clerk of the Council be authorised to seal, if necessary out of Meeting, Mortgage and any other documents in connection therewith.

(b) Permanent Housing Site No. 4 - Alexandra Road.

(i) Electricity Supply. The "All-in"Rate for the supply of electricity to these flats has been fixed by the Eastern Electricity Board, who have forwarded an Agreement providing for an annual standing charge of £112 16s. 4d. for the flats, and £7 15s. 8d. for external lighting, plus 12½%.

The Committee recommend that the Agreement be approved and sealed by the Council at their next Meeting.

(ii) Progress. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a progress report.

(c) Permanent Housing Site No. 5 - Colney Hatch Lane.

(i) Four Houses type 5. The Minister of Health has approved the tender of Messrs. Charles Denton for the erection of one block of four houses type 5 on the above site.

The Committee accordingly recommend that the tender of Messrs. Charles Denton be accepted in the sum of £4975 12s. subject to completion of Contract and Bond in accordance with Standing Orders.

The Committee also recommend that application be made to the Minister of Health for sanction to loan in the sum of £4,998 (£4,975 plus £23 costs).

The Committee also recommend that on receipt of loan sanction the money be borrowed from the Public Works Loan Board and that the Chairman and Clerk of the Council be authorised to seal, if necessary out of Meeting, the Mortgage and any other documents in connection therewith.

(ii) 18 Flats. Following receipt of Ministry approval to tenders being invited for the erection of 18 flats, 11 tenders were received and the lowest tender forwarded to the Ministry for approval.

The decision of the Minister has not yet been received, but at the interview today between the Engineer and Surveyor and Ministry officials the impression was given that the tender would not be approved as it was regarded as being too high.

(iii) Further Houses and Flats. At the interview above mentioned the Ministry officials indicated that approval might be given for contracts for further houses and to the inviting of tenders for 24 flats in one block, four storeys in height, and if and when these approvals are received they will be reported to the Council.

(iv) Drying Rooms. In view of the fact that the Ministry officials intimated that tenders submitted for 18 flats will be disapproved as being too high, the Committee understand that the provision of drying rooms on the roofs of four storey blocks of flats is likely to increase tenders for these flats, when invited, to a figure not acceptable to the Minister.

The Committee reiterate their opinion that such drying rooms are desirable, and that the layout should be so arranged that such drying rooms can be provided in the future.

(v) Accommodation for Aged Persons. The Committee desire to place on record their decision to consider at a later date the type of accommodation which should be provided for aged persons on this site.

(vi) Formal Opening. The Committee recommend that when the first tenants are housed in the houses now being built on

this site there should be an opening ceremony, to be arranged and performed by the Chairman of the Council.

(vii) Women's Advisory Panel on Housing. Correspondence was submitted from the Panel containing suggestions relating to the houses now in course of erection. These suggestions and the Committee's recommendations thereon are as follows:-

(A) Upstairs lavatory and bathroom to be combined. The Committee consider this undesirable, but the Engineer and Surveyor will investigate the possibility of enlarging the bathroom.

(B) Provision of towel rail and multi-arm airer in bathroom. Enquiries will be made as to whether the Minister will approve these.

(C) Discontinuance of concrete porch cheeks. These occur on six houses only, and the Committee recommend that they be not provided on any further houses.

(D) Rounding of external plaster arris's in bedrooms. This is being done.

(E) Upper portion of screen walls to be concrete grilles. These are too expensive and the Committee think would not look too pleasant in this position.

(F) Installation of electric immersion heaters or gas water heaters for summer water heating. Provision has been made for installation.

(G) Alteration of certain windows. This would present structural difficulties. No more of this type are being built.

(H) Picture Rails 1" below ceiling. The Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to try one house with Picture Rails placed in this position.

(I) Radiator in kitchen to be placed higher so as not to be dangerous to children. The Panel probably do not realise that these are protected by projecting brickwork and should not be dangerous.

(viii) Planting of Fruit Trees. The backs of some of the houses are visible from Colney Hatch Lane and the Committee think these should be screened.

The Committee accordingly recommend that a screen be provided by the planting of two fruit trees (apples and pears) in the back gardens of each of the houses concerned.

(ix) Progress. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the progress being made under the contracts already entered into.

(x) Street Lighting. Quotations were submitted for the provision of the necessary street lamps.

The Committee recommend that 45 watt sodium lamps as supplied by the General Electric Company be erected on concrete lamp columns. The approximate estimate for providing and installing these lamps on columns to be provided by the Council is £29 7s.0d. per lamp. It is anticipated that 30 such street lamps will be required on the site.

10. ASSISTANT CLERK OF WORKS. The Committee consider it necessary to appoint an additional Clerk of Works to work under the supervision of the existing Clerk of Works, and recommend this appointment at an inclusive salary of £9 per week.

11. REFRIGERATORS. Refrigerators have been installed in all flats on Site No.3, leaving only 14 in stock. Further supplies will be required and can be obtained from Messrs. Electrolux Ltd., at a cost of £17 plus purchase tax £6 1s.7d.

The Committee recommend that a further 100 refrigerators be purchased, delivery to be as and when required.

12. HOUSING RETURNS. Ministry of Health Housing Returns for the months of February and March were submitted.

13. 29, OAKLEIGH ROAD, N.11. With reference to Minute No. 17 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated the 18th March, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the tender of Messrs. J. Holland & Son for structural repairs to this property was accepted in the sum of £132 10s.0d. and the works are now in progress.

The Committee recommend that this action be approved and confirmed.

14. BUILDING LICENCES.

(a) Progress. The Engineer and Surveyor reported on the progress of works covered by licences already issued.

(b) 73, Oakleigh Avenue. The Minister of Health has refused authority for the issue of a licence for the rebuilding of this war destroyed property, having regard to the cost.

(c) Painting. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the weekly quota of licences which he is authorised to issue for painting has been further reduced to £350. The Federation of Master Builders has protested most strongly against this further reduction; the reduced amount is nowhere near sufficient for the external decoration of premises which is now becoming urgent if the fabric of the premises is to be preserved.

The Engineer and Surveyor has lodged a strong protest with the Ministry.

15. HOLMSDALE ROAD. With reference to Minute No. 12 of the Report of the Public Health Committee dated the 6th May, 1948, the Report of the Sub-Committee appointed to visit these premises was given to the Committee.

The Committee have asked the Chairman of the Council to investigate the possibility of rendering assistance to the family, and in due course to report to the Committee as to what action it has been found possible to take.

J. Nickerson

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.30 p.m. and terminated at 11.05 p.m.

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee

15th March, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. J. E. Pickering ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Henry, Martin, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Richardson and Sparks.

Also in attendance:

Cr. Matthews.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 26th February, 1948 were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. TENANT NO. 51. The lodgers have now vacated this Council house, leaving in occupation the tenant, his wife (an expectant mother) and a child 2½ years. The Committee recommend that the family be transferred to a two-bedroom type Council flat, and the house when vacated be offered to Applicant D. 57.

3. TENANT NO. 105. The Committee recommend that when this tenant moves to a Council flat, the Council house vacated be offered to Applicant D. 76. The owner of the rooms at present occupied by this applicant is prepared to consider a tenant to be nominated by the Council and the Committee recommend Applicant B. 627 for the vacancy.

4. APPLICANT D. 248. Correspondence from the owner of the house, of which the upper part is occupied by this applicant, was submitted. The owner occupies the ground floor of the property and requires further room, and is anxious to obtain possession of the house. After careful consideration of the details submitted, it was resolved that no action can be taken at the present time owing to the serious housing situation.

5. APPLICANT C. 287. Correspondence from the owner of the house of which the upper part is occupied by this applicant was submitted. It was resolved to defer consideration of the matter until further information is available regarding the occupiers of the ground floor.

6. APPLICANT D. 191. A report was submitted in regard to the applicant and his family at present living with his wife's mother (tenant) and sister in a Council house. As soon as a one-bedroom type flat becomes available, the Housing Manager was authorised to rehouse the mother and sister and arrange for the tenancy of this house to be transferred to the applicant.

7. APPLICANT B. 394. Correspondence from the owner of the rooms occupied by this applicant was submitted and it was resolved that the matter be referred to the Medical Officer of Health for his observations.

8. OCCUPIER NO. 636. With reference to Minute No. 3 (e) of this Committee on 26th February, 1948, in which it was recommended that Occupier No. 636 should exchange accommodation with Occupier No. 513, a letter was considered from the former objecting to this arrangement. It was resolved that the previous recommendation of this Committee be adhered to and if necessary enforced.

9. APPLICANT B. 444. This applicant was nominated as a tenant of a one-bedroom type flat at "The Lindens" and as he was unable to accept the tenancy, Applicant B. 585, selected for a two-bedroom requisitioned flat, was substituted, a one-bedroom flat being necessary through change of circumstances. The next alternative Committee selection (Applicant B. 61) was taken for the two-bedroom requisitioned flat.

10. APPLICANT E. 7. This applicant was selected as a tenant for a three-bedroom Council flat and upon medical advice is prepared to wait until

a house is available. The next Committee selection (Applicant D.50) was accordingly substituted.

11. TENANT NO.1021. Correspondence in regard to the unfortunate situation which has developed in the circumstances of this tenant was submitted and the Committee recommend that alternative accommodation in a two-bedroom Council Flat be offered.

12. APPLICANTS F.10, F.11, F.12, F.13. These applicants are under a Court Order to vacate accommodation occupied by them and the Committee, in view of the serious housing situation, decided that no action can be taken at the present time.

13. 64, FRIERN WATCH AVENUE, N.12. It was resolved that this requisitioned property, when vacated, be offered to Tenant No. 101 and the Council House at present occupied by him be offered to Applicant D.67.

14. CHELWOOD. An application from occupiers of flats at this requisitioned property as to whether the Council would undertake the cleaning of the staircase which is in common use was submitted to the Committee and as labour cannot be found for the purpose, no further action can be taken.

15. APPLICANT D.183. A report was submitted upon the condition of the furniture of this applicant who was selected for a Council House and it was resolved that a quotation of £11 submitted by Cimex Ltd., be accepted for fumigation of the furniture during transit to the new address. It was further resolved that a charge of £5 be made to the prospective tenant for this service.

16. TENANT NO.174. An application for permission to instal a separate gas meter in a bedroom at present used by a lodger was considered and the Committee approved of this installation provided that the tenant is responsible for the charge.

17. SELECTION OF TENANTS. The Committee have selected the following applicants for the tenancies of the properties referred to :-

11 Two-Bedroom Type Council Flats.

Nos. B.30, C.336, B.459, D.172, C.182, C.417, B.526, C.76, B.225, B.253, B.569.

6 Three-Bedroom Type Council Flats.

Nos. E.28, D.215, D.17, E.4, D.164, C.78.

4 Council Houses.

Nos. D.47, D.117, E.7, D.253, (4 Houses Site 5)
E.34 - Reserve.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.30 p.m. and terminated at 10.35 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Establishment Committee

18th May, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards and Richardson.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Sparks.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 15th March, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. REPORTS OF JOINT COMMITTEES. The Committee received reports of the Meetings of the Joint Committees held this day, copies of which have been circulated to all Members of the Council, and arising therefrom the Committee recommend as follows :-

(a) Consolidation of Salaries and Bonus.

(i) Emoluments. That the consolidated salary of officers enjoying emoluments be ascertained in accordance with the scale laid down by the National Joint Council as set out in Minute No. 5 (a) of the Officers and Staff Committee, such emolument values, for superannuation purposes, carrying the addition of an amount being the difference between full bonus and the cash bonus as consolidated.

(ii) Revision of the Scheme of Conditions of Service. That the following amendments to the Scheme of Conditions of Service arising from the consolidation of salaries and bonus be implemented with effect from the 1st January, 1948 :-

(A) Paragraph 10 - Overtime. The substitution of £495 for £435 in the last paragraph. The effect of this increase in the overtime "ceiling" is to increase the hourly overtime payment. The existing provision does not include bonus within the overtime calculation.

(B) Paragraph 11 - Leave. The substitution of £760 for £700 as the salary "ceiling" beyond which leave is at the discretion of the employing authority.

(C) Paragraph 19 - Subsistence. The substitution of £760 for £700 as the salary beyond which officers other than heads of Departments and Deputies are entitled to first class railway travel.

(D) Paragraph 24 - Annual Reports. The substitution of £560 for £500 as the salary beyond which a local authority may waive the use of annual reports at their discretion.

(b) Revision of London Weighting - Paragraph 21 of the Scheme. That the amended scale for London Weighting as appended below be implemented with effect as from the 1st April, 1948, except where an officer would be prejudicially affected thereby, in which case the present holder of the office continues to receive the present weighting until the allowance based on age is not less than that amount.

All Divisions (Male and Female)

Age 16 to 20 years	£10
" 21 to 25 "	£20
" 26 and over	£30

Except in the few cases referred to above the weighting will be paid strictly on the age of the holder of the office including those on the special grades within the General Division.

(c) Further Amendments to Scheme of Conditions of Service. That the following further amendments be implemented :-

(i) Promotion Examination - Paragraph 28 of the Scheme. An officer who was in the service of a local authority on the 1st April, 1946, and who had on or before that date completed fifteen years continuous local government service and had attained the age of 35 years, shall be assumed to be eligible for promotion from the General to the Clerical and Higher Clerical Divisions without the passing of the Promotion Examination.

In communicating the above decision it is emphasised that it is not intended to discourage officers to whom the dispensation applies from taking the Promotion Examination. On the contrary, it is desired that such officers shall be definitely encouraged to take the examination and be granted the requisite facilities to do so.

(ii) Officers Temporarily undertaking Additional Duties.

(A) The recommendations of the National Council with regard to officers temporarily undertaking additional duties apply only to officers within the salary limit of £760 and the ruling that an officer called upon by reason of illness to perform duties outside the scope of the post he occupies is not entitled to additional remuneration, is to be regarded as prohibitory.

(B) It is not intended that an officer who is called upon to occupy temporarily the higher grade post should occupy such post for a minimum qualifying period before he receives the salary attaching to the higher post.

(C) The expression "leave" means leave under Paragraph 11 of the Scheme.

(D) The salary attaching to the higher post is the minimum salary of the grade for the higher post.

(E) In the case of a woman temporarily occupying a higher post permanently occupied by a man and graded in the General or Clerical Divisions, the woman would be paid the scale salary (female). In the reverse circumstances, the man would be paid the scale salary (male).

(d) Provincial Council Decisions - Manual Workers.

(i) Increase in Wages - Reduced Working Week.

(A) That as from the beginning of the pay week including the 1st July, 1948, the consolidated standard wage rates of adult males adopted by the National Council on the 27th March and the 24th June, 1947, be increased to the amounts set out hereunder, subject to the condition (ii) hereof :-

London	...	...	£5.6s.0d. per week
Zone A	...	...	£5.0s.0d. " "
Zone B	...	...	£4.17s.0d " "

(B) That the consolidated standard wage rates of adult females be increased to 75% of the male rates.

(ii) In any case where the consolidated standard wage rates are in excess of the present national consolidated standard wage rates, the amount by which such wages exceed the present national consolidated standard wage rates shall merge in the wage increase conceded in (a) above.

(e) Mr. S.J. Harrison - Application for Building Trade Rate of Pay. That the action taken by the Engineer and Surveyor in authorising the payment of building trade rate of pay to this employee be approved and confirmed.

4. PERSONAL INCOMES, COSTS AND PRICES. Ministry of Health Circular No. 45/48 was submitted enclosing a copy of the statement in respect of the above, which was published as a White Paper on 4th February,1948, referring to the fact that the economic situation of the country calls for the utmost co-operation from both sides of industry in this respect, and to which full regard should be paid when considering any matter likely to affect personal incomes, costs and prices.

5. NATIONAL HEALTH INSURANCE AND SICK PAY. The Treasurer submitted a report on the provisions of the National Health Insurance Scheme and Sick Pay, and arising from consideration of the report the Committee recommend :-

(a) That when an officer is receiving full pay during periods of sickness the allowance receivable by that officer under the National Insurance Act shall be deducted therefrom.

(b) That the terms of service of those officers becoming insured officers on the 5th July, 1948, be varied accordingly.

6. CLERK'S DEPARTMENT.

(a) Committee Clerk and General Assistant (Grade III). With reference to Minute No. 14 of this Committee on the 15th March, 1948, it was reported that Mr. E.S. Duller had been promoted to the position as from the 1st May, 1948, in accordance with Grade A.P.T.III of the National Scheme of Conditions of Service.

It was further reported that the vacancy caused by his promotion is being advertised on Grade A.P.T.I, and the Committee recommend that a Sub-Committee comprising the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council, and the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Finance Committee, be authorised to interview applicants and make the appointment.

(b) Shorthand-Typists.

(i) Mrs. M. Rouse - Resignation. The Clerk reported that Mrs. M. Rouse had resigned as from the 1st May, 1948.

(ii) Appointment of Mrs. M. Stewart. The Clerk reported that Mrs. M. Stewart had been appointed to the position of Shorthand-Typist at a salary of £258 per annum, rising by annual increments to £290 per annum, plus London Weighting of £24 per annum, and commenced duties on the 3rd May,1948.

The appointment is, in the first instance, for a probationary period of six months, and the first increment will take effect from the 1st April, 1949.

(c) Typist-Telephonist - Miss N.E. Janes - Resignation. The Clerk reported that Miss N.E. Janes had tendered her resignation to take effect from the 31st May, 1948, and arrangements will be made in due course to fill the vacancy created thereby. This matter will be reported further to the next Meeting of this Committee.

7. TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT.

(a) Examination Success. It was reported that Mr. A. Pitt, Treasurer, had recently passed the Final Examination of the Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants.

The Committee recommend that the Council's congratulations be conveyed to the Treasurer, and that in pursuance of Paragraph 29 of the National Scheme of Conditions of Service a grant of £30 be made to Mr. Pitt.

(b) Appointment of Senior Income Assistant. With reference to Minute No. 5 (c) of this Committee on 15th March, 1948, it was reported that Mr. C.M. Spenceley of 82, Newlands Road, Tunbridge Wells, had been appointed to the position of Senior Accountancy Assistant, Income Section, as from the 1st May, 1948, at a salary in accordance with Grade III of the A.P.T. Division of the Scheme of Conditions of Service.

The appointment is subject to one month's notice and as Mr. Spenceley is already in the Superannuation Scheme a transfer value in connection therewith will be payable by the Borough of Royal Tunbridge Wells.

(c) Sickness. The Treasurer reported that the under-mentioned members of his staff had been absent owing to sickness during the periods stated :-

Mr. C.W. Kingston	...	From 20.2.48 to 17.4.48.
Mr. J. Lowry	...	" 17.4.48 to 3.5.48.
Miss R.J. Gann	...	" 22.3.48 to 12.4.48.

8. ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT.

(a) Appointment of Senior Building Inspector. With reference to Minute No. 6 of the General Purposes Committee on the 18th March, 1948, it was reported that Mr. W.H. Moulsdale, Building Inspector of the Chertsey Urban District Council, had been appointed as Senior Building Inspector as from the 1st May, 1948, at a salary in accordance with Grade IV of the A.P.T. Division of the Scheme of Conditions of Service.

The appointment is subject to one month's notice and as Mr. Moulsdale is already in the Superannuation Scheme, a transfer value in connection therewith will be payable by the Chertsey Urban District Council.

(b) Assistant Building Inspector - Sickness. Mr. N. Clements, Assistant Building Inspector, has been absent owing to illness from the 29th March to the 5th April, and from the 19th April to the 10th May, 1948.

(c) Building Licensing Inspector - Resignation. Mr. L.A. Hodgson, Building Licensing Inspector, has resigned his appointment as from the 29th May, 1948.

(d) Junior Engineering Assistant - Resignation. Mr. R. Dunn, Junior Engineering Assistant, has tendered his resignation with effect from the 8th May, 1948.

(e) Junior Architectural Assistant - Mr. H. Moutell. An application has been received from Mr. H. Moutell, Junior Architectural Assistant, Grade I, for an increase in salary.

The Committee decided to defer consideration of this matter, together with the question of the filling of the vacancies created by the resignations referred to in Minutes 8 (c) and (d) above, and have appointed a special Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of this Committee, the Chairman of the Housing Committee, and the Chairman of the Highways Committee, to investigate the question of the staffing of the Engineer and Surveyor's Department, and to submit a detailed report thereon to the next Meeting of this Committee.

(f) Assistant Parks Superintendent - Mr. H. Clayton. It was reported that upon the termination of the appointment of Mr. Thomas, Parks Superintendent, the Chairman of the Parks Committee had authorised the remuneration payable to Mr. H. Clayton whilst performing the duties of Acting Parks Superintendent, to be increased to £7 per week as from 1st April, 1948.

An application was submitted from Mr. Clayton for redesignation from Parks Foreman to Assistant Parks Superintendent.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Chairman of the Parks Committee be approved and confirmed, but it was decided to defer for the time being, consideration of the application for redesignation.

9. MANUAL WORKERS.

(a) Gardeners - Resignations and Appointments. It was reported that the under-mentioned resignations had been received, and the following persons appointed to fill the vacancies created thereby :-

(i) Mr. G.C. Smith, Gardener at Friary Park, resigned on the 6th April, 1948.

(ii) Mr. R. Crossen, Gardener at Bethune Recreation Ground, has been transferred to Friary Park.

(iii) Mr. A. Hills was appointed on the 13th April, 1948, to succeed Mr. Crossen at Bethune Recreation Ground, but resigned on the 24th April, 1948. It has not been possible to fill the vacancy caused by this resignation, and as a temporary measure a transfer has been made from the Highways general purposes gang.

(iv) Mr. D. Knell, Park-keeper, resigned on the 15th March, 1948, and Mr. T. Murphy was appointed to fill the vacancy on the 22nd March, 1948.

(b) Sickness and Accidents. A report was submitted from the Engineer and Surveyor on sickness and accidents to manual workers since the date of the last Meeting.

10. PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT - APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL SANITARY INSPECTOR. With reference to Minute No. 23 of the Meeting of the Public Health Committee held on 6th May, 1948, the Committee considered the question of fixing the Grade for this appointment.

The Committee recommend that subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health the salary for this appointment be fixed within Grades I and II of the A.P.T. Division, according to the experience of the successful applicant.

11. HOUSING DEPARTMENT.

(a) Apportionment of Duties. Correspondence was submitted with the Ministry of Health as to the apportionment of duties in the Housing Department, as between normal housing administration and the management of requisitioned properties, as a result of which the Minister has agreed to make a grant of one-third of the salaries of the staff of this Department as from 1st April, 1948.

(b) Appointment of Assistant Housing Manager. With reference to Minute No. 14 of the General Purposes Committee on the 19th February, 1948, it was reported that no suitable applications had been received for this appointment.

The Committee have deferred further consideration of this matter, and have requested the special Sub-Committee appointed to investigate the position of staffing in the Engineer and Surveyor's Department to submit a similar report on the staffing in the Housing Department.

12. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPERANNUATION ACT, 1937.

(a) Mr. D.F. Barker - Engineer and Surveyor's Department. it was reported that Mr. D.F. Barker of the Engineer and Surveyor's Department had now completed six months probationary period, and having passed the necessary medical examination had been admitted to the Superannuation Scheme.

(b) Mr. J. Cowley - Engineer and Surveyor's Department. It was reported that Mr. J. Cowley of the Engineer and Surveyor's Department had completed two years service with the Council in a temporary capacity, and steps were being taken for his admission to the Superannuation Scheme.

13. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION - MR. J. KEENAN. With reference to Minute No. 7 (b) of this Committee on the 16th February, 1948, correspondence was submitted from the Fine Art and General Insurance Company, Limited, in connection with medical reports on the condition of the above-mentioned employee.

The Committee decided to defer consideration of this matter until such time as Mr. Keenan is reported to be fit to resume duty.

14. CAR ALLOWANCES.

(a) Continuance. With reference to Minute No. 10 of this Committee on 15th December, 1947, the Committee recommend that the car allowance payable to the under-mentioned officers be continued in accordance with the scale referred to therein for a further period of three months to 30th September, 1948.

Clerk of the Council
Engineer and Surveyor
Deputy Engineer and Surveyor
Building Inspector
Assistant Architect
Sanitary Inspector
Housing Manager
Highways Foreman
Housing Foreman

(b) Assistant Building Inspector. The Committee decided to defer further consideration of the payment of a car allowance to the Assistant Building Inspector until their next Meeting.

15. PERMANENT HOUSING SITES NOS. 3 AND 4, ALEXANDRA ROAD - CARETAKER. With reference to Minute No. 9 (a) (iii) of the Meeting of the Housing Committee on 13th May, 1948, the Committee considered the question of the terms and conditions to be attached to this appointment.

The Committee authorised the Chairman of the Council and the Chairman of the Housing Committee, in consultation with the Engineer and Surveyor and the Housing Manager, to make enquiries as to the terms and conditions applicable to similar posts in adjoining districts, to settle list of duties, and to fix a salary comparable therewith.

Chairman

The Meeting commenced at 7.05 p.m. and terminated at 8.05 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Finance Committee

20th May, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. R.P. Matthews ... Chairman

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mason, Meynell, Pickering, Simmonds, Sparks and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Draper and Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Martin and Richardson.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meetings of this Committee held on 17th and 18th March, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. COLLECTION OF RATES. The Treasurer reported that up to the 11th May 1948, the amount of rates collected was 20·2% of the amount collectable, compared with 23·8% for the corresponding period during 1947.

The Committee recommend that the 14th July, 1948, be fixed as the final date for payment of rates, after which date proceedings for recovery will be taken in cases of non-payment.

4. IRRECOVERABLE RATES AND COSTS. Having received a report from the Treasurer, the Committee recommend that the under-mentioned amount be written off as irrecoverable :-

Assessment No.	Amount
363	£4.19.0d.

5. ACCOUNT FOR ROAD SAFETY PUBLICATIONS. The Treasurer reported that notification had been received from The Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents to the effect that registered members of the Society can obtain publications, exhibitions etc., and literature at a special discount of 25%.

This Council has been a subscriber to the Society for several years, but it has not been considered necessary to seek registered membership.

The Committee recommend that application now be made for registered membership of the Society.

6. BALANCING OF ACCOUNTS 1947/48. The Treasurer reported that the balancing of the accounts for the year 1947/48 was proceeding and it was anticipated would be completed by the end of June.

The Committee recommend that the Abstract of Accounts be prepared and printed with the proviso that they are subject to audit, and that the Treasurer be authorised to invite quotations for carrying out this work.

7. ACCOUNTS. The Committee recommend that the Council authorise and order Barclays Bank Limited to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed on Pages 7 - 10 of the Treasurer's Order, amounting to £36,209.3.5d also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of £3,400 and in any week a maximum of £850 signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

8. BUILDING CONTRACTORS - INTERIM PAYMENTS. The Treasurer reported that it had been stated by a number of Contractors employed on

housing work, that the delay in receiving interim payments in respect of work under contract was causing a certain amount of hardship, and resulted in delay in obtaining further materials.

The Committee recommend that in order to expedite payments in such cases the Chairman of the Housing Committee be authorised to endorse certificates for interim payments of this nature, and interim Treasurer's Orders which may be submitted to Meetings of the Housing Committee shall be signed by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Council, and two members of the Finance Committee.

9. NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT, 1946 - SUPERANNUATION LIABILITIES TO THE JOINT ISOLATION HOSPITAL COMMITTEE. With reference to Minute No. 10 of this Committee on 22nd January, 1948, correspondence was submitted from the Finchley, Hornsey, Wood Green and Friern Barnet Joint Hospital Committee referring to the matters arising out of the transfer of the administration of the Hospital to the North West Regional Hospital Board under the provisions of the Act.

The Treasurer has circulated to all Members of the Council a report on the matters arising out of the transfer of the Hospital to the North West Regional Hospital Board. The major items arising are:-

(a) Capital Adjustments. The Agreement between the Constituent Authorities provides that the Council should pay an annual capital adjustment as their share of the Capital Assets. The Hospital will be transferred on the 5th July, 1948, but as the annual charge is payable on the 31st March each year, an apportionment of the annual payment from the 1st April, 1948, to the 4th July, 1948, will have to be made.

(b) Working Balances. Each of the Councils contributed to a working balance when the Joint Committee was formed, and these balances will now be repaid, the sum due to this Council being £500.

(c) Superannuation of Staff. The National Health Service (Superannuation) Regulations 1947 deal with the superannuation of transferred hospital staff, and enable the present employers to convert non-contributory service to contributory. The Joint Committee have passed the necessary resolutions to apply this benefit to transferred staff, at an estimated cost of £650 of which this Council's share would be £75. The Constituent Authorities will continue to be liable for certain superannuation liabilities and for the additional liability consequent on these further benefits. The Joint Committee suggest that the liability be shared amongst the Constituent Authorities on the basis of population on the 1st April each year. On this basis the Council's present liability is estimated at £250 per annum (£185 from 5th July, 1948, to 31st March, 1949). It is suggested that the Borough Treasurer of Hornsey, who is now Clerk and Accountant to the Joint Committee, continue to pay the pensions and be responsible for apportionment over the four Authorities.

The Committee recommend that the suggestions of the Joint Committee outlined above be approved.

10. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1948. The Treasurer submitted a report on the financial provisions of the Local Government Act, 1948.

Section 116 - Allowance to Chairman of District Council for Expenses of Office. Arising from consideration of the report, the Committee recommend that an annual allowance of £250 be paid to the Chairman of the Council to meet the expenses of his office, such payment to be made by quarterly instalments in advance.

In connection therewith Cr. Simmonds, the Chairman of the Council, declared his interest in pursuance of Section 76 of the Local Government Act, 1933, and took no part in the voting or discussion thereon.

11. SILVER LINING WEEK. A letter dated 21st April 1948, was submitted from the Chairman of the National Savings Committee expressing appreciation for the Council's co-operation during the recent "Silver Lining Week".

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 7.35 p.m.

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

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No. 7

To Barclays Bank Limited,
233, Woodhouse Road, Friern Barnet, N.12.

Pursuant to a Resolution adopted this 27TH day of MAY 19 48

WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 7 to 10 of this Order, amounting to the sum of ----------THIRTY SIX THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED AND NINE---------- pounds ---THREE--- shillings and ---------FIVE---------- pence, also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster-General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of ----------THREE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED---------- pounds and in any one week a maximum of ----------EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY---------- pounds signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

Chairman.

Members of the Council.

Countersigned :

Deputy Clerk of the Council.

S. & S. Ltd. G61924

Consecutive Number		NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment		
	108	EMERGENCY IMPREST ACCOUNT.--	1,476	3	11
	109	ADDRESSOGRAPH MULTIGRAPH LTD.--	2	1	5
	110	ATLAS STONE CO LTD.--	93	15	4
	111	AVELING-BARFORD LTD.--	14	2	7
	112	BARNET DISTRICT GAS & WATER CO.--	440	17	8
	113	ERNEST BENN LTD.--	-	7	6
	114	BERSEL MANUFACTURING CO LTD.--	6	15	-
	115	WM.BIGNELL & SON LTD.--	4	16	-
	116	N.BLACKBURN.--	-	2	-
	117	BLACKBURN ASSURANCE CO LTD.--	311	17	-
	118	C.H.BLATCH.--	2	6	9
	119	BLAW-KNOX LTD.--	28	12	2
	120	BOUSTREDS.--	2	18	8
	121	E.G.BRIDGE.--	25	-	-
	122	BRITISH DRUG HOUSES LTD.--	-	17	9
	123	BRITISH OXYGEN CO LTD.--	-	19	9
	124	BROUGHTON & CO (CARDIFF) LTD.--	5	-	-
	125	H.C.BUDDINGTON.--	40	8	-
	126	THE BUILDER LTD.--	5	15	-
	127	BUILDING INDUSTRY DISTRIBUTORS.--	2	14	-
	128	BURLINGTON PRESS.--	14	2	4
	129	BUTTERWORTH & CO (PUBLISHERS) LTD.--	2	-	8
	130	J.A.CABLE & CO LTD.--	27	16	9
	131	CAR ELECTRICAL (FINCHLEY) LTD.--	8	5	-
	132	R.J.CARR.--	-	3	6
	133	CHARLES CARTER (CHILDS HILL) LTD.--	166	6	4
	134	F.T.CARTER.--	3	5	7
	135	CEMENT MARKETING CO LTD.--	23	16	10
	136	CENTRAL COUNCIL FOR HEALTH EDUCATION.--	3	3	-
	137	CITY ASPHALTE CO LTD.--	146	1	2
	138	H.CLARKE.--	-	2	-
	139	CLINICAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATION LTD.--	1	6	6
	140	COGGAN & PEARSON LTD.--	3	12	6
	141	COLYER & SOUTHEY LTD.--	1	8	-
	142	COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE.--	263	4	-
	143	CONTRACT SILLY CLEANSING LTD.--	74	19	-

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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment		
144	COOK, HAMMOND & KELL LTD.--	16	3	9
145	W.CREIGHTON & CO LTD.--	23	16	2
146	CROW CATCHPOLE & CO LTD.--	42	8	1
147	W.H.CULLEN.--	50	11	9
148	DENNIS BROS LTD.--	2	11	-
149	DICKINSON & CLARKE LTD.--	6	-	9
150	W.W.DRINKWATER (WILLESDEN) LTD.--	141	-	-
151	EAST BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.--	16	5	4
152	EASTERN ELECTRICITY BOARD.--	80	9	6
153	EASTERN ELECTRICITY BOARD.--	1,344	19	2
154	EASTWOODS SALES LTD.--	90	10	6
155	EGRY LTD.--	49	10	11
156	J.ELKIN.--	1	11	-
157	ELSWORTH BROS.--	19	11	6
158	ENFIELD METAL WORKS LTD.--	27	10	-
159	EN-TOUT-CAS CO LTD.--	1	15	6
160	EXONA PRESS LTD.--	2	18	-
161	FINCHLEY CORPORATION.--	9	2	-
162	FINCHLEY PRESS LTD.--	7	2	-
163	FINCHLEY REVIEW.--	2	8	8
164	J.FITCH-HALDEN.--	-	1	-
165	FITZPATRICK & SON (CONTRACTORS) LTD.--	772	13	11
166	G.T.FLETCHER.--	12	17	3
167	J.C.FLETCHER.--	-	17	6
168	R.J.FORRESTER.--	129	11	6
169	I.S.FOX.--	-	4	-
170	FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.--	22	19	5
171	FURNACK (LIMITED).--	14	11	9
172	GEE & CO (PUBLISHERS) LTD.--	2	12	-
173	ALFRED GILBERT & SONS LTD.--	50	19	7
174	D.GOODALL.--	-	7	-
175	GOODMAN BROS (BUTCHERS) LTD.--	36	12	4
176	W.GREASBY & CO LTD.--	77	3	2
177	J.GRIMSON.--	-	1	-
178	J.HALDEN & CO LTD.--	9	6	7
179	HALES CLINKERS LTD.--	46	7	6
180	HALL HARDING LTD.--	1	-	11
181	HARRISON & SONS (MAIDSTONE) LTD.--	53	-	-
182	R.K.HENRY.--	-	1	-
183	HENRY COACHES LTD.--	5	10	-
184	P.YELVERTON HICKS.--	-	11	-
185	B.HIRST & SONS LTD.--	19	14	3
186	H.M.STATIONERY OFFICE.--	4	2	11
187	HOBART MANUFACTURING CO LTD.--	-	8	-
188	FRED HODGE LTD.--	80	18	8
189	J.HOLLAND & SON.--	13	11	5
190	F.HORNE.--	21	17	3
191	HOSPITAL SAVING ASSOCIATION.--	3	17	7
192	V.A.HOWARD LTD.--	507	11	5
193	H.HOWES & CO LTD.--	16	4	6
194	C.J.HUNT & CO LTD.--	103	14	2
195	INITIAL TOWEL SUPPLY CO.--	1	9	7
196	INTERNATIONAL PAINT & COMPOSITIONS CO LTD.--	13	13	10
197	WALTER JUDD LTD.--	41	11	9
198	B.KELION.--	-	13	-
199	KILLGERM COMPANY LTD.--	1	11	6
200	A.LANDSTEIN.--	-	11	-
201	LAMES RABJOHNS LTD.--	6	9	1
202	W.E.& G.LAWRANCE LTD.--	17	7	1
203	LEA RECORDER CO LTD.--	4	10	-
204	LEYLAND PAINT & VARNISH CO LTD.--	22	8	11
205	LIVERPOOL VICTORIA FRIENDLY SOC.--	403	18	4
206	LOVESAT & SON LTD.--	12	7	10
207	MABEY & JOHNSON LTD.--	57	-	-
208	MARSHALL.--	18	7	-
209	J.MARSHALL.--	6	12	8
210	MARSHAM TYRE CO LTD.--	63	18	-
211	McMANUS & CO LTD.--	5,845	-	-
212	MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT, FRIERN HOSPITAL.--	-	1	-

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213	METROPOLITAN WATER BOARD.--	1	8	-
214	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	1	4	-
215	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	15,267	-	-
216	MIDDLESEX LOCAL AUTHORITIES SUPERANNUATION JOINT COMMITTEE.--	672	11	7
217	MILLARS MACHINERY CO LTD.--	-	17	10
218	W.N.MILLEN.--	-	2	6
219	C.S.MOORE & SON.--	131	7	10
220	W.H.MOULSDALE.--	15	11	2
221	MUNICIPAL MUTUAL INSURANCE LTD.--	1	10	4
222	MUSWELL HILL RECORD & PRINTING CO LTD.--	-	2	8
223	F.W.NASH.--	-	10.	-
224	NATIONAL DEPOSIT FRIENDLY SOC.--	736	9	7
225	NATIONAL HOUSING & TOWN PLANNING COUNCIL.--	6	6	-
226	NATIONAL PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION.--	5	-	-
227	SAVINGS BANK OF NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.--	34	10	4
228	F.A.NEWMAN & SON.--	-	5	-
229	NEWTON CHAMBERS & CO LTD.--	20	3	9
230	NORTH MIDDLESEX ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE.--	97	10	-
231	M.O'REGAN.--	-	2	6
232	M.J.O'SULLIVAN.--	-	18	-
233	J.D.ORME.--	-	3	-
234	OSCROFT BROS.--	2	17	9
235	F.PALLETT.--	-	4	-
236	JOHN PARRY & CO LTD.--	5	8	9
237	THOS.PARSONS & SONS LTD.--	8	9	7
238	PERRY (REPAIRS & SERVICE) LTD.--	30	13	4
239	PILCHERS LTD.--	2	16	7
240	S.PINKERTON.--	-	1	-
241	J.T.PILKINGTON.--	69	19	4
242	A.PITT.--	25	19	-
243	J.W.POOLE.--	-	19	6
244	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	7	-	1
245	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	11	-	-
246	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	30	12	6
247	R.W.POWE & REVELL LTD.--	484	-	-
248	PRINCE REGENTS TAR DISTILLERIES.--	35	8	4
249	PROVINCIAL JOINT INDUSTRIAL COUNCIL FOR LOCAL AUTHORITIES NON-TRADING SERVICES (MANUAL WORKERS).--	1	2	6
250	Q.G.CONSTRUCTION LTD.--	115	6	6
251	RADIAL LTD.--	1	6	-
252	RATING & INCOME TAX.--	2	12	-
253	RAYWARD BROTHERS LTD.--	3	9	8
254	D.W.REID.--	2	6	6
255	REMINGTON RAND LTD.--	-	14	9
256	REPETITION TYRE & ACCESSORIES LTD.--	10	2	11
257	RESMAT SALES LTD.--	20	3	9
258	ROBERTS & NEWTON LTD.--	2	8	9
259	A.N.ROOKE.--	-	4	-
260	E.M.ROOKE.--	-	8	-
261	N.S.ROOKE.--	-	1	-
262	J.ROUSE.--	-	1	-
263	M.E.ROUSE.--	19	6	4
264	ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF ACCIDENTS.--	4	19	9
265	THOMAS SAMPSON LTD.--	1	9	6
266	THE SANITAS CO LTD.--	1	8	9
267	H.SCOTT & SONS.--	35	15	-
268	ALEXANDER SHANKS & SON LTD.--	7	12	9
269	SHAW & SONS LTD.--	18	16	5
270	SHELL MEX & B.P. LTD.--	10	19	2
271	A.A.SIMPSON.--	-	12	-
272	SIMPSON & SONS.--	75	3	4
273	S.SIMS & SONS LTD.--	29	10	-
274	SITUSEC LTD.--	277	8	10
275	DOUGLAS R.SMART & SON LTD.--	382	4	6
276	A.E.SMITH.--	22	2	6

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277	THOMAS SMITH & SON LTD.--	6	9	9
278	A.E.SOUTHEY & CO.--	5	5	-
279	CORPORATION OF SOUTHGATE.--	86	12	-
280	ST.ALBANS SAND & GRAVEL CO LTD.--	44	18	7
281	STANDARD RANGE & FOUNDRY CO LTD.--	800	-	-
282	D.STEWART & SON LTD.--	5	-	5
283	STUART THOMPSON & CO.--	3	3	-
284	M.KING.--	22	17	8
285	V.G.GEORGE.--	20	10	11
286	N.E.JANES.--	17	6	9
287	P.BROUGHTON.--	10	1	5
288	H.FAWCETT.--	20	8	9
289	K.R.SMITH.--	49	9	10
290	F.H.GUNTLE.--	33	3	6
291	I.A.HAYWARD.--	26	2	-
292	C.WALKER.--	19	2	2
293	D.F.BARKER.--	23	16	10
294	C.TAYLOR.--	25	6	4
295	H.N.HERMANS.--	32	6	2
296	H.A.PHILLIPS.--	27	9	10
297	J.F.WARD.--	25	4	10
298	N.HASKELL.--	12	-	1
299	E.I.MARTIN.--	23	18	4
300	R.J.GANN.--	19	15	2
301	L.MANNING.--	28	2	7
302	L.TIBBENHAM.--	18	19	7
303	I.CUDRAI.--	17	11	7
304	W.J.CLARKE.--	14	17	11
305	A.C.BRUMWELL.--	8	-	-
306	J.W.COX.--	2	1	4
307	FINCHLEY BILLPOSTING CO LTD.--	1	6	10
308	TEXAS OIL CO LTD.--	2	1	8
309	TOOMEY & MARSHALL.--	2	17	3
310	TOTTENHAM & DISTRICT GAS COMPANY.--	244	18	7
311	JOSEPH H.TURNER.--	18	7	3
312	TWICKENHAM GRAVEL CO LTD.--	13	12	1
313	UNDERWOOD ELLIOTT FISHER LTD.--	3	4	3
314	UNIVERSAL POSTAL FRANKERS LTD.--	5	17	6
315	VISIBLE WRITING MACHINE CO LTD.--	7	10	10
316	WATERLOW & SONS LTD.--	10	-	-
317	WATKINS & McCOMBIE LTD.--	42	15	2
318	T.E.WHEELER.--	2	2	6
319	M.WOHL.--	-	3	6
320	CORPORATION OF WOOD GREEN.--	777	11	3
321	F.WOODING & SON.--	49	8	6
322	L.C.WRIGHT.--	3	10	5
323	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	1,148	5	1
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Report and Recommendations of the General Purposes Committee

20th May, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Martin.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 18th March, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. PUBLIC BUILDINGS LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The report and recommendations of the above-mentioned Committee held this day, a copy of which is attached, was submitted, and the Committee recommend that the report and recommendations be approved and confirmed.

4. 246, FRIERN BARNET LANE.

(a) Sea Cadet Corps. It will be remembered that the Sea Cadet Corps have been permitted to use a portion of this property which it is proposed to purchase from the Middlesex County Council for housing purposes, the occupation having been approved by the County Council. The terms of the occupation are set out in Minute No. 4 of the Public Buildings Lettings Committee of the 17th July, 1947, the main conditions being that no tenancy shall be created, the Corps shall be responsible for all damage, for heating, lighting etc., the payment of a contribution of 10s.0d per week, and the occupation to be reconsidered in April 1948.

The Sea Cadet Corps have now enquired whether it is possible for the local authority to give them any security of tenure for a period of, say, two years, as the Corps are desirous of carrying out certain improvements and decorations to the portion of the building which they occupy, as part of their recruiting drive.

The approval of the Minister of Health to the purchase of this property has not yet been received, and it is therefore impossible for this Council to give any security of tenure.

The Corps have already carried out minor works including small repairs to the roof, the latter works having cost £6, and they are enquiring if the Council are prepared to reimburse this amount. The Council have no legal power to do so.

Since the terms of occupation were agreed a nominal assessment has been placed on the property and as it was an implied condition of the occupation that no expense should be incurred by the Council the Committee consider that the Corps should pay these rates.

The Committee accordingly recommend :-

(i) that the Corps be informed the Council are unable to reimburse expenditure in connection with repairs.

(ii) that the Corps be required to pay rates.

(iii) that the question of security of tenure be deferred and that the Ministry of Health be asked to hasten a decision as to purchase.

(iv) that the Corps be permitted to continue in occupation of a portion of the premises for the time being on the terms now applicable.

(b) 94th North London Scout Group. This Scout Group have made application for permission to use a portion of the premises which are not at present in use by the Sea Cadet Corps and to have the use of the grounds and the stabling at the rear, and they state they are quite prepared to carry out certain repairs to the stabling themselves.

The Committee recommend that consideration of this application be deferred pending the decision of the Minister of Health as to purchase.

5. FIRE SERVICE.

(a) Reports. With reference to Minute No. 3 of the General Purposes Committee of the 18th March, 1948, the Middlesex County Council state that they have given consideration to the practice of the National Fire Service to permit officers to attend meetings of local Councils and their Committees for the purpose of submitting reports on matters relating to the Fire Service, and they have decided that it is unnecessary for officers of the County Fire Service to attend meetings regularly, although they will be willing to permit an officer to attend if there are any special circumstances which render the attendance of an officer necessary.

(b) Factories Act. The Factories Act requires local authorities to issue certificates as to means of escape in case of fire in connection with certain factories, and it has been the practice of the Factory Inspector to consult the National Fire Service before making his recommendations to this Council. Enquiries were made from the Middlesex County Council as to whether they would be prepared to permit the County Fire Officer or some member of his staff to be consulted in this matter, and the County Council have now replied that they are quite prepared to permit an officer of the County Fire Service to give any advice or assistance which local authorities might require.

(c) Establishment Scheme. With reference to Minute No. 5 (c) of the General Purposes Committee of the 18th March, 1948, notification has now been received from the Home Office that the Secretary of State had already paid careful regard to representations made by District Councils before approving the Middlesex County Council Establishment Scheme and he does not, therefore, consider it necessary to hold a local inquiry as has been suggested by various Middlesex local authorities.

(d) Management Scheme. The Middlesex County Council have now forwarded a copy of the Draft Management Scheme in accordance with the requirements of Section 20 of the First Schedule to the Fire Services Act, 1947.

At the Conference with local authorities held at the Guildhall on the 22nd April last it was tentatively agreed that the County Council should prepare the Management Scheme on the basis that local authorities should be grouped in a similar way to the grouping proposed for the Health Committee under the National Health Service Act, 1946. This would mean that this District would be included in Group 2 and be linked with the Boroughs of Southgate and Wood Green and the Urban District of Potters Bar. The Management Committee is to consist of 27 persons, of whom 17 are to be appointed by the County Council from amongst its Members, and ten (representing one member from each of the ten groups in the County) by or on behalf of the local authorities included in each group. It is suggested that the local authorities in each group should get together to decide on the nomination of the representative from the group, and the Middlesex County Council state that although no definite resolution was adopted at the Conference, it appeared to be the general feeling that representation from each group should be by rotation, one local authority within the group nominating each year a representative in turn.

So far as Group 2 is concerned, the Town Clerk of the Borough of Southgate has undertaken to call a meeting of representatives of the four local authorities for the purpose of

deciding on the method of nominating a representative, and it is hoped to hold a meeting of these four authorities at an early date. It will be remembered that this Council have already suggested the nomination of the Chairman of the Council and he or the Vice-Chairman, together with the Clerk, will attend the meeting when called.

The Committee recommend that no objections be lodged to the Draft Scheme now submitted by the County Council.

(e) Transfer of Property. The Minister has now made the Fire Services (Transfer of Property) Regulations, 1948, under which the Fire Station in Friern Barnet Lane will be transferred to the Middlesex County Council as the fire authority, the County Council being responsible for the repayment to this Council of any loan charges on outstanding loans. The Middlesex County Council have asked for the deeds of the property to be forwarded to them, but this is impossible in view of the fact that the site of the Fire Station is included in the larger area on which the Town Hall and the Depot have been erected, and the County Council have been notified accordingly. At the same time the County Council have been asked to make an early decision as to the position regarding the hose tower, and they have also been asked to enter into the necessary negotiations with the Council for financial adjustments.

6. NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT, 1946 - Ambulance Service. With reference to Minute No. 4 of the General Purposes Committee of the 18th March, 1948, it will be remembered that the Scheme of the Middlesex County Council for the Ambulance Service provided for two ambulances to be housed in the Fire Station in Friern Barnet Lane.

The Middlesex County Council state that when details were supplied to them as to the number of ambulances and staff available, it was not in all cases pointed out that some of the ambulances are not at present manned, and that some of those that are manned are manned for day duty only, and in some cases the present hours of duty of personnel are in excess of the 48 hours per week prescribed by the National Joint Council for staff of hospitals and allied institutions which will operate throughout the County as from the 5th July next.

In these circumstances it has been necessary slightly to amend the Draft Proposals and so far as this District is concerned the amendment will mean that although two ambulances are kept in the Fire Station, only one will be manned continuously, the other being kept as a spare ambulance.

The Committee recommend that no objection be raised to this amendment of the Scheme.

7. AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS.

(a) Control Centre. The District Valuer has been requested by the Home Office to value the Civil Defence works comprising this Control Centre for the purpose of financial adjustments on the acquisition by this Council of the Department's interest therein.

The District Valuer's estimate for the purpose of financial adjustment is £900, and he has enquired whether this Council will be prepared to accept this valuation.

If this figure is agreed by the Home Office the amount will be credited to the A.R.P. General Claim and a charge made to the Council's general rate fund. There will be no need to raise a loan as the amount can be regarded as a revenue contribution to capital outlay in the current financial year.

The Committee recommend that this valuation be agreed.

(b) Civilian War Dead - Marking of Graves. Circular No. 35/48 has been received from the Ministry of Health with regard to the marking of communal and other graves provided during the war by local authorities for the burial of persons killed by enemy action. The Minister is prepared to make a grant to local authorities for the purpose of marking such graves, the assistance to consist of a unit payment multiplied by the number of persons for whose

burial the local authority were responsible, the unit payment to be £11 in respect of individual graves and £8 in respect of persons buried in communal graves.

The Council were responsible for the burial of 13 civilian war dead in the Great Northern London Cemetery and in the Hendon Park Cemetery. In the case of the persons buried in the Great Northern London Cemetery it appears that these are buried in public graves and it will not be possible to mark the graves as suggested by the Minister, although it might be possible to erect a small tablet. In the case of the persons interred in the Hendon Park Cemetery it would appear that these persons are buried in communal graves in which other persons have been interred, but the regulations of the Cemetery Company permit the erection of memorials of certain sizes on payment of the prescribed fees.

The Committee recommend that the Clerk be instructed to obtain quotations for the supply and erection of suitable tablets in those cases where such tablets can be erected.

8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1948.

(a) Report. The Clerk has forwarded to all Members of the Council his report on Sections 130, 131, 133, 134, 135 and 136 of the Local Government Act, 1948.

(b) Insurance of Members. Arising out of the report referred to in the last Minute, the Committee have considered the question of insurance of Members against accidents in accordance with the provisions of Section 130. Quotations have been received from various insurance companies, and the Committee recommend that the quotation of the Municipal Mutual Insurance Ltd., be accepted providing for the following benefits :-

(1)	Death or loss of two limbs or of both eyes, or of one limb and one eye	£2,500.
(2)	Loss of one limb or one eye.. ...	£1,250.
(3)	Temporary total disablement for a period not exceeding 52 weeks, at the rate per week of	£ 12.

The premium will be 10s.0d. per Member per annum, less the usual commission allowed by the Municipal Mutual Insurance Ltd.

The insurance will provide compensation for injury caused by accident anywhere in Great Britain whilst the Member is engaged upon any Council duties, or in the course of all journeys connected therewith by any private or public transport.

9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT BOUNDARY COMMISSION - Report for the Year 1947.
A copy of the Report of the Boundary Commission for the year 1947 has been forwarded to all Members of the Council.

10. REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE BILL - Parliamentary Constituencies.
The Hornsey Borough Council have recently considered the proposed amendments to this Bill, which have the effect of severing a portion of their Parliamentary Borough to form part of a proposed new Constituency.

The Borough Council have made strong representations against the proposal but in doing so have suggested that if the Boundary Commissioners are satisfied that some adjustment should be made, consideration might be given to the alternative of combining the Hornsey Parliamentary Borough with the Friern Barnet Wards of the Parliamentary Division of Finchley or with so much of Friern Barnet as lies south of the North Circular Road.

The Committee would point out that this Council have not been officially consulted on this proposal, but it is assumed that if the Boundary Commission take it into consideration as an alternative to

the proposed amendments to the Bill, they will give the Council the right to make representations.

The Committee consider, however, that the earliest opportunity should be taken of giving this Council's views on the matter. The Council will remember that Finchley and Friern Barnet have in the past formed one Constituency and no change was proposed in the Bill and the Council did not consider any change was necessary. The Committee feel sure that the Council's views have not changed, in which case the Council will desire most strongly to object to both the proposals put forward by the Bornsey Borough Council which have apparently been submitted by them as an alternative to the severance of their own Parliamentary Borough without prior consultation as to the wishes of this Council or the electors in the District or the South Ward and as far as is known without consultation with the Middlesex County Council and the Finchley Borough Council.

The Committee therefore recommend the Council to make the strongest representation against both the proposals made by the Hornsey Borough Council affecting this Urban District.

11. COUNTY ELECTORAL DIVISIONS. The appropriate Committee of the Middlesex County Council has recently been reviewing the electoral divisions of the County and has forwarded for the observations of this Council the representations which it proposes to ask the County Council to make to the Secretary of State under Section 11 of the Local Government Act, 1933.

It is proposed to increase the representation on the County Council of those County Districts which are under-represented having regard to their populations and this would result in the number of electoral divisions being increased from 80 to 89.

So far as this Urban District is concerned it will remain as a separate electoral division with one representative on the County Council, and on the basis of population the representation compares favourably with similar County Districts in the County.

The Committee therefore recommend that no objections be lodged to the suggested proposals.

12. MULTI-BROADCAST (ENGINEERING) LTD. With reference to Minute No. 20 of the General Purposes Committee of the 19th February, 1948, it will be remembered this Council suggested that the Agreement to be entered into with the Company should provide for payment by them of a sum calculated at the rate of 5s.0d. per annum for each subscriber to the service. The Company have approved the proposed Licence and Agreement with the exception of the portion relating to this payment, and have suggested as an alternative that the payment should remain at the same sum of 5s.0d. per annum, but that it should be calculated monthly at the rate of 5d. per subscriber per month, based upon the copies of the monthly statements which the Company are required to render to the Post Office Department and that there should be a minimum payment of £80 per annum and a maximum payment of £300 per annum.

The Committee recommend that these revised terms of payment be agreed.

13. BARNET DISTRICT GAS AND WATER COMPANY.

(a) Water Charges. With reference to Minute No. 5 of the General Purposes Committee of the 19th February, 1948, notification has now been received from the Minister of Health that he has decided to authorise the Company to increase their rates and charges for the supply of water by not exceeding 30% as from the 1st April in lieu of the increase of 20% previously authorised by the Order of 1946. The period of operation of the increase is limited to the 30th June, 1950, in order that further consideration may be given to the matter in the light of the then existing circumstances.

(b) Gas Examiner's Report. The report of the Gas Examiner for the quarter ended the 31st March, 1948 was submitted for the information of the Committee.

14. METROPOLITAN WATER BOARD. Notification has been received from the Metropolitan Water Board that they have made application to the Minister of Health for sanction to increase as from the 1st April, 1948, the domestic water rate from 9% to 10% of the net annual value of the premises supplied, and the charges for water supplied by measure to 2/3rds. of a penny per 1,000 gallons.

As these increases will not directly affect residents in this District the Committee recommend that no objections be raised to this application.

15. TOTTENHAM AND DISTRICT GAS COMPANY. The Annual Accounts of this Company for the year 1947 were submitted for information.

16. MUNICIPAL MUTUAL INSURANCE LIMITED. The Annual Report and Statement of Accounts for the year 1947 were submitted for information.

17. TRAVELLING FACILITIES. With reference to Minute No. 18 of the General Purposes Committee on the 18th March, 1948, the London Transport Executive have now given consideration to the points raised by the Members of this Council who formed the deputation which was received by the London Transport Executive in February last. The Executive point out that the suggestion that route 34, 84 or 125 be diverted over Friern Barnet Lane so as to improve the facilities between Friern Barnet and the High Road, Whetstone, is one which cannot be adopted, as it would not be in the general interest to reduce the service on the thoroughfares over which these routes at present operate. The Executive state that it has been possible to secure better working on route 134 recently because new rolling stock has been allocated, but it is not possible to increase the frequency of the service as there are no buses available for the purpose, but when rolling stock resources permit, consideration will be given to running a more frequent service.

It will be remembered that on the instructions of this Committee representations were made to the Member of Parliament for this Division as to the possibility of the electrification of the Alexandra Palace line. The Member of Parliament raised this matter in the House and the Minister of Transport replied that the British Transport Commission are preparing a programme of development, but that any such programme must have full regard to other urgent works and the need to restrict capital investment, and he was therefore unable to say when this particular work could be undertaken.

Cr. Meynell, this Council's representative on the Traffic Advisory Committee, has recently been in communication with the London Transport Executive, regarding trolley bus services 521 and 621, and the Executive have replied that the irregularities in these services have been due in the main to heavy traffic and congestion on the in-town section of the route. Cr. Meynell also referred to the irregularities of the train service on the Piccadilly Line, and the Executive point out that this train service is inclined to be somewhat irregular during peak periods due to the very heavy passenger traffic and the consequent extended stops at some stations. They add that the maximum possible train service is operated on the Piccadilly Line with all available rolling stock during peak periods in order to deal as expeditiously as possible with the severe concentration of the business traffic at these times.

The Executive have promised to send a Representative to the District to discuss these matters, and the Committee recommend that they be asked to arrange this visit at an early date.

The 14th Annual Report and Accounts of the London Passenger Transport Board for the year ended 31st December, 1947, were submitted for information.

18. FINCHLEY AND FRIERN BARNET COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE.

(a) Monthly Reports. The Council of Social Service are circulating to all Councillors each month a short report on the type of cases with which they have dealt during the previous month, and a copy of the report for the month of March has already been circulated.

(b) Statistics. Statistics for the month of March 1948 were submitted for information.

19. INJURY TO H. LAYTON. With reference to Minute No. 13 of the General Purposes Committee of the 18th March, 1948, this employee took out a Summons for assault and at the Hearing at the Juvenile Court on the 20th April, 1948, a fine of £2 with £2 costs was imposed. It was understood that the defendant intended lodging an appeal, but no information has yet been received as to whether the appeal has actually been lodged.

20. COUNCIL DEPOT - TRESPASS. The Clerk submitted correspondence from the parents of boys who had been caught trespassing and committing damage by climbing on to the roof of the Youth Centre and nearby buildings.

In view of the replies which have been received, the Committee recommend that no further action be taken.

21. H.M.S. "FANTOME". With reference to Minute No. 23 of the General Purposes Committee on the 18th March, 1948, the White Ensign has now been received and placed on the wall on the right-hand side of the entrance to the Council Chamber, with the Plaque beneath.

22. TYPEWRITER. The typewriter which was formerly used by the Parks Superintendent needs a complete overhaul, and a quotation has been received from Messrs. Underwood, Elliott, Fisher Ltd., for the necessary overhaul and repairs in the sum of £10.16.2d. Alternatively the Company have submitted a quotation for the supply of a rebuilt Underwood typewriter, which after deduction of an allowance for the old typewriter would amount to the net sum of £26.10.0d.

The Committee recommend that the quotation for the supply of a rebuilt machine in the sum of £26.10.0d net be accepted

23. URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILS' ASSOCIATION. The General Purposes Committee of the Urban District Councils' Association have put forward their suggested amendments to the Association Rules as to the method of election of the Executive Council of the Association.

The amendments, which will come before the Annual Meeting of the Association to be held at Eastbourne in June, provide for the division of the Country into 9 Regions, each of which would be represented on the Executive Council by two Councils to be elected by the votes of the Councils in the Region, each of such Councils to be entitled to appoint a Councillor as well as the Clerk to represent them.

The Committee recommend that the Councils' representatives at the Annual Meeting be instructed to support these proposed amendments.

24. PARKWOOD FLATS. With reference to Minute No. 4 of the Highways Committee on the 6th May, 1948, the Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to repair this fence up to a cost not exceeding £25 and to erect a noticeboard stating that persons damaging the fence would be liable to prosecution.

25. VOLUNTARY SCHOOLS. The appointment of representative Managers to each of the voluntary schools in the area was at one time made by the Council, but consequent on the constitution of the Education Sub-Committee, such appointments were left to that Sub-Committee. As the Education Act, 1944, has not yet been fully implemented, the appointment of representative Managers should still be made under the terms of the Education Act, 1921, and whilst the Education Sub-Committee is now intimately concerned with these appointments, it would seem advisable for this Council to approve any action taken by them.

At their last Meeting the Sub-Committee agreed, subject to the approval of this Council, to appoint the under-mentioned Members of the Sub-Committee as their representative Managers of the schools named, until the annual meeting of the County Council in 1949, and the Education Sub-Committee have asked for this Council's approval to these appointments.

School	Representative Manager
St. James'	Cr. C.A. Sparks
St. John's	Cr. C.A. Sparks
St. Paul's	Cr. Mrs. McCarthy
St. Peter's	Cr. E.W. Mason
All Saints	Cr. J. Foley

The Committee recommend that the action of the Education Sub-Committee be approved.

26. IMPROVED STREET LIGHTING ON MAIN ROADS. With reference to Minute No. 17 of the Highways Committee on the 6th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor has investigated the possibility of erecting the new lamps on columns which could be converted to carry fluorescent type lighting, should the Council at some future date desire to change to this type. The Engineer and Surveyor now reports that the concrete column proposed to be used could be converted. The present price of the column is £19.3.0d and the cost of conversion based on existing prices would be approximately £3 excluding dismantling and re-erection.

The Committee recommend that this type of column be included in the Scheme.

27. MARNE AVENUE - CULVERT. With reference to Minute No. 5 of the Highways Committee on the 6th May, 1948, it has since been ascertained that the type of culvert being constructed in East Barnet is not suitable for the section in this District, and it would not be to the Council's advantage to employ the East Barnet Contractors.

The Committee therefore recommend that tenders be invited for this work from selected firms, and that the recommendation of the Highways Committee be varied accordingly.

28. FRIARY PARK - CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE. The North London Enthusiasts' Car Club have made application for the use of a portion of Friary Park on Sunday, June 20th, 1948, to hold a Concours d'Elegance, and this Committee have decided to deal with the application having regard to the urgency.

The Committee recommend that this application be refused.

29. 1304a and 1304b HIGH ROAD, N.20. An application dated the 28th April, 1948, from Messrs. Wm. White & Co., on behalf of the Owner of the above premises, was submitted to the Committee, reporting the circumstances under which the above-mentioned premises (comprising shop and two flats over) had been leased for a period of 21 years from 25th December, 1947, at a rent of £450 per annum, and subsequently agreed to be sold for a sum of £8,250 and asking that the rent for the flats be determined by the Council and that approval be given to the proposed sale, the purchase money being divided as to £5,570 for the shop, and the approved maximum for the flats of £2,680.

The Committee accordingly recommend :-

(a) That the Council determine the appropriate rent of each of the two flats excluding rates at £85.10.0d per annum, total £171.0.0d, and provided the Lease and Counterpart therefor are duly endorsed to this effect no objection be raised to the Lease of the premises as a whole i.e., shop and flats for a period of 21 years from 25th December, 1947, at a rent of £450 per annum.

(b) That no objection be raised to the Sale of the premises for the sum of £8,250. of which sum the authorised Sale price of £2,680. is applicable to the flats.

30. FRIERN BARNET WOMEN'S ADVISORY PANEL ON HOUSING. The Chairman submitted the invitation of this Panel for the Chairman of the Council, and any Members of the Council, to attend their Annual Meeting to be held on the 28th May, 1948.

The Committee recommend that the invitation be accepted with thanks.

Chairman

The Meeting commenced at 7.35 p.m. and terminated

Report and Recommendations of the Public Buildings Lettings Committee

20th May, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. E. Draper ... Chairman

Crs. McClane and Simmonds.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Martin, Richardson and Sparks.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 18th March, 1948 were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. LETTINGS BOOK. The Lettings Book for the Town Hall was submitted and each booking to date approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. COMMITTEE ROOMS 1 AND 2.

(a) Wedding Reception - Resident outside the District. It was reported that the Chairman of the Committee had authorised the granting of an application from a resident in Princes Avenue, N.22 (outside the Urban District) for the hire of Committee Rooms 1 and 2 for the purpose of a Wedding Reception on the 10th July, 1948, there being no other application for this accommodation, subject to the payment of the usual fee of £5 5s.0d. and 10s.6d. for the use of the piano.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

(b) Middlesex Regiment Memorial Fund. It was reported that an application had been received for the use of Committee Rooms 1 and 2 free of charge, on Friday, 11th June, 1948, for the purpose of a Whist Drive in aid of the Middlesex Regiment Memorial Fund, and the Committee recommend that the application be granted.

(c) Friern Barnet Local Appeals Committee. An application was submitted from the above-mentioned Committee for permission to hold a Whist Drive and a Dance in Committee Rooms 1 and 2 on Saturdays the 6th October and 4th December, 1948, respectively, in aid of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, and the Committee recommend that the application be granted free of charge.

5. COUNCIL CHAMBER - FRIERN BARNET RATEPAYERS' ASSOCIATION. An application was submitted from the Friern Barnet Ratepayers' Association for the use of the Council Chamber on Monday, the 31st May, 1948, for the purpose of a Public Meeting at which a Lecture will be given by a speaker from the Central Office of Information on the National Health Scheme, and the Committee recommend that the application be granted, subject to the payment of a reduced fee of 10s.6d.

6. TOWN HALL BASEMENT.

(a) Friern Barnet Fire Brigade Association. A letter dated 3rd April, 1948 was submitted from the above Association stating that the organisation would cease to function after the 7th May, 1948, and accordingly the facilities in the Town Hall Basement afforded to them, which had been greatly appreciated, were no longer required.

(b) Friern Barnet Young Conservatives Association. It was reported that an application had been received from the Friern Barnet Young Conservatives' Association for the use of the accommodation in the Town Hall Basement previously known as the Control Room on Friday evenings the 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th April, 28th May,

25th June, 30th July, 27th August, and 24th September, 1948, and from October onwards on each Friday evening, with the exception of the first Friday in each month.

As a matter of urgency, the Chairman of the Committee had authorised the granting of the application up to and including the 28th May, with the exception of the 16th April, 1948, when the accommodation was already in use, subject to the payment of a fee of 5s.0d. for each occasion, and to the Association being responsible for the necessary cleaning of the room in conjunction with the other users.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Chairman be approved and confirmed, and the application for the use of the accommodation on and from the 25th June, 1948, be granted on the same terms and conditions.

E. Drake

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.15 p.m. and terminated at 6.25 p.m.

Meeting of the Council held in the Town Hall, N.11.

27th May, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman

Cr. A. Richardson ... Vice-Chairman

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Draper and Mason.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Council held on the 15th April, 1948, were submitted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. REPORT OF ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Tarlton seconded by Cr. Foley that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 4th May, 1948, be received and adopted.

4. REPORT OF PARKS COMMITTEE. It was moved by Cr. Richardson and seconded by Cr. McClane that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 4th May, 1948, be received and adopted.

(a) Minute No. 2 - Summer Entertainments, Summer Show.
(a) Minute No. 9 - Entertainments Committee, 9th March, 1948 - Letting of Marquee. An amendment was moved by Cr. Miss Richards and seconded by Cr. Mrs. McCarthy that so much of Minute No. 9 of the Meeting of the Entertainments Committee held on 9th March, 1948, as related to application (a) be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

Upon the amendment being put to the Meeting it was declared to be LOST.

(b) Minute No. 10 - Entertainments Committee, 27th April, 1948 - Hire of Marquee. An amendment was moved by Cr. Miss Richards and seconded by Cr. Mrs. McCarthy that Minute No. 10 (a) of the Meeting of the Entertainments Committee held on the 27th April, 1948, be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

Upon the amendment being put to the Meeting it was declared to be LOST.

The original motion for the adoption of the report was then put to the Meeting and declared to be CARRIED.

5. REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Henry seconded by Cr. Tarlton that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 6th May, 1948, be received and adopted.

6. REPORT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Foley seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 6th May, 1948, be received and adopted.

7. REPORT OF RATING AND VALUATION COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Meynell seconded by Cr. Henry that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 13th May, 1948, be received and adopted.

8. REPORT OF TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. McClane seconded by Cr. Matthews that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 13th May, 1948, be received and adopted.

9. REPORT OF HOUSING COMMITTEE. It was moved by Cr. Pickering and seconded by Cr. Richardson that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 13th May, 1948, be received and adopted.

Minute No. 3 (c) - 11, Simmons Way. An amendment was moved by Cr. Miss Richards and seconded by Cr. Martin that Minute No. 3(c) be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

Upon the amendment being put to the Meeting it was declared to be LOST.

The original motion for the adoption of the report was then put to the Meeting and declared to be CARRIED.

10. REPORT OF ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Simmonds seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 18th May, 1948, be received and adopted subject to it being recorded that an apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Sparks.

11. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Matthews seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 20th May, 1948, be received and adopted.

In connection with Minute No. 10 Cr. Simmonds, the Chairman of the Council, declared his interest in pursuance of Section 76 of the Local Government Act, 1933, and took no part in the voting or discussion thereon.

12. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. It was moved by Cr. Simmonds and seconded by Cr. Foley that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 20th May, 1948, be received and adopted subject to the name of Cr. Meynell being recorded as being present at the Meeting, and to the name of Cr. Miss Richards being recorded as being in attendance at the Meeting of the Public Buildings Lettings Committee held on 20th May, 1948.

Minute No. 4 (a) - 246 Friern Barnet Lane, Sea Cadet Corps. An amendment was moved by Cr. McClane and seconded by Cr. Meynell that the following words be added to paragraph 4 of Minute No. 4 (a)

"but recommend that application be made to the Middlesex County Council for reimbursement."

Upon the amendment being put to the Meeting it was declared to be CARRIED.

The original motion for the adoption of the report was then put to the Meeting and declared to be CARRIED subject to the agreed amendment of Minute No. 4 (a).

Minute No. 10 - Representation of The People Bill -Parliamentary Constituencies. The Chairman of the Council reported further on this matter and arising out of his report it was resolved unanimously on the motion of Cr. Simmonds seconded by Cr. Sparks that a communication be addressed to the Secretary of the Boundary Commission objecting to the proposals submitted by the Hornsey Borough Council to the Commission in so far as they affected the Finchley Division.

13. SEALING OF DOCUMENTS. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Meynell seconded by Cr. Richardson that :-

(a) the Seal of the Council be affixed to the following document :-

Agreement with The Eastern Electricity Board for Bulk "All-in" Rate - Housing Site No.4, Alexandra Road.

Seal affixed accordingly.

(b) the action taken by the Chairman of the Council and the Clerk in sealing out of Meeting the Conveyance of Tenant Purchase House 237 Oakleigh Road North be approved and confirmed.

[redacted]

Chairman.

Report and Recommendations of the Allotments Committee.

1st June, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. M.R. Tarlton ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Martin, Pickering, Richardson and Simmonds.
Messrs. Harris, Harman and Ovenden, representing the North, Central and South Allotment Holders' Associations, respectively.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, McClane and Miss Richards.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 4th May, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. NORTH ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION LIMITED.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 18 outstanding applications for permanent plots.

(b) Bookbinders' Cottage Homes - Trespass. With reference to Minute No. 3 (g) of this Committee on 4th May, 1948, the Association's representative reported that he had not yet been able to investigate this matter with the Secretary of the Bookbinders' Cottage Homes. A report will be submitted to the next Meeting of the Committee.

(c) Extension of Water Supply. With reference to Minute No. 3 (c) of this Committee on 4th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that an application for authority to purchase the necessary iron piping had been submitted to the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

Owing to the pressure of urgent work in connection with housing maintenance, it was considered impracticable to carry out this work by direct labour, and the Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to invite quotations for this work in conjunction with the scheme for the Central Ward Allotments.

(d) Provision of Gate to East Crescent. With reference to Minute No. 3 (d) of this Committee on 4th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the gate to the Rathbone Allotments giving access to East Crescent had been completed, locks fitted and the necessary keys delivered to the Association.

(e) Fence - Boundary to Parkwood Flats. With reference to Minute No. 24 of the General Purposes Committee on 20th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the most practicable method would appear to be to erect the chestnut fence between 2 ft. and 3 ft. on the allotment side of the boundary, which would obviate damage to the fence by vehicular traffic using the access roads in Parkwood Flats.

The question having arisen as to whether this would interfere with the plots, the Committee have requested the Engineer and Surveyor to meet Mr. Harris on the site, and to submit a further report on this matter to the next Meeting.

(f) Barfield Avenue - Roadways. The Association's representative referred to the decision to arrange for certain resurfacing to be carried out to the roads on this site, and the Engineer and Surveyor intimated that this work would be carried out as soon as the necessary labour became available.

3. CENTRAL ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 27 applications outstanding for plots.

(b) Extension of Water Supply. With reference to Minute No. 4 (d) of this Committee on 4th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the supply pipe to the existing water point was of ½" diameter, and it would be necessary to provide piping of a larger diameter to ensure an adequate supply to the new points being provided. The piping already in the Association's possession has been inspected, but it would appear in the main to be unsuitable for re-use, although as much of this second-hand material as possible will be used. The necessary application for authority to purchase a sufficient quantity of piping has been made to the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to invite quotations for this work in conjunction with similar works referred to in Minute No. 2 (c) above.

(c) Construction of Roads. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that it had not been possible to complete the outstanding work on the construction of the roads in this area, but every effort would be made to put the work in hand as soon as possible.

(d) War-time Allotments - Woodhouse Road, junction with Lyndhurst Avenue. The Clerk referred to the fact that when this site was requisitioned and handed over to the Association for management, the owners decided not to make any claim for compensation rental but had recently reconsidered the matter and as a result a claim was lodged on the grounds that had the land not been requisitioned it would have been utilized for the erection of an advertisement hoarding.

It was further reported that correspondence had been received from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, to whom the claim had been submitted, instructing the Council to ascertain from the owners whether they would be prepared to withdraw or modify their claim if facilities for the erection of such a hoarding were given and if so to afford such facilities.

The Committee have instructed the Clerk to invite the observations of the Association and the owners for consideration at the next Meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

4. HALLIWICK PARK ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have three outstanding applications for plots, but no vacancies.

(b) Provision of Convenience. With reference to Minute No. 5 (c) of this Committee on 4th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the work of providing the chemical closet conveniences had not been carried out, having regard to an intimation that the Association would prefer a structure of a more permanent nature.

Having received a report by the Association's representative on the matter, and after careful consideration, the Committee consider that the proposed structure would meet the requirements until such time as a permanent structure may be erected in conjunction with other buildings proposed, and recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor proceed with the erection of the chemical closet as soon as possible.

(c) Completion of Roads - Outstanding Work. With reference to Minute No. 5 (b) of this Committee on 4th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that it had not been possible to complete the outstanding works to the roads. It was, however, hoped that the mechanical plant at present engaged on claying and top-spitting in Bethune Recreation Ground might be employed on excavating and loading old road metal adjoining the paper salvage shed, to be used on these roads.

5. SUMMER SHOW 1948 - STEWARDS. The Chairman reported that Mr. Harris had been appointed Chief Steward in connection with the forthcoming Summer Show, and requested the other Allotment Holders' Association representatives to endeavour to obtain the services of their members to act as Stewards at the Show, and to supply particulars of any persons willing to assist in this manner to Mr. Harris.

6. DEATH OF MR. D. HARRISON. Mr. Ovenden reported that he had been informed of the recent death of Mr. D. Harrison, formerly the representative of the Halliwick Park Allotment Holders' Association on this Committee, and the Committee have requested the Clerk to communicate with Mr. Harrison's relatives offering the Council's condolences in their bereavement.

M M Barlow.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.15 p.m. and terminated at 7.55 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Parks Committee

1st June, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Pickering and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin and Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Matthews and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 4th May, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. SPORTS FACILITIES.

(a) Football Pitches, Season 1948/49. The Committee have referred the applications received for the hire of football pitches during the 1948/49 season to a Sub-Committee consisting of their Chairman and Vice-Chairman, with power to act.

(b) Organised Games - Comrie House School. An application was submitted from the Comrie House School for the use of a portion of Friary Park for organised games on each Tuesday afternoon from 2.15 to 4.0 p.m. during the winter term, and the Committee recommend that the application be granted free of charge.

4. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1948 - THE NORTH LONDON THEATRE GUILD. A letter dated 24th May, 1948, was submitted from the North London Theatre Guild, which is an Association of Amateur Dramatic Societies in North London, and of individual persons who are interested in its aims, seeking information as to the action being taken by the Council under Section 132 of the Local Government Act, 1948, which enables Local Authorities to provide or to contribute within certain limits towards the expenses of providing entertainments of any nature, and premises suitable for such entertainments, and stating that in the event of the Council setting up a Committee to consider or deal with this matter, the Guild would be prepared to assist by all means at their disposal, and to nominate a representative to serve on such a Committee.

The Committee recommend that the Guild be informed that their observations and offer will receive due consideration when the matter is further considered by the Council.

5. ALEXANDRA PALACE. A brochure relating to the amenities and attractions of Alexandra Palace was submitted, a copy of which had been supplied to each Member of the Council.

6. PARKS SUPERINTENDENT. With reference to Minute No.12 of this Committee on 4th May, 1948, a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman of the Council and the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of this Committee have interviewed further applicants for this appointment and decided to recommend the promotion of Mr. H. Clayton the present Parks Foreman.

His appointment will take effect from the 1st June, 1948, will be subject to the Scheme of Conditions of Service of the National Joint Council and to one month's notice.

The salary has been fixed at A.P.T. II, £420 - 15 - £465, plus London Weighting £30, and Mr. Clayton will receive this salary until he takes up residence in Friary House.

The value of the emoluments (house, light, coal, etc.) has been fixed at £71. 10s.0d per annum, and on taking up residence the salary will be £410 - 15 - £455 (a reduction of £10 bonus consequent on emoluments), plus London Weighting £30, less the value of the emoluments £71. 10s.0d. For superannuation purposes the emoluments will carry the addition of an amount being the difference between full bonus and cash bonus and will therefore be valued at £81.10s.0d.

The Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to advertise the vacancy caused by Mr. Clayton's promotion, subject to the necessary approval of the Ministry of Labour, in accordance with the terms and conditions relative to the position of Parks Foreman previously occupied by him.

7. PARKS GENERALLY.

(a) Report by Parks Superintendent. The Parks Superintendent submitted a report on the work carried out by the Parks staff since the last Meeting of this Committee.

(b) Provision of Waste Paper Receptacles. Three waste paper receptacles have been made and fixed in the Parks, and arrangements are being made for a further nine of these receptacles to be made and fixed as soon as possible.

(c) Provision of Additional Seats. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that drawings had been obtained of a modified form of concrete seat ends, and moulds will be constructed so that these ends may be cast by Council labour, and as soon as the necessary timber becomes available these seats will be erected.

(d) Burglary. The ticket collecting office in the Friary Park was broken into on the night of 7th/8th May, but the only articles taken were a number of tickets. Precautions have been taken to prevent their use.

8. ORNAMENTAL GARDENS. Following the Meeting of the Special Sub-Committee appointed to inspect the various sites, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the flower-beds had been provided and planted in the raised borders of the Town Hall Forecourt, and the area fronting the Priory Civic Restaurant had also been laid out as an ornamental garden.

Having received a report by the Engineer and Surveyor in regard to the lay-out of further sites, the Committee recommend as follows:-

(a) Miles Way, junction with Barfield Avenue. That a tree be planted in the centre of this site, surrounded by a hexagonal seat, and the remainder of the area paved.

(Note:- Since the Meeting of this Committee the Sub-Committee have again met and have decided that the layout suggested by the Parks Committee is difficult to carry out, and have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to proceed with the provision of the hexagonal seat around the proposed tree, the paving of the central area around the seat, and the provision of steps leading to the central area with grass banks each side, the remainder of the site to be grassed and the outer edges of the site to be enclosed by a dwarf wall.)

(b) Oakleigh Road South - Ely Place Pumping Station. That having regard to the fact that this area if laid out would tend to attract children, which would constitute a potential danger from a traffic point of view, the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for this site to be tidied up generally.

(c) Friern Barnet Road, Library Gardens Site. That subject to the approval of the Middlesex County Council the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to proceed with the layout of this site in accordance with the layout plan now submitted.

(d) Barfield Avenue - Greenswards. That these areas be grassed, planted with a few flower beds and provided with sufficient paved paths to prevent pedestrians having to walk over the grass to get access to the shopping area.

(e) Further Sites. The Committee decided to defer consideration of the question of the layout of further sites until they have had experience of the treatment accorded to those already in hand. Some damage has already been done to the site outside the Civic Restaurant and the Housing Site in Alexandra Road, and the Committee have given instructions that no further planting should take place on the latter site until a Caretaker has been appointed.

The Committee have decided to add to the list of sites the island site in Oakleigh Road North south of York Way.

9. FRIARY PARK.

(a) Damage to Playground Equipment. The Clerk reported that as a result of the occurrence of damage to the recently decorated Playground Equipment, he had communicated with the parents of three juveniles who were alleged to have been connected with the damage.

Communications have been received from the parents of the juveniles in question, apologising for the damage caused and stating that the children had been punished, and the Committee recommend that no further action be taken in the matter.

(b) Erection of Marquee, Stage and Fencing. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the Marquee had been erected and that the Stage was in course of erection. The Marquee has been so erected as to site the auditorium on a downward slope, and the Stage is also being constructed on a slight incline towards the seating. All the necessary work will be carried out before the commencement of the Programme on Saturday, the 5th June, 1948.

(c) External Painting of Greenhouses. The external painting of the Greenhouses has now been completed.

(d) Repairs to Fencing - Tennis Courts. With reference to Minute No.5(c) of this Committee on 4th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the repairs to the fencing surrounding the grass tennis courts had been completed, and work was at present in progress on the fencing to the hard tennis courts.

(e) Friary House - Conversion. With reference to Minute No.7 (a) of this Committee on 4th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that certain difficulties in the conversion of Friary House, to give accommodation for two flats, had been experienced, but work was now progressing satisfactorily.

(f) Layout of Surround to Statue. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that upon the instructions of the Chairman of the Committee, arrangements were being made to provide three flower beds round the statue in an endeavour to improve the appearance of this site, and it was anticipated that early commencement would be made on this work.

10. BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND.

(a) 9-Hole Golf Course.

(i) Maintenance. A report was submitted as to the work carried out to the 9-hole Golf Course since the last Meeting of the Committee.

(ii) Receipts. Receipts for May 1948 were £118. 2s.0d., as compared with £90 12s.0d. for the corresponding period in 1947. The total receipts from 1st April to 31st May, 1948 were £227 18s.0d., as compared with £163 12s. 6d for the corresponding period in 1947.

(b) Privet Hedge Surrounding Cricket Pitch. The Engineer and Surveyor reported upon the difficulties and cost in maintaining this hedge in a reasonable condition. It is necessary for it to be trimmed at least twice every year, and takes one man approximately ten days on each occasion, and to avoid this lengthy maintenance work it might be considered practicable to arrange for its removal.

The Committee are of the opinion that the hedge in question should remain, but in order to facilitate the maintenance work thereon, recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to report further at the next Meeting when consideration will be given again to the purchase of a trimming machine. In the meantime the Members of the Committee will inspect the hedge.

(c) Area Fronting the Pavilion and Football Pitch. With reference to Minute Nos.8(c) and (d) of this Committee on 4th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the work of reducing the slope of the banks to the new football pitch was proceeding, mechanical plant being engaged on this work, so that in future a gang mower may be employed for cutting.

The greater part of the new football pitch which has been self-sown will be suitable for play during the coming season, but there are sections where the top-spit is of an inferior quality and it would be necessary to remove the weeds and give a light dressing of top soil, and also a light sowing of grass seed to produce a suitable surface.

The tennis court area which has been levelled and surfaced with top-spit is large enough to provide a junior football pitch, approximately 95 yards x 70 yards, but it will be necessary for this area to be lightly seeded as soon as possible if it is required for use during the coming season.

The Committee are of the opinion that it would be unwise to use a newly sown area for football during the coming season, and therefore recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the seeding but that play on the area be prohibited.

(d) Friern Manor Cricket Club - Cricket Week. A letter dated 26th May, 1948 was submitted from the Friern Manor Cricket Club applying for permission to erect a Marquee in the Recreation Ground during the period of the Cricket Week which is being organised by that Club. The Club also enquired whether the Council could assist in the erection of the Marquee.

The Committee have, as a matter of urgency, authorised the Clerk to inform the Club that arrangements can be made for the Marquee to be erected with the assistance of Council labour on a site to be approved by the Engineer and Surveyor, subject to :-

(i) the expenditure incurred by the Council for assisting in the erection being borne by the Club, and

(ii) the Marquee being erected at the sole risk of the Club.

The Club also desire to hire a few tables, etc., and this is being arranged and the Club will pay the cartage costs.

(e) Running Track - Friern Barnet Grammar School. A letter dated 27th May, 1948 was submitted from the Friern Barnet Grammar School applying for the use of the Running Track and the cricket pitch on Wednesday afternoon, the 21st July, 1948, from 2 p.m. until 5 p.m., or such time as may be necessary thereafter for the purpose of an Annual Sports Meeting.

The cricket pitch outfield on which the netball pitches are provided is in use on each Wednesday afternoon by the St. John's School.

The Committee have granted the application without charge subject to arrangements being made with St. John's School to use the hockey pitch area in lieu of the cricket outfield on this occasion.

(f) Hockey Pitch Area - Central/West Wards, Friern Barnet Labour Party. Correspondence was submitted from the Central/West Wards of the Friern Barnet Labour Party, applying for the use of the hockey pitch area for the purpose of organising a Children's Sports Meeting on a Saturday in August next, and bearing in mind the action which the Council have taken on applications of a same or similar nature, the Committee recommend that the application be refused.

11. STAFF - APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL GARDENER. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that having regard to the considerable amount of additional work being undertaken by the Parks Staff at the present time, it was considered necessary to increase the existing staff, and the Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to engage an additional gardener.

12. COMMENCEMENT OF MEETINGS. Having regard to the fact that the Allotments Committee rarely finished before 8 p.m., the Committee have decided that future Meetings of this Committee should be convened for 8 p.m. and not 7.45 p.m. as at present.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.55 p.m. and terminated at 9.50 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Health Committee.

3rd June, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. A.C. Henry ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin and Mason.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Foley and Meynell.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 6th May, 1948 were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES. The following notifications of infectious diseases have been received since the last Meeting of the Committee :-

Disease	Wards					Total for District only
	North	South	Central	East	West	
Measles	18	16	16	8	24	82
Whooping Cough	4	1	2	1	2	10
Scarlet Fever	-	1	2	-	-	3
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	1	1
Tuberculosis	2	1	1	-	1	5

4. SCABIES. The Medical Officer of Health reported that since the last Meeting one case of Scabies had been treated.

5. DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATIONS. The Medical Officer of Health reported as to the present position in the District in connection with the above, stating that 2,406 immunisations had been completed to date.

6. COMPLAINTS. Since the last Meeting of the Committee 64 complaints, including 8 complaints of rat infestation, have been received and investigated, and the necessary action taken to secure a remedy.

7. ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES. The works necessary to comply with notices served requiring the abatement of nuisances at 17 properties throughout the District, have been completed.

8. UNSOUND FOOD. The Sanitary Inspector reported as to the various types of food which had been condemned as unfit for human consumption since the last Meeting of the Committee.

9. LICENCES TO DEAL IN GAME. The Committee recommend that Messrs. A. E. Thompson & Sons be granted licences to deal in game at their premises No.225 Woodhouse Road, N.12, and No.1354 High Road, N.20, for a period of one year.

10. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1936, SECTION 93, STATUTORY NUISANCES. The Sanitary Inspector reported the existence of Statutory nuisances at the under-mentioned premises :-

(a) No.70 Torrington Park, N.12 Defective and leaking roofs and defective roof drainage. Broken ceilings. Defective windows.

(b)	No.94 Oakleigh Road, N.11.	Defective eaves gutters and rainwater downspouting.
(c)	No.96 Oakleigh Road, N.11.	Defective eaves gutters and rainwater downspouting.
(d)	No.25 Beaconsfield Road,N.11.	Defective and leaking roof.
(e)	No.378 Oakleigh Road, N.20.	Defective and leaking roof. Defective and broken wall, and ceiling plaster.
(f)	No.95 Cromwell Road, N.10.	Defective roof and eaves guttering. Defective window sashes and frames.
(g)	No.79 Cromwell Road, N.10.	Defective and leaking roof and eaves guttering.
(h)	No.81 Cromwell Road, N.10.	Defective and leaking roof.
(i)	No.136 Cromwell Road, N.10.	Defective and leaking joint between flush pipe and w.c. pan.
(j)	No.126 Cromwell Road, N.10.	Defective and leaking roof.
(k)	Nos.3 and 4 Villiers Court, N.20.	Defective chimney flue.

Intimation notices having been served and not complied with, the Committee recommend the service of Statutory Notices under Section 93 of the Public Health Act, 1936, requiring abatement of the nuisances, and failing compliance therewith, the Clerk be authorised to take appropriate proceedings.

11. NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT, 1946.

(a) Health Administration - Home Nursing Advisory Sub-Committee. A letter dated 6th May, 1948 was submitted from the Middlesex County Council referring to the arrangements provided by the County Council for de-centralised health administration, which provided that an Area Committee may, if so required by the Health Committee, appoint a Home Nursing Advisory Sub-Committee.

The question of the appointment of Home Nursing Advisory Sub-Committees has been further considered by the County Council which has now approved the appointment of such a Sub-Committee of each of the local Area Committees if approved by the Health Committee, on the recommendation of the Local Area Committee.

The Committee have requested their representatives on the Local Area Committee to press for the appointment of a Home Nursing Advisory Sub-Committee when the Local Area Committee first meets.

(b) Hospital Management. The Chairman submitted for information a report on a Meeting held at the Royal Northern Hospital on 14th May, 1948, in regard to Hospital management. The Meeting consisted mainly of persons who had been nominated for election to the Management Committees of the various Hospitals in Area 20 and was addressed by the Chairman of the North West Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board.

12. FINCHLEY MEMORIAL HOSPITAL, AND WOOD GREEN AND SOUTHGATE HOSPITAL - ANNUAL REPORTS AND ACCOUNTS. The Annual Reports and Accounts of the Finchley Memorial Hospital, and the Wood Green and Southgate Hospital, for the year ended 31st December, 1947, were submitted for information.

13. CONTRIBUTIONS TO HOSPITALS AND NURSING ASSOCIATIONS. With reference to Minute No.21 of this Committee on 6th May, 1948, the Committee further considered the question of the payment of contributions to Hospitals and Nursing Associations, for the period ending 4th July 1948, having now received statements of Accounts from the North, Central and South District Nursing Associations for the past year.

The Committee recommend that no further contributions be paid to the Hospitals, and having regard to the fact that the North and Central District Nursing Associations appear to be in a sound financial position, no further contributions be made to these Associations.

With regard to the South District Nursing Association, it is understood that an account which still remains outstanding would if paid result in the Association meeting its commitments. The Committee have therefore authorised their Chairman to sanction the payment of a contribution not exceeding £20 to this Association should it be found to be necessary.

14. DAY NURSERY. The Committee understand that a considerable number of applications from residents in Friern Barnet are being received by the Brunswick Day Nursery, but it is impossible for the children to be accommodated owing to the lack of room. It is also understood that a percentage of these applications are from persons resident in the South Ward of the District.

It will be remembered that the County Council have already agreed to the principle of the establishment of a Nursery in Friern Barnet on a site in Oakleigh Road North, but have recently been informed by the Minister that Nurseries should be provided under the powers contained in the Children Bill which has not yet received the Royal Assent.

The Committee have given instructions for the list of applications received by the Brunswick Day Nursery to be analysed and if it is found that the applications from persons resident in the southern area of Friern Barnet and the immediately adjacent area of Hornsey warrant the establishment of a nursery in the South Ward, the Committee recommend that the Chairman of the Committee be authorised to give instructions for the making of the necessary application to the Middlesex County Council and to invite the co-operation and support of theHornsey Borough Council.

The Committee are informed that the New Southgate Recreation Ground Joint Committee recently had an application from the Hertfordshire County Council for permission to extend the Brunswick Park Day Nursery, but the Joint Committee felt unable to grant permission to the use of a further area of the Recreation Ground.

The Committee have instructed the Clerk to request the Clerk of the Joint Committee to have this application placed on the Agenda of the next Meeting of the Joint Committee for further consideration owing to the urgent need for additional accommodation.

A.C. Heaver

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated ay 7.40 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Highways and Public Works Committee

3rd June, 1948.

PRESENT:

Crs. Draper, Henry, Mason, Matthews, Richardson, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy and Miss Richards.

1. CHAIRMAN. In the absence of the Chairman and the Vice- Chairman of the Committee, Councillor Simmonds was appointed Chairman of the Meeting.

(Cr. C.F. Simmonds in the Chair)

2. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Foley and Meynell.

3. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 6th May, 1948 were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

4. RELIEF SEWER ACROSS L.C.C. LAND. With reference to Minute No.15 (c) of this Committee on 6th May, 1948, the London County Council have now given approval to the carrying out of this work so far as it affects their properties, but the Engineer and Surveyor reported that owing to the shortage of technical staff, delay would occur in the preparation of specifications, etc., before tenders could be invited.

5. IMPROVED STREET LIGHTING ON MAIN ROADS. With reference to Minute No.17 of this Committee on 6th May, 1948, a letter dated 19th May, 1948 was submitted from the Ministry of Transport stating that the Minister would be prepared to consider an application for loan sanction subject to the necessary authorisation from the Divisional Road Engineer to whom the Council's application had been passed.

The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the Divisional Road Engineer had been requested to discuss the technical details with him.

6. HIGHWAYS - MAINTENANCE. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on maintenance work carried out during the month of May.

7. WAITING OF TRAFFIC. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that a letter had been received from the Ministry of Transport giving details of certain highways in the Metropolitan Police area where it was proposed to impose a restriction on the waiting of traffic, and inviting the Council to make representations if they so desire, for the inclusion of any streets in the Urban District where it is considered that such restrictions are necessary. The restrictions are intended to apply to important through roads where serious congestion occurs and the Committee do not consider it necessary to ask the Minister to include any roads within this Urban District.

8. REDUCTION OF LABOUR FORCE. With reference to Minute No.12(a) of this Committee on 4th March, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that a communication had been received from the Ministry of Transport stating that the Ministry of Labour would find it difficult to place any discharged men into suitable employment at the present time, and immediate reduction will not be pressed. It was, however, hoped that the Council would agree to affect a reduction of 5 men as and when the Ministry of Labour indicate that suitable vacancies exist, and the Council were requested to arrange for :-

(a) the selection of men for discharge, up to the required number;

(b) such men to be given preliminary warning that they may be discharged;

(c) the men concerned to register at the Ministry of Labour; and

(d) the Regional Officer of the Ministry of Labour to be advised of the names and addresses of the men selected.

As already indicated, if such a reduction is made in the Council's labour force, it is considered absolutely impossible to maintain the existing services, and accordingly the Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to renew the request to the Ministry of Transport that the reduction now proposed be not enforced.

9. ROAD SAFETY - ACCIDENT RETURNS. The Engineer and Surveyor reported the receipt of the Road Accident Returns for the month of April, 1948. During that period one person sustained slight injury.

10. NATIONAL SAFETY CONGRESS - PUBLIC SAFETY SESSIONS. An invitation was submitted from the National Safety Congress for the Council to appoint delegates to attend the Public Safety Sessions of the 1948 Congress, to be held in the Central Hall, Westminster, S.W.1, from the 12th to the 15th October, 1948, and the Committee recommend that the Chairman of the Committee be appointed as this Council's representative to attend.

11. SALVAGE

(a) Returns. The salvage returns for May 1948 were 50 tons, 19 cwts., value £270 1s.0d., as compared with 32 tons, 5½ cwts., value £124 16s 6d. for the corresponding period during 1947.

(b) Waste Paper - National Competition. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the percentage increase of waste paper collected for May 1948, as against May 1947, was 115.7% and the following is a comparative statement between monthly collections during the period of the Contest, as against such collections during the year 1947.

	1947		1948		INCREASE		
	tons.	cwt.	tons.	cwt.	tons.	cwt.	percentage
March	14	12	18	16	4	4	28.8
April	15	8	31	7½	15	19½	103.7
May	14	0½	30	5	16	4½	115.7
	44	0½	80	8½	36	8	82.7

(c) Revised Scheme for Bonus to Workmen. With reference to Minute No.8(c) of this Committee on 4th March, 1948, the Committee further considered the question of the payment of the increased bonus to workmen which was authorised for the months of March, April and May, 1948.

In connection therewith a communication has been received from the Provincial Joint Industrial Council, stating that the National Council is in consultation with the Parliamentary Secretary of the Board of Trade as to the desirability of introducing an incentive bonus for salvage collection, and requesting Local Authorities in the meantime not to introduce such a scheme.

Having already agreed to the principle of the payment of bonuses the Committee consider they should be continued for the time being and recommend continuance of the increased bonus for a further period of four months pending the receipt of further information from the Provincial Joint Industrial Council.

12. SEWERS.

(a) Friern Mount Drive - Surface Water Sewer Collapse. With reference to Minute No.15(b) of this Committee on 6th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that Messrs. French Renwick commenced work on this sewer, and were making satisfactory progress considering the adverse weather conditions, and a further report on the extent of the damage will be submitted to the Committee at a later date.

(b) Outstanding Sewer works throughout the District. The Chairman referred to a report by the Engineer and Surveyor on the urgent sewer works in the District, which have necessarily been post-poned owing to the shortage of technical staff, and the Committee have referred consideration of this matter to the Sub-Committee appointed to investigate the question of the staffing of the Engineer and Surveyor's Department.

(c) East Barnet Flood Relief Scheme - Marne Avenue and Falkland Avenue. With reference to Minute No.5 of this Committee on 6th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that further investigation had revealed that the cost of constructing that portion of the culvert within the Urban District would be approximately £700 to £750 instead of the previously estimated cost of £450 - £500.

The Committee recommend that having regard to the fact that no provision has been made in the estimates for the current year, and owing to the present labour shortage and the future developments in the vicinity involving certain road widening works, the Minister of Health be informed that after further consideration the Council are of the opinion that such works should be deferred for the present.

13. PRIVATE STREETS

(a) Making up of Alexandra Road, Temple Avenue, Buckingham Avenue, Raleigh Drive, Torrington Avenue and Oakleigh Park South. With reference to Minute No.3 of this Committee on 6th May, 1948, the Ministry of Health have authorised the commencement of the work of making up Alexandra Road, and accordingly arrangements have been made with Messrs. Knifton to commence the work as soon as possible.

With regard to the making up of Temple Avenue, Buckingham Avenue, Raleigh Drive and Torrington Avenue, the Ministry of Health have been requested to arrange for an Inspector to inspect these streets jointly with the Engineer and Surveyor, and such inspection is awaited.

The necessary plans in connection with the making up of Oakleigh Park South are in course of preparation, and will be submitted to the Ministry of Health in due course.

(b) Temporary Repairs. With reference to Minute No.11(c) of this Committee on 6th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that it had not yet been possible to carry out temporary repairs to certain private streets, but as soon as the necessary plant becomes available, it was proposed to excavate old road metal from Bethune Recreation Ground for this purpose.

(c) Marlborough Gardens - Tar Paving of Verges. With reference to Minute No.10 (d) of this Committee on 6th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the tar paving of the verges in Marlborough Gardens had been completed.

(d) Bedford Close. A petition has been received from some of the residents in this private street complaining of the absence of lighting and the bad condition of the road.

The Committee recommend that the Ministry of Health be asked when sending their Inspector to inspect the other private streets referred to above to request him to inspect this street with a view to the making up which will include the provision of lighting.

14. ORNAMENTAL GARDENS. With reference to Minute No.8 of the Parks Committee on 1st June, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that information had been received from the County Engineer to the effect that the County Council have no objection to this Council's scheme for the provision of ornamental gardens in classified roads, subject to the cost thereof being borne by this Council.

15. STATUTORY OPENINGS. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on statutory openings being carried out by and on behalf of statutory companies.

16. STAFF - RESIGNATION OF MR. F.J. HOWE. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that Mr. F.J. Howe, Chief Engineering Assistant, had submitted his resignation with effect from 1st July, 1948.

The Committee have referred consideration of the question of filling the vacancy caused by Mr. Howe's resignation to the Sub-Committee appointed to investigate the question of the staffing of the Engineer and Surveyor's Department.

17. USE OF SIDE ROADS BY HEAVY VEHICLES. With reference to Minute No. 10(a) of this Committee on 6th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that a communication had been received from Messrs. Fisher Renwick Ltd., stating that they would endeavour to take the necessary steps to prevent drivers of their vehicles from using the side roads when proceeding to and from their depot in Coppetts Road.

18. MARQUEE, FRIARY PARK - MINOR REPAIRS. The Engineer and Surveyor reported as a matter of urgency that certain minor works, such as re-proofing, were required to be carried out to the Marquee, and before proceeding with the work desired expert advice on the matter.

The Committee have authorised the Chairman of the Parks Committee to incur expenditure on this work up to the sum of £50.

19. TOWN HALL FORECOURT - ENTERTAINMENT BANNER AND ADVERTISEMENTS. Reference was made to the Banner relating to the Summer Entertainments which had been erected in the Town Hall Forecourt, and as the Committee desire to discontinue the erection of notices in front of the Town Hall, the Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to arrange for its removal.

Chairman

The Meeting commenced at 7.45 p.m. and terminated at 9.30 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Rating and Valuation Committee

10th June, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. A.C.S. Meynell .... Chairman

Crs. Henry, Martin, McClane, Matthews, Pickering, Richardson and Simmonds.

Also in attendance:

Cr. Mrs. McCarthy.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 13th May, 1948 were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. NEW PROPERTIES. Having received a report by the Valuation Officer as to new buildings erected in the District, the Committee recommend assessments as follows :-

	Recommendation
(a) Council Houses, Nos. 1, 3, 22 and 24, George Crescent, Housing Site No.5.	£30/22 each
(b) 13, 17 and 18, Friary Close	£42/32 each
(c) 65 Oakleigh Avenue - Cost of Works rebuilt house	£87/70.

3. ALTERATIONS AND ADDITIONS. Having received a report by the Valuation Officer as to alterations and additions to the following properties, the Committee recommend amended assessments as indicated :-

	Recommendation
(a) 8 Myddelton Park - addition of temporary garage	Increase from £75/60 to £77/62.
(b) 117 Torrington Park - additions to ground floor flat.	Increase from £40/30 to £47/37.
(c) 30 Valley Avenue - addition of temporary garage	Increase from £55/44 to £59/47.
(d) 20 Hollickwood Avenue - addition of garage	Increase from £38/28 to £42/32.

4. 65 OAKLEIGH AVENUE. The Valuation Officer reported that consequent upon the dwellinghouse being rebuilt, the garage which has had a separate assessment is now included in the assessment of the property, and the Committee recommend that the former separate assessment of £10/6 be deleted.

5. 272 COLNEY HATCH LANE. The Valuation Officer reported that the building formerly used as a Laundry at these premises had now been separated from the house, and the Committee recommend that :-

(a) the existing entry in Part II of the Valuation List be deleted, and an entry of £55/44 for the house be inserted in Part I thereof until such time as the war damage repairs have been carried out, and

(b) a rateable value of £100 be placed on the premises formerly used as a laundry, until such time as these premises become occupied, when the assessment will be reviewed.

6. PROPOSAL LIST NO.66. The Committee approved Proposal List No.66 and authorised the Valuation Officer to take the necessary action in connection therewith.

7. NORTH MIDDLESEX ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE, ANNUAL REPORT. The Annual Report of the North Middlesex Assessment Committee for the year ended 31st March, 1948, was submitted.

Chairman

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 6.45 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Town Planning Committee.

10th June, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. L.W. McClane .... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Martin, Matthews, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds and Sparks.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, Mason and Meynell.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Carlton.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 13th May, 1948 were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947.

(a) The County of Middlesex (Delegation of Planning Functions) Scheme 1948. A letter dated 1st June, 1948, was submitted from the Clerk of the County Council giving details of the proposed procedure to be adopted by the County Council in connection with applications for permission to develop, which are "excepted" cases as defined in the Scheme of Delegation, and giving information as to the dates on which such applications would ordinarily be considered by the Area Planning Committee and where necessary by the County Planning Committee, from which it appears that it would not be practicable for the recommendations of this Council's Town Planning Committee to await confirmation by the Council, having regardto the time limit for dealing with such applications as prescribed by the Town and Country Planning (General Development) Order, 1948.

The Committee accordingly recommend that the Town Planning Committee be now constituted of all Members of the Council and that the powers, duties, and functions of the Council as Agents for the County Council under the above Scheme, made under Part III of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, be delegated to and exercised by the Town Planning Committee, such Committee to report the action taken by them to the Council for information in their ordinary monthly Committee report.

(b) Co-operation between County Council and County District Councils. A further letter dated 9th June, 1948 was submitted from the Clerk of the County Council enclosing specimens of the form of application for permission to develop, and other forms to enable the Town Planning Committee to deal with matters arising under this part of the Act; printed copies of all except one form are being supplied by the County Council to all authorities in the County.

The form of application for permission to develop follows the model form prescribed by the Minister of Town and Country Planning in Circular No.45.

(c) Administrative Expenses. A letter dated 3rd June, 1948 was submitted from the Clerk of the County Council stating that consideration had now been given to the reimbursement of the administrative expenses which will be incurred by County District Councils in exercising the functions delegated to them under the Scheme, and stating that it was felt that such duties will be directly related to the number of applications received.

It is further considered that a suitable formula for the reimbursement of administrative expenses on this basis would be for a payment of £2 per application to be made for the first thousand applications per annum, and thereafter at the rate of £1 per application, with a minimum payment to any Country District Council of £500 per annum.

The Committee recommend that the proposal for reimbursement as referred to above be approved.

(d) Determination of Development Charge and Payment in respect of Land Value. Circular No.1 dated 4th June, 1948, was submitted from the Central Land Board giving information as to the forms to be completed for determination of development charge under the Act, and form of claim for a payment in respect of depreciation of land value under Section 58 of the Act, together with explanatory pamphlets in relation thereto. These forms are to be issued by local authorities.

(e) Town and Country Planning (General Development) Order 1948. Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order 1948. Town and Country Planning (Use Classes for Third Schedule Purposes) Order 1948. Copies of the above-mentioned Orders made by the Minister of Town and Country Planning under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, were submitted for information.

4. NORTH MIDDLESEX AND SOUTH EAST HERTFORDSHIRE REGION - PRELIMINARY OUTLINE PLAN. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the Preliminary Outline Plan for this District had been received from the Planning Officer of the North Middlesex and South East Hertfordshire Joint Planning Committee.

The Committee decided to defer consideration of the plan until their next Meeting, and have requested the Engineer and Surveyor to arrange for a copy of the proposals incorporated in the plan, and his observations thereon, to be supplied to each Member.

5. 1416 HIGH ROAD. With reference to Minute No.11 of this Committee on 13th May, 1948, the Clerk reported that information had been received from the Ministry of Health that an Inquiry into the Appeal made by Messrs. T.P. Breen Ltd., against the Council's decision to refuse the application for the installation of machinery at these premises, would be held at the Town Hall on the 27th July, 1948 at 10.30 a.m.

6. PRESERVATION OF TREES IN THE VICINITY OF BUCKINGHAM AVENUE. A letter dated 29th May, 1948, was submitted from Mr. D.C. Wright enclosing a Petition signed by a number of residents in the vicinity of Buckingham Avenue, requesting the Council to take the necessary action for the preservation of three Oak trees in the rear of Nos.37 and 39 Friern Mount Drive.

The Committee are of opinion that these trees should be preserved, and recommend that they be registered under Clause 48 of Planning Scheme No.1 and that the owner and occupier of the land on which the trees are growing be notified of the registration.

7. 121 MAYFIELD AVENUE - TEMPORARY PRIVATE GARAGE. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the garage, in respect of which a temporary licence had been granted expiring on 31st December, 1948 had now been removed and replaced by a permanent structure erected in accordance with Plan No.3766.

The Committee recommend that the temporary licence be cancelled.

8. HALLIWICK COURT PARADE - TEMPORARY USER. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that Messrs. Cramb Bros. Ltd., have applied for an extension of the temporary licence which expires on 28th June, 1948, in respect of the use of a two-storey building for light industry, and the Committee recommend that the temporary licence be renewed for a further period expiring on 31st December, 1949.

9. 18 BEACONSFIELD ROAD - USER. The private garage at these premises is being used for the purpose of wireless repairs and accumulator charging. A sign displayed outside the premises had, upon request, been immediately removed.

The property in Beaconsfield Road is primarily of a residential character within an area controlled by the Town and Country Planning (Interim Development) Act, 1945, and the Committee recommend that a temporary licence be granted for the use of these premises for the purposes referred to above, to expire on the 31st December, 1948.

10. LAND ADJOINING NO.50 HAMPDEN ROAD - LOCK-UP GARAGES. An application was submitted from Mr. A.E. Moffatt for consent in principle to the erection of 19 lock-up garages on land adjoining the entrance to the London Transport Executive 'Bus Depot.

The land in question is situate within an area of Friern Barnet Planning Scheme No.1 scheduled for "Industrial" purposes, and a building line similar to the adjoining property is required to be observed.

The Committee recommend that consent be granted in principle to the proposal subject to the deposit of plans complying with the Building Byelaws, and to the Engineer and Surveyor being satisfied that sufficient space for access to the garages is provided in the layout.

11. LAND ADJOINING 103, CROMWELL ROAD. An application was submitted from Messrs. Brooke Bond & Co.Ltd., for consent to the use of the land adjoining 103 Cromwell Road for the purpose of a Depot and Garage for four light delivery vans. The applicant proposes to erect a building 75 feet in length by 90 feet 7 inches in width.

The land in question is situate within an area of Friern Barnet Planning Scheme No.1 scheduled for "Industrial" purposes, and the Committee recommend that consent be granted for the development on the lines now suggested for a period expiring on 31st December, 1952.

12. LAND AT THE JUNCTION OF COLNEY HATCH LANE AND SYDNEY ROAD. An application was submitted from Messrs. Watney, Coombe, Reid & Co.Ltd. for approval in principle to the erection of licensed premises on this site, which is situate within an area of Friern Barnet Draft Planning Scheme No.II scheduled for "General Business" purposes.

The Engineer and Surveyor reported that a copy of the plan had been forwarded to the County Council for their observations, particularly having regard to the provisions of the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

The Committee have referred consideration of the application to the General Purposes Committee, in order to await the observations of the County Council.

13. "THE HERMITAGE", COLNEY HATCH LANE. With reference to Minute No.13 of this Committee on 13th May, 1948, an application has now been received from Mr. R. Brownlow for consent to install eight power Sewing Machines on the premises, only two of which will be in use at any one time, in connection with the manufacture of Lamp Shades.

Approval has already been given to the use of these premises for this purpose, subject to no power machinery being installed.

The Committee recommend that permission be granted to install the power machinery as defined, subject to the Engineer and Surveyor being satisfied that no nuisance by way of noise would be created thereby, and to the permission being for a temporary period expiring on the 31st December, 1950.

14. APPLICATIONS TO ERECT GARDEN SHEDS. The Committee recommend that applications to erect the following garden sheds be approved :-

Plan No. (1)	Address (2)	Type of Building (3)	Temporary licence to. (4)
TB.434	Rear of No. 29 Woodleigh Avenue.	Garden tool and cycle shed.	31/12/1949
TB.435	Side of No.94, Finchley Park.	Garden tool and cycle shed.	31/12/1949.

15. PLANS.

(a) Approvals. The Committee recommend that the following plans be approved under the provisions set out in column 3, subject to the conditions (if any) set out in column 4; and where necessary to the approval of the Middlesex County Council and to the building licence (when issued) containing any prescribed conditions :-

Plan No. Deposited by (1)	Description (2)	Approved Under (3)	Remarks (4)
3848 Messrs. Wortham Blake & Co.Ltd.	Private garage 1394 High Road, N.20.	Scheme 1 P.H.Act Byelaws.	Temporary consent for period expiring 31/12/51.
3850 Mr. J.Wood	Extension to garage - 10 Ferncroft Avenue N.12.	Finchley Scheme 1. P.H.Act Byelaws.	
3852 Tottenham & District Gas Co.	Conversion into 2 self-contained flats - 16 Bellevue Rd., N.11.	Interim Development P.H.Act Byelaws	
3853 Mrs.B.L. Offord.	External W.C. and drainage, 3 Wetherill Road, N.10.	Scheme 1 P.H.Act Byelaws.	
3854 Messrs. W.H. Cullen Ltd.	Food Store, 1294 High Road, N.20.	Scheme 1 P.H.Act Byelaws.	
3855 Mr. P.A. Bigg	Builders' workshop and store. 19 Wetherill Road, N.10.	Scheme 1 P.H.Act Byelaws.	Temporary consent for period expiring on 31/12/48.
3856 Mrs. Fougman	Private garage, 33 Hollickwood Avenue, N.12.	Finchley Scheme 1 P.H.Act Byelaws.	Temporary consent for period expiring on 31/12/1951.

(b) Disapprovals. The Committee recommend that the following plans be disapproved for the reason stated in column 3 :-

Plan No. Deposited by (1)	Description (2)	Reason for disapproval (3)
3849 Mr.H. Odone	Factory, sanitary accommodation and drainage.	Non-compliance with Building Byelaws. (Contd.)

Plan No. Deposited by (1)	Description (2)	Reason for Disapproval (3)
3851 Mr. H. Wells	2 Self-contained flats, 30 Stanford Road, N.11.	Non-compliance with Building Byelaws.

Chairman

The Meeting commenced at 6.45 p.m. and terminated at 7.45 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Housing Committee.

10th June, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. J.E. Pickering .... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mason, Martin, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds and Sparks.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Tarlton.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 13th May, 1948 were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. HOUSING ESTATES.

(a) Tenant Purchase Scheme. With reference to Minute No.4(b) of the Housing and Town Planning Committee on 11th December, 1947, the Committee recommend that consideration of a Tenant Purchase Scheme on the lines of that now in operation be deferred for a further period of six months.

(b) Felling of Trees on Open Spaces at rear of Council Houses in Oakleigh Road North. With reference to Minute No.2(c) of the Housing and Town Planning Committee on 15th January, 1948, the Committee further considered this matter and upon inspection by certain Members recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to invite quotations for the felling of the two dead trees, and the three remaining trees be retained.

(c) Friary House - Conversion. The Committee considered the conditions of letting the second flat in Friary House (one flat will be occupied by the Parks Superintendent) and recommend that the flat be allocated on a service tenancy, the occupant being responsible for services by way of fuel and light etc.

The Committee have referred to the Housing Lettings Committee consideration of the question of allocating this flat and fixing the weekly payment.

(d) Arrears of Rent. The Treasurer reported on the present position regarding collection of arrears of rent, and arising from consideration thereof the Committee recommend as follows:-

(i) Tenant No.57. That a further report be submitted to the next Meeting regarding the arrears amounting to £5 8s. 5d., the tenant having promised to pay 30s.0d per week until arrears are cleared.

(ii) Tenant No.82. That a further report be submitted to the next Meeting regarding the arrears amounting to £4 5s. 4d.

(iii) Tenant No.199. That a further report be submitted to the next Meeting regarding the arrears amounting to £3 1s. 7d., arrangements having now been made for the payment of regular instalments off the arrears.

(iv) Tenant No.321. That a further report be submitted to the next Meeting.

(v) Tenant No.1009. That failing payment of the arrears amounting to £3. 19s.0d forthwith, a notice to quit be served.

(e) General Maintenance. The report of the Engineer and Surveyor on the general maintenance of housing estates was submitted for information.

(f) War Damage to Council Properties. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the war damage repairs carried out to Council properties.

(g) Replacement of Fireplaces and Hot Water Systems. With reference to Minute No.3(h) of the Housing and Town Planning Committee on 12th February, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that new fireplaces and hot water systems had already been installed at 33 Council properties.

It was further reported that owing to the commitments of the Council's maintenance staff at the present time, it was considered impossible to arrange for the further 40 new fireplaces and hot water systems to be installed during the current year by direct labour, and accordingly the Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to invite quotations for the carrying out of this work.

The Engineer and Surveyor also referred to the difficulty experienced in the past in obtaining the new fireplaces, and the necessary piping, and although sufficient of this material is in stock for the execution of the work referred to in the preceding paragraph, the Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to obtain such supplies for this work as may become available, including supplies of copper piping, for future schemes of this nature.

(h) Appearance of Housing Estates. With reference to Minute No.3 (e) of this Committee on the 13th May, 1948, Circular No.55 dated 15th April, 1948 was submitted from the Ministry of Health enclosing a copy of a report on the appearance of Housing Estates prepared by a Sub-Committee of the Central Housing Advisory Committee.

The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report summarising the recommendations and the Committee considered the report in its application to the layout of Housing Site No.5 and the Committee recommend as follows :-

(i) The planting, where there is room, of forest trees which will ultimately break the skyline and provide the contrast of foliage with the roofs.

(ii) The planting of trees in front gardens as an alternative to kerbside planting, giving a less regimented appearance to the tree planting.

(iii) The planting of hedges at the bottom of all gardens as a screen between houses and allotments, and between houses and flats.

(iv) The planting of two fruit trees for the gardens of each house backing the North Circular Road. Consideration of extending this to other houses was deferred.

(v) That a playground be provided in the site of the flats, as recommended in the Report.

The Committee further recommend that front fences be not erected and that wide areas of grass be provided, with flower beds against the houses and creepers on the screen walls, but having regard to the damage already experienced on Sites 3 and 4, this work be deferred until the properties are occupied.

The Committee have referred consideration of the question of the greens on the Colney Hatch Lane frontage being raised above the level of the footpath to afford protection, to the Ornamental Gardens Sub-Committee for further consideration.

(i) Condition of Gardens. Arising from consideration of the question of the appearance of Housing Estates referred to in the preceding Minute, reference was made to the condition of gardens to certain Council houses and requisitioned properties, and the Committee recommend that in such cases where it is considered that the gardens are not maintained in a satisfactory manner, communications be sent to the tenants or occupiers requesting them to arrange for the gardens to be kept in a reasonable condition of tidyness. In cases where it is impossible for the tenants or occupiers to carry out the necessary work, and the occupants are prepared to reimburse the Council therefor, the Engineer and Surveyor was authorised to arrange for the work to be carried out as and when the necessary labour becomes available.

(j) 233 and 235, Oakleigh Road North. With reference to Minute No. 3 (h) of this Committee on 13th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the structural repairs to these properties were progressing satisfactorily. Arrangements have been made with the Contractor, upon the request of the occupiers concerned who have undertaken to reimburse the Council for the additional works, for the building of a brick flue to the boiler, and the provision of french doors to the back living room at a cost of £48 in the case of No. 233, and the building of a brick flue to the boiler at a cost of £29.12s.0d in the case of No. 235.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Engineer and Surveyor be approved and confirmed.

(k) 34 and 35 Russell Road. With reference to Minute No. 25 of the report of the Housing and Town Planning Committee on the 20th November, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the repairs to No. 34 Russell Road were in an advanced stage and progressing satisfactorily, and so far as No. 35 was concerned it was anticipated that work would commence in the next few days, when the structural work to No. 34 should be completed.

(l) 48, East Crescent - Removal of Hedge. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that a complaint had been received from the tenant of No. 48 East Crescent regarding the spreading growth of a weed known as "wild campanula" which is spreading from the existing thorn hedge on the boundary of the garden, and it was the opinion of the Parks Superintendent that it was impossible to clear the weed unless the hedge is removed for a length of approximately 75 feet. The tenant is prepared to plant a new hedge when the ground has been cleared.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the removal of the hedge in question, and that the offer of the tenant for replacement be accepted.

4. HOUSING LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The report of the Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee held on 27th May, 1948, a copy of which is attached, was submitted and approved.

5. REQUISITIONED PREMISES.

(a) General Maintenance. The Engineer and Surveyor reported as to the general maintenance work carried out by direct labour and private contractors since the last Meeting.

(b) Exterior Decorations. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that as a result of a survey made of requisitioned properties, it was proposed to arrange for 27 properties to receive external decoration during the current year, of which 5 had already been completed, and work on 3 further properties was progressing, leaving a further 19 properties to receive attention.

It was further reported that owing to maintenance work on Council and requisitioned properties it was considered impossible to carry out all this work by direct labour during the summer months, and accordingly the Committee recommend that quotations be invited from contractors for the external decoration of these 19 properties, the work to be allocated to two or more contractors if deemed desirable.

(c) Arrears of Contributions. The Treasurer submitted his report, and the following recommendations arise therefrom :-

(i) Occupier No. 549. In view of the fact that the arrears in this case, now amounting to £3.5s.0d., have been reduced since the last Meeting, the Committee recommend that a further report be submitted to the next Meeting.

(ii) Occupier No. 804. The arrears amount to £3.7s.4d., and the occupier having been in arrear on previous occasions, the Committee recommend the service of notice terminating the licence unless the full amount due is paid forthwith.

(iii) Occupier No.671. The arrears amount to £4.6s.4d., and as the occupier has been in arrear for some considerable time, the Committee recommend that notice terminating the licence be served unless the full amount due is paid forthwith.

(iv) Occupier No. 633. The arrears having been substantially reduced, being now £4.10s.6d., and as the occupier has promised to pay instalments off the arrears until cleared, the Committee have instructed the Treasurer to submit a further report at the next Meeting.

(d) 28, Manor Court. With reference to Minute No. 5 (f) of the report of this Committee on the 13th May, 1948, a letter dated the 8th June, 1948, was submitted from the Wanstead and Woodford Borough Council stating that it is regretted that they are unable to change their principle of granting priority for housing accommodation to cases showing the greatest need and they were unable to offer accommodation to this occupier.

6. HOUSING SCHEMES.

(a) Housing Site No.3, Alexandra Road.

(i) Loan for Site. The purchase of the various plots comprising this site has now been completed. The total cost including legal costs is £2,692.6s.8d. Loan sanction was obtained in 1945 for the sum of £2,615 but the loan was not raised, and it will now be necessary to obtain supplemental loan sanction for the balance.

The Committee therefore recommend that application be made to the Minister of Health for supplementary loan sanction in the sum of £90, being the difference between the total loan required (£2,693 plus loan charges £12) and £2,615 the loan sanction in hand.

The Committee further recommend that on receipt of the supplemental loan sanction the money covered by both sanctions be borrowed from the Public Works Loan Board and that the Chairman and the Clerk of the Council be authorised to seal, if necessary out of Meeting, the Mortgage and any other documents in connection therewith.

Minute No. 9 (iv) of the report of this Committee dated the 13th May, 1948, which contains incorrect figures should be cancelled.

(ii) Exchequer Contributions. A letter dated the 4th June, 1948, was submitted from the Ministry of Health approving the payment of Exchequer Contributions of £28.10s.0d per annum for sixty years under Sections I and IV (1) of the Housing (Financial and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1946, in respect of the thirty-six flats erected on this site.

(iii) Maintenance by Contractors. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that inspections have been made of blocks No. 1, 2, and 3 in connection with repairs to be carried out by Contractors under the Maintenance Clause in the Contract, and it had been found that a considerable amount of repairs and maintenance works are necessary owing to damage caused by tenants.

The Committee recommend that communications be sent to the offenders drawing attention to these matters.

(b) Permanent Housing Site No.4 - Alexandra Road.

(i) Exchequer Contributions. A letter dated the 4th June, 1948 was submitted from the Ministry of Health approving the payment of Exchequer Contributions of £28 10s.0d. per annum for sixty years under Sections I and IV (1) of the Housing (Financial and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1946, in respect of the sixty flats in course of erection on this site.

(ii) Progress. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the structural work on this site is proceeding satisfactorily, and the third block has now been roofed, but finishing trades are still behind programme. The first twelve flats should be ready for occupation on the 19th June, 1948.

(c) Permanent Housing Site No. 5 - Colney Hatch Lane.

(i) Contract No. 5a/4 - 14 Houses - Messrs. Hubert C. Leach. A communication was submitted from the Ministry of Health stating that the Minister is satisfied that the basic schedule of prices may be accepted, and no objection is now raised to the acceptance by the Council of the tender of Messrs. Hubert C. Leach in the sum of £19,107 9s.8d. for the erection of these houses.

The Committee accordingly recommend :-

(A) that the tender of Messrs. Hubert C. Leach for the erection of 14 houses in the sum of £19,107 9s.8d. be accepted, subject to completion of Contract and Bond in accordance with Standing Orders.

(B) that application be made to the Minister of Health for loan sanction in the sum of £19,193 (£19,107 plus £86 loan charges).

(C) that on receipt of loan sanction the loan be raised with the Public Works Loan Board in such instalments as may be required, and that the Chairman of the Council and the Clerk be authorised, out of Meeting if necessary, to seal Mortgage and any other documents in connection therewith.

(ii) Contract No. 5B/1 - 18 Flats. A letter dated the 21st May, 1948 was submitted from the Ministry of Health stating that the lowest tender received for the construction of these eighteen flats was too high for approval by the Minister.

(iii) 22 Houses. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that a tender for a further 22 houses had been negotiated and submitted to the Ministry of Health for approval.

(iv) 10 Houses. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that a tender for a further 10 houses had been negotiated and submitted to the Ministry of Health for approval.

(v) 14 Houses. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that a tender for a further 14 houses had been negotiated and submitted to the Ministry of Health for approval.

(vi) Contract No. 5B/4 - 24 Flats. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the Bills of Quantities for these flats will be available on the 23rd June, and the Committee recommend that he be authorised to invite tenders for the erection of the flats.

(vii) Appointment of Assistant Clerk of Works. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that Mr. J. J. Isted had been appointed temporary Assistant Clerk of Works on this Site at an

inclusive salary of £9 per week, and will be commencing duties on the 21st June, 1948.

This being a temporary appointment for a period not exceeding two years in the first instance, the officer will not be required to contribute to the Superannuation Scheme.

(viii) Progress. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the progress being made with the houses already in course of erection.

In connection therewith the Chairman of the Council reported that arrangements were being made for the formal opening of this site to take place on Saturday, the 19th June, 1948, at 3.0 p.m. to which all Members of the Council were cordially invited.

7. HOUSING RETURNS. Ministry of Health Housing Returns for April 1948 were submitted.

8. 1498, HIGH ROAD. With reference to Minute No. 9 of the Housing and Town Planning Committee on the 11th December, 1947, the Committee further considered the question of the scheme for development of this site.

It will be remembered that the proposal originally submitted to the Minister of Health provided for development by the erection of 54 flats, but it was subsequently found that a portion of the site had been purchased by the owners of houses in Friern Mount Drive and Northumberland Road, and incorporated in the gardens of those properties. The reduced area was found capable of development by the erection of 40 flats, but the scheme was deferred as the Council felt that the time was not then opportune to proceed with the scheme.

In view of the fact that by the time the necessary approvals have been obtained and the land acquired, the development of Housing Site No.5 will be in an advanced stage, the Committee consider that the necessary steps for the acquisition and development of this site should now be proceeded with.

It will be necessary in the first instance to obtain the Minister's approval to the revised layout, and then to proceed with the acquisition of the site, and it may be necessary to make a Compulsory Purchase Order.

9. 246, FRIERN BARNET LANE. The Minister of Health has approved the purchase of this property for housing purposes at a cost of £5,700 in accordance with the District Valuer's valuation, and the Middlesex County Council have received the Minister's consent to the sale at that price.

The Committee accordingly recommend that formal application be now made to the Minister of Health for consent to loan in the sum of £5,900 being :-

Purchase money	£5,700
Stamp duties and legal costs, estimated	174
Loan costs	26
	£5,900

The Committee further recommend that on receipt of loan sanction the money be borrowed from the Public Works Loan Board, and that the Chairman of the Council and the Clerk be authorised to seal Conveyance, Mortgage, and any other documents, if necessary out of Meeting.

10. OUTER LONDON STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE - MAINTENANCE OF TEMPORARY BUNGALOWS. Correspondence was submitted from the Outer London Standing Joint Committee regarding representations made by the Dagenham Borough Council concerning the liability for maintenance of

American-type EFM bungalows, and the consequential possibility of high maintenance costs falling to be met by Local Authorities, and seeking the observations of this Council on the matter.

Having received reports from the Engineer and Surveyor in the matter, the Committee consider that there is no evidence at the present time to justify similar representations being made by this Council, and recommend that the Outer London Standing Joint Committee be informed accordingly.

11. GIFT OF SWISS FURNITURE. A letter dated the 28th May, 1948, was submitted from the Ministry of Health stating that further gifts of sets of furniture had been made to this country by Switzerland, and it has been decided to make an allocation of one set of this furniture to the Urban District.

The Committee have requested the Chairman of the Council to send a communication to the Swiss Government thanking them for their generous donation, and recommending that the question of the allocation thereof be referred to the Housing Lettings Committee for consideration.

12. BUILDING LICENCES.

(a) Progress. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the progress being made on work covered by licences already issued.

(b) Quota for Painting and Decorating. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that representations had been made to the Ministry of Health for an increase in the quota for this District following the recent reduction, but the Minister had intimated that having regard to the fact that the revised arrangements did not involve a very substantial reduction and unemployment in the whole region was negligible, the request could not be granted.

13. 124 TORRINGTON PARK - REBUILDING. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that a request had been received from the Architect on behalf of the owner of this war-destroyed house for a licence permitting the re-building of the property. Every effort has been made to lower the cost of rebuilding, but the lowest tender which has been obtained is in excess of the maximum permitted by the Minister.

The Committee recommend that having regard to the efforts made to reduce the price of the rebuilding of this property, the Ministry of Health be requested to approve the issue of a licence in this case.

14. No.2 ALEXANDRA ROAD. With reference to Minute No.8 of the report of the Housing and Town Planning Committee on the 15th January, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that inspections made from time to time have disclosed that a further settlement is taking place in this property, particularly in the front main wall, and it is considered that the house should be demolished at the earliest opportunity.

The Housing Lettings Committee are considering the question of re-housing the present occupiers, and the owners have been requested to give an undertaking to demolish the building as soon as it becomes vacant.

If the demolition is not proceeded with at the earliest moment, the Engineer and Surveyor has been instructed to take statutory action.

15. PROPERTY IN HOLMSDALE ROAD. With reference to Minute No.15 of the report of this Committee on the 13th May, 1948, the Chairman reported as to the action being taken by way of assistance to a certain family living in Holmsdale Road.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.45 p.m. and terminated at 9.35 p.m.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee.

27th May, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. J.E. Pickering ... Chairman

Crs. Henry, Martin, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Richardson, Simmonds, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Draper.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 15th March, 1948 were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. HARDSHIP CASES. Having received a report from the Treasurer on five applications received for a reduction in rent payable by tenants of pre-war Council houses, the Committee recommend as follows :-

(a) Tenant No.87 and Tenant No.97. That further information be obtained in these cases.

(b) Tenant No.95. That a reduction of 1s.9d per week be made in the present rental payable in this case.

(c) Tenant No.90 and Tenant No.252. That no reduction be made in the rental payable in these cases.

4. APPLICANTS NO.B.26, B.670 and C.488. The Committee have authorised that these applicants be permitted to occupy jointly three rooms and a kitchen in a requisitioned house, temporarily, until such time as applicant No.C.488 is rehoused in one of the two-bedroomed flats in the first block on Site No.4, when the two former applicants can then be afforded satisfactory accommodation.

5. 97 TORRINGTON PARK, N.12. Having regard to the fact that the ground floor flat at "Highclere" is affected by serious flooding, it was decided to arrange for the occupiers to be rehoused immediately in this requisitioned property.

6. APPLICANT NO.F.14. This applicant has received a Court Order to vacate his present accommodation on the 27th June, 1948, and the Committee recommend that he be offered the ground floor flat at "Highclere" as soon as the necessary repairs have been effected.

7. APPLICANT NO.F.11. Arrangements have been made for this applicant to be rehoused temporarily in Council house No.37 Halliwick Road, and as soon as a three bedroomed Council flat becomes available he will be offered such accommodation.

8. OCCUPIER NO.808. It has become necessary to carry out certain extensive repairs to the flat at present occupied, and the Committee recommend that this occupier be transferred to alternative accommodation which is likely to become available in the near future at 31 Okehampton Close.

The Committee further recommend that when the necessary repairs have been carried out to the flat in question, this accommodation be offered to Occupier No.664 in order that the owner of the property in which he is now resident may take up occupation, under licence of the accommodation to be vacated.

9. 2, ALEXANDRA ROAD, N.10. With reference to Minute No.8 of the Housing and Town Planning Committee on 15th January, 1948, it was reported

that further subsidence had occurred to this property, and the Committee recommend that Applicant No. B.605, the present occupier, be offered the tenancy of the first two bedroomed flat available, at a rental comparable with the rent being paid for the existing accommodation.

10. OCCUPIER NO. 524 - LODGER. The Committee decided to defer to their next Meeting consideration of the application submitted by this occupier for permission to accommodate a lodger.

11. FOUR HOUSES, FRIARY CLOSE. The Developer of these properties is prepared to accept purchasers nominated by the Council, and the Committee recommend that applicants as follows be nominated therefor:- C.316, C.287, D.162, D.239 and in reserve D.232.

12. 41 HALLIWICK ROAD. With reference to Minute No.7 of this Committee on 26th February, 1948, the Housing Manager reported that an application had been received from the present tenant for permission to arrange an exchange with Applicant No. C.489, as the type of accommodation proposed is considered to be unsuitable.

The Committee recommend that the Housing Manager be authorised to arrange an exchange on the lines now suggested.

13. OCCUPIER NO.578. The Committee consider that the accommodation at present occupied in this case would accommodate a larger family, and having regard to the fact that an owner of small flats in the District is prepared to consider an exchange, the Committee have authorised the Housing Manager to make an arrangement on the lines now suggested, having particular regard to Applicant No.E.40.

14. OCCUPIER NO.570. In view of the fact that the owner of the property occupied by the above desires to carry out extensive war damage repairs, the Committee recommend that the present occupier be transferred to a three bedroomed Council flat on Site No.4.

15. APPLICANT NO. F.12. The Committee considered further details in regard to the present position of this applicant, and recommend that accommodation be offered when a suitable vacancy occurs.

16. TENANT NO.1010. With reference to Minute No.11 of this Committee on 15th March, 1948, further correspondence was submitted in connection with this tenant's unfortunate circumstances, and the Committee recommend that he be offered the tenancy of a Council house as soon as possible.

Chairman

The Meeting commenced at 8.35 p.m. and terminated at 9.30 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Establishment Committee.

14th June, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards and Richardson.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin and Tarlton.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 18th May, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. REPORTS OF JOINT COMMITTEES. The Committee received Reports of the Meetings of the Joint Committees held this day, copies of which have been circulated to all Members of the Council, and arising therefrom the Committee recommend as follows :-

(a) Clerk's Department - Shorthand-Typist, Mrs. L.M. James. That as from the 1st July, 1948, Mrs. L.M. James be regraded Second Secretary Shorthand-Typist in the Clerk's Department and be placed on the Clerical Division of the Scheme of Conditions of Service.

(b) Manual Workers - Annual Holidays. That the qualifying period at present in operation (which requires that temporary employees who have for six months been in continuous service with a local authority shall be granted a proportionate holiday prior to their leaving the service) be deleted from the Provincial Joint Industrial Council recommendations and the following substituted therefor;-

"Temporary staff shall be granted a proportionate holiday prior to their leaving the service."

(c) Mr. J. Fordham-Redesignation. That the present post of Painter's Improver occupied by this employee be not regraded, but that he be paid an increase of 2½d per hour (being one half the difference in pay to a Painter's Improver and a Painter) such increase to operate from the 24th. May, 1948, and to continue to the 31st March, 1949, when the matter will be further considered.

3. CLERK'S DEPARTMENT.

(a) Resignation of Mrs. M. Stewart - Shorthand Typist. Mrs. M. Stewart was absent owing to sickness from the 14th. May, 1948, and resigned from the appointment of Shorthand-Typist on the 19th May, 1948, without returning to duty.

(b) Appointment of Miss D.M.Phillips - Shorthand Typist. Miss D.M.Phillips has been appointed Shorthand-Typist as from the 14th. June, 1948, to fill the vacancy created by Mrs. Stewart's resignation, at a salary of £258 per annum, rising by two annual increments of £12, and one of £8, to a maximum of £290 per annum plus London Weighting, the first increment to take effect from the 1st. April, 1949. This appointment is subject to termination by one month's notice and, subject to passing a medical examination, this employee will be admitted to the Superannuation Scheme after six months' satisfactory service, as provided in the Scheme of Conditions of Service.

(c) Payment of Overtime. The Committee recommend approval of the payment of overtime as follows;-

Mrs. M. King.	...	...	17 hours.
Mrs. L.M. James.	..	...	18 "

4. TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT - PAYMENT OF OVERTIME. The Committee recommend approval of the payment of overtime as follows;-

Mr. E.A.Palmer. ..	...	10½ hours.
Mr. N.E.Haskell. ..	...	7 "
Mr. J.F.Ward. ..	...	23½ "
Mr. L.J.Williams. .	...	23 "

5. ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT.

(a) Senior Engineering Assistant - Mr. F.J.Howe - Resignation. It was reported that Mr. F.J.Howe had submitted his resignation as from the 30th June, 1948.

The question of filling the vacancy created by Mr. Howe's resignation has been referred to the Sub-Committee appointed to investigate the re-organisation of the Engineer and Surveyor's Department.

(b) Appointment of Assistant Clerk of Works. Mr. J.J.Isted has been appointed Assistant Clerk of Works at an inclusive salary of £9. per week, and it is anticipated that he will commence duty on the 21st June 1948. This being a temporary appointment for a period not exceeding two years in the first instance, Mr. Isted will not be admitted to the Superannuation Scheme.

6. MANUAL WORKERS - SICKNESS AND ACCIDENTS. A report was submitted from the Engineer and Surveyor on sickness and accidents to Manual Workers since the date of the last Meeting.

The Committee decided to consider further the case of Mr. E.C.Howard at the Meeting to be held in September next.

7. CAR ALLOWANCE - ASSISTANT BUILDING INSPECTOR. With reference to Minute No. 14 (b) of the report of this Committee on the 18th May 1948, the Committee decided to defer further consideration of the payment of a car allowance to the Assistant Building Inspector until their next meeting.

8. HOUSING SITES Nos. 3 and 4 - ALEXANDRA ROAD - APPOINTMENT OF CARETAKER. The Committee received a report from the Sub-Committee appointed to settle the terms and conditions of the appointment of Caretaker, and applications have been invited for this appointment at a wage of £5. 10. 0d, rising to £6. per week.

The person appointed to the position will be required to occupy one of the flats on the site on a service tenancy, for which the full rent will be payable.

The Committee have requested that the local branch of the British Legion will be advised of this vacancy.

9. RE-ORGANISATION OF ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT AND HOUSING DEPARTMENT. The Sub-Committee appointed in connection with the above reported that they had held several Meetings, and put forward for consideration certain views and one main proposal in connection with the matter, which were now reported to the Committee.

The Committee unanimously approved and endorsed the Sub-Committee's main proposal and referred the matter back to them for preparation and submission of a detailed scheme.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.0 p.m. and terminated at 8.30 p;m; approx.

Report and Recommendations of the Finance Committee.

17th. June, 1948.

PRESENT.

Cr. A.C.S. Meynell ... Vice Chairman in the Chair.

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Richardson and Simmonds.

Also In Attendance. Cr. Draper.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Matthews.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 20th. May, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. COLLECTION OF RATES. The Treasurer reported that up to the 8th June, the amount of rates collected was 41% of the amount collectable, compared with 45.5% for the corresponding period of last year.

4. IRRECOVERABLE RATES AND COSTS.

(a) Assessment No.922. Proceedings were taken for recovery of arrears of Rates, and the Justices decided to remit the balance.

(b) Assessment No.6962. This Ratepayer has left the premises and as his present address is unknown, the Committee recommend that outstanding Rates and Costs amounting to £1.13.7d. be written off as irrecoverable.

5. JOINT AMBULANCE SERVICE. Accounts for the year 1947/48 have been received from the Finchley Corporation, and according to the agreed basis of apportionment the amount of this Council's liability for the year is £946.11.0d. Of this sum £900 has been paid on account during the year and the balance of £46.11.0d is included, for the approval of the Committee, in this month's accounts schedule, together with a payment on account for the period 1st. April to 4th July, 1948, in the sum of £250.

6. JOINT ISOLATION HOSPITAL. The Hospital Committee have requested a payment on account of Hospital expenses to the 4th July, 1948, and on account of the superannuation liabilities for the year ending 31st. March, 1949, in the total sum of £970 and this amount is included in this month's accounts schedule. Originally it was proposed to appropriate the £500 working balance to partially discharge these liabilities, but arrangements have now been made for the payment of £970 gross on the understanding that the Hospital Authorities will pay the sum of £500 to this Council before the end of the present month.

7. NORTH MIDDLESEX GOLF CLUB. The audited accounts for the year ended 31st. March, 1948, have been received and before charging rent the profits for the year amount to £896. According to the agreement which terminated on the 31st. March last, the Council should receive 90% of these profits, namely £807. If the Committee approve this figure, an account for the balance of £207 will be forwarded to the Club, who have already paid the minimum rent of £600 for the year.

. The Committee recommend that the accounts be approved and that the sum of £807 be accepted as rent for the year.

8. ACCOUNTS. The Committee recommend that the Council authorise

and order Barclays Bank Ltd., to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed on Pages 11 to 15 of the Treasurer's Order, amounting to £57,196.10.4d and also weekly cheques for wages and Postmaster General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of £4,250 and in any one week a maximum of £850 signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

R. Matthews.

In the Chair.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 6.36 p.m.

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

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No. 11

To BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED,
233, WOODHOUSE ROAD, FRIERN BARNET, N.12.

PURSUANT to a Resolution adopted this 24TH day of JUNE 19 48
WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 11 to 14 of this Order, amounting to the sum of ----------FIFTY SEVEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED & NINETY SIX---------- pounds ---TEN--- shillings and ---------FOUR--------- pence, also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster-General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of --------FOUR THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED AND FIFTY---------- pounds and in any one week a maximum of ----------EIGHT HUNDRED AND FIFTY---------- pounds signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

H. Richardson *Chairman.*

Alan J. Reynell.
R. Matthews.
Members of the Council.

Countersigned :
E. Johns Deputy
Clerk of the Council.

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Consecutive Number		NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment		
	333	EMERGENCY IMPREST ACCOUNT.--	489	9	-
	334	ABBEY ROAD BUILDING SOC.--	12	10	-
	335	ADDRESSOGRAPH-MULTIGRAPH LTD.--	-	5	-
	336	ALEXANDRA PARK TRUSTEES.--	20	-	-
	337	R.ALEXANDER.--	3	4	5
	338	E.J.ALLWORTHY.--	17	10	-
	339	C.F.ANDERSON & SON LTD.--	14	8	-
	340	ASTOLAT CO LTD.--	96	-	-
	341	ATLAS STONE CO LTD.--	74	15	8
	342	AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE & ELECTRIC CO LTD.--	15	12	9
	343	W.& T.AVERY LTD.--	3	15	-
	344	CHAS.BAKER & CO LTD.--	150	5	8
	345	DAVID BAKER & CO.--	35	2	-
	346	W.J.BANKS (CONTRACTORS) LTD.--	20	6	9
	347	BARCLAY PERKINS & CO LTD.--	-	1	-
	348	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	15	-	-
	349	P.W.K.BARKER.--	1	8	3
	350	BARNET DISTRICT GAS & WATER CO.--	29	8	1
	351	BARNET TRANSPORT LTD.--	86	5	-
	352	J.H.BEATTIE & CO LTD.--	124	12	-
	353	GEORGE BELL & SONS LTD.--	124	6	3
	354	PERCY BILTON LTD.--	4,507	12	4
	355	BOOK CENTRE LTD.--	-	15	9
	356	S.F.N.BOULTING.--	13	-	-
	357	H.N.BOUSTRED.--	11	5	-
	358	SYDNEY BOWYER & CO.--	27	4	6
	359	BRADFORD PROPERTY TRUST LTD.--	9	3	10
	360	BRAMBER ENGINEERING CO LTD.--	3	15	-
	361	BRITISH OXYGEN CO LTD.--	-	2	-
	362	A.H.BROWN & SON.--	111	7	6
	363	D.MELVILLE BROWN.--	12	10	-
	364	A.C.BRUMWELL.--	3	7	11
	365	H.C.BUDDINGTON.--	26	-	-
	366	BUCKLAND & SONS.--	21	5	-
	367	THE BUILDER LTD.--	4	-	-
	368	BURLINGTON PRESS.--	2	-	-
	369	N.J.F.BURNETT.--	13	-	-

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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
370	BURROUGHS WELLCOME & CO.--	2 16 4
371	BUTTERWORTH & CO (PUBLISHERS) LTD.--	4 15 6
372	J.A.CABLE & CO LTD.--	28 12 10
373	C.CAKEBREAD LTD.--	3 11 6
374	J.W.CARPENTER LTD.--	- 10 -
375	E.NESHAM CARR.--	22 2 -
376	W.CAULTAS.--	8 8 -
377	CEMENT MARKETING CO LTD.--	47 16 10
378	CLARE & CLARE.--	172 2 6
379	R.S.CLARE & CO LTD.--	25 10 -
380	COMMERCIAL EQUIPMENT CO.--	4 16 -
381	COMMERCIAL (STEWART & ARDEN) PROPERTIES LIMITED.--	15 5 -
382	COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE.--	255 - -
383	P.A.CORDELL.--	11 17 6
384	E.COWING & SON LTD.--	17 3 9
385	CRAMB BROS LTD.--	100 9 5
386	W.CREIGHTON & CO LTD.--	50 3 10
387	CROSBY ESTATES LTD.--	3 7 -
388	CULLEN'S STORES LTD.--	51 13 4
389	G.CUNLIFFE.--	7 - -
390	JOHN DAVIE.--	- 15 -
391	J.W.DEAN.--	13 15 -
392	CHAS.DENTON.--	450 - -
393	DENTON, HALL & BURGIN.--	11 12 -
394	DERBY TRUSTEE SAVINGS BANK.--	292 13 4
395	DISTRICT BANK LTD.--	479 10 11
396	F.DOEL.--	16 5 -
397	N.W.DRINKWATER (WILLESDEN) LTD.--	34 4 -
398	H.N.DUNPHY & SON.--	36 9 1
399	EASTERN ELECTRICITY BOARD.--	39 9 4
400	HORACE ECKART.--	225 15 -
401	A.E.ELLIOTT.--	1 9 6
402	EN-TOUT-CAS CO LTD.--	22 10 -
403	FAIRWAYS LTD.--	40 2 6
404	E.FENSOME.--	1 2 -
405	FERODO LTD.--	6 12 2
406	FINCHLEY CORPORATION.--	360 3 3
407	FINCHLEY, HORNSEY, WOOD GREEN & FRIERN BARNET JOINT HOSPITAL COMMITTEE.--	970 - -
408	FINCHLEY PRESS LTD.--	14 10 -
409	E.FISHER (RECLIVER).--	17 15 -
410	M.H.E.FRAMPTON.--	21 5 -
411	FRANCO TRAFFIC SIGNS LTD.--	2 18 6
412	FRIERN BARNET U.D.C.--	6,454 3 6
413	ALFRED GILBERT & SONS LTD.--	1 16 8
414	GOODMAN BROS (BUTCHERS) LTD.--	37 17 9
415	A.GOODWIN & SON.--	154 16 -
416	GORDON LODGE INVESTMENT CO LTD.--	8 - -
417	W.GREASBY & CO LTD.--	28 12 10
418	HALES (TINKERS LTD.--	225 6 6
419	E.E.HARRIS.--	1 18 11
420	JOSEPH HIBBARD & SONS.--	18 15 -
421	JAMES HILLER LTD.--	10 3 10
422	HILLSIDE PUBLISHING CO.--	46 5 -
423	H.M.STATIONERY OFFICE.--	1 13 6
424	FRED HODGE LTD.--	16 5 9
425	J.HOLLAND & SON.--	238 - 3
426	HOOPER & JACKSON.--	27 15 -
427	HORNSEY JOURNAL.--	1 1 8
428	HOSPITAL SAVING ASSOCIATION.--	3 19 4
429	W.A.HOWARD LTD.--	341 19 6
430	F.J.HOWE.--	187 4 8
431	H.HOWES & CO LTD.--	19 - -
432	C.J.HUNT & CO LTD.--	117 8 1
433	IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES LTD.--	3 8 -
434	INITIAL TOWEL SUPPLY CO.--	2 6 8
435	JEYES SANITARY COMPOUNDS CO LTD.--	7 7 9
436	H.JOHNSON FOSTER LTD.--	28 3 9
437	E.G.& A.E.JONES.--	14 10 -
438	E.T.JONES.--	12 10 -

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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
439	WALTER JUDD LTD.--	3 - 5
440	KILLGERM CO LTD.--	3 - -
441	CHAS.KNIGHT & CO LTD.--	2 8 8
442	KNIGHT FRANK & RUTLEY.--	18 - -
443	P.E.KNIGHT.--	7 5 -
444	H.KONYN.--	13 - -
445	LANES RABJOHNS LTD.--	18 14 6
446	TRUSTEES OF LAWRENCE CAMPE'S ALMSHOUSES.--	1 5 -
447	LAYSTALL ENGINEERING CO LTD.--	3 10 -
448	LEYLAND PAINT & VARNISH CO LTD.--	55 2 6
449	LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL.--	- 10 -
450	LONDON TRANSPORT EXECUTIVE.--	- 1 -
451	LORD & GARRET LTD.--	13 - -
452	MARSHALL.--	18 5 10
453	W.MARSHALL.--	6 - -
454	MARSHAM TYRE CO LTD.--	2 9 6
455	MARTYN LTD.--	39 10 -
456	M.MAXWELL.--	2 19 4
457	E.T.McELLIGOTT.--	- 10 6
458	H.E.McLEOD.--	5 5 -
459	McMANUS & CO LTD.--	5,750 - -
460	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	21,931 - -
461	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	5,700 - -
462	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	2 16 1
463	MIDLAND BANK LTD.--	6 6 6
464	A.MILLS.--	6 - -
465	J.W.MILTON.--	14 - -
466	MINISTRY OF WORKS.--	417 - 6
467	A.L.MOCKFORD.--	2 4 9
468	L.M.MOCKFORD.--	10 - -
469	MOORE'S PLANT AGENCY.--	114 7 11
470	MORGANS.--	1 18 -
471	MUNICIPAL JOURNAL LTD.--	6 15 -
472	MUNICIPAL MUTUAL INSURANCE LTD.--	2 3 1
473	MUSWELL HILL RECORD & PRINTING CO LTD.--	6 18 7
474	H.A.NASH.--	- 8 6
475	SIDNEY A.NAYLOR.--	52 - -
476	EDWARD NEVOLS.--	12 10 -
477	SAVINGS BANK OF NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.--	99 15 2
478	NEW SOUTHGATE JOINT RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE.--	150 - -
479	NEWTON CHAMBERS & CO LTD.--	6 8 -
480	C.NIELSON & SON.--	18 - -
481	NORMANS.--	11 10 -
482	H.G.OAKLEY.--	6 5 -
483	OFFICIAL SOLICITOR TO SUPREME COURT.--	10 15 -
484	WILLIAM PAGE & CO LTD.--	9 11 11
485	WILLIAM PALFREY (JUTE) LTD.--	21 5 -
486	PANNELL (MERCHANTS) LTD.--	2 12 -
487	THOS.PARSONS & SONS LTD.--	117 8 8
488	D.R.PATERSON LTD.--	3 4 2
489	PEARCE & SONS.--	40 - -
490	PERRY (REPAIRS & SERVICE) LTD.--	32 17 9
491	A.PITT.--	11 19 8
492	A.PITT.--	30 - -
493	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	11 - -
494	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	24 10 8
495	R.W.POWE & REVELL LTD.--	830 - -
496	L.PRIESACK.--	13 10 -
497	PRIORS (TALLY HO) LTD.--	16 10 10
498	RAILWAY EXECUTIVE.--	- 5 -
499	P.RAY.--	9 5 -
500	RESMAT SALES LTD.--	20 6 11
501	ROBERTS & NEWTON LTD.--	- 10 -
502	R.S.ROBINSON.--	23 10 -
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505	ROYAL LIVER FRIENDLY SOC.--	87 5 5

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507	SALTER REX & CO.--	12 10 -
508	A.SAMUEL.--	24 6 3
509	SANITAS CO LTD.--	2 17 -
510	H.SCOTT & SONS.--	10 11 6
511	V.E.SCOTT.--	13 18 2
512	SEALOCRETE PRODUCTS LTD.--	2 10 -
513	F.H.SHARP.--	14 10 -
514	SHAW & SONS LTD.--	18 4 1
515	SHELL MEX & B.P.LTD.--	3 16 3
516	SHELVOKE & DREWRY LTD.--	14 7 8
517	C.F.SIMMONDS.--	125 - -
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519	SIMPSON & SONS.--	142 5 2
520	A.E.SMITH.--	150 - -
521	THOMAS SMITH & SON LTD.--	31 17 6
522	H.C.D.SMYTH.--	8 8 -
523	CORPORATION OF SOUTHGATE.--	11 11 -
524	CHARLES SPARROW & SON.--	20 - -
525	ST.ALBANS SAND & GRAVEL CO LTD.--	32 5 -
526	P.STEEDS.--	18 15 -
527	S.STEVENS.--	11 5 -
528	STUART THOMPSON & CO.--	46 1 10
529	STURT & TIVENDALE.--	225 16 -
530	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	1,261 13 2
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532	V.G.GEORGE.--	23 1 2
533	P.BROUGHTON.--	10 11 2
534	H.FAWCETT.--	20 10 2
535	K.R.SMITH.--	51 2 4
536	F.H.GENTLE.--	34 17 -
537	I.A.HAYWARD.--	27 16 10
538	C.WALKER.--	19 5 6
539	D.F.BARKER.--	23 19 8
540	C.TAYLOR.--	27 3 2
541	H.W.HERMANS.--	33 17 8
542	H.A.PHILLIPS.--	27 12 8
543	J.F.WARD.--	27 9 8
544	N.HASKELL.--	12 18 -
545	E.T.MARTIN.--	27 10 10
546	R.J.GANN.--	20 16 9
547	L.MANNING.--	31 2 10
548	L.TIBBENHAM.--	22 7 10
549	I.CODRAI.--	20 14 10
550	W.J.CLARKE.--	14 17 11
551	A.C.BRUMWELL.--	8 - -
552	SYNCHRONOME CO LTD.--	11 4 -
553	W.L.THACKRAH.--	6 - -
554	W.H.THOMAS.--	35 4 6
555	TILLEY LAMP CO.--	20 - 10
556	F.FERRIOR TOMLIN.--	92 12 6
557	TOTTENHAM & DISTRICT GAS CO.--	9 3 2
558	TRISTRAM & POWER.--	2 8 -
559	JOSEPH H.TURNER.--	3 15 7
560	TWICKENHAM GRAVEL CO LTD.--	7 4 2
561	EXECUTORS OF H.J.TYLER.--	10 - -
562	UNDERWOOD ELLIOTT FISHER LTD.--	2 3 9
563	A.H.WADDINGTON.--	15 - -
564	WATERLOW & SONS LTD.--	10 13 -
565	WATKINS & McCOMBIE LTD.--	9 14 7
566	S.E.WOOD.--	15 10 -
567	W.G.WOOD (BRUSHES) LTD.--	4 7 -
568	F.WOODING & SON.--	44 6 9
569	WOODWARD (WHETSTONE) LTD.--	- 17 7
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Report and Recommendations of the General Purposes Committee.

17th June, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F.Simmonds. ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Mason, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Matthews.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 20th May, 1948 were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. PUBLIC BUILDINGS LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The report and recommendations of the above-mentioned Committee held this day, a copy of which is attached, was submitted and the Committee recommend that the report and recommendations be approved and confirmed.

4. FIRE SERVICE - REPORTS. Notification has been received from the Middlesex County Council that the County Chief Fire Officer is arranging for a monthly return of statistical information regarding fires and incidents occurring in the Urban District to be forwarded to the Council. Should an occasion arise when the Council, following an examination of the report submitted, considers the attendance of a Fire Officer desirable, arrangements will be made for such attendance.

5. SUNDAY ENTERTAINMENTS ACT, 1932. As a result of the National Health Service Act and other recent legislation, the Middlesex County Council have removed nursing associations and hospitals from the County Council's list of approved charities for the purpose of grant under the Sunday Entertainments Act. The County Council desire to know whether there are any other charities operating in this District which the Council desire to nominate for participation in the proceeds of Sunday entertainments, and if so to notify the Clerk of the County Council in order that he can communicate with the Organisation in the matter.

The Friern Barnet Appeals Committee have been consulted and they have made certain nominations.

The Committee recommend that the following charitable organisations be nominated;-

Finchley and Friern Barnet Housing Association Ltd. on behalf of the French Memorial Home for Old People.
Finchley and Friern Barnet Social Service Guild (Social Section)
Friern Barnet's Own Charities.

6. FINCHLEY AND FRIERN BARNET HOUSING ASSOCIATION LIMITED. A request has been received from this Association for a contribution from the Council towards the funds of the Association in connection with the French Memorial Home for Old People.

The 21 residents in the Home are Finchley or Friern Barnet people and the official opening of the Home has been fixed for the 3rd July, 1948.

According to the statement of accounts to the 15th June, 1948, the Association still have very large accounts to meet in connection with repairs and equipment, and they desire to carry out further repairs and to supply further equipment if funds will permit. To date they have raised £1,600 towards their target of £2,000.

The Committee recommend that enquiries be made of the Minister of Health as to whether a grant by the Council would receive his sanction.

7. TRAVELLING FACILITIES.

(a) Staggered Hours of Work. The Ministry of Transport have forwarded for the information of the Council a copy of the report submitted to the Minister by the Chairman of the Central London Local Transport Groups upon the work of the campaign to relieve peak hour travel conditions for workers in Central London.

(b) Local Facilities. Representatives from the London Transport Executive attended at the Town Hall on the 11th June, 1948, and discussed with members of the Sub-Committee the question of the electrification of the Alexandra Palace Line, the improvement of services on the Piccadilly Underground, the inadequate train service on the New Southgate to Kings Cross Line, and the irregularities on bus services 134 and 43.

The representatives of the Transport Executive again stressed the present difficulties regarding rolling stock, but promised to give consideration to the points raised, particularly with regard to the timing of the 'bus services and the improvement of the existing train service from New Southgate Station.

In connection with this latter service, correspondence has been received from Mr. V.A.Maskens of Thurlestone Avenue enclosing a copy of a letter which he has forwarded to the British Railways Executive regarding the inadequacy of this service. This correspondence has been forwarded to the Clerk of the County Council with a request that it be placed on the next Agenda of the Traffic Sub-Committee for consideration and action.

8. HIGHGATE PETTY SESSIONAL DIVISION. Notification has been received that at the last Meeting of the Justices of the Peace for the Petty Sessional Division of Highgate it was reported that the Middlesex Standing Joint Committee had agreed that the present office accomodation of the Clerk to the Justices and his staff was inadequate and unsuitable, and the Joint Committee had further agreed to erect temporary offices if a suitable site could be obtained. The Hornsey Borough Council had been approached, but it was understood that no site was available near the Town Hall. The Meeting considered alternative offers of accomodation and made enquiries as to the possibility of the Highgate Courts being held in the Friern Barnet Town Hall, on the assumption that if suitable accomodation for the Courts could be found in the Town Hall, a site for the erection of temporary offices somewhere near the Town Hall could be obtained.

It is understood by the Committee that since the Meeting of the Justices negotiations have been proceeding with the Finchley Borough Council as a result of which it is probable that the Justices will not wish to proceed with the question of accomodation in Friern Barnet.

9. WAR-TIME ALLOTMENTS, WOODHOUSE ROAD. With reference to Minute No.3(d) of the Report of the Allotments Committee dated the 1st June, 1948, the Committee considered the claim for compensation which had been made by the owners of the war-time allotment land fronting Woodhouse Road between Woodleigh Avenue and Lyndhurst Avenue, and the observations received from the owners and from the Central Allotment Holders' Association regarding the suggestion as to the erection of an advertisement hoarding.

The Association do not raise any serious objection to the erection of a hoarding providing the allotment holders are compensated for any damage occasioned during the erection thereof.

The owners state that they are prepared to try to let the site as an advertising station and to offset the whole of the rental received against the amount of their claim for compensation as a result of the requisitioning.

The Committee recommend that consideration of this matter be deferred to the next Meeting of this Committee and that the owners be asked to give the Council information as to any letting at the earliest possible moment.

10. 246, FRIERN BARNET LANE.

(a) Purchase. The Minister of Health has given approval to the purchase of this property for housing purposes and the Middlesex County Council have already received notification from the Minister that the sale of the property to this Council can now proceed.

(b) Sea Cadet Corps. With reference to Minute No. 4 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 20th May, 1948, the Committee gave further consideration to the application of the Sea Cadet Corps for continuation of their present occupation and some security of tenure.

The Committee feel unable to recommend the Council to create a binding tenancy for any length of time, having regard to the purpose for which the site is being purchased, but the maximum notice will be given to the Sea Cadet Corps when the land is required by the Council.

The Committee therefore recommend that the Sea Cadet Corps be notified that the Council are unable to grant any security of tenancy but are prepared to continue to permit the Corps to occupy a part of the building on the present terms and conditions.

(c) Repairs. It will be remembered that the Council notified the Sea Cadet Corps that they had no authority to pay the sum of £6 which had been incurred by the Sea Cadet Corps for repairs to the property, but had enquired whether the Middlesex County Council would be prepared to reimburse this amount.

The Middlesex County Council now state that as the repairs were carried out without their approval they are unable to make this reimbursement.

(d) 94th. North London Scout Group. With reference to Minute No. 4 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 20th May, 1948, the Committee gave further consideration to the application received from this Scout Group for permission to use a portion of the building, the grounds and the stabling at the rear.

The Committee recommend that consideration of this application be deferred to the next Meeting.

(e) Complaint as to Use. A complaint has been received from a resident in Friern Barnet Lane of annoyance caused by the use of these premises by the Sea Cadet Corps, and this complaint has been forwarded to the Sea Cadet Corps for their observations, which have now been received and were submitted to the Committee.

The Committee have given instructions for a copy of the reply to be forwarded to the complainant, and Cr. McClane will make further enquiries regarding the complaint and report thereon to the next Meeting of this Committee.

11. REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE BILL. With reference to Minute No.10 of the Report of this Committee dated the 20th May, 1948, the formal representations against the proposals made by the Hornsey Borough Council were lodged with the Boundary Commission jointly with the Finchley Borough Council, and it is now understood that the

recommendations of the Boundary Commissioners which have been incorporated in the Bill do not include either of the alternative suggestions affecting this Parliamentary Constituency put forward by the Hornsey Borough Council.

12. TOWN HALL LIGHTING. With reference to Minute No.8 of the report of this Committee dated 18th. March, 1948, the Sub-Committee appointed to consider the improvement of the lighting in the Town Hall report that they have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to obtain schemes and quotations from suitable firms for the improvement of the lighting, with the exception of the Council Chamber and certain store rooms.

The Committee recommend that the action of the Sub-Committee be approved and confirmed.

13. FRIARY PARK. An application has been received from the Muswell Hill Branch of the British Legion for the use of the whole of the Friary Park on 31st. July, 1st and 2nd August, for the organisation of a Horse Show and Gymnkana and a Carnival Fair, the use of the Marquee and the Bandstand, for permission to erect marquees and stalls in connection with the Carnival Fair, and full, catering facilities. The legion would desire to make a small charge to the public for admission to the Park.

The Committee recommend that the application be not granted.

14. LICENSED PREMISES. With reference to Minute No.12 of the report of the Town Planning Committee dated the 10th June, 1948, the Committee gave further consideration to the application from Messrs. Watney Coombe, Reid & Co. Ltd., for approval in principle to the erection of licensed premises on land situate at the junction of Sydney Road and Colney Hatch Lane. The application was submitted to the Middlesex County Council for their observations in connection with the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935, and the Middlesex County Council have asked for further investigations and enquiries to be made.

The Committee recommend that further consideration of the application be deferred to the next Meeting of the Town Planning Committee, and that if necessary the applicants be requested to agree to an extension of the prescribed time within which a decision on the application is required to be given.

15. RUSSELL GARDENS. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted the final account of the Contractors for the rebuilding of four houses, and the building of two new houses in Russell Gardens in the sum of £6,062.1.3d. which is approximately £500 in excess of the contract sum, the excess being mainly due to the rises in cost of materials and labour charges.

It will now be possible to prepare a final claim on the War Damage Commission for the 13 rebuilt houses.

16. PETROLEUM SPIRIT. Notification has been received that the Petroleum Board will cease to distribute petroleum spirit as from the 30th June, and the question arises as to future purchases.

The Committee recommend that supplies as and when required be purchased from the Regent Oil Co. Ltd., during the period ending the 31st. March, 1949.

17. COLLECTION AND DISPOSAL OF SHELTERS. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report for the information of the Committee on the collection and disposal during the quarter ended June 1948, of Anderson and Morrison Shelters.

18. FINCHLEY AND FRIERN BARNET CITIZENS' ADVICE AND SOCIAL SERVICE GUILD.

(a) Accounts. The Accounts and Balance Sheet of this Guild for the year ended 31st March, 1948, were submitted for information.

(b) Monthly report. The report of the Guild as to services rendered during the month of April was submitted for information copies of this report having already been supplied to Members of the Council.

(c) Statistics. Statistics for the months of April and May were submitted for information.

19. NATIONAL HOUSING AND TOWN PLANNING COUNCIL. An invitation has been received to appoint representatives to attend the Annual Regional Conference to be held in London on the 12th July, and the Committee recommend that the Chairman of the Town Planning Committee and one Officer be appointed to attend.

20. FRIERN BARNET CO-OPERATIVE PARTY. This society have made application to be supplied with a copy of the Agenda for each monthly Council Meeting, together with a copy of the reports of the Committees.

The Committee recommend that the Co-operative Party be informed that the Council cannot agree to supply copies regularly each month at the present time, but that a limited number of copies are available to members of the Public attending Council Meetings, and a copy is always available in the Public Library.

21. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1948 - SECTION 132 - PROVISION OF ENTERTAINMENTS. The Committee gave consideration to the question of the provision of entertainments in the future, consequent on the extended powers given to Local Authorities by Section 132 of the Local Government Act, 1948. The Specific matters considered were the sponsoring of a Festival of Drama to be held in the Spring of 1949, the ultimate development of the Festival of Drama into a Festival of Arts, and the organisation of entertainments of a more serious and higher class. The Committee consider that a special Committee should be formed to investigate this matter and to report their recommendations to the Council.

The Committee accordingly recommend;-

(a) the appointment of an Entertainments Committee consisting of Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mason, Matthews, Pickering, Richardson and Tarlton.

(b) that the Entertainments Committee be required to formulate proposals for the provision of entertainments in accordance with the powers given to Local Authorities by the Local Government Act, 1948.

(c) that the Entertainments Committee so appointed be given power to appoint Sub-Committees to include Members of the Council not Members of the Entertainments Committee, and to co-opt on to those Sub-Committees in an advisory capacity persons not Members of the Council.

(d) that the existing Entertainments Sub-Committee be regarded as a Sub-Committee of the new Entertainments Committee, and

(e) that the Entertainments Committee be required to submit their reports and recommendations direct to the Council.

Richardson

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.50 p.m. and terminated at 8.50 p.m.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Public Buildings Lettings Committee.

17th. June, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. E Draper ... Chairman.

Crs. McClane, Richardson and Simmonds.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Matthews.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 20th May, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. LETTINGS BOOK. The Lettings Book for the Town Hall was submitted and each booking to date approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. COMMITTEE ROOMS 1 and 2.

(a) 21st. Birthday Party -(Resident outside the District.) An application has been received from Mr. A.N.Sylvester (a resident in Wood Green) for the use of these Committee Rooms for the purpose of a 21st Birthday Party on Saturday, 2nd, October, 1948.

The Committee recommend that the application be deferred for one month.

(b) Dancing Display. These rooms were booked by Miss Fairgrieve for a Dancing Display on the 17th July, together with the use of the piano, and the fee of £5.15.6d. paid.

Miss Fairgrieve has since found it necessary to cancel the booking, and the Committee recommend that the fee be refunded.

E Draper.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.15 p.m. and terminated at 6.25 p.m.

Meeting of the Council held in the Town Hall, N.11.

24th June, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Vice-Chairman in the Chair.

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Simmonds, Draper and Pickering.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the 27th May 1948 were submitted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. REPORT OF ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Tarlton seconded by Cr. Sparks that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 1st June, 1948 be received and adopted.

4. REPORT OF PARKS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. McClane that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 1st June, 1948 be received and adopted.

5. REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Henry seconded by Cr. Tarlton that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 3rd June, 1948 be received and adopted.

6. REPORT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Foley that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 3rd June, 1948 be received and adopted.

7. REPORT OF RATING AND VALUATION COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Meynell seconded by Cr. Henry that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 10th June, 1948 be received and adopted.

8. REPORT OF TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. McClane seconded by Cr. Matthews that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 10th June, 1948 be received and adopted.

9. REPORT OF HOUSING COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 10th June, 1948 be received and adopted.

10. REPORT OF ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Foley that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 14th June, 1948 be received and adopted.

11. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Meynell seconded by Cr. McClane that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 17th June, 1948 be received and adopted.

12. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 17th June, 1948 be received and adopted.

13. SEALING OF DOCUMENTS. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Sparks seconded by Cr. Foley that the Seal of the Council be affixed to the following documents;-

(a) Conveyance of 246 Friern Barnet Lane from the Middlesex County Council to this Council.

(b) Lease of North Middlesex Golf Course - the North Middlesex Golf Course (1928) Limited.

(c) Fire Insurance Policy with Municipal Mutual Insurance Limited in respect of 36 flats Permanent Housing Site No. 3 Alexandra Road.

(d) Licence to deal in Game - Messrs. A.E. Thompson & Sons, 1354, High Road, Whetstone. N.20.

(e) Licence to deal in Game - Messrs. A.E. Thompson & Sons, 225, Woodhouse Road, N.12.

Seal affixed accordingly.

Chairman...

Report and Recommendations of the Public Health Committee.

1st July, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. A.C. Henry. ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance;

Crs. Mason and Martin.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 3rd June, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. ANNUAL REPORT OF MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH. The Annual report of the Medical Officer of Health for 1947 was submitted, but it was decided to defer consideration thereof until the next Meeting of the Committee to enable the members to study the information contained therein.

3. NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES. The following notifications of infectious diseases have been received since the date of the last Meeting of the Committee;-

Disease	WARDS					Total for District only.
	North	South	Central	East	West	
Measles	8	3	3	-	3	17
Whooping Cough.	3	5	3	-	-	11
Tuberculosis	-	2	1	-	-	3

4. SCABIES. The Medical Officer of Health reported that since the last Meeting one case of Scabies had been treated.

5. DIPTHERIA IMMUNISATIONS. The Medical Officer of Health reported as to the present position in the District in connection with the above, stating that 2,438 immunisations had been completed to date.

6. COMPLAINTS. Since the last Meeting of the Committee 43 complaints, including 14 complaints of rat infestation had been received and investigated, and the necessary action taken to secure a remedy.

7. ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES. The works necessary to comply with notices served requiring the abatement of nuisances at 20 properties throughout the District have been completed.

8. UNSOUND FOOD. The Sanitary Inspector reported as to the various types of food which had been condemned as unfit for human consumption, since the last Meeting of the Committee.

9. RODENT CONTROL - SEWER TREATMENT. The second maintenance treatment of the District sewers was carried out between the 7th and 19th June, 1948, when a total of 161 manholes were dealt with. Results have again been satisfactory, and disclosed that 13 manholes were infested as against 16 on the first maintenance treatment.

10. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT. 1936 - SECTION 93 - STATUTORY NUISANCES. The Sanitary Inspector reported the existence of statutory nuisances at the under-mentioned premises:-

(a) Nos. 117 and 119 Friern Barnet Road, N.11.
Defective and leaking roofs.

(b) No. 21a, Queens Parade, N.11.
Defective and leaking roofs.

(c) Nos. 42 and 43 The Avenue, N.11.
Defective and leaking roofs and guttering.

Intimation notices having been served and not complied with the Committee recommend service of Statutory Notices under Section 93 of the Public Health Act, 1936, requiring abatement of the nuisances, and failing compliance therewith, the Clerk be authorised to take the appropriate proceedings.

11. SANITARY INSPECTORS' ASSOCIATION - ANNUAL CONFERENCE 1948. The Sanitary Inspector reported his attendance at this Conference as the Council's representative.

The Committee have requested the Sanitary Inspector to arrange for copies of the official Report on the Conference to be supplied to all Members of the Council.

12. NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT, 1946.

(a) Vaccination and Immunisation - Section 26.
Prevention of Illness, Care and After Care - Section 28.
Domestic Help - Section 29.
Correspondence was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that the Minister of Health has approved the proposals of the County Council relating to these services, subject to certain modifications, particulars of which were enclosed, and the Clerk has circulated to all Members of the Council reports on the effect of these amendments.

(b) Inaugural Meeting of No.2. Area Committee. The Chairman of the Committee reported that he had this day attended the Inaugural Meeting of the No.2. Area Committee as the Council's representative thereon. This is the first Meeting of the Area Committee and only formal business, such as the appointment of Chairman etc., was dealt with.

(c) Area Medical Officer. Notification has been received that Dr. M. Manson, the Medical Officer of Health of the Borough of Wood Green, has been appointed Area Medical Officer for this Urban District, as well as for the Borough of Wood Green.

13. DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION. A letter dated 17th June, 1948 was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that the County Council as Welfare Authority has approved a sum not exceeding £6.5.0d as being that portion of this Council's total expenditure which will be borne by the County Council, in relation to publicity in respect of immunisation of children under school age, for the financial year ended 31st March, 1948.

14. DAY NURSERIES. With reference to Minute No.14 of the report of this Committee on 3rd June, 1948, the Clerk reported that the necessary statistical information, had been obtained from the Brunswick Park Day Nursery as to the applications for accomodation from Friern Barnet residents, and also from residents in the immediately adjacent area of Hornsey:-

No. of Friern Barnet residents on waiting list at 8th June, 1948. 116

Central Ward	35
North and East Wards	54
South Ward	24
West Ward	3
	116

No. on waiting list from area adjacent to the South Ward (Roads in Muswell Hill) 16

No. of applications received from Friern Barnet residents from 15th May, 1948, to 8th June, 1948, but particulars not taken, there being no possibility of offering accomodation... ... 50
(Information is to the effect that a large majority of these are from the South Ward).

No. of Friern Barnet children in the Nursery at the 8th June, 1948, out of a total of 94. 43

The normal capacity of the Nursery is 80.

This information has been forwarded to the Middlesex County Council urging the establishment of a Day Nursery in the South Ward of the District in addition to the Nursery already approved in principle for the Northern part of the District.

At the same time, the Hornsey Borough Council have been asked to support this Council's application, and a letter dated 30th June, 1948, was submitted from the Hornsey Borough Council enclosing a copy of a letter which had been forwarded to the Middlesex County Council supporting the representations of this Council, on the ground that the Hornsey Borough Council are receiving a number of applications from residents in this District.

15. CONTRIBUTIONS TO NURSING ASSOCIATIONS. With reference to Minute No. 13 of the report of this Committee on 3rd. June, 1948, a letter dated 22nd June, 1948, was submitted from the South Ward District Nursing Association stating that sufficient funds were available to meet their commitments up to 4th July, 1948, and accordingly no application would be made to the Council for a grant.

16. AMBULANCE CALLS. Particulars as to the number of Ambulance calls during May, 1948, were submitted for information.

17. VACATION. The Committee have authorised the Chairman, or in his absence the Vice-Chairman, of the Committee to deal with any urgent matters which might arise during the vacation.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 6.50 p.m.

Report and recommendations of the Highways and Public Works Committee.

1st July, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. J. Foley ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Henry, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Richardson, Simmonds, and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, Pickering, and Miss Richards.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 3rd June, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. PRIVATE STREET WORKS - RALEIGH DRIVE, TEMPLE AVENUE, BEDFORD CLOSE AND OAKLEIGH PARK SOUTH. With reference to Minute No.13 (a) of the report of this Committee on the 3rd June. 1948, a letter dated 11th June, 1948, was submitted from the Ministry of Health stating that it is for the Council to decide whether Raleigh Drive, Temple Avenue and Bedford Close should be made up, and if the Council is not prepared to certify that the present condition of these streets constitutes a danger to life and limb or a menace to public health, the Minister is not prepared to issue his authorisation under Defence Regulation 56 (a) and the work should be deferred until the present restrictions are relaxed.

In connection therewith the Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report.

The Committee are of the opinion that the condition of Raleigh Drive, Temple Avenue and Bedford Close is such as to constitute a danger to life and limb, and recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to issue the necessary Certificate accordingly and to arrange for the preparation of the necessary plans and specifications in respect of Bedford Close.

The Engineer and Surveyor further reported that in connection with the making up of Oakleigh Park South it would appear, as a result of a survey which has been made, that the width of the road is not uniform throughout its entire length and therefore it would be necessary to vary the width of the verges in order to maintain standard widths to the carriage-way and footpaths.

The Committee further recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to proceed with the necessary plans and specifications providing for a carriage-way 24 feet in width, and paved footways with tar macadam verges.

3. HIGHWAYS - GENERAL MAINTENANCE. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on maintenance work carried out during the month of June.

4. ROUNDABOUT - NORTH CIRCULAR ROAD, REMOVAL OF RAILINGS, AND SHRUB PLANTING. As a result of an approach from this Council it was reported that the County Engineer and Surveyor had contacted the Ministry of Transport with regard to the suggestion to plant shrubs on the centre island, and it appears that the Ministry will be prepared favourably to consider this Council undertaking the work, but have requested that a diagram should first be agreed by the Horticultural Officer. The Ministry are, however, not prepared to accede to this Council's request for the removal of the railings around the island.

5. PRIVATE STREET WORKS.

(a) Making up of Fernwood Crescent. With reference to Minute No.11 (c) of the report of this Committee on 6th May, 1948, an application has been received from the Contractor for extra payment in the sum of £7.14.0d in respect of this Contract owing

to increased cost of materials since submitting the tender, and also for payment of holiday stamps, which were also required after the tender had been submitted.

It will be recalled that the Contractor made up the majority of this road for the original developer, and had also entered into a contract with the Council for the making up of a small section of the road fronting properties which were not in the ownership of the developer, and undertakings have been received from the frontagers concerned to reimburse the expenditure incurred in this respect.

The Committee, after giving the matter careful consideration recommend that the application be refused.

(b) Oakleigh Gardens - Complaint re Condition of Paving. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that as a result of a complaint received from the resident of No.41 Oakleigh Gardens, an inspection had been made and it was considered that the condition of the paving of the unmade section of this road is in a dangerous condition.

The Engineer and Surveyor has been unable to make contact with the original developer, but the present developer has arranged to execute the necessary temporary repairs to the paving.

(c) Temporary Repairs. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that temporary repairs have been completed in Torrington Avenue, Buckingham Avenue (part) and Friern Mount Drive, and work was in progress in that part of Alexandra Road which is a private street.

Further potholes have developed in the carriage-way in Oakleigh Park South which are considered to be dangerous, and arrangements are being made for certain repairs in this direction to be carried out in the near future.

6. ROAD SAFETY - ACCIDENT RETURNS. The Engineer and Surveyor reported the receipt of the Road Accident Returns for the month of May, 1948. During that period no accidents occurred in the District.

7. ANALYSIS OF SEWAGE EFFLUENT. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on a sample of sewage effluent taken from Bounds Green Brook on the 14th June, 1948.

8. SEWERS.

(a) Friary Road Relief Sewer. It was reported that the final cost for the construction of this relief sewer amounts to £4,805.5.5d. as compared with the revised estimate of £4,957 which was prepared following the receipt of tenders.

It will be recalled that the Middlesex County Council have agreed to contribute the sum of £2,000 in respect of the surface water sewer taking road water from a Class 111 road. Of the total sum an amount of £211.2.2d. has been incurred in the use of direct labour, for which no loan sanction will be forthcoming.

The Committee accordingly recommend that formal application be now made to the Ministry of Health for consent to loan in the sum of £618 made up as follows:-

Total cost of works		£4,805. 0. 0.
Less -		
Value of direct labour.	£211.0.0.	
County Council's contribution ...	£2,000.0.0.	
Loan sanction already in hand ...	1,988.0.0.	4,199. 0. 0.
		606. 0. 0.
Plus Loan charges		12. 0. 0.
		£618. 0. 0.

The Committee further recommend that on receipt of loan sanction the money be borrowed from the Public Works Loan Board, and that the Chairman of the Council and the Clerk be authorised to seal Mortgage and any other documents, if necessary out of Meeting.

(b) Friern Mount Drive - Surface Water Sewer - Collapse. With reference to Minute No.12 (a) of the report of this Committee on 3rd June, 1948, it was reported that the Contractor has excavated to the low level surface water sewer, and it has been found that the length of pipe exposed has completely disintegrated. The total length of the excavation at the present time is 22 yards, and it will be necessary to re-lay new pipes for the whole of this length. The work on this section is being carried out on a cost plus basis.

It is apparent that the sewer extending from the present excavations is in a very bad condition, and the Committee therefore recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to invite tenders for the re-laying of the remaining section so far as may be necessary.

9. IMPROVED STREET LIGHTING ON MAIN ROADS. With reference to Minute No. 17 of the report of this Committee on 6th May, 1948, a letter has been received from the Divisional Road Engineer of the Ministry of Transport, in which it is stated that the views of the Commissioner of Police on the need for improved street lighting in the roads concerned, are being obtained, and also asking for full details of the proposals.

A plan showing detailed siting of the proposed new street lamps is in course of preparation, and this together with all other information required will be forwarded as soon as possible.

10. STATUTORY OPENINGS. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the statutory openings being carried out by and on behalf of Statutory Companies.

11. SALVAGE.

(a) Returns. The salvage returns for June, 1948, were 35 tons value £136.3.0d. as compared with 32 tons 4 cwt value £144.10.6d. for the corresponding period during 1947.

(b) Sorting of Salvage from Refuse. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that arrangements had been made for one man to be employed specifically at the tip for recovering waste paper from normal refuse, as a result of which the amount of salvage collected had been increased by 4½tons during the past month.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Engineer and Surveyor be approved and confirmed, and that he be authorised to continue this arrangement for a further period of three months.

12. ADVANCE DIRECTION SIGNS - NORTH CIRCULAR ROAD/COLNEY HATCH LANE. With reference to Minute No.9 (a) of the report of this Committee on 4th March, 1948, a quotation was submitted for the illumination of the two advance direction signs in the vicinity of this junction in the sum of £112 capital cost, and in addition maintenance and lighting charges as follows:-

For signs equipped with two 40-watt lamps lit from dusk to dawn ...	£2.16.4d. per annum per sign.
For signs equipped with two 25-watt lamps lit from dusk to dawn ...	£2. 8.4d. per annum per sign.

The Committee after giving the matter careful consideration is of the opinion that the benefit which would be derived from the illumination of these signs does not warrant the expenditure, and therefore recommend that no further action be taken in the matter.

13. STREET LIGHTING CHARGES - TOTTENHAM AND DISTRICT GAS CO. A letter dated 28th June, 1948, was submitted from the Tottenham and District Gas Company stating that under authorisation from the Ministry of Fuel and Power the price of gas has been increased by 1.5 pence per therm as from the 27th June, 1948, and the usual charges for street lamps would be increased from £7.12.8d. per lamp per annum to £8.4.8d as from the operative date.

14. DENNIS REFUSE COLLECTION VEHICLES. The Engineer and Surveyor referred to the unsatisfactory standard of the tyres and wheels fitted to the three Dennis Refuse Collection vehicles, and reported that upon contacting the suppliers, arrangements had been made to supply new tyres. These had also proved to be unsatisfactory after less than 5,000 miles use, and a letter dated 29th June, 1948, has been received from Dennis Bros. Ltd., stating that under the circumstances it was considered that to attain satisfaction the vehicles should be fitted with larger wheels and tyres, and arrangements were being made to supply these in exchange for the old wheels and tyres, without charge.

15. VACATION. The Committee have authorised the Chairman, or in his absence the Vice-Chairman, of the Committee to deal with any urgent matters which might arise during the vacation.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7 p.m. and terminated at 8.15 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Allotments Committee.

6th July, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. M.R. Tarlton ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Martin and Richardson.
Messrs. Harris, Harman and Ovenden representing the North, Central and South Allotment Holders' Associations respectively.

Also in attendance:

Crs., Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mason and Matthews.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Pickering and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 1st June, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. WAR-TIME ALLOTMENTS ON OPEN SPACES - MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL. Correspondence was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that after consideration of the views of local authorities on the need for cultivation of existing war-time allotments on open spaces, the County Council has agreed to the retention of such allotments until December 1950, subject to the position being reviewed again not later than March 1950.

It was further stated that no objection is raised to the continued use of the land in Friern Barnet Road and a portion of the Woodhouse Secondary School Playing Fields for this purpose until 31st December, 1950.

4. NORTH ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION LTD.

(a) Outstanding applications. The Association have 14 outstanding applications for permanent plots.

(b) Bookbinders Cottage Homes - Trespass. With reference to Minute No.2 (b) of the report of this Committee on 1st June, 1948, the Association's representative reported that he had communicated with the Secretary of the Bookbinders Cottage Homes on 10th June, 1948, with a view to a meeting being arranged to investigate the matter, but no reply had yet been received.

(c) Fence - Boundary to Parkwood Flats. With reference to Minute No. 2 (e) of the report of this Committee on 1st June, 1948, it was reported that following a joint inspection by the Engineer and Surveyor, and Mr. Harris, 130 feet of new fencing has been erected, set back inside the allotment area on a line mutually agreed.

(d) Glebe Field Allotments - Fencing. The Engineer and Surveyor has arranged to complete the work of filling in the gaps in the hedge, as requested by the Secretary of the Association.

5. CENTRAL ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 27 applications outstanding for plots.

(b) Eastern Section - Repairs to Roadway. The necessary material for the repairs to the roadway has been delivered and spread, and the necessary rolling will be carried out as soon as the roller is available in the near future.

In connection therewith the Association's representative referred to the deposit of certain material at the rear of the properties in Bethune Avenue and the Engineer and Surveyor will arrange for this to be removed when the rolling of the roads is carried out.

(c) Provision of Further plot. The Association's representative referred to the vacant piece of land which was formerly used as an access when tipping operations were in progress in this area, and the Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to arrange for the access to be closed, and the area used for the provision of a further allotment.

(d) Hilton Avenue - Hedge and Fencing. The Association's representative referred to the dilapidated condition of certain of the chain link fencing on the Eastern side of this section of the allotments, between the gate and the houses, and the fact that the hedge in this vicinity had become considerably overgrown.

The Committee have requested the Engineer and Surveyor to renew the chain link fencing and trim the hedge as may be necessary when suitable labour becomes available.

(e) Western Section - Quality of Soil. The Association's representative referred to the very poor quality of the soil of certain allotments in this area, and enquired whether the Council would assist by arranging for a quantity of sludge to be deposited on these plots.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for 15 loads of sludge, the total cost of which will, including cartage, amount to £11.5.0d. to be deposited on these allotments subject to the Association undertaking to bear one-third of the total cost.

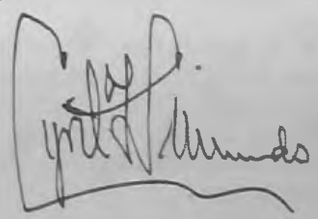
6. HALLIWICK PARK ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 5 outstanding applications for plots, but no vacancies.

(b) Intimation of Use of Allotments for other purposes. A letter dated 23rd June, 1948, was submitted from the Association stating it has come to the Association's notice that a site in Coppetts Road has been suggested, for the establishment of a new School, and that as the site proposed might affect the allotments in this area, requesting that the Association be informed when the matter is submitted to the Council for consideration, in order that they may be represented.

The Committee report that no official intimation of the proposal has yet been received, and recommend that the Allotment Association be informed that if and when the matter is submitted to the Council, the Association will be consulted.

7. VACATION. The Committee have authorised the Chairman of the Committee to deal with any urgent matters which might arise during the vacation.



Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.15 p.m. and terminated at 7.55 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Parks Committee.

6th July, 1948.

PRESENT.:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mason, Matthews and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Cr. Martin.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Pickering and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 1st June, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. ORNAMENTAL GARDENS. With reference to Minute No.6 of the report of this Committee on 4th May, 1948, a letter dated 8th June, 1948, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that no objection is raised to the use of the land situated on either side of the Library, which is surplus to highway requirements, for the purpose of laying out as ornamental gardens until such time as the land might be required for other purposes.

4. LAND ADJOINING 69, CHURCH WAY. The Clerk reported that at the request of the Committee a communication had been sent to the owner of the land adjoining No.69 Church Way drawing attention to its very unsightly condition, and requesting him to make arrangements for the weeds to be cut and the land generally tidied, and submitted reply from the owner of the land, stating he was prepared to convey the land to the Council, if they would partly reimburse him in respect of street works charges paid on the land.

The Committee recommend the Council to adhere to their previous decision that they are unable to make any repayment of private street works charges, and did not desire to acquire the land on the terms suggested.

The Committee further recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the site in question to be cleared of weeds.

5. SPORTS LETTINGS.

(a) Allocation of Football Pitches - Season 1948/49.

(i) With reference to Minute No.3 (a) of the report of this Committee on 1st June, 1948, football pitches for the season 1948/49 have been allocated in accordance with the statement appended to this report.

(ii) In connection therewith communications were submitted from the Coldfall Rangers Football Club, and The Albion Rovers Football Club stating that they were unable to accept the offer of the use of football pitches in Bethune and Halliwick Recreation Grounds respectively, on alternate Sunday mornings.

(iii) An application was submitted from the Manson (S.E.D.) Sports and Social Club for the use of a football pitch in Halliwick Recreation Ground on Saturday afternoons, or alternatively Wednesday afternoons during the coming season, but having regard to the extensive user of the pitch at the present time, the Committee recommend that the application be refused.

(iv) Facilities for Schools - Fees. The Committee considered the question of the fees, if any, to be charged for the facilities provided for Schools administered by the Middlesex Education Committee.

The Committee have deferred further consideration of the fees if any to be charged for facilities provided for schools until their next Meeting, and have instructed the Clerk to obtain particulars of the fees charged by neighbouring local authorities for similar facilities.

(v) Provision of Further Goal Posts. It was reported that a request had been received from the Friern Barnet Grammar School for the provision of two further goal posts on one of the pitches in Bethune Recreation Ground of which they have been granted the use during the coming season, to enable more of their scholars to participate in the organised recreation provided.

The Committee have authorised the Chairman to interview the Headmaster of the Grammar School, and afford such facilities in this direction as may be possible.

It was reported that in the past some of the Clubs using the football pitches had provided their own goal posts, but in other cases the Council had supplied this equipment, and the Committee recommend that the fee charged for the use of pitches shall in future include the use of this equipment.

(b) Cricket Pitch - Halliwick Recreation Ground.

An application was submitted from the Coldfall Residents Athletic Club for the use of the cricket pitch in Halliwick Recreation Ground for an all day match on 2nd August, 1948, - August Bank Holiday Monday, and also for permission to erect a practice net in a corner of the Recreation Ground for practice play on two evenings per week.

The Committee have granted the application for the use of the pitch on August Bank Holiday Monday, subject to the payment of a fee of £1.1.0d, but have refused the application for practice play, having regard to the potential danger to other users in the Recreation Ground and recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

(c) Watcombe School - Annual Sports. It was reported that the Chairman had authorised the use of a portion of Bethune Recreation Ground by the Watcombe School on Thursday the 15th July, or in the event of inclement weather the 22nd. July, from 2.30 to 4 p.m. for the purpose of their Annual Sports and the Committee recommend that the action taken by the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

6. PARKS GENERALLY.

(a) Report by Parks Superintendent. The Parks Superintendent submitted a report on the work carried out by the Parks staff since the last Meeting of the Committee.

(b) Supply of Bulbs for Spring Display. The Committee recommend that £65 be allocated for the supply of Bulbs for Spring display and the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to invite quotations therefor.

An expenditure of £43 was incurred in this direction during the last financial year, but having regard to the additional areas such as the ornamental gardens provided throughout the District, and the additional beds constructed in the Town Hall Forecourt, and also in Friary Park, the Committee consider that the increased expenditure is necessary.

(c) Gang Mowers. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the existing Gang Mower units were constantly out of action as a result of

mechanical defects due to old age, and although one new unit is expected to be delivered in July or August, it would be necessary to replace two further units next Spring.

The Committee have authorised the Engineer and Surveyor to invite quotations for the supply of two further units, and to ascertain information as to the period required for delivery, provision to be made in the estimate of expenditure for the year 1948/49 for this equipment.

(d) Fencing to Parks. With reference to Minute No. 7(d) of the report of this Committee on 4th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that enquiries had been made of the Barnet Urban District Council, the East Barnet Urban District Council, and the Boroughs of Finchley, Hornsey and Southgate as to their opinion on the policy of removing fencing around public Parks. In some cases experiments have been made in this direction, but all such authorities were of the opinion that considerable wanton damage and destruction resulted.

7. FRIARY PARK.

(a) Repairs to Fencing. The necessary repairs have been carried out to the fencing, including the fixing of new concrete spurs to posts where required.

(b) Tennis Courts - Repairs to Fencing. The necessary repairs have now been effected to the fencing surrounding the hard tennis courts.

(c) Friary House - Conversion. Good progress is being made with this work, which it is anticipated will be completed in three weeks.

The Committee recommend that the Parks Superintendent be provided with an area of ground at the rear for his own cultivation, and the other occupant be afforded certain facilities for the private use of the Yard, which will necessitate the erection of a certain amount of fencing.

(d) Gate Repairs. Repairs have been carried out to the two tubular chain link double gates at the Friern Barnet Lane and Friary Road entrances, and the defective concrete posts have been replaced with oak posts. The damage to the Friary Road entrance has also been repaired.

(e) Bowling Club - Proposed Pavilion. The Friary Park Bowling Club have submitted plans and requested approval for the construction of a Pavilion, but the Committee recommend that the Club be informed that in view of the fact that in the layout plan which is being prepared for Friary Park, it is proposed to include provision for such facilities, and the site on which it is proposed to erect the structure now submitted is required for certain other purposes, the Council are unable to accede to their request.

(f) Alleged Forceful Entry into Cafe. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that forceful entry is alleged to have been made into the Cafe at Friary Park during the night of the 21st. June, 1948, and following an inspection by the Police, the necessary repairs have been carried out.

8. BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND.

(a) 9-Hole Golf Course.

(i) Maintenance. A report was submitted as to the work carried out to the 9-hole Golf Course since the last Meeting of the Committee.

(ii) Receipts. Receipts for June, 1948, were £144.6.9d. as compared with £113.9.6d, for the corresponding period during 1947. The total receipts from 1st April, 1948 to 30th June, 1948, were £372. 4. 9d. as compared with £277. 2.0d. for the corresponding period during 1947.

(b) Tennis Court Area, and Football Pitch. Soil works on the tennis court area and banks have been completed and seeded, together with the eastern banks of the football pitch, and the temporary allotments fronting The Crescent.

The area fronting Lily Villas, where controlled tipping has recently been completed, has also been seeded.

(c) Purchase of Hedge Trimmer. With reference to Minute No. 10 (b) of the report of this Committee on 1st June, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor submitted a quotation for the supply of a Grass Cutter and Electric Hedge Trimmer combined, and an alternative quotation for the supply of an Electric Hedge Trimmer.

The Engineer and Surveyor reported that an inspection had been made of similar equipment in use by a neighbouring authority.

The Committee have appointed a Sub-Committee consisting of their Chairman, Vice-Chairman, and Councillor Mason, to inspect the equipment in use by the neighbouring authority and to report thereon to the next meeting.

9. APPOINTMENT OF MANUAL WORKING FOREMAN. The Ministry of Labour have given permission to advertise this appointment under the Control of Engagements Order, and the closing date for the receipt of applications is the 17th July, 1948.

The Committee have appointed a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman of the Council and Chairman and Vice-Chairman of this Committee to interview the selected applicants, with power to make the appointment.

10. VACATION. The Committee have authorised the Chairman, or in his absence the Vice-Chairman, of the Committee to deal with any urgent matters which might arise during the vacation.

Richardson

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 8 p.m.and terminated at 9.20 p.m.

Football - Season 1948/49.

With reference to Minute No. 3 (a) of the report of the Parks Committee on the 1st June, 1948, football pitches for the season 1948/49 have been allocated as follows:-

Name.	Days Allocated.	Fee.
BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND.		
Hockey Pitch Area.		
Holly Park Secondary Modern School	Mondays 10.30 a.m. - 12 noon. 2.30 - 4.0 p.m. Tuesdays 10.30 a.m. - 12 noon. 2.30 - 4.0 p.m. Wednesdays 10.30 a.m. - 12 noon. Thursdays 10.30 a.m. - 12 noon. 2.30 - 4.0 p.m. Fridays 10.30 a.m. - 12 noon. 2.30 - 4.0 p.m. Occasional Saturday mornings 10.0 a.m. to 12 noon for inter-school matches.	
Friern Barnet Grammar School	Wednesday afternoons	Free
182nd London Company Boys Brigade	Alternate Saturday Afternoons	£5. 5. 0d.
1st Friern Barnet Company Boys Brigade	Alternate Saturday Afternoons	£5. 5. 0d.
New Pitch.		
Holly Park Primary School	Thursdays 1.30 to 4.0 p.m. Occasional Saturday mornings for inter-school matches	
Friern Barnet Grammar School	Monday and Wednesday afternoons	Free
Friern Barnet Church Boys Club.	Alternate Saturday afternoons	£5. 5. 0d.
New Southgate Athletic & amateur Boxing Club	Alternate Saturday afternoons	£10.10. 0d.
HALLIWICK RECREATION GROUND.		
Hollickwood Primary School	Tuesdays 2.30 to 4.0 p.m. Occasional Saturday mornings for inter-school matches.	
St. Peters (C.E) Old Scholars Assn.	Alternate Saturday afternoons	£10.10. 0d.
199th N.London Group Boy Scouts	Alternate Saturday afternoons	£5. 5. 0d.
Freehold Football Club	Alternate Sunday mornings	£10.10. 0d.

It was decided to refer to the Parks Committee the question of what fee (if any) should be charged for the school facilities.

Although applications were received from the Albion Rovers Football Club, Cromwell Football Club, and Coldfall Rangers Football Club for facilities on Saturday afternoons, it was not possible to grant their wishes and facilities for Sunday play as follows have been offered, having regard to the fact that they were afforded these facilities on certain occasions by arrangement last year:-

Name.	Days Allocated.	Fee.
BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND.		
New Pitch.		
Cromwell Football Club	Alternate Sunday mornings	£10. 10. 0.
Coldfall Rangers Football Club	Alternate Sunday mornings	£10. 10. 0.
HALLIWICK RECREATION GROUND.		
Albion Rovers Football Club	Alternate Sunday mornings	£10. 10. 0

In view of the fact that the applications received far exceeded the facilities available it was not possible to grant the Holly Park Secondary Modern School the use of the hockey pitch area in Bethune Recreation Ground on Wednesday afternoons, and in dealing with the applications from Clubs facilities were afforded to those organisations with the greatest percentage of members resident within the Urban District. Applications from the following clubs have had to be refused:-

The Priory Athletic
Duncombe Sports Club
Finchley Taxes Sports & Social Club
Highwood Athletic Club
Fisher Renwick Sports Club
Friern Barnet Football Club
Carrimore Football Club
Hobart Athletic Club

Report and Recommendations of the Rating and Valuation Committee.

8th July, 1948.

PRESENT:-

Cr. A.C.S.Meynell ... Chairman.

Crs. Henry, Martin, Matthews, McClane, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds and Sparks.

Also in Attendance.

Cr. Mrs. McCarthy.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 10th June, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. NEW PROPERTIES. Having received a report by the Valuation Officer as to new properties erected in the District, the Committee recommend assessments as follows:-

	Recommendation.
(a) Council Houses - Nos. 5,7,9,11,26,28 30 and 32 George Crescent.	£30/22 each.

3. INDUSTRIAL PREMISES - SCIENTIFIC ENGINEERING CO., HAMPDEN ROAD. Having received a report by the Valuation Officer as to this new building, the Committee recommend a net annual value of £86.

De-rating having been claimed, the Committee further recommend that this be allowed with the net annual value apportioned as follows:-

N.A.V. Industrial £80
R.V. Industrial £20
N.A.V and R.V. Non-Industrial £6
Total rateable value £26

4. ALTERATIONS. Having received a report by the Valuation Officer as to alterations to the following properties, the Committee recommend amended assessments as indicated:-

	Recommendation.
(a) 220, Colney Hatch Lane, Addition of car shelter.	Increase from £44/34 to £46/36
(b) 222, Colney Hatch Lane, Addition of car shelter	Increase from £44/34 to £46/36
(c) 34, Manor Drive, Extension at rear of garage.	Increase from £48/38 to £51/41

5. PROPERTY ASSESSED IN PARTS. The following property which is assessed in parts is now in single occupation, and accordingly the Committee recommend that the original assessment be reinstated as indicated:-

	Recommendation.
91, Pembroke Road.	From £21/14 on each floor to £31/23 on whole house.

6. OCCUPIER'S PROPOSAL.- 163, TORRINGTON PARK. A proposal has been received from this occupier for a reduction in the assessment owing to loss of privacy as the result of building in Friary Close, and the Committee recommend that the occupier be offered a reduction from £52/42 to £48/38.

7. INCORPORATED ASSOCIATION OF RATING AND VALUATION OFFICERS - ANNUAL CONFERENCE. The Valuation Officer submitted a report on the above mentioned Conference which he had attended.

8. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1948 - OFFICE ACCOMODATION. Circular LRL.12/48 dated 26th June, 1948, was submitted from the Ministry of Health stating that an officer of the Ministry of Works would be visiting the District in the near future to ascertain to what extent accomodation can be made available by the Council, either as a temporary measure, or on a permanent basis, for the staff of the Inland Revenue who from the appointed day would be responsible for valuations for rating. It was further stated that having regard to the acute shortage of office accomodation in the London area, it was hoped that the Council would make as generous a contribution as possible from their available resources.

The interview referred to above has not yet taken place, and the matter will be further reported at a later Meeting.

9. NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT, 1946 - RATING OF HOSPITALS. Circular No. 116/48 dated 3rd. July, 1948 was submitted from the Ministry of Health referring to the transfer of certain Hospitals and premises used for the purpose of Hospitals to the Ministry on the appointed day, the 5th July, 1948, under Section 6 of the National Health Service Act, 1946, and stating that such premises will therefore become properties in Crown occupation, and exempt from rating. A contribution in lieu of rates will, however, be paid in respect of such premises so transferred. Pending the next quinquennial valuation the contributions in lieu of rates for such premises will be based on the values current at the date on which the National Health Service Bill was introduced in Parliament, namely 19th March, 1946, subject to adjustment for any physical changes in the premises since that date.

10. VACATION. The Committee have authorised the Chairman, or in his absence the Vice-Chairman, of the Committee to deal with any urgent matters which might arise during the vacation.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 6.45 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Town Planning Committee.

8th July, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. L.W. McClane. ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, Martin, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Mason.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 13th May, 1948 were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947.

(a) Town and Country Planning (Transfer of Property and Officers and Compensation to Officers) Regulations 1948. Circular No. 46 dated the 15th June, 1948 was submitted from the Ministry of Town and Country Planning enclosing a copy of the above-mentioned Regulations and stating that the Joint Planning Committees will cease to exist on the 1st July, 1948, and the properties and liabilities of any such Committees will automatically be transferred on that day to the new Planning Authority or Planning Authorities for the area covered by the Committees.

(b) Town and Country Planning (General) Regulations. Circular No. 51 dated the 28th June, 1948 from the Ministry of Town and Country Planning enclosing a copy of the above-mentioned Regulations was submitted.

(c) Grant Regulations under Sections 93 - 96. Circular No. 54 dated 30th June, 1948 was submitted from the Ministry of Town and Country Planning giving information on the payment of Grant under the above-mentioned Sections, and stating that a few points are still under consideration with the Local Authority Associations and the Regulations will be made and instructions issued thereon as soon as possible.

(d) Operation of Act - 1st. July, 1948. Circular No. 53 dated 30th June, 1948 was submitted from the Ministry of Town and Country Planning giving information as to the Central Land Board and other matters arising as a result of the operative date being 1st July, 1948.

(e) Re-development Schemes. Ministry of Health Circular No. 118/48 dated 1st. July 1948 was submitted stating that works of re-development cannot be undertaken at the present time except where they are clearly urgent and essential and giving information as to the procedure to be adopted by Local Authorities in seeking the necessary consents for such schemes.

4. NORTH MIDDLESEX AND SOUTH EAST HERTFORDSHIRE REGION -PRELIMINARY OUTLINE PLAN. With reference to Minute No. 4 of the Report of this Committee on the 10th June, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor submitted a copy of the proposals incorporated in the plan and his observations thereon, copies of which had previously been supplied to each Member.

The Committee feel that this matter is one of extreme importance and have requested the Clerk and the Engineer and Surveyor to arrange for detailed reports on the proposals to be prepared, such reports to be considered at a special Meeting of this Committee to be held in September.

5. PLAN NO. TB.426 - GARDEN SHELTER, 43, FRIERN MOUNT DRIVE. An application has been received for the erection of a garden shelter at the side of this property and the Committee recommend that a temporary licence be granted for the erection of the structure in question to the 31st. December, 1949.

6. 97, FRIERN BARNET ROAD - OVERHANGING SIGN. It was reported that Messrs. Mac Signs of 97, Friern Barnet Road, have erected an overhanging sign at these premises without consent, but formal application was now submitted for consideration. The sign in question overhangs the footpath, which is 9ft. 5 ins. wide at this point, to a distance of 8 ft. 6 ins. from the face of the shop at a height of 13 ft. above the footpath level.

The Committee recommend that subject to the overhang of the sign in question being reduced to 7ft. 6 ins., giving approximately 2 ft. clearance from the road, the sign be approved under Sub-Section 3 (b) of Section 242 of the Middlesex County Council Act, 1944.

7. 2, CHURCH CRESCENT - UNAUTHORISED BUILDING. A portable sectional type building stated to be used as a garden shed has been erected at the side of these premises fronting on Church Way without the consent of the Council. The Committee recommend that the owner be required to resite the structure in question to comply with the Building Byelaws, and as under Section 3 of the Public Health (Buildings in Streets) Act 1888 its present position is in advance of the building line, they further recommend that the owner be informed that the Council are prepared to permit the building being erected provided the normal reduced flank building line of 5 ft. is observed.

8. PROPOSED LICENSED PREMISES - JUNCTION COLNEY HATCH LANE AND SYDNEY ROAD. With reference to Minute No. 14 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee on the 17th June, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that Messrs. Watney, Coombe, Reid & Co. Ltd. have agreed to the consideration of their application for approval in principle to the erection of licensed premises on this site being deferred until the 29th July in order that the observations of the Commissioner of Police may be obtained.

In view of the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1947 it will be necessary to refer the application to the Area Planning Officer of the County Council with any observations of the Commissioner of Police.

The Committee recommend that the Area Planning Officer be notified that in the opinion of this Council the site in question is inadequate for the purpose proposed having regard to the fact that the area does not afford necessary car parking facilities.

9. "BLANEFIELD", OAKLEIGH PARK SOUTH. An application was submitted from the Solicitors to the Charitable Order known as the Community of Resurrection for approval under Section 17 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1947 to the use of these premises for accomodating missionaries during rest periods.

The Committee recommend that the Area Planning Officer be informed that this Council have no objections to offer upon the proposed change of user of these premises.

10. PLANS. In accordance with the Resolution of the Council authorising the Committee to deal with plans they report action taken thereon as follows:-

(a) "Non-excepted" Applications.

(i) Plan No. 3858. Prefabricated Garage at rear of 9, Thurlestone Avenue, deposited by E.J.Callow.

(ii) Plan No. 3860. Asbestos Garage, 50, Finchley Park, deposited by G.L.Holdrup.

Approved as Agents for the Middlesex County Council, the Local Planning Authority, under the County of Middlesex (Delegation of

Functions) Scheme 1948, subject to a temporary licence to 31st. December, 1951 in each case, a condition of the licences being that the external appearance is to be subject to the approval of the Engineer and Surveyor.

The Committee formally recommend approval under the Building Byelaws for the above limited period.

(iii) Plan No. 3859. Rebuilding flank wall and back addition at 5, Hillside Avenue, N.11, deposited by Miss E.S. Barber.

Approved as Agents for the Middlesex County Council, the Local Planning Authority, under the County of Middlesex (Delegation of Functions) Scheme 1948.

The proposal complies with the Building Byelaws and the Committee recommend approval accordingly.

The carrying out of this work will be subject to the issue of a building licence.

(b) "Excepted" Applications.

(i) Plan No. 3857. Garage at rear of 147, Woodhouse Road, deposited by S. Flesher. Referred to Area Planning Officer of the Local Planning Authority for consideration with the following observation by the Committee:- This plan would have been disapproved by this Council under the Friern Barnet Planning Scheme No. 1, Clause 41 (Proportion of site which may be occupied by buildings).

The proposed building complies with the Building Byelaws and the Committee recommend approval accordingly.

The carrying out of this work, if and when approved, will be subject to the issue of a building licence.

(ii) Plan No. 3861. Extension of garage and additional bedroom, 60, Church Crescent, deposited by L. Bignell. Application for town planning approval when received to be referred to the Area Planning Officer of the Local Planning Authority for consideration.

The proposal complies with the building byelaws and the Committee recommend approval accordingly.

The carrying out of this work, if and when approved, will be subject to the issue of a building licence.

(c) Plans necessitating early decisions. For the consideration of plans under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947 it will, in the case of "excepted" applications, be necessary to supply observations to the Area Planning Officer within seven days.

The Committee recommend that the Chairman and, or Vice-Chairman of this Committee in consultation with the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to submit any observations on matters of a minor nature to the Area Planning Officer and that other applications be considered at special Meetings of this Committee to be convened in consultation with the Chairman.

11. NATIONAL HOUSING AND TOWN PLANNING COUNCIL. With reference to Minute No. 19 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee on the 17th June, 1948, the Committee have appointed the Engineer and Surveyor to accompany the Chairman of this Committee at the Annual Regional Conference to be held on the 12th. July, 1948 andrecommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

12. VACANT LAND IN THE VICINITY OF THE AVENUE - BRITISH RAILWAYS. Reference was made to the unsightly condition of this vacant piece of land and

the Committee have requested the Clerk to ascertain from British Railways whether, and if so upon what terms, they would be prepared to allow the Council to use the land with a view to improving its appearance.

13. MEETINGS OF THIS COMMITTEE. The Committee recommend that in future the normal monthly Meetings of the Housing Committee be held at 6.45 p.m. and the Meetings of this Committee be held at the conclusion of the Housing Committee.

14. VACATION. The Committee have authorised the Chairman, or in his absence the Vice-Chairman, of the Committee to deal with any urgent matters which might arise during the vacation.

Wm. McClure

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.45 p.m. and terminated at 7.35. p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Housing Committee.

8th July, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. J.E. Pickering ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds. Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Mason.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 10th June, 1948 were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. HOUSING ESTATES.

(a) 11.Simmons Way. With reference to Minute No. 3 (c) of the Report of this Committee on the 13th May, 1948, a letter dated 17th June, 1948, was submitted from the Ministry of Health stating that it is not the Minister's policy at the present time to encourage the sale by Councils of houses owned by them, and accordingly the Minister is unable to agree to the sale of this Council house.

(b) Arrears of Rent. The Treasurer reported on the present position regarding arrears of rent. Arising out of this report the Committee recommend:-

(i) Payment in Arrear. That a report be submitted to the next Meeting on the ten cases where payment is normally four weeks in arrear and where letters requesting payment in advance have been sent.

(ii) Tenant No. 50. That a further report be submitted to the next Meeting regarding the arrears amounting to £4. 9. 10d, which the tenant has promised to clear by the 13th July, 1948.

(iii) Tenant No. 57. That a further report be submitted to the next Meeting regarding arrears amounting to £6. 2. 1d., the tenant having promised to reduce the amount by regular weekly payments until cleared.

(iv) Tenant No. 82. That a further report be submitted to the next Meeting, the arrears having been reduced to £3. 12. 4d.

(v) Tenant No. 105. That a further report be submitted to the next Meeting regarding arrears amounting to £3. 6. 0d., the tenant having promised to reduce the amount by regular payments until cleared.

(vi) Tenant No. 199. That failing payment of the arrears amounting to £5. 4.9d. forthwith a notice to quit be served.

(vii) Tenant No. 321. That failing payment of the arrears amounting to £3. 18. 7d. forthwith, the Treasurer be authorised to institute proceedings against this former tenant for recovery of the amount outstanding.

(viii) Tenant No. 1025. That a further report be submitted to the next Meeting regarding the arrears amounting to £3. 2. 3d., the tenant having promised to clear the amount outstanding by the 10th July.

(ix) Tenant No. 1052. That a further report be submitted to the next Meeting regarding the arrears amounting to £4. 19. 3d.

(c) General Maintenance. The report of the Engineer and Surveyor on the general maintenance work carried out since the last Meeting was submitted for information.

(d) 233/235, Oakleigh Road North. Repairs to these properties are progressing satisfactorily, and should be completed by the 31st. July.

(e) 34/35, Russell Road. Work on No. 34 is completed and progress is satisfactory on No. 35, and the outstanding work should be completed before the end of the month.

(f) Friary House Conversion - Rent for Second Flat. The Committee recommend that an inclusive rental of 22s.6d. per week be fixed for this flat.

4. REQUISITIONED PROPERTIES.

(a) Powers of Requisitioning. Ministry of Health Circular No. 106/48 dated 25th June, 1948 was submitted, stating that it is not proposed to renew after the 30th June, 1948 the powers delegated to Clerks of Local Authorities for the requisitioning of unoccupied properties. After that date, if it is proposed to requisition unoccupied property, application should be made to the Minister's Principal Housing Officer who, if he is satisfied that the application should be granted, will issue a delegation authorising the requisitioning of the particular premises.

(b) 9, Bellevue Road - Application for Release. A renewed application has been received for the release of this property to the owner owing to financial circumstances, but the Committee after giving the matter careful consideration recommend the Council to adhere to their previous decision.

(c) Arrears of Contributions. The Treasurer submitted a report on the arrears outstanding in respect of requisitioned properties and arising therefrom the Committee recommend as follows:-

(i) Occupier No. 549. That a further report be submitted to the next Meeting regarding arrears amounting to £3. 3s. 2d., a letter having been sent requesting payment forthwith.

(ii) Occupier No. 633. That a further report be submitted to the next Meeting regarding the arrears amounting to £3. 8s. 10d., the tenant having promised to reduce the amount by regular weekly payments until cleared.

(iii) Occupier No. 669. That a further report be submitted to the next Meeting regarding the arrears of £9. 11s. 11d., £7. 12s. 5d. having been paid and the balance promised by the 10th July.

(iv) Occupier No. 804. That a further report be submitted to the next Meeting regarding the arrears of £3. 7s. 4d., arrangements having been made to pay two weeks' contributions each week until cleared.

(d) General Maintenance. The Engineer and Surveyor reported as to the general maintenance work carried out by direct labour and private contractions since the last Meeting.

5. HOUSING LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The report of the Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee held on the 26th June, 1948, a copy of which is attached, was submitted and approved.

6. HOUSING (FINANCIAL AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT, 1946. - REVIEW OF CONTRIBUTIONS. Ministry of Health Circular No. 109/48 dated 30th June, 1948 was submitted stating that a further review of these contributions has been made and the Minister has now presented a further report to Parliament thereon wherein it is stated that having regard to the increase since the 1st. January, 1948 in the rate of interest charged for loans, the latest figures of tender prices and some preliminary figures of the final cost of houses which were

tendered for in 1946, it would appear that the cost of building the 950 square feet standard house will be higher than was estimated at the time when the original contributions were fixed. Upon consultation with the representatives of the associations of Local Authorities the Minister has come to the conclusion that he would not be justified in making an order reducing the level of contributions and that they should remain as at present in respect of houses completed before the 30th June, 1949.

7. HOUSING SCHEMES.

(a) Housing Site No. 4 - Alexandra Road.

(i) Progress. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that a revised progress schedule had been prepared and the next twelve flats will not be available until the end of August but it is anticipated that all the work on this site will be completed during December next.

(ii) Purchase Tax on Electrical Fittings. A communication has been received from the Ministry of Health in which it is agreed that the Council is liable to allow electrical sub-contractors purchase tax on electric water heaters and fires under the rise and fall clause of the Contract.

(iii) Fixing of Rents. The Treasurer submitted a report on the annual cost of the flats on this site, and the Committee recommend that provisional net rents be charged as follows:-

	3 bedrooms.	2 bedrooms.
Weekly net rent	15s. 0d.	12s. 0d.

(iv) Housing sites Nos. 3 and 4, Alexandra Road - Appointment of Caretaker. With reference to Minute No. 8 of the Report of the Establishment Committee on the 14th June, 1948, it was reported that the applicants for this appointment had been interviewed and Mr. C. Salisbury had been appointed to the position at a wage of £5.10s., rising to £6 per week.

Mr. Salisbury will be required to occupy one of the flats on the site on a service tenancy, for which the full rent will be payable.

(b) Permanent Housing Site No. 5, Colney Hatch Lane.

(i) Contracts for further houses. It was reported that the Ministry of Health had approved tenders for the erection of further houses as follows:-

Contract No.	Contractor.	Houses.	Cost.
5A/4	Messrs. Graham Contractors, Ltd.	22	£28,686. 16s. 4d.
5A/6	Messrs. Hubert C. Leach Ltd.	14	£18,307. 8s. 6d.
5A/7	Messrs. R.Borland & Son.	10	£13,400. 2s. 6d.
5A/5	Messrs. C.H.S.Denton	6	£ 7,861. 18s. 3d.

The Committee accordingly recommend:-

(A) That the tenders referred to above be accepted subject to completion of contract and bond in accordance with standing orders.

(B) That application be made to the Minister of Health for loan sanction in the sum of £68,256, plus fees and stamp duty £309, total £68,565.

(C) That on receipt of loan sanction the loan be raised as may be required and that the Chairman of the Council and the Clerk be authorised, out of Meeting if necessary, to seal Mortgage and any other documents in connection therewith.

(ii) Further 6 Houses, type 1 - Hubert C. Leach, Ltd. It was also reported that a tender had been received from Messrs. Hubert C. Leach, Ltd. for a further six houses, type 1, in the sum of £7,552 10s. 0d., and the Committee recommend that the tender be submitted to the Ministry of Health for approval.

(iii) Contract 5B/4 (24 Flats) - Tenders. Tenders have been invited from fourteen firms for the construction of these flats and the Committee recommend that the Chairman of the Council, the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of this Committee in consultation with the Engineer and Surveyor, be authorised to open the tenders received and to submit the most favourable tender to the Minister of Health for approval.

(iv) Contract 5A/3/2 - 6 Houses, type 1 - Withdrawal of Tender. An application has been received from Messrs. R.W.Powell & Revell for permission to withdraw their tender submitted for the erection of these houses and the Committee recommend that the application be granted.

(v) Progress. Six contractors are now working on this site and although progress is still somewhat slow, a further four houses will be ready for occupation in the near future. The four contractors who have commenced work recently on the site are making satisfactory progress.

(vi) Supply of Electricity - Collection of All-in rate standing charges. A communication has been received from the Eastern Electricity Board stating that there is no advantage either to tenants or the Council in adopting the bulk all-in rate method of payment for the houses on this site and accordingly this charge will be excluded from the rents.

8. 1498 HIGH ROAD, N.20 - ALTERNATIVE LAYOUT. Since the plans were submitted to the Housing and Town Planning Committee at its Meeting in February 1947 for the provision of 54 flats on this site it has been ascertained that a small area of the site has been acquired and absorbed into the back gardens of houses in Friern Mount Drive.

The Committee therefore recommend that the revised scheme now submitted which provides for approximately 40 flats be approved.

9. 246, FRIERN BARNET LANE. A letter dated the 23rd June, 1948, was submitted from the Ministry of Health stating that the Minister has now been informed that any development of this site within 220 feet of the centre of Friern Barnet Lane or formation of means of access thereto will be subject to the provisions of the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act 1935.

10. SMALL SITES - PROGRAMME OF DEVELOPMENT. Having regard to the fact that the work on Site No. 3 has been completed and that the work on Sites Nos. 4 and 5 is progressing more rapidly the Committee considered the question of the programme for the development of further sites.

The Committee recommend that the site of The Hollies be the next for development followed by the site of 246, Friern Barnet Lane and the necessary steps be taken to acquire the site of 1498, High Road, N.20, the development of which shall follow the development of 246, Friern Barnet Lane.

11. ZONAL CONFERENCE. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the proceedings of the Zonal Conference held on the 23rd June, 1948.

12. BUILDING LICENCES.

(a) Work which may be carried out without a licence - increase in financial limit. Circular No. 104/48 dated the 21st. June, 1948, was submitted from the Ministry of Health which increases the amount which may be spent on any one property without a building licence, from £10 to £100 during the 12 months commencing 1st July, 1948. Applications for licences for work other than on housing will be dealt with by the Ministry of Works.

Provision is also made for payment to Local Authorities in respect of licensing work undertaken by their officers on behalf of the Ministry of Works in the proportion of 75% of approved additional expenditure as from the 1st April, 1947. Salaries of permanent officials will not rank for re-imbursement but over-time payment and salaries of substitutes engaged solely to relieve the permanent staff for this work will rank for grant. Rent for additional premises and printing expenses may also be included.

(b) Quota for Licences. Ministry of Health Circular LRL.13/48 dated the 28th June, 1948, was submitted stating that the quota for licensing for this District for the next three months commencing the 1st July, 1948 has been fixed at £2,500 per month.

The total value of the monthly quota for this District prior to the coming into operation of these instructions was £6875 which represented the total value of all licences which might be issued covering maintenance repair work and decorations.

(c) Licences for building new houses. Ministry of Health Circular No. 108/48 dated the 25th June, 1948, was submitted wherein Local Authorities are permitted at their discretion to utilise part of the allocation for Council houses after the operative date for houses to be built by private persons under licences up to a maximum of not more than one-fifth of such allocation. Where a Local Authority has not yet invited tenders for all the houses covered by any allocation made before the date of the Circular and wish to devote part of the balance to licensing private buildings, such proposals should be submitted to the Principal Housing Officer. Provision is also made for raising the maximum permitted floor area for private houses from 1,000 to 1,500 square feet.

Any licences issued for new houses for private persons should not be issued in respect of houses for sale to unknown persons and should be occupied by persons in urgent need of homes, the identity of the owner-occupier to be made known to the Local Authority before the licence is issued, all such licences to be subject of conditions limiting building cost, selling price and rent chargeable.

In connection therewith the Engineer and Surveyor reported that an interview had been arranged with a representative of the Ministry of Health and having regard to the fact that this Council will be making application to the Ministry for comparatively small numbers of houses or flats in the near future and the fact that a number of Contracts had been approved immediately prior to the receipt of the Circular, the strict operation would penalise this District and he has agreed to carry forward approvals received immediately prior to the date of the Circular making a total allocation for this District of 70 houses and he further agreed that the Council could grant a quarter of this total (18 houses) for private persons. It is however desired that the Council should not issue licences for the whole of these houses immediately but should retain a few in reserve for urgent cases which may arise. It is intended that this allocation should operate for approximately six months. Subject to the completion of the work on Housing Site No. 5

being accelerated which would permit the further approvals for the erection of Council houses the Ministry would be prepared to approve a ratio of one in four for further private enterprise houses.

In connection therewith arrangements have been made to circularise applicants waiting for licences for this work.

(d) Rebuilding cost of works houses. A letter dated the 9th June, 1948, has been received from the Ministry of Health raising the limit of the cost of rebuilding cost of works houses from £3,000 to a cost not exceeding £5,000. This increase is applicable to properties which at 1939 value would cost over £1,500 to rebuild and a schedule of houses within the Urban District coming within this category was enclosed therewith.

(e) Progress. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the progress being made on work covered by licences already issued.

(f) Case of an Alleged Contravention. Reference was made to the fact that information had been received on a case of an alleged contravention of a building licence issued in respect of certain work. The Committee recommend that if it is found upon further investigation that a contravention has occurred in this case the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Committee, in consultation with the Clerk be authorised to take appropriate action.

13. No.2 ALEXANDRA ROAD. With reference to Minute No. 14 of the Report of this Committee on the 10th June, 1948, the occupants of this property were rehoused by the Council on the 24th June, and the work of demolition was commenced on the 28th June.

14. HOUSING RETURNS. Ministry of Health Housing Returns for May, 1948, were submitted.

15. INSTITUTE OF HOUSING - ANNUAL CONFERENCE. An invitation was submitted from the Institute of Housing to appoint representatives to attend the Annual Conference of the Institute to be held at Brighton on the 14th and 15th October, 1948, and the Committee recommend that no action be taken in the matter.

16. BUILDING CONTRACTORS - INTERIM PAYMENTS. The Committee have authorised and order Barclays Bank Limited to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed on page 15 of the Treasurer's Order amounting to £11,030 being interim payments to building contractors, and recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

17. PURCHASE OF GAS COOKERS. The Committee have authorised the Engineer and Surveyor to arrange for the purchase of a further 24 Gas Cookers at a price of £16.6.0d for installation in new Council property.

18. "HIGHCLERE" AND "CRANBROOK" - REQUISITIONED PROPERTY - DEFECTIVE FLOORING. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that certain of the flooring in these requisitioned properties had been found to be defective through dry rot, and the Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to arrange for the necessary repairs to be carried out, and recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

19. VACATION. The Committee have authorised the Chairman, or in his absence the Vice-Chairman, of the Committee to deal with any urgent matters which might arise during the vacation.

E. Draper

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.35 p.m. and terminated at 8.45 p.m.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee

26th June, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. J.E. Pickering ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Henry, Martin, Mrs.McCarthy, McClane, Richardson, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meetings of this Committee held on 26th February, and 15th March, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. HARDSHIP CASES. With reference to Minute No. 3 (a) of the report of this Committee on 27th May, 1948, further consideration was given to the application for a reduction in the rent payable, and the Committee recommend that the gross rent be reduced to £1.8.5d per week retrospectively as from 1st April, 1948.

4. TENANT NO.184. An application was submitted for the transfer of the tenancy of this Council house to the existing tenant's son-in-law, and the Committee have granted the application subject to the payment of rent for lodgers in respect of other persons accommodated in the house.

5. OCCUPIER NO.524 - LODGERS. With reference to Minute No.10 of the report of this Committee on 27th May, 1948, further consideration was given to the application of this occupier for permission to accommodate a lodger, and the Committee are of opinion that a suitable arrangement in this direction cannot be made.

The Committee recommend, however, that this occupier be offered smaller accommodation when available.

6. GIFT OF SWISS FURNITURE. With reference to Minute No.11 of the report of the Housing Committee on 10th June, 1948, the Committee decided to defer consideration of this matter until their next Meeting.

7. SELECTION OF TENANTS. The Committee have selected the following applicants for the tenancy of the properties referred to :-

(a) Council House, 177 Oakleigh Road - Applicant D.148.

(b) 6 - two bedroom type Council Flats -

Applicants No. C.343, C.333, C.480, E.43, C.366, B.394.

(c) 2 - three bedroom type Council Flats -

Applicants No. D.70 and D.39.

(d) Prefabricated House - 3 Roman Road.

Applicant No.B.229.

The Committee decided to give further consideration to Applicants No.D.156 and C.89 when further accommodation becomes available.

8. REQUISITIONED PROPERTIES - SELECTION OF OCCUPIERS. The Committee have selected applicants for occupation of requisitioned properties as follows :-

(a) 1 - two bedroom Flat - 216 Sydney Road - Applicant No.F.12.

(b) 2 - two bedroom Flats -

3, Crown Court - Applicant No.B.233.

8, Crown Court - Applicant No.C.491.

(c) Ground Floor Flat - "Cranbrook" - Applicant No.C.337.

9. 78, CHANDOS AVENUE. With reference to Minute No.6 of the report of this Committee on 27th May, 1948, the Committee have authorised the Housing Manager to arrange for Applicant No.F.14 to be accommodated in this property, as the ground floor flat at "Highclere" will not be ready for occupation as anticipated.

10. HOUSES, FRIARY CLOSE. With reference to Minute No.11 of the report of this Committee on 27th May, 1948, as Applicant No.C.287 is no longer in a position to purchase one of these properties the Committee have nominated Applicant No.D.201 therefor. In the event of further difficulties arising Applicant No.D.232 has been selected as reserve.

11. 13, HIGH RIDGE, SYDNEY ROAD. The Committee decided that in the event of the present occupier vacating this requisitioned flat, it be offered to Applicant No.A.263.

12. FRIARY HOUSE. The Committee decided that Applicant No.B.701 be offered the service tenancy of the second flat which will be available as a result of the adaptation work now being carried out.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 10 a.m. and terminated at 12.35 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Finance Committee

15th July, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. R.P. Matthews ... Chairman

Crs. Foley, Henry, McClane, Martin, Meynell, Richardson, Sparks and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Cr. Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, Pickering and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 17th June, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. COLLECTION OF RATES. The collection from the 1st April, 1948 to date is 76·6% of the amount collectable as compared with 75% for the corresponding period during 1947.

4. RATE ARREARS BOOK. The rate arrears book was submitted showing rate arrears of £748.15.3d at the 31st March, 1948, and was signed by the Chairman.

5. IRRECOVERABLE RATES BOOK. The Committee recommend that the amounts listed in the Irrecoverable Rates Book totalling £975.1.4d for the half year ended the 31st March, 1948, be written off.

The Chairman of the Committee has been authorised to sign the Irrecoverable Rates Book.

6. JOINT HOSPITAL COMMITTEE - WORKING BALANCE. The sum of £500 being a proportionate amount of the working balance held by the Joint Hospital Committee at the 4th July, 1948, has been repaid to the Council.

7. INCOME TAX LIABILITY 1944/47. An application to the Commissioners of Inland Revenue for the return of Income Tax deducted from interest on investments during these three years has resulted in a refund of £310.16.10d. The computations for the three years are now closed.

8. DEPOSIT ACCOUNT. Owing to further payments on Housing Contracts it became necessary to transfer the capital sum of £15,000 from the Deposit Account to the General Current Account on the 30th June, 1948. The interest earned from the 11th February, 1948, to the date of the transfer was £28.15.3d.

9. ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS 1947/48 - PRINTING. With reference to Minute No.6 of the report of this Committee on the 20th May, 1948, quotations were submitted for the printing of sixty copies of the Abstract of Accounts for the year 1947/48.

The Committee recommend that subject to the Treasurer being able to arrange a satisfactory date of delivery for this work the quotation of the Finchley Press Limited in the sum of £60 be accepted.

10. I.M.T.A. CONFERENCE. The Treasurer submitted a Report on the proceedings of this Conference which the Chairman of the Committee and he attended as the Council's representatives.

11. PAYMENT OF ACCOUNTS DURING VACATION. The Committee recommend that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council and the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of this Committee be authorised to sign a special order on Treasurer during the month of August 1948 to include urgent payments.

12. ACCOUNTS. The Committee recommend that the Council authorise and order Barclays Bank Limited to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed on pages 16 to 18 of the Treasurer's Order amounting to £41,790.15.3d also weekly cheques for wages and Post Master General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of £7,600 and in any one week a maximum of £950 signed by the Treasurer and counter-signed by the Clerk of the Council.

13. VACATION. The Committee have authorised the Chairman, or in his absence the Vice-Chairman, of the Committee to deal with any urgent matters which might arise during the vacation.

H. H. Matthews.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 6.45 p.m.

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FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

No. 15

To BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED,
233, WOODHOUSE ROAD, FRIERN BARNET, N.12.

PURSUANT to a Resolution adopted this ~~8TH~~ day of ~~JULY~~ 1948
WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 15 ~~to~~ of this Order, amounting to the sum of ELEVEN THOUSAND AND THIRTY pounds ~~shillings and pence, also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster-General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of pounds and in any one week a maximum of pounds~~ signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

Chairman.

Members of the Council.

Countersigned :

Clerk of the Council.

S. & S. LTD. G61924

Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
576	H.C.BUDDINGTON.--	160 - -
577	CHARLES DENTON.--	1,300 - -
578	J.HOLLAND & SON.--	100 - -
579	V.A.HOWARD LTD.--	700 - -
580	HUBERT C.LEACH.--	1,830 - -
581	McMANUS & CO LTD.--	6,000 - -
582	PONE & REVELL LTD.--	940 - -
		£11,030 - -

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

No. 16

To BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED,
233, WOODHOUSE ROAD, FRIERN BARNET, N.12.

PURSUANT to a Resolution adopted this 29TH day of JULY, 19 48
WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 16 to 18 of this Order, amounting to the sum of ----------FORTY ONE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND NINETY---------- pounds --FIFTEEN-- shillings and ----------THREE---------- pence, also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster-General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of ----------SEVEN THOUSAND AND SIX HUNDRED---------- pounds and in any one week a maximum of ----------NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY---------- pounds signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

Chairman.

Members of the Council.

Countersigned :

Clerk of the Council.

S. & S. LTD. G61924

Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment		
588	EMERGENCY IMPREST ACCOUNT.--	322	13	9
589	ADDRESSOGRAPH-MULTIGRAPH LTD.--	1	18	10
590	ATLAS STONE CO LTD.--	58	-	-
591	AVAMORE ENGINEERING CO LTD.--	-	4	6
592	BANK OF ENGLAND.--	9,120	-	-
593	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	3	14	1
594	BARNET DISTRICT GAS & WATER CO.--	56	15	3
595	BENNETTS (NEW SOUTHGATE) LTD.--	-	17	6
596	J.BLUNDELL & CO LTD.--	3	16	5
597	BRITISH BYE-PRODUCTS LTD.--	21	11	5
598	BRITISH OXYGEN CO LTD.--	-	4	-
599	ARTHUR H.BROWN & SON.--	12	7	6
600	THE BUILDER LTD.--	5	9	-
601	THE BURLINGTON PRESS.--	14	16	8
602	BURROUGHS ADDING MACHINE LTD.--	-	18	9
603	R.CADISCH & SONS.--	2	13	4
604	CAR ELECTRICAL (FINCHLEY) LTD.--	-	18	9
605	CAR MART LTD.--	1	16	11
606	F.T.CARTER.--	1	16	8
607	CHALLEN BROS LTD.--	4	1	6
608	CHASESIDE MOTOR CO LTD.--	5	1	3
609	CLARE & CLARE.--	35	9	-
610	CLINICAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATION LTD.--	2	4	6
611	COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE.--	35	16	-
612	COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE.--	158	8	-
613	E.COWING & SON LTD.--	20	12	6
614	W.CREIGHTON & CO LTD.--	34	15	4
615	CROW, CATCHPOLE & CO LTD.--	34	4	5
616	W.H.CULLEN.--	43	15	1
617	EASTERN ELECTRICITY BOARD.--	206	17	10
618	H.ECKERT.--	3	13	6
619	ENFIELD METAL WORKS.--	27	10	-
620	FERODO LTD.--	6	17	4
621	FINCHLEY CORPORATION.--	2	2	-
622	FINCHLEY PRESS LTD.--	10	7	3
623	G.T.FLETCHER.--	46	5	8
624	J.FOLEY.--	10	2	-
625	FRENCH RENWICK LTD.--	1,094	11	9

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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment £	s.	d.
626	FUMIGATIONS (CIMEX) LTD.--	11	-	-
627	FURNACK LTD.--	12	15	9
628	GENERAL ELECTRIC CO LTD.--	12	17	3
629	A.GILBERT & SONS LTD.--	1	13	-
630	GOODMAN BROS.--	39	5	8
631	A.GOODWIN & SON.--	251	-	-
632	WM.GREASBY & CO LTD.--	77	5	8
633	GREATER LONDON ADVISORY COUNCIL FOR SMOKE ABATEMENT.--	2	2	-
634	THOS.GREEN & SON LTD.--	-	7	6
635	GREENHAM TOOL COMPANY.--	3	10	3
636	HALES CLINKERS LTD.--	92	4	-
637	HEAL & SON LTD.--	6	-	-
638	J.HENDON & SONS.--	4	2	10
639	H.W.HERMANS.--	37	5	8
640	H.M.STATIONERY OFFICE.--	-	13	3
641	FRED HODGE LTD.--	41	8	10
642	HORNSEY CORPORATION.--	3	5	5
643	HOSPITAL SAVING ASSOCIATION.--	3	15	8
644	V.A.HOWARD LTD.--	53	5	7
645	H.HOWES & CO LTD.--	25	-	-
646	C.J.HUNT & CO LTD.--	13	12	10
647	W.JACKAMAN.--	34	3	8
648	E.JOHNSON.--	33	9	9
649	KIRCHNER & CO (LONDON) LTD.--	52	-	-
650	LAWES RABJOHNS LTD.--	7	19	2
651	W.E.& G.LAWRANCE LTD.--	110	-	11
652	A.T.LEE.--	46	15	-
653	LIVERPOOL VICTORIA FRIENDLY SOC.--	23	8	3
654	T.E.LLOYD.--	23	8	10
655	LONDON LETTER FILE CO LTD.--	1	5	-
656	J.MARSHALL.--	32	12	1
657	W.MARSHALL.--	4	-	-
658	MARSHALL.--	16	9	2
659	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	25,459	16	-
660	MIDDLESEX FINANCIAL OFFICERS.--	-	10	6
661	ARTHUR MILLER LTD.--	102	5	8
662	MOORES PLANT AGENCY LTD.--	146	16	11
663	W.H.MOULSDALE.--	26	11	9
664	MUNICIPAL MUTUAL INSURANCE LTD.--	13	16	5
665	NEWTON CHAMBERS & CO LTD.--	40	-	-
666	NORMANS.--	8	3	8
667	OLDACRES & CO LTD.--	82	8	2
668	OSCROFT BROS.--	7	1	10
669	J.A.OSMAN.--	155	17	3
670	E.J.PARKER.--	4	16	-
671	THOS.PARSONS & SONS LTD.--	59	9	6
672	PEERLESS FENCE & PRODUCTS LTD.--	174	2	6
673	PERRY (REPAIRS & SERVICE) LTD.--	3	14	3
674	A.PITT.--	23	3	-
675	PLANT PROTECTION LTD.--	3	7	3
676	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	84	10	7
677	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	11	-	-
678	PYRENE COMPANY LTD.--	1	4	-
679	REPETITION TYRE & ACCESSORIES LTD.--	5	5	1
680	RESMAT SALES LTD.--	39	14	5
681	RONEO LTD.--	-	13	1
682	LONDON COUNCIL OF THE ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF ACCIDENTS.--	1	10	-
683	ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF ACCIDENTS.--	1	2	6
684	J.K.M.SANDERSON.--	34	1	-
685	M.A.SAUNDERS LTD.--	2	14	-
686	SEALOCRETE PRODUCTS LTD.--	6	16	-
687	SHAW & SONS LTD.--	23	7	8
688	SHELL MEX & B.P.LTD.--	2	18	4
689	SHELVOKE & DREWRY LTD.--	3	15	9
690	S.SIMS & SONS LTD.--	63	5	-
691	K.R.SMITH.--	30	13	2
692	SOUTHGATE CORPORATION.--	-	8	3
693	SPALDING & HODGE LTD.--	3	7	11

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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
694	STANDARD RANGE & FOUNDRY COMPANY LTD.--	300 - -
695	STANNARD (BUILDERS) LTD.--	69 1 11
696	ST.ALBANS SAND & GRAVEL CO LTD.--	20 7 -
697	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	1,343 17 9
698	M.KING.--	31 5 5
699	D.M.PHILLIPS.--	15 15 5
700	V.S.GEORGE.--	23 7 11
701	P.BROUGHTON.--	10 2 10
702	H.FAWCETT.--	22 17 6
703	K.R.SMITH.--	59 1 -
704	F.H.GENTLE.--	41 18 8
705	I.A.HAYWARD.--	32 9 2
706	C.S.WALKER.--	20 2 6
707	D.F.BARKER.--	21 11 8
708	C.TAYLOR.--	26 18 10
709	H.W.HERMANS.--	36 17 4
710	H.A.PHILLIPS.--	27 4 4
711	J.F.WARD.--	33 14 4
712	N.HASKELL.--	12 8 8
713	E.I.MARTIN.--	27 7 -
714	R.J.GANN.--	21 19 1
715	L.MANNING.--	30 9 7
716	L.TIBBENHAM.--	19 10 2
717	I.CODRAI.--	21 4 -
718	W.J.CLARKE.--	14 17 11
719	A.C.BRUNNELL.--	8 - -
720	F.H.YOUNG.--	5 7 3
721	C.TAYLOR.--	32 17 7
722	STUART THOMPSON & CO.--	64 9 11
723	A.A.TILER.--	24 - -
724	TOOL SUPPLIES (WILLESDEN) LTD.--	2 12 -
725	TOOMEY & MARSHALL.--	2 3 3
726	TOTTENHAM & DISTRICTGAS CO.--	88 11 5
727	JOHN TRAPP LTD.--	8 10 -
728	TRIANON.--	3 15 -
729	TUDOR SAFETY GLASS CO LTD.--	2 19 -
730	TWICKENHAM GRAVEL CO LTD.--	25 4 7
731	URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILS ASSOCIATION.--	3 3 -
732	VISIBLE WRITING MACHINE CO LTD.--	1 7 5
733	WARREN PRODUCTS LTD.--	31 12 -
734	WATERLOW & SONS LTD.--	10 13 -
735	WATFORD PAPER MERCHANTS LTD.--	6 - 9
736	WATKINS & McCOMBIE LTD.--	- 18 5
737	F.WOODING & SON.--	52 3 4
738	A.J.YULL & CO.--	11 18 8
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Report and Recommendations of the General Purposes Committee

15th July, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Vice-Chairman in the Chair.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, McClane, Martin, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, Pickering and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the last Meeting of the Committee held on the 17th June, 1948, were submitted, approved and signed by the Vice-Chairman.

3. PUBLIC BUILDINGS LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The report and recommendations of the above-mentioned Committee held this day, a copy of which is attached, was submitted and the Committee recommend that the report and recommendations be approved and confirmed.

4. COUNTY FIRE SERVICE.

(a) Reports. A report was submitted from the Middlesex County Council of the fire calls within the Urban District during the month of June, 1948.

(b) Management Scheme. With reference to Minute No.5 (d) of the report of this Committee on the 20th May, 1948, a report was submitted of a Meeting of Representatives of the Friern Barnet, Potters Bar, Southgate and Wood Green Councils held on the 30th June, 1948.

It was decided that the best method of representation of the District Councils in Group 2 on the Fire Brigade Committee of the County Council would be the system of rotation. Alderman A.R. Harrison of the Wood Green Borough Council was appointed as the representative until the 1949 Annual Meeting of the County Council. The Town Clerk of Southgate was appointed as the "responsible Officer" for Group 2 for the purpose of the Management Scheme.

Further it was suggested that when communications are sent to the Clerk of the County Council on matters relevant to Fire Brigades and/or Ambulance Service Corps any relevant correspondence be sent to Alderman Harrison for his information as the Group Representative and the responsible Officer for the Group and the Clerks of the other District Councils in the Group.

In the event of important items of business affecting the Local Authorities in the Group appearing on the Agenda for Meetings of the County Fire Brigade Committee it was suggested that Alderman Harrison be authorised to arrange with the responsible Officer for the convening of special Meetings of representatives of the District Councils in Group 2 if necessary.

The Committee recommend that the proposals and suggestions arrived at during the proceedings of this Meeting be approved.

5. NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948.

(a) Report by Clerk. The Clerk submitted a report on the provisions of the National Assistance Act, 1948, a copy of which had previously been supplied to all Members of the Council for information.

(b) Functions of Local Authorities under Parts 3 and 4 of the Act. Ministry of Health Circular No.87/48 dated 7th June, 1948, was submitted regarding the functions of Local Authorities under Part 3 (Provision of Accommodation) and Part 4 (Registration etc.) of homes for disabled persons and the aged and charities for disabled persons. Copies of this Circular when received will be supplied to all Members of the Council.

6. NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT, 1946 - SECTION 20 - AMBULANCE SERVICE. A letter dated the 22nd June, 1948, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that the Ministry of Health has approved the proposals of the County Council under this Section with certain modifications upon which the Clerk submitted a report (a copy of which had been supplied to each Member of the Committee).

7. AMBULANCE CALLS. Particulars as to the number of ambulance calls during June 1948 were submitted for information.

8. SUNDAY ENTERTAINMENTS ACT, 1932. With reference to Minute No.5 of the report of this Committee on the 17th June, 1948, a letter dated 1st July, 1948, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that communications were being sent to the Finchley and Friern Barnet Housing Association Limited and the Finchley and Friern Barnet Social Services Guild with a view to formal applications being made by these Organisations for inclusion in the County Council's lists of approved charities under the Sunday Entertainments Act.

With regard to the Friern Barnet's Own Charity Fund, the Clerk of the County Council stated it was not the practice of the County Council to make grants in cases where the Fund only allocates sums to other Charities, but it was, of course, open to the Council to make a formal application if they so desired.

The Committee recommend that a formal application be made to the County Council for consideration.

9. MIDDLESEX TERRITORIAL ETC. FORCES ASSOCIATION. A letter dated 10th June, 1948, was submitted from the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association stating that as a result of the death of Col. A.J. Cannon of Potters Bar a vacancy existed in the membership on the Middlesex Territorial Forces Association, and inviting nominations to succeed Col. Cannon as a representative.

The Committee have as a matter of urgency nominated Cr. Meynell as a candidate for the vacancy, and recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

10. YOUTH CENTRE, GOLDSMITH ROAD - ALLEGED TRESPASS. The Clerk reported that communications had been addressed to the parents of two juveniles alleged to have been trespassing in the vicinity of the Youth Centre, Goldsmith Road, and a letter dated the 22nd June, 1948, was submitted from one of the parents of the juveniles concerned apologising for the action of the child and stating that he had been appropriately punished.

11. 246, FRIERN BARNET LANE. With reference to Minute No.10 (e) of the report of this Committee on the 17th June, 1948, Cr. McClane reported steps taken arising out of a complaint as to the use of these premises by the Sea Cadet Corps and that an interview had taken place between him and the complainant, who was satisfied with the action taken.

12. TRAVELLING FACILITIES. With reference to Minute No. 7 (b) of the report of this Committee on the 17th June, 1948, a letter dated the 18th June, 1948, was submitted from the London Transport Executive referring to the interview which took place between representatives of the Council and representatives of the Executive on the 11th June, 1948, and stating that no further progress can be made on the electrification of the Alexandra Palace line until Government sanction has been obtained for such a capital scheme.

It was further stated that the operation of 'bus routes No.43 and No.134 will be given further attention.

13. PRIORY CIVIC RESTAURANT. The Committee recommend that the Restaurant should remain open on Saturdays during August so long as the present attendance is maintained, but arrangements be made for its closing on August Bank Holiday Monday and the Preceding Saturday.

14. PRINTING - NON-UNION FIRMS. A letter dated the 29th June, 1948, was submitted from the Printing and Kindred Trades Federation stating that a complaint had been received that orders are being placed for printing with non-union firms and requesting that houses shown on the Federation fair-list might be considered for such orders.

The Committee recommend that the Federation be informed that firms on the Federation fair-list are considered for printing work but not exclusively.

15. FEDERATION OF MASTER WINDOW CLEANERS. A letter dated the 20th May, 1948, was submitted from the National Federation of Master Window Cleaners enclosing a copy of a resolution passed by the Federation that it was the considered opinion that legislation should be introduced for providing for the compulsory registration and licensing of window cleaners both masters and workmen on the principles which have been adopted by the Corporations of the Cities of Aberdeen, Edinburgh and Glasgow. The Committee recommend that the National Federation be informed that this Council are in agreement with the proposal and the Middlesex County Council be requested to consider incorporating such provisions in their next General Powers Bill.

16. WOMEN'S VOLUNTARY SERVICE - REVIVAL. A letter dated the 8th July,1948, was submitted from the County Organiser Women's Voluntary Services expressing appreciation for the use of the Council Chamber on the 7th July, 1948, for the purpose of a General Meeting convened with a view to the revival of the Women's Voluntary Service in this District.

In connection therewith the Clerk reported that he had attended the Meeting in question when it was decided to revive the Organisation so far as necessary, especially the "Meals on Wheels" Service.

17. FINCHLEY AND FRIERN BARNET COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE.

(a) Increases in Salaries of Officers. A letter dated the 21st June, 1948, was submitted from the Finchley and Friern Barnet Council of Social Service stating that at an Executive Committee held recently it was recommended that the salary of the Organising Secretary be increased to £338 per annum, and that of the Assistant Organising Secretary increased to £260 per annum, and that the Finchley and Friern Barnet Councils be requested to increase their contributions towards the Service to meet the increased expenditure in this direction.

The Committee recommend that subject to the Finchley Borough Council taking similar action, the contribution paid by this Council be increased proportionately to enable the increased salaries to be paid.

(b) Monthly Report. The report of the Guild as to services rendered during the month of May 1948 was submitted for information, copies of this report having already been supplied to Members of the Council.

18. ALEXANDRA PARK TRUSTEES - ACCOUNTS 1946-47. A copy of the Accounts, Balance Sheet and Auditor's Report of the Trustees for the year ended the 30th April, 1947, was submitted for information.

19. EAST BARNET FLOOD RELIEF SCHEME - MARNE AVENUE AND FALKLAND AVENUE. With reference to Minute No. 12 (c) of the report of the Highways and Public Works Committee on the 3rd June, 1948, a letter dated the 6th July was submitted from the Ministry of Health requesting that bearing in mind the present labour difficulties the Council will reconsider the question of employing the Contractors at present employed by the East Barnet Urban District Council to complete the culverting with the type of culvert required by this Council.

With regard to the statement that no provisions for this work have been made in the Council's estimate for the current year, the Minister would be prepared to consider, if the Council so desire, an application for his consent to a loan to meet the additional expenditure incurred. In connection therewith the Engineer and Surveyor reported that it had been ascertained from the East Barnet Urban District Council that the Contractor employed by them has completed the culverting work in that District, with the exception of certain reinstatement work to road surfaces, and accordingly no advantage would be gained in the suggestion now submitted.

The Committee, after giving the matter careful consideration, recommend the Council to adhere to their previous decision.

20. STREET LIGHTING - FUEL SAVING. Ministry of Transport Circular No.621 dated the 30th June, 1948, was submitted requesting Local Authorities to make preparation for the next twelve months on the basis of a minimum saving of 25% on pre-war lighting consumption as against 50% now operating. Traffic safety and police supervision are the principal factors which should be borne in mind in effecting this adjustment.

The Ministry do not recommend extinguishing alternate lamps or generally to reduce the wattage of lamps in side streets, and any proposals made by the Local Authority should be agreed by the Chief Officer of Police before being effected. In connection therewith the Engineer and Surveyor submitted three schemes for consideration, namely :-

(a) That from the 18th March to the 30th September all street lights throughout the District be lit from dusk to midnight, and from the 1st October to the 17th March from dusk to dawn, which would give all-night lighting during the six winter months thereby effecting the necessary reduction of 25%.

(b) That all street lights throughout the District be lit from dusk to 1.0 a.m. and from 4.0.a.m. to dawn throughout the whole year, which would effect a reduction of approximately 30%. This proposal would necessitate a certain amount of mechanical adjustment but it would appear that this would not be a costly operation.

(c) That all street lamps throughout the District be lit from dusk to 1.0 a.m. and from 5.0 a.m. to dawn thereby giving a further reduction.

The Committee recommend that, subject to the proposal meeting with the approval of the Chief Officer of Police and the Eastern Electricity Board, Scheme (c) above be put into operation as it is considered that very little use is made of the roads in the District between 1.0 a.m. and 5.0 a.m.

21. SENIOR CLERK OF WORKS - CAR ALLOWANCE. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that an application had been received from Mr. White, Senior Clerk of Works, for reconsideration of the question of the payment of a car allowance to him.

It will be remembered that this Officer was granted a car allowance for a short period, but was subsequently discontinued as Mr. White's duties were not considered to justify such an allowance.

The Committee recommend that this Officer be granted a car allowance at the rate of £60 per annum for a period of six months, when the matter be further reviewed.

22. PLAN No.3862. This plan deposited by Mr. J. Johnson for a detached house on the North side of the junction of Friern Barnet Lane and Torrington Park was submitted, the Area Planning Officer having stated it could be regarded as a "non excepted" application.

The Committee accordingly recommend the Council to approve the proposal as Agents for the Middlesex County Council, the Local Planning Authority under the County of Middlesex (Delegation of Functions) Scheme 1948.

The proposal complies with the Public Health Act 1936 and the Building Byelaws, and the Committee recommend approval accordingly.

The carrying out of the work will be subject to the issue of a Building Licence.

23. WAR-TIME ALLOTMENTS, WOODHOUSE ROAD. With reference to Minute No. 9 of the report of this Committee on the 17th June, 1948, a letter dated the 10th July, 1948, was submitted from Messrs. Cramb Brothers Limited stating that they had not yet been able to interest any advertising company in the 320 feet frontage of the land in question, which they consider is partly due to the presence of two small advertisements in the vicinity, one on land owned by them and one on an adjoining owner's land, which would tend to detract from the value of the intervening site as an advertising station.

The Committee recommend that copies of the correspondence from the Central Allotment Holders' Association Limited and the owner of the land be forwarded to the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries for their observations.

24. "THE HOLLIES", OAKLEIGH PARK NORTH. With reference to Minute No.10 of the report of the Housing Committee on the 8th July, 1948, the Clerk reported that a communication had been received from the District Valuer giving terms of compensation in respect of this site provisionally agreed, subject to the approval of this Council and the Ministry of Health.

The Committee accordingly recommend that formal application be now made to the Ministry of Health for consent to loan in the sum of £4,220 being :-

Purchase money	£4,000. 0. 0.
Stamp duties and legal costs estimated	174. 0. 0.
Surveyor's fees	46. 0. 0.
	£4,220. 0. 0.

The Committee further recommend that on receipt of loan sanction the money be borrowed from the Public Works Loan Board, and that the Chairman of the Council and the Clerk be authorised to seal Conveyance, Mortgage and any other documents if necessary out of Meeting.

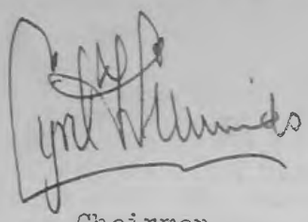
25. NATIONAL PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION - ANNUAL CONFERENCE. An invitation was submitted from the National Playing Fields Association for the Council to appoint representatives to attend the Annual Conference to be held in London on the 28th and 29th September, 1948, and the Committee recommend that no action be taken in the matter.

26. DOCUMENTARY FILMS. A letter dated the 20th July, 1948, was submitted from Documentary Film Renters referring to the provision of entertainments under the Local Government Act, 1948, offering to show certain documentary films to an audience at the Town Hall as a test. The Company are prepared to bear all the expenses that will be incurred, and to donate any takings to a charity nominated by the Council.

The Committee have referred this matter to the Entertainments Committee, and have requested the Clerk to obtain certain further information in relation to the exhibition of Documentary Films.

27. SPEED OF VEHICLES USING FRIERN BARNET LANE. Reference was made to the complaints received by Members as to the speed at which vehicles travel along Friern Barnet Lane, and the Committee recommend that the Clerk be requested to make representations to the Chief Officer of Police on the matter.

28. VACATION. The Committee have authorised the Chairman, or in his absence the Vice-Chairman, of the Committee to deal with any urgent matters which might arise during the vacation.



Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.50 p.m. and terminated at 7.45 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Buildings Lettings Committee.

15th July, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. E. Draper ... Chairman.

Crs. McClane, Sparks and Richardson.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 17th June, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. LETTINGS BOOK. The Lettings Book for the Town Hall was submitted and each booking to date approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. COMMITTEE ROOMS 1 AND 2.

(a) 21st Birthday Party - Resident outside the District. With reference to Minute No. 4 (a) of the report of this Committee on 17th June, 1948, having regard to the fact that no other application has been received for the use of these rooms on Saturday the 2nd October, 1948, the Committee recommend that the application received from Mr. A.N. Sylvester be granted, subject to the payment of a fee of £5.5.0d and Mr. Sylvester be notified of this decision forthwith.

(b) Dance - Friern Barnet (North Ward) Young Conservatives Association. An application was submitted from the Friern Barnet (North Ward) Young Conservatives Association for the use of these rooms and the piano on the 23rd October, 1948, for the purpose of a Dance until 11.30 p.m.

The Committee recommend that the application for the use of this accommodation be granted subject to the payment of the usual fees, but that the application for the extended use until 11.30 p.m. be refused.

5. WORKERS' EDUCATIONAL ASSOCIATION - LECTURES. An application was submitted from the Workers' Educational Association for a reduction in the fee payable for the use of Room 19 on each Monday, Tuesday and Thursday evening from the 20th September to the 9th December, 1948, excepting the 28th September, 4th October, and 1st November, for the purpose of Lectures.

The Committee recommend that the Association be granted the use of this accommodation at a reduced charge of 2/6d per evening.

6. VACATION. The Committee have authorised the Chairman of the Committee to deal with any urgent matters which might arise during the vacation.

E. Draper.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.15 p.m. and terminated at 6.20 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Establishment Committee

20th July, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Vice-Chairman In the Chair.

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering and Richardson.

Also in attendance: Cr. Martin.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Simmonds and Miss Richards.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 14th June, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. REPORTS OF JOINT COMMITTEES. The Committee received reports of the Joint Committees held this day, copies of which have been circulated to all Members of the Council, and arising therefrom the Committee recommend as follows :-

(a) Provincial Joint Industrial Council Sickness Pay Scheme. That this scheme be adopted for the whole of the Council staff, both Officers and Manual Workers.

'both Officers and' deleted see Minute 4(a) Establishment Committee 21.9.48.

(b) Manual Workers not covered by Joint Industrial Council. That the following employees not covered by the above scheme be paid the additional 6s.0d per week as from the first pay day in July :-

T.E. Flamson	Mechanic.	
J.G. Tubb	Bethune Recreation Ground Ranger.	
A. Hetherington	Sewage Works Foreman.	
H.W. Jackson	Town Hall Custodian.	

(c) London Master Builders' Association and National Federation of Building Trade Operatives. That the following hourly rates of pay be adopted as from 14th July, 1948 :-

Craftsmen	2s. 11d
Labourers	2s. 4d

and that the wages of the Manual Working Foreman Painter and the Manual Working Foreman Carpenter be increased accordingly from the same date.

(d) Civic Restaurant Staff.

(i) That the new rates of wages for civic restaurant female employees laid down by the P.J.I.C. Scheme dated 24th June, 1948, be adopted as follows :-

From the beginning of the pay week including 1st July 1948.

	Rate per hour
Helper or General Assistant ...	1s. 8¼d
Assistant Cook	1s. 9¾d
Cook	1s.11¾d

From the beginning of the pay week including 1st October 1948.

	Rate per hour
Helper or General Assistant ...	1s. 9¼d
Assistant Cook	1s.10¾d
Cook	2s. 0¼d

(ii) That free meals be supplied to the Staff in accordance with the Scheme.

(iii) That the time allowance for the mid-day meal to be deducted from working hours be 20 minutes.

(iv) That Mrs. Westbury be regraded as from the beginning of the pay week including the 1st July, 1948, as a Cook and receive the new rate of pay applicable to that grading.

(e) Parks Staff. That F.C. Frater and W.H. Yates be regraded from Grade B to Grade C as from the first pay day following this decision.

4. SUPERANNUATION (POLICY AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT SCHEMES) INTER-CHANGE RULES 1948. Ministry of Health Circular No. 125/1948 dated 31st July, 1948, enclosing copy of the Statutory Instruments 1948 No.1446 was submitted.

5. CLERK'S DEPARTMENT.

(a) Assistant Committee and General Clerk. The Sub-Committee appointed herein report that after interviewing a number of selected candidates they had decided to appoint Mr. M.H.G. Elliott of High Wycombe to the above-mentioned appointment on Grade I of the A.P.T. Division, and that it was proposed that he should take up office on 6th September next.

The Clerk reported, however, that having been in contact with the Town Clerk, High Wycombe, objection had been raised to him taking two weeks' holiday following his resignation from that Authority, and that with a view to ensuring no break in his service for superannuation between the two Authorities, it was suggested that his resignation should operate on 29th August and that he should be appointed to this Council as from the 30th August, on the understanding that he would then have one week of his holiday out of his service with this Authority and one week of his holiday at the termination of his service with the High Wycombe Authority.

The Committee recommend in the circumstances that this arrangement be approved, and authorise the Clerk to make arrangements accordingly.

Mr. Elliott is already in a designated post in the Superannuation Scheme, and subject to passing a medical examination will be transferred to the Joint Superannuation Scheme bringing an appropriate transfer value from High Wycombe.

(b) Payment of Overtime. The Committee recommend approval of the payment of overtime as follows :-

Mrs. James ... ... 9 hours.

(c) Shorthand-Typists. The Clerk reported that during the last month, owing to holidays and urgent work, temporary Shorthand-Typists had been engaged, and payment in the sum of £1.16.6d and £1.9.2d incurred. The Committee approved of the action taken.

(d) Typist/Telephonist. The Clerk reported that Mrs. M.G. Snell had been appointed to the above position at a salary of £210 per annum rising by annual increments of £12 to a maximum of £246 per annum, plus London Weighting £30 per annum, the first increment to take effect on the 1st April, 1949. The engagement is subject to one month's notice and to a term of probation of six months, at the end of which period Mrs. Snell will, subject to satisfactory service and to passing a medical examination, be admitted to the Superannuation Scheme.

(e) Junior - Miss P. Broughton. The Clerk reported the receipt of the resignation of Miss Broughton as at the 31st July, 1948, and was authorised to fill the vacancy arising therefrom at the appropriate salary provided by the General Division.

6. TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT.

(a) Payment of Overtime. The Committee approved the payment of overtime as follows :-

Mr. J.F. Ward ... ... 10½ hours.

(b) Junior Assistants. The Treasurer reported that it was anticipated that the two Junior Assistants in his Department, Messrs. Haskell and Williams, will be called for Military Service before the end of August, and the Committee recommend that authority be given for replacement after the issue of the appropriate call-up notice, and that the Chairman of the Finance Committee together with the Treasurer be authorised to make the necessary appointments from applicants up to seventeen years of age on the General Division Scale.

7. ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT.

(a) Re-organisation. The Sub-Committee appointed herein reported that they had held further Meetings in connection with this matter, but were not yet in a position to submit a final report.

(b) Resignations and Replacements. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the existing and pending vacancies in his Department in the following appointments :-

Deputy Engineer and Surveyor - Mr. Johnson.	Resignation anticipated in the near future as he has obtained another appointment.
First Engineering Assistant - Mr. Howe.	Resignation reported at previous Meeting.
Engineering Assistant.	Post vacant since December 1946, advertised several times without success.
Engineering Assistant, late holder Mr. Dunn.	Position still vacant.

The Sub-Committee concerned with re-organisation had considered this matter, and recommend that the post of Deputy Engineer and Surveyor and the post of Engineering Assistant be advertised, the vacancy in respect of Engineering Assistant to be filled by an officer with experience of sewer work, and that the present Engineering Assistant, Mr. Gentle, be promoted to the position of First Engineering Assistant, and asked that the Establishment Committee would fix salaries accordingly. The Sub-Committee further recommended that the post at present occupied by Mr. Gentle, and the post of Engineering Assistant recently occupied by Mr. Dunn, remain vacant pending the Sub-Committee's final review and report.

The Establishment Committee recommend that advertisements be issued for :-

(i) Deputy Engineer and Surveyor on Grade VI of the A.P.T. Scale.

(ii) Engineering Assistant with knowledge of sewer work on Grade V of the A.P.T. Scale.

The Committee further recommend that the post of First Engineering Assistant be filled by the promotion of Mr. F.H. Gentle, he remaining on Grade V of the A.P.T. Division, plus a merit payment of £20 per annum, as from the 1st August, 1948.

The Committee further recommend that selected candidates for the appointment of Deputy Engineer and Surveyor be required to attend before a Meeting of the Establishment Committee, which Committee it was recommended should have power to make the appointment.

In the case of the Engineering Assistant the Committee recommend that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council, together with the Chairman of the Highways Committee, be authorised to make this appointment.

The Committee further recommend that the suggestion for the postponement of filling the other vacancies as suggested by the Sub-Committee be approved.

(c) Resignation of J. Cowley, Temporary Clerk. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that Mr. J. Cowley, Temporary Clerk, in his Department, had submitted his resignation to take effect as from the 18th July, 1948, and recommend that having regard to the reviewing of staff in this Department, no action be taken at the moment with a view to filling this post, but in view of the considerable reduction in clerical work involved through the raising of the limit of £10 to £100 in respect of building licence work, any work arising thereout be carried out by way of overtime between the Chief Clerk, Mr. Matthews, and the Assistant Clerk, Mr. Hayward. The Committee approved of the Engineer and Surveyor's recommendations.

(d) Mr. H. Moutell, Architectural Assistant. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted an application from this officer for regrading and reported on work now being carried out by this officer, and recommendations in connection therewith. The Committee, after fully considering the matter, recommend that Mr. Moutell be regraded as from the 1st August next to Grade II of the A.P.T. Division, plus one increment.

(e) Assistant Building Inspector - Car Allowance. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that having regard to the altered conditions regarding building licensing work, he did not feel that it was necessary to put forward an application for a car allowance in these circumstances, and the Committee approved of his recommendation.

(f) Manual Workers. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted details of sickness and accidents to Manual Workers since the date of the previous Meeting, and the Sub-Committee appointed in connection with the re-organisation of the Department were asked to consult the Engineer and Surveyor in connection with the large number of resignations now reported following so quickly on appointments.

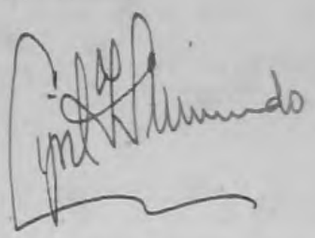
8. PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT - APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL SANITARY INSPECTOR. The Clerk submitted a letter from the Ministry of Health dated 3rd July, 1948, stating that providing the terms offered to the candidate selected for appointment conform with those approved as an interim agreement by the National Joint Council, the Minister approved the Council's proposals for the appointment of an additional Sanitary Inspector.

The Committee recommend that advertisements be issued for this appointment on the terms submitted in the letter, and that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council, together with the Chairman of the Public Health Committee, be authorised to interview selected candidates and to make the appointment.

9. TERRITORIAL FORCES - LEAVE OF ABSENCE. Consideration of this matter was adjourned from a previous Meeting and the recommendation of the Joint Industrial Council having been received, the Committee recommend that the following proposals of both the Joint Industrial Council and the National Council be adopted, and that all previous resolutions in connection with this matter passed by the Council in relation to either Officers or Manual Workers be altered or varied accordingly :-

That employees who volunteer for service in the Auxiliary Forces and attend the annual training camps be granted, if their normal entitlement of holidays is three weeks or less, the full fortnight required for annual camp as additional paid holiday.

10. VACATION. The Committee recommend that the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Committee be authorised to deal with any matters of an urgent nature which may arise during the vacation.



Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.25 p.m. and terminated at 8.25 p.m.

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

No. 19

To BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED,
233, WOODHOUSE ROAD, FRIERN BARNET, N.12.

PURSUANT to a Resolution adopted this 24TH day of AUGUST 19 48
WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 19 to 21 of this Order, amounting to the sum of----------TWENTY FOUR THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED AND ELEVEN---------- pounds --NINETEEN-- shillings and ---------THREE------- pence, ~~also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of ..... pounds and in any one week a maximum of ..... pounds signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.~~

Chairman.

Members of the Council.

Countersigned :

Clerk of the Council.

S. & S. LTD. G61924

Consecutive Number		NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment		
	750	EMERGENCY IMPREST ACCOUNT.--	1,791	13	9
	751	E.J.ALLWORTHY.--	14	12	8
	752	S.J.ANDREWS.--	2	15	-
	753	ANGLO AMERICAN OIL CO LTD.--	4	15	10
	754	ASTOLAT CO LTD.--	144	-	-
	755	ATLAS STONE CO LTD.--	126	7	8
	756	CHAS.BAKER & CO LTD.--	63	19	8
	757	BARNET TRANSPORT LTD.--	49	3	3
	758	J.H.BEATTIE & CO LTD.--	37	10	9
	759	BERSEL MANUFACTURING CO LTD.--	3	3	-
	760	PERCY BILTON LTD.--	772	2	10
	761	W.S.BIRCH & CO.--	16	16	-
	762	BLACKBURN SAVINGS BANK.--	178	2	5
	763	R.BORLAND & SON LTD.--	665	-	-
	764	MAMIE BOWIE.--	10	10	-
	765	BOWSER INTERNATIONAL LTD.--	10	3	-
	766	BRISTOWES MACHINERY LTD.--	10	13	5
	767	H.BROOK.--	37	4	-
	768	P.BROUGHTON.--	5	10	11
	769	H.C.BUDDINGTON.--	125	-	-
	770	J.A.CABLE & CO LTD.--	53	13	7
	771	CAMOOD WHARTON & CO LTD.--	19	-	-
	772	CEMENT MARKETING CO LTD.--	23	16	9
	773	COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE.--	93	3	-
	774	COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE.--	183	9	-
	775	CONTRACT GULLY CLEANSING LTD.--	74	19	-
	776	E.COWING & SON LTD.--	5	4	6
	777	W.CREIGHTON & CO LTD.--	121	14	1
	778	CROW, CATCHPOLE & CO LTD.--	39	13	-
	779	W.H.CULLEN.--	48	12	7
	780	DURABLE ASPHALTE CO LTD.--	120	-	-
	781	EXPANDED METAL CO LTD.--	2	12	2
	782	NANCY FAIRGRIEVE.--	5	15	6
	783	FRENCH RENWICK LTD.--	20	15	8
	784	FRIERN BARNET (SOUTH WARD) DISTRICT NURSING ASSOCIATION.--	5	13	2
	785	FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.--	42	11	1

No. 20

E.B.L. 971 181

Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
786	FURNACX LTD.--	28 18 4
787	GOODMAN BROS (BUTCHERS) LTD.--	32 18 5
788	GRAHAM BUILDERS & CONTRACTORS LTD.--	1,520 - -
789	WILLIAM GREASBY & CO LTD.--	344 16 7
790	HENRY J.GREENHAM (1929) LTD.--	14 11 8
791	HALES CLINKERS LTD.--	133 - -
792	J.HALDEN & CO LTD.--	2 1 2
793	HALL HARDING LTD.--	10 4 5
794	FRED HODGE LTD.--	15 10 -
795	L.A.HODGSON.--	15 10 1
796	J.HOLLAND & SON.--	100 - -
797	HORNSEY JOURNAL LTD.--	5 6 -
798	V.A.HOWARD LTD.--	740 - -
799	HULL TRUSTEE SAVINGS BANK.--	75 8 10
800	C.J.HUNT & CO LTD.--	56 19 7
801	A.R.JEFFERY.--	43 - -
802	JENSON & NICHOLSON LTD.--	5 4 4
803	W.N.JOYCE & SONS LTD.--	88 4 9
804	WALTER JUDD LTD.--	12 7 2
805	W.E.& G.LAMRANCE LTD.--	86 16 3
806	LAYSTALL ENGINEERING CO LTD.--	45 - -
807	HUBERT C.LEACH LTD.--	46 16 10
808	LEA VALLEY SAND & BALLAST PITS LTD.--	9 18 9
809	JOHN LINE & SONS LTD.--	24 13 6
810	E.LOFT.--	2 5 -
811	LONDON SLATE & TILE ROOFING CO LTD.--	108 15 3
812	MARSHALL.--	15 6 6
813	MARSHAM TYRE CO LTD.--	2 8 -
814	McMANUS & CO LTD.--	5,025 - -
815	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	30 3 1
816	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	6,664 - -
817	J.FENTON-MILNE.--	2 13 3
818	NOTRATE PRODUCTS LTD.--	26 10 -
819	MOUNTSORREL GRANITE CO LTD.--	10 10 11
820	MUSWELL HILL RECORD & PRINTING CO LTD.--	4 9 10
821	OLDACRES & CO LTD.--	146 - -
822	A.PARKER.--	3 - -
823	T.PARSONS & SONS LTD.--	49 4 9
824	PETRINOVIC & CO LTD.--	57 14 -
825	A.PITT.--	16 10 11
826	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	105 13 -
827	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	11 - -
828	R.W.POWE & REVELL LTD.--	400 - -
829	E.PROUDLOCK.--	4 4 -
830	REGENT OIL CO LTD.--	125 8 4
831	RESMAT SALES LTD.--	51 17 5
832	RUBBERINE LTD.--	22 11 6
833	THOMAS SAMPSON LTD.--	4 - 9
834	ALEXANDER SHANKS & SON LTD.--	10 4 1
835	SHELL MEX & B.P.LTD.--	12 9 2
836	SIMPSON & SONS.--	476 17 2
837	T.SMITH & SON LTD.--	42 - -
838	F.SNELLGROVE.--	6 - -
839	SPRAY PLANT HIRE LTD.--	4 10 -
840	STANTON PAINTS LTD.--	19 13 8
841	ST.ALBANS SAND & GRAVEL CO LTD.--	42 - -
842	P.W.STEEDS.--	18 - 9
843	STURT & TIVENDALE.--	5 - 5
844	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	1,229 1 2
845	M.KING.--	25 4 5
846	D.M.PHILLIPS.--	20 4 2
847	V.G.GEORGE.--	22 5 8
848	M.G.SNELL.--	15 3 5
849	H.FAWCETT.--	20 12 8
850	K.R.SMITH.--	51 7 1
851	F.H.GENTLE.--	35 11 5
852	I.A.HAYWARD.--	27 13 3
853	C.S.WALKER.--	19 - 8
854	D.F.BARKER.--	22 11 11
855	C.TAYLOR.--	25 11 7
856	H.W.HERMANS.--	32 10 5

Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment		
857	H.A.PHILLIPS.--	26	19	5
858	J.F.WARD.--	28	11	11
859	N.HASKELL.--	11	17	9
860	E.T.MARTIN.--	25	18	10
861	R.J.GANN.--	20	15	3
862	L.MANNING.--	29	16	4
863	E.TIBENHAM.--	20	12	4
864	I.CODRAI.--	20	5	9
865	W.J.CLARKE.--	14	17	11
866	A.C.BRUMWELL.--	8	-	-
867	ALLAN TAYLOR ENGINEERS LTD.--	8	14	-
868	TEUTEN & CO LTD.--	102	10	4
869	ALFRED THOMPSON & SONS LTD.--	0	8	-
870	TOTTENHAM & DISTRICT GAS CO.--	290	3	2
871	TWICKENHAM GRAVEL CO LTD.--	21	12	6
872	F.T.WHITE.--	10	-	-
873	W.G.WOOD (BRUSHES) LTD.--	14	16	11
874	WRIGHT SON & PEPPER.--	22	19	10
875	F.WOODING & SON.--	62	15	6
		24,211	19	3

Meeting of the Council held in the Town Hall, N.11.

29th July, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds. ... Chairman.

Cr. Richardson. Vice-Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Sparks.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the 24th June, 1948 were submitted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Henry seconded by Cr. Richardson that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 1st July, 1948 be received and adopted.

4. REPORT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE. Moved by Cr. Foley seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 4th July, 1948 be received and adopted.

Minute No. 2. Private Street Works. Raleigh Drive, Temple Avenue, Bedford Close and Oakleigh Park South. An amendment to this Minute moved by Cr. Mrs. McCarthy seconded by Cr. Miss Richards to insert words in the third paragraph of this Minute was declared to be LOST.

The original motion for the adoption of the report was then submitted to the Meeting and declared to be CARRIED.

5. REPORT OF ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Tarlton seconded by Cr. Draper that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 6th July, 1948 be received and adopted.

6, REPORT OF PARKS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. McClane that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 6th July, 1948 be received and adopted.

7. REPORT OF RATING AND VALUATION COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Meynell seconded by Cr. Henry that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 8th July, 1948 be received and adopted.

8. REPORT OF TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE. Moved by Cr. McClane seconded by Cr. Matthews that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 8th July, 1948 be received and adopted.

Minute No. 12. Vacant land in the vicinity of The Avenue - British Railways. An amendment was moved by Cr. Miss Richards seconded by Cr. Martin to insert the words "or acquire" after the word "use" in the fourth line of this Minute and for the words "to improving its appearance" to substitute "using it for the benefit of Friern Barnet people". The amendment on being put to the Meeting was declared to be CARRIED.

The motion for the reception and adoption of the report and recommendations subject of this amendment, was then put to the Meeting and declared to be CARRIED.

9. REPORT OF HOUSING COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Pickering seconded by Cr. Draper that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 8th July, 1948 be received and adopted.

10. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Matthews

seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 15th July, 1948 be received and adopted.

11. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Foley that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 15th July, 1948 be received and adopted.

12. REPORT OF ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Draper that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 20th July, 1948 be received and adopted.

13. SEALING OF DOCUMENTS. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Pickering seconded by Cr. Richardson that the Seal of the Council be affixed to the following documents:-

(a) Contract with G.D.Vine for erection of coal cellars North Ward Housing Estate.

(b) Contract with H.C.Buddington for structural repairs to Nos. 233 and 235, Oakleigh Road North.

(c) Contract with V.A.Howard Ltd. for erection of four Type 1 Houses, Housing Site No. 5.

(d) Wayleave Agreement in duplicate, Multi-Broadcast (Engineering) Ltd.

Seal affixed accordingly.

The Council approved the sealing of the following documents out of Meeting;-

Conveyances of Nos. 265, 271, 273 and 279, Oakleigh Road North (Tenant Purchase Houses).

Chairman.

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

Report and Recommendations of the Allotments Committee.

7th September 1948.

PRESENT:

Crs. Draper, Martin, Richardson and Simmonds.
Messrs. Harris and Ovenden representing the North and South Allotment Holders' Associations respectively.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, McClane and Mason.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Tarlton.

2. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN. The Committee appointed the Chairman of the Council (Cr. Simmonds) as Chairman for this Meeting.

(Cr. C.F.Simmonds ... In the Chair)

3. ILLNESS OF CR. TARLTON. The Chairman drew the attention of the Committee to the operation which Cr. Tarlton will shortly undergo and the Chairman undertook to write to Cr. Tarlton expressing their desire for a successful operation and his speedy recovery therefrom.

4. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 6th July, 1948 were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

5. NORTH ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 18 outstanding applications for permanent plots.

(b) War-time Allotments at Junction of High Road and Buckingham Avenue. This land was requisitioned in 1941 as Wartime allotments, the Minister agreeing to pay compensation of £1. 18. 8. per annum. A portion of the land was subsequently found to be unfit for cultivation and the remainder is let to two tenants.

A claim has now been received from the Agent acting for the Owners (Tenterden Estates Ltd) for increased compensation in the sum of £116. 15. 0. p.a. the reason for the claim being that the land is a "dead ripe building site for residential flats".

In March 1947 the Clerk wrote to the owners enquiring whether they had any proposals for development of the land in the near future as the Council were taking into consideration the question of the continuation of the cultivation of the land and they replied that they had a scheme of development prepared but owing to the difficulties which then existed with labour and materials it was difficult with any certainty to forecast when they could proceed and that owing to these conditions they could only review the matter from time to time, and as soon as they saw their way clear to commence operations they were hoping to do so.

The claim has been forwarded to the Ministry of Agriculture and a representative of the Ministry phoned on the 24th August to say that the claim had veen forwarded to the Valuer's Department.

In the circumstances they suggest that the Council should defer taking any action until the claim is settles, which will probably not be for two months.

The North Allotment Holders' Association have been notified of the claim and their observations were submitted. The Committee have decided to await the letter from the Ministry, a copy of which will when received be forwarded to the North Allotment Holders' Association.

(c) Complaint arising from washdown of Piggeries - Rathbone Allotments. At a recent inspection of the Rathbone Allotments by the Chairman of the Committee a plot holder complained of the fouling of his plot arising from the washing down of the piggeries adjoining. The allotment holder concerned complained that extensive damage has been done to his crops.

The Committee understand that the condition of this piggery is receiving the consideration of the Public Health Committee at their next Meeting. The Committee have accordingly referred this complaint to the Public Health Committee and have instructed the Clerk to notify the occupier of this complaint and that the Council will hold him responsible for any claims which may be received for damage to crops.

(d) Rathbone Allotments - Boundary fence. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that this fence is in a very bad condition and is beyond repair, and does not merit a temporary fence being erected as a new fence is required.

The Committee recommend that the porvision of a new fence be allowed for in next year's estimates.

6. CENTRAL ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. In the absence of the Central Allotment Holders' representative no information was available as to the number of outstanding applications in this area.

(b) Friern Barnet Education Sub-Committee. Correspondence was reported from the Divisional Officer stating that with respect to the Holly Park School the increase in numbers brought about by the raising of the school age has involved the provisions of additional accomodation and playground space. As a result the School garden has been built over and he has enquired whether it would be possible to have the use of an Allotment in Bethune Park or to have the name of the School placed on the waiting list. The request was originally for one allotment but this has since been increased to four.

This request has been referred to the Allotments Association who regret that they have no suitable plots vacant, and that there is a long list of waiting applicants, some of whose names have been on the list for over a year.

The Committee recommend that the Education Committee be informed they regret that they are unable, at the present time, to grant this request.

(c) Bethune Recreation Ground. Temporary Plots. In 1941 the Council let to the Association, 22 10-pole plots forming the first and second terraces fronting The Crescent as temporary allotments at a rental of 1/- per annum per 10-pole plot.

In 1945 the Council reduced the letting to 13 plots, 9 of the plots forming the second terrace being taken for controlled tipping.

At the beginning of this year the tipping was completed and the tipped area handed back to the Association. This tipped area was divided into eleven 7-pole plots so that the Association now have the original thirteen 10-pole plots for which they continue to pay 1/- per plot and eleven 7-pole plots for which no rent has been fixed.

The Association have been consulted on the question of rent for the 7-pole plots and as they are charging Allotment Holders the same rent for the 7-pole plots as for the 10-pole plots they are prepared to pay 1/- p.a. per plot irrespective of size.

The Committee recommend a charge of 1/- p.a. in respect of these 7-pole plots.

7. EXTENSION OF WATER SUPPLY. CENTRAL WARD AND RATHBONE ALLOTMENTS. With reference to Minutes No.2 (c) and No.3 (b) of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 1st June for the extension of water supply to Rathbone and Central Ward Allotments, the following tenders have been received.

J. Hendon & Sons	£97.	4.	6.
J. Holland & Son	£113.	12.	0.
Hubert C. Leach Ltd. ...	£245.	0.	0.

The Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had been in touch with the Barnet District Water Co. and they had informed him that after investigation, the existing service to the Central Ward Allotments is inadequate to provide for the additional points. This will entail an expenditure of £16 for the provision of a larger service into the allotments. At the same time it will effect an economy on the total length of piping to be laid, which should result in a reduction of approximately £8 from the lowest tender.

The revised estimate for the extension of water points to both those allotments, based on the lowest tender, is now as follows:-

Provision and laying of pipes (revised length)	£90.	0.	0.	
Water Co's estimate for larger service, including reinstatement.	17.	0.	0.	
				£107.0.0.

The allowance in the Annual Estimates for these two items is £75. 0. 0.

The Committee recomment that the lowest tender (as revised) be accepted , that the Water Co's estimate for laying a larger service be approved and that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to proceed with the work.

8. HALLIWICK PARK ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 8 outstanding applications and no vacant plots.

(b) South Ward Allotments. Fencing of South-Western boundary. It was reported by the Engineer and Surveyor that when the chain link fencing was fixed to the new boundary between the allotments and the housing estate, a portion at the South-Western corner of the allotments was temporarily fenced with chestnut fencing owing to the fact that the chain link fencing could not be put on the proper boundary as the allotments encroached somewhat on the housing land. As the adjustment can now be made owing to the crops being taken off the portion

of the allotments concerned, chain link fencing has now been erected in substitution for the chestnut fencing, on the line of the boundary involved.

(c) South Ward Temporary Allotments. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that an application has been received from the tenant of allotment No.2, for permission to use the allotment for the purpose of bee keeping. The matter has been referred to the Area Planning Officer for consideration under the Town and Country Planning Act. 1947, and he has replied that this does not constitute development and also the County Engineer's Department states that no danger to the highway is likely to be caused providing that the hives are sited well back from Pinkham Way.

The Committee recommend that this application be approved subject to the bee hives being sited at the rear of the plot at least 40ft back from the existing highway boundary to Pinkham way.

(d) Locks on Gates. Mr. Ovenden enquired as to the present position with regard to the supply of chains and padlocks on gates to allotments where the fixed locks are out of order and the Committee consider this should be the responsibility of the Association who should also provide keys to Allotment Holders, and at least one key to the Council.

M.W. Parker

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.15 p.m. and terminated at 7.56 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Parks Committee.

7th September, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mason, Matthews and Simmonds.

Also in attendance: Cr. Martin.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Tarlton.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 6th July, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. FRIARY PARK.

(a) Dogs. The Clerk submitted correspondence from Mr. J.B. Shaw of 105, Ashurst Road, who contends that the Council are acting beyond their jurisdiction by erecting notices in the Park that dogs must be kept on a lead. He points out that the Home Secretary has refused a request from another Council for a byelaw denying dogs access to public parks unless on a lead, the ruling of the Home Secretary being that "they must be under proper control but that does not mean that a lead must be used". Mr. Shaw objects to being told by the Park Keepers that he must have his dog on a lead.

The relevant byelaw is:-

"24. A person shall not cause or suffer any dog belonging to him or in his charge to enter or remain in the pleasure ground unless such dog be and continue to be under proper control and be effectually restrained from causing annoyance to any person and from worrying or disturbing any beast and from entering any ornamental water and from injuring or destroying, worrying or disturbing any fowl in the pleasure ground."

The Committee recommend that any notices in the Park requiring dogs to be kept on a lead be removed, and revised notices substituted stating that dogs must be kept under proper control.

The Committee further recommend that an instruction be issued to the Parks Staff to ensure that dogs are kept under porper control.

(b) Catering Rights. The catering rights granted to the present Caterer in Friary Park expire on the 30th September, 1948.

The Committee recommend that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council and Councillors Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, and Matthews be appointed to consider the desirability of the Council running their own catering establishment in the Park, the Sub-Committee to report to the next Meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

(c) Open Potting Sheds in Yard. The Engineer and Surveyor reported on the proposal to raise the present brick wing walls on the site opposite the Bowling Green 18", and to construct a galvanised iron roof forming two open sheds each approximately

27 ft. long x 10 ft. wide in the yard of Friary House, to provide facilities for potting purposes. This would, in addition to giving adequate cover for the men whilst potting, also have the advantage of keeping the soil dry for potting purposes.

This item was not included in the Annual Estimates, and the estimated cost is £70.

The Committee recommend approval to the carrying out of the work.

(d) Additional Nursery Frames. The Engineer and Surveyor reported on a proposal to construct a brick lean-to frame on the North-East side of the large greenhouse 30 ft. long x 4.Ft. 6 ins. wide, with wooden frames and glazed lights, with a return section of smaller frames 28 ft. x 6 ft. to line up with a row of existing frames with smaller frames and lights.

By cutting openings in the brick wing wall of the greenhouse, these frames could then be converted into semi-heated frames and could house a large number of potting plants such as geraniums, etc.

The estimated cost of the two frames is £85.

In connection with this proposal, the Committee considered the question of the extension of the existing greenhouse estimated to cost £350.

The Committee are advised by the Parks Superintendent that additional accommodation is essential.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to proceed with the construction of one lean-to frame, and to submit to the next Meeting of this Committee a detailed report on the question of the extension of the greenhouse and the construction of the second frame.

No allowance has been made in the Estimates for this expenditure.

(e) Award Iris Company, Hadley. An offer was submitted from this Company to supply the Council with a comprehensive collection of good quality Iris for planting in Friary Park, subject to their being allowed to affix a firm's plate where the Iris are planted.

The Committee recommend that the offer be accepted in principle, and that the question of the site be referred to the Ornamental Gardens Sub-Committee.

(f) Marquee. The Engineer and Surveyor reported on the condition of the Marquee which was purchased second-hand in 1947 at a cost of £293 and has been in use for Summer Entertainments for two Seasons.

The Engineer and Surveyor further reported that after consultation with the Chairman of this Committee he had approached a number of firms to ascertain whether they would be prepared to purchase the Marquee, and if so, at what price.

The Committee recommend that the Chairman of the Council and the Chairman of this Committe be authorised to accept the highest offer.

The Committee express the hope that the Entertainments Committee will meet at an early date to formulate their requirements for future entertainments, and in the meantime the Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to obtain

tenders for the hire and purchase of a new Marquee, and have also instructed the Clerk to enquire whether the County Council would be prepared to give an indication as to whether they will continue to issue licences for a Marquee, and if so, whether the limitation to 250 persons contained in the licences issued for this year's Entertainments would still be applied in future years.

(g) Master Plan. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that owing to shortage of staff he had been unable to have this plan prepared.

The Committee recommend that this matter be considered at the next Meeting of the Committee and that a Site Plan of the Park be circulated before the next Meeting.

(h) Friary House.

(i) Conversion. With reference to Minute No.7 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 6th July, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the structural work and decorations involved in the conversion of the living accommodation at Friary House into two flats have been completed. There is a certain amount of repair work, including war damage, yet to be carried out externally.

Both flats are now occupied.

(ii) External Painting. With reference to Minute No.7 (a) (i) of the report of this Committee dated 4th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that owing to the heavy outstanding work on painting of Council houses it seems unlikely that the external painting of Friary House can be carried out by direct labour, and he was therefore obtaining quotations for the work to be done by contract.

The Committee recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed, and that the Chairman of the Council, and the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of this Committee be authorised to open tenders received and to accept the most suitable.

(iii) Proposal to use Kitchen as Mess Room. The Parks Superintendent has asked whether the kitchen in Friary House could be used as a Mess Room, which would release the present Mess Room for use as a Store for manure, fertilisers, etc.

The Committee recommend that this matter be referred to the Sub-Committee mentioned in Minute No.3 (b) above.

(i) Replacement of Drinking Fountain. With reference to Minute No.5 (d) of the Report of this Committee dated 4th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the old fountain was defective beyond repair and was wasting water. Delivery has now been obtained of a new galvanised pedestal fountain with porcelain bowl, and this has been fixed.

The fountains on order for Halliwick and Bethune Recreation Grounds have not yet been delivered.

(j) Repairs to Paths. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that repairs and re-surfacing have been carried out to the main path leading from Friern Barnet Lane entrance to the East side of Friary House, also to certain sections of the main path leading from Friern Barnet Lane entrance to the Western side of Friary House, and large areas of the path surrounding the Bowling Green, This work was carried out before the Summer Show, and the remaining defective areas of the paths in Friary Park generally will be repaired as soon as possible, and surface dressed afterwards.

The Committee recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

4. BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND.

(a) 9-Hole Golf Course.

(i) Maintenance. A report was submitted on the work carried out to the 9-hole Golf Course since the last Meeting of this Committee.

(ii) Receipts. Receipts for the month of July, 1948 were £167.4.9d compared with £157.12.0d for July, 1947. Receipts for August 1948 were £158.10.0d compared with £175.9.6d for August 1947. The total receipts from 1st April to 31st August, 1948, were £697.19.6d compared with £610.3.6d for the same period in 1947.

(b) Damage to Fences and Gardens of Adjoining Properties. Correspondence was submitted from two residents of properties adjoining the Recreation Ground complaining of damage to fences and gardens by youths using the Recreation Ground for games near the fences, and climbing over the fences into the gardens to retrieve balls.

Instructions have been given to the Park Patrol to see that, as far as possible, unorganised games of cricket are not played unduly close to the fence, and that wickets are not placed towards the fence.

The Committee recommend that notices should be placed on trees drawing attention to the fact that the playing of cricket and football against the fences is prohibited.

(c) Attempted Forceful entry into Cafe. The Clerk reported that an attempt was made to break into the Cafe in the Bethune Recreation Ground on the 20th August. No property was stolen, but five small squares of glass were broken and are being replaced.

(d) Cricket Pitch. The Chairman of the Committee authorised the free use of the Cricket Table by the Holly Park Secondary School on Thursday, the 22nd July, 1948, for a school staff versus a school eleven match.

The Committee recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

(e) Repairs to Paths. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that following completion of the highways surface dressing work, it was hoped that the appropriate repairs to paths provided for in the Annual Estimates would be carried out.

(f) Gresham Avenue Entrance. A sum of £50 is included in the Annual Estimates for the part conversion of the car park area into a garden (planting shrubs, trees etc.).

Having regard to the easing of licensing restrictions the Committee considered the question of carrying out more extensive works, and recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to remove the existing car park surface, replace with soil, and plant with flower border. The cost is not to exceed £120.

The Committee agreed that the authorised work on the Cromwell Recreation Ground should be carried out before the work authorised by this Minute.

5. HALLIWICK RECREATION GROUND - REPAIRS TO PATHS. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that following completion of the highways surface dressing work, it was hoped that the appropriate repairs to paths provided for in the Annual Estimates would be carried out.

6. RECREATION FACILITIES FOR SCHOOLS - FEES. With reference to Minute No.5 (a) (iv) of the Report of this Committee dated 6th July, 1948, the Clerk reported that details had been obtained from neighbouring authorities of the fees charged to the Education Committee for sports facilities.

After giving the matter careful consideration the Committee recommend that the following charges be made for football pitches during the 1948/9 season:-

Bethune Hockey Pitch Area.			Fee.
Holly Park Secondary School.	Mondays	10.30 - 12 noon 2.30 - 4 p.m.	£45 per Season.
	Tuesdays	10.30 - 12 noon 2.30 - 4 p.m.	
	Wednesdays	10.30 - 12 noon	
	Thursdays	10.30 - 12 noon 2.30 - 4 p.m.	
	Fridays	10.30 - 12 noon 2.30 - 4 p.m.	
	Occasional Saturday mornings 10 a.m. to 12 noon for inter-school matches.		

Bethune New Pitch.			Fee.
Holly Park Primary School.	Thursdays Occasional Saturday mornings for inter-school matches.	1.30 - 4 p.m.	£10 per Season.

Halliwick Recreation Ground.			Fee.
Hollickwood Primary School.	Tuesdays Occasional Saturday mornings for inter-school matches.	2.30 - 4.p.m.	£10 per season.

7. OPEN SPACE, JUNCTION OF OAKLEIGH PARK SOUTH & OAKLEIGH AVENUE. The Clerk submitted correspondence from Mr. Nash of 29, Oakleigh Park South, complaining of damage to trees (Chestnut trees in particular) on this open space by boys climbing the trees and throwing stones, with consequent risk of injury to persons. He also complained of indecencies and misconduct of lads and girls in their teens and general damage caused by youths in the area, and suggested the erection of warning notices on the land.

The Chairman of the Committee has authorised the erection of notices on this piece of land worded as follows:-

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

W A R N I N G

Children who throw stones and damage trees and commit other nuisances will be prosecuted.

The Committee recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed and have instructed the Clerk to notify the Police of the complaint which has been received, with the request that they will co-operate in preventing this nuisance.

8. PARKS GENERALLY.

(a) Report by Parks Superintendent. The Parks Superintendent submitted a report on the work carried out by the Parks Staff since the last Meeting of the Committee.

(b) Gang Mowers. With reference to Minute No. 6 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 6th July, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that delivery of the new unit was still awaited. In view of the condition of the old units and the indefinite delivery date of replacements, he had obtained quotations for two new units.

The Committee recommend that the quotation received from Messrs. Ransomes, Sims & Jefferies Ltd., in the sum of £54.10.0d (less 5%) be accepted.

Delivery date is indefinite. A provisional order will be placed and financial provision will be made in next year's estimates.

(c) Quotations for the supply of Trees and Shrubs. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had obtained quotations from three firms for the supply of street trees and shrubs for replacement of trees on highways, and additional stock required for Housing Site No.3 and the various Ornamental Gardens.

The Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to ascertain the requirements of the Highways and Housing Committees, the Ornamental Gardens Sub-Committee, and restocking the Nursery, and to submit a full report to the next Meeting of the General Purposes Committee with details of the amounts included in the Annual Estimates.

(d) Proposed Purchase of Hedge Trimmer. With reference to Minute No 8 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 6th July, 1948, it was reported that members of the Sub-Committee appointed to inspect the equipment in use by a neighbouring authority, had not been able to arrange the demonstration.

This has now been arranged, however, and the Sub-Committee will submit a report to the next Meeting of this Committee.

(e) Policy of replacing felled Forest-type Trees. It will be remembered that during the last eighteen months or two years it has been necessary to fell certain dead or dangerous forest-type trees throughout the District. As the necessity for similar action will arise from time to time, the Committee considered the desirability of recommending a policy whereby a new forest-type tree shall be planted for each one that is felled in future.

The Committee approve in principle, and have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to obtain quotations.

9. ORNAMENTAL GARDENS.

(a) Library Gardens. The Engineer and Surveyor reported the completion of the work on the lay-out and grass seeding of this site. Three trees will be planted in the lawn in the Autumn.

(b) Proposals for Future Planting. The Committee have referred the question of the carrying out of the work on the remaining selected sites to the Ornamental Gardens Sub-Committee.

10. HOLLICKWOOD SCHOOL. The Committee received a request to supply this School with a few potted flower plants, and recommend that as and when suitable plants become available they be supplied free of charge.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 8.0 p.m. and terminated at 10.30 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Health Committee.

9th September, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. A.C. Henry ... Chairman

Crs. Foley, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Maynell, Richardson and Simmonds.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin, Mason and Sparks.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Draper, Miss Richards and Tarlton.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 1st July, 1948 were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. ANNUAL REPORT OF MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH. With reference to Minute No.2 of the Report of this Committee held on the 1st July, 1948, the Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health was submitted for further consideration and received.

4. NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES. The following notifications of infectious diseases have been received since the date of the last Meeting:-

Disease.	WARDS					Total for District only	Friern Hospital
	North	South	Central	East	West		
Whooping Cough	5	6	5	8	2	24	-
Measles	3	2	4	3	3	15	-
Scarlet Fever	6	3	2	2	7	20	-
Tuberculoses	1	-	3	1	1	6	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
Dysentery	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Polio-myelitis	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
Typhoid	1	-	-	-	-	1	-
Diphtheria	-	-	2	-	-	2	-

5. DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION. The Medical Officer of Health reported as to the present position in the District in connection with the above, stating that 2,472 immunisations had been completed to date.

6. COMPLAINTS. Since the last Meeting of the Committee 124 complaints, including 21 cases of rat infestation, have been received and investigated and the necessary action taken to secure a remedy.

7. ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES. The works necessary to comply with notices served requiring abatement of nuisances at 27 properties throughout the District have been completed.

8. UNSOUND FOOD. The Sanitary Inspector reported as to the various types of food which had been condemned as unfit for human consumption since the last Meeting of the Committee.

9. FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1938, SECTION 14 - REGISTRATION OF PREMISES FOR THE SALE OF ICE CREAM. Messrs. Hardy & Giblett Ltd. make application for registration of their premises at No.181 Woodhouse Road, N.12 for the sale of ice cream, as is required by the above Act.

The ice cream is delivered from the manufacturer in wrapped packages and cartons, and is retailed in the same condition.

The means of storage is in a refrigerator capable of retaining the ice cream at a temperature prescribed by the Ice Cream (Heat-Treatment &c.) Regulations 1947 (not exceeding 28°F).

The Committee recommend that these premises be registered for the sale of ice cream.

10. LICENCES TO DEAL IN GAME. The Committee recommend that Messrs. S. Fulham & Sons Ltd. be granted licences to deal in game at their premises at No. 1260 High Road, N.20 and No. 27 Queens Parade, N.11, for a period of one year from the 1st October, 1948.

11. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936, SECTION 75 - PROVISION OF DUSTBIN. The Sanitary Inspector reported that the dustbin provided in connection with the premises known as No. 75 Sutton Road, N.10 was in such a worn and broken condition as to require replacement. The owner has been approached with a view to replacement and has expressed the opinion that he is under no obligation to provide the tenants with this receptacle.

The Committee, after giving the matter consideration, recommend that a Notice under Section 75 of the Public Health Act, 1936 be served on the owner of the property requiring him to provide a covered dustbin and, failing compliance therwith, that the Council provide such dustbin and recover the cost thereof from the owner in accordance with the provisions of Sub-Section 2 of that Section.

12. FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1938 - CONTAMINATION OF BREAD. The Sanitary Inspector reported on a case of food contamination which had been investigated during the month of August.

As a result of this investigation certain additional precautions had been suggested to the food retailer concerned to prevent the recurrence of any similar contamination.

The Committee recommend that the action taken be approved.

13. PIGGERY, REAR OF No. 420, OAKLEIGH ROAD, N.20. The Sanitary Inspector submitted a report on the piggery at the rear of this property, and after consideration therof the Committee are of the opinion that a statutory nuisance under the Public Health Act, 1936 exists theron as a result of the foul condition of portions of the land and discharge of liquid filth across the adjoining allotment land due to the absence of adequate drainage facilities to the pig-sties.

The Committee therefore recommend the service of an Abatement Notice under Section 92 of the Public Health Act, 1936 on the occupier as the person by whose act or default the nuisance arises, requiring him to provide a sufficient and proper drain to convey all sewage and liquid filth into the Council's sewer, or to take such other steps as may be necessary to abate the nuisance.

14. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936, SECTION 93 - STATUTORY NUISANCES. The Sanitary Inspector reported the existence of Statutory nuisances at the under-mentioned premises:-

(a)	No.13 Wilton Road, N.10.	Defective and leaking roof.
(b)	No. 5 Stanhope Road, N.11.	Defective and leaking roof.
(c)	No.136 Cromwell Road, N.10.	Defective w.c. pan.

Intimation notices having been served and not complied with, the Committee recommend service of Abatement Notices under Section 93 of the Public Health Act, 1936, and failing compliance therewith the Clerk be authorised to take the appropriate proceedings.

15. NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT, 1946.

(a) Care of Mothers and Young Children - Health Visiting - Midwifery - Home Nursing. Correspondence was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that the Minister of Health has approved the proposals of the County Council relating to these services, subject to certain modifications set out in the reports of the Clerk of the Council which have been sent to all Members of the Council.

(b) Admission of Patients to Hospital. A letter dated the 25th June, 1948 (received 2nd July, 1948 after the July Public Health Committee Meeting) from the North-West Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board was submitted for information setting out the system which the Board will follow with regard to the admission of patients to hospital under the Emergency Bed Service. A copy of this letter has been circulated to all Members of the Council.

16. DAY NURSERIES. A letter dated the 12th August, 1948 was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council with regard to the above, a copy of which has been circulated to each Member of the Council.

The County Council state that they are now considering the relative advantages of two sites in the North Ward and will give consideration in due course to the Council's request for the establishment of a Day Nursery in the South Ward.

With reference to Minute No.14 of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd June, 1948 regarding the extension of the site of the Hertfordshire County Council Day Nursery in Brunswick Park, the Recreation Ground Joint Committee have decided to adhere to their previous decision not to consider any extension of the site.

For the information of the Council's representatives on the Joint Committee the Clerk has been instructed to report to the next Parks Committee on the terms on which this Recreation Ground is held.

17. ROYAL SANITARY INSTITUTE. An invitation was submitted from the Royal Sanitary Institute for the appointment of representatives to the London Sessional Meetings to be held at 90, Buckingham Palace Road, as follows:-

13th October at	2.30 p.m.	"The Control of Milk Quality".
10th November at	2.30 p.m.	"Transport and Handling of Meat".
8th December at	2.30 p.m.	"Food Hygiene - Ideas for the Future".

The Committee recommend that no action be taken.

A. C. Hewer

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 7.10.p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Highways and Public Works Committee.

9th September, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. J. Foley ... Chairman.

Crs. Henry, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Richardson and Simmonds.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy and Sparks.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Draper, Miss Richards and Tarlton.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on the 1st July, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. HIGHWAYS.

(a) General Maintenance. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on maintenance work carried out during the months of July and August.

(b) Tar Spraying "Cats' Eyes". Complaints were received as to the covering with bitumen of the "Cats' Eyes" in the roads recently sprayed with tar. The Engineer and Surveyor reported on the steps at present being taken to obviate "Cats' Eyes" becoming covered with bitumen.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to clean the "Cats' Eyes" in question and make arrangements for their effective covering during future spraying.

4. FUEL ECONOMY CAMPAIGN. With reference to Minute No.4 of the Report of this Committee on the 4th December, 1947, the Ministry of Fuel and Power have again reiterated their suggestion for the Council to carry out a Fuel Economy Canpaign, and an official has made a request for an interview with the Chairman of the Council, and, presumably, the Chairman of this Committee.

The Committee recommend that under the circumstances no action be taken at the present time, but that the interview be arranged and a further report made to the next appropriate Committee for consideration.

5. STREET LIGHTING.

(a) Notification from Tottenham & District Gas Company of further increase in price of gas. The Committee have been advised by the Tottenham & District Gas Company that the price of gas was increased by .3d per therm as and from 15th August, 1948, and the annual charge for the twenty-two public gas lamps within this District will be increased from £8.4.8d to £8.6.2d as from the operative date.

(b) Revised Lighting Hours. With reference to Minute No.20 of the General Purposes Committee on the 15th July, 1948, the necessary approvals having been obtained from the Police and the Manager of the Eastern Electricity Board, the new lighting hours will be put into effect this week.

(c) Improved Street Lighting on Main Roads. With reference to Minute No.17 of the Report of this Committee on 6th May, 1948, it will be recalled that the Ministry of Transport required extensive details regarding the Council's Proposals for improved street lighting on main roads, which details have now been despatched.

The Committee recommend that upon receipt of the approval of the Ministry, the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to place an order for the necessary columns and sodium discharge lanterns.

6. SALVAGE.

(a) Returns. The returns for salvage for the months of July and August, 1948, are as follows, showing comparisons with a similar period in 1947 :-

July 1948	39 tons 7 cwt.	Value £162. 1.0d.
" 1947	39 tons 6 cwt.	" £170.12.6d.
August 1948	40 tons 1½ cwt.	" £181. 9.0d.
" 1947	37 tons 16 cwt.	" £169. 0.6d.

(b) National Waste Paper Contest Results. A communication has been received from the Waste Paper Recovery Association Ltd., giving results of the £7,500 National Waste Paper Contest. So far as Urban Districts are concerned the results are as follows :-

Knighton, Radnorshire	...	£1,000.
Wivenhoe, Essex.	...	500.
Portrush, Antrim	...	250.
Hornsea, Yorkshire	...	100.
Omagh, Tyrone	...	50.
Newport Pagnell, Bucks	...	50.
Ledbury, Hereford	...	50.

Following receipt of the results, the Engineer and Surveyor communicated with the Association asking, in order that the Council might compare their efforts with those of the winners, that they furnish him with details of the collections of the successful Authorities, such as population, amounts collected for the three months last year and amounts collected for the three months this year, which was the basis of the Competition, but in a letter dated 18th August he was advised that the adjudicators of the Contest and their Advisory Committee have not published individual figures of tonnages of paper collected or percentage increases over 1947.

It will be remembered that the basis of the Competition was for the greatest percentage increase for the three months this year with the comparable three months of last year, which in effect gives a very strong advantage to the backward Authorities with the very poorest collections in 1947.

(c) Paper Salvage Bonus - Further Consideration. With reference to Minute No.11 (c) of the Report of this Committee on the 3rd June, 1948, a letter has now been received from the Provincial Joint Industrial Council dated 26th August indicating that the National Council have been in consultation with the Board of Trade as to the desirability or otherwise of introducing an incentive bonus for salvage collection. The National Council have investigated the circumstances and communicated their considered views to the Parliamentary Secretary in the following terms:-

"The Council is of the view that the Government should appeal to Local Authorities to revive the war-time enthusiasm for salvage collection, leaving it to the Local Authorities to deal with the problem according to local circumstances and possibilities."

The Committee recommend the continuance of the increased bonus for a further period of three months to the end of December, 1948.

7. ROAD SAFETY.

(a) Accident Returns. The Engineer and Surveyor reported the receipt of the road accident returns for the months of June and July, 1948, during which period five persons sustained slight injury.

(b) Orange Tree Intersection - Proposal to Erect Guard Rails. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had again been requested to put forward the suggestion for provision of guard rails for the protection of pedestrians at the Orange Tree intersection.

The Committee recommend that in view of the absence of accidents at this intersection, and to the fact that the junction is controlled by traffic lights, no action be taken at the present time.

8. ANALYSIS OF SEWAGE EFFLUENT. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on a sample of sewage effluent taken from Bounds Green Brook on 18th August, 1948. The report indicates a satisfactory effluent.

9. REFINED TAR - NOTIFICATION OF INCREASE IN PRICE - COAL TAR PRICES (AMENDMENT) ORDER 1948. Tar Distillers in the London and South-Eastern Area are informed that the Minister of Fuel and Power has made an Order which permits the Distillers to increase the price of Refined Tar by one penny per gallon, and that they are increasing the price by that amount from the 1st September, 1948.

The price of tarred macadam supplied will also be increased accordingly from the same date by the following amounts :-

2¼" and 1½"	Clean and Graded	...	8d per ton.
1" and ¾"	" " "	...	10d " "
⅝", ½" and ⅜"	" " "	...	1/-d " "
¼"	" " "	...	1/2d " "

10. BEACONS FOR PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS. In view of the generally dilapidated condition of all pedestrian crossing beacons throughout the District, quotations have been invited for the supply of new beacons, and have been received as follows:-

Evolite Plastics Ltd.	... ...	36/-d each.
Splintex Safety Glass Ltd.	... ...	32/-d "
Grantham Plastics Ltd.	... ...	35/-d "
Gowshall Ltd.	... ...	36/-d "

The Ministry of Transport have suggested that when providing new Belisha Beacons Local Authorities should instal types suitable for future internal illumination, and all the above comply with this requirement.

It should be pointed out that the Beacon quoted for by Messrs. Splintex Limited incorporates a clear panel which, when internally illuminated, would throw a beam of light down on to the crossing. It is considered that this would provide additional warning to motorists. There are approximately 40 pedestrian crossing Beacons in this District.

The Committee deferred consideration of this matter to their next Meeting, and instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to submit a report on the allocation of cost between County and District Roads.

11. RELIEF FLOODING SCHEME MARNE AVENUE/FALKLAND AVENUE. With reference to Minute No.19 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee on 15th July, 1948, the Ministry now state that they are unable to accept the Council's reasons for not proceeding with the work, and have requested the Council to supply as soon as practicable the information requested in their letter of 15th June (i.e. submission of plans etc.).

In addition to the Ministry letter, a letter has been received from a resident in Falkland Avenue giving notice that he will hold the Council liable for any damage which may be caused to his property as a result of any flooding which may occur in the future.

The Committee have given this matter further careful consideration and having regard to all the circumstances recommend that the Minister of Health be informed that the Council are prepared to proceed with the work in due course provided the Minister is willing to give loan sanction, and that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to prepare plans, estimates etc.

12. FLOODING DURING STORM 2nd AUGUST, 1948. During the heavy storm on August Bank Holiday, flooding was reported at the following sites:-

Sutton Road.
Cromwell Road junction with Colney Hatch Lane.
Cromwell Road junction with Pinkham Way.
Hampden Road.
Goldsmith Road.

Immediate steps were taken to alleviate the flooding.

A Sub-Committee comprising the Chairman of the Council, the Chairman on this Committee and Councillor Tarlton inspected the site in Sutton Road, where it was found that blocked gullies in a private passageway had been a contributory factor to the flooding in the dip in Sutton Road, and action is being taken to have these gullies cleared.

13. TRAFFIC CONDITIONS HIGH ROAD, WHETSTONE. A letter has been received from the Borough Engineer and Surveyor, Finchley, stating that his Highways Committee have for some time been giving consideration to traffic conditions in High Road, Whetstone, particularly at the junction with Chandos Avenue, and he has suggested to the Ministry of Transport that the pedestrian crossing at this point should be re-sited South of St. Margarets Avenue. A copy of the letter he has received from the County Engineer and Surveyor has been forwarded, which intimates that owing to the small volume of traffic using St. Margarets Avenue or Chandos Avenue, traffic entering the High Road from these minor roads proceeds cautiously with no danger to pedestrians making use of the pedestrian crossing situated between the junctions, and the Ministry do not consider it necessary to re-site the pedestrian crossing.

The County Engineer did, however, state that the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis had drawn attention to the fact that numerous vehicles are usually to be found parked on both sides of the High Road in this area consequently obscuring the view of pedestrians attempting to cross the road, and stressed the need for the provision of car parks.

The County Engineer stated that he appreciated it would be difficult for the Council to obtain a suitable site for the provision of a car park off the highway in this vicinity, and asked Finchley to investigate the feasibility of the provision of suitable street parking places in this area as they had already done in the area north of Tally Ho.

The Borough Engineer of Finchley points out in his letter that in that particular part of Whetstone there are no side roads within Finchley with the exception of St. Margarets Avenue, which is not suitable for parking, and asks for this Council's observations on the possibility of providing parking facilities within that area.

The Engineer and Surveyor submitted his observations from his investigations carried out on the site.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to approach the Divisional Road Engineer, the Middlesex County Council, the Finchley Borough Council, and the Metropolitan Police with the following suggestions:-

(1) that for a distance on each side of the crossing vehicles should be prohibited from waiting, and

(2) that pedestrian operated traffic lights be installed.

14. RAILWAY HOTEL PUBLIC CONVENIENCES - REPORT OF FURTHER DAMAGE. The Engineer and Surveyor reported further malicious damage to the Public Conveniences at the Railway Hotel, Friern Barnet Road. The Council will recollect carrying out repairs to these Conveniences approximately 18 months ago, and a recent inspection disclosed that one of the water cisterns and all fittings had been wrenched away from the wall and completely removed. The present condition is giving rise to complaints due to smell etc.

The Committee recommend that quotations be invited for the installation of the necessary water fittings to be erected in such a position as to be less accessible for interference in the future.

15. PROPOSED PUBLIC CONVENIENCES - FURTHER CONSIDERATION. Provision has been made in this year's Annual Estimates for loan charges for the provision of additional Public Conveniences at the following sites:-

Junction of Colney Hatch Lane and Sutton Road.
(In conjunction with the Middlesex County Council- in the establishment of the new Library).
Junction of Friern Barnet Road and Station Approach.
Oakleigh Road North.
Extension of existing accommodation in Friary Park.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to approach the Middlesex County Council with a view to the preparation of a scheme in respect of the proposed Public Convenience at the junction of Colney Hatch Lane and Sutton Road.

The Committee further recommend that the London County Council be approached with a view to their providing a site in the Hospital grounds near the entrance, with access only to the main road, for the provision of a Public Convenience, and to enquire whether they would be prepared to contribute towards the cost of the provision of such Public Convenience in view of the fact that it would be so much used by visitors to Friern Hospital.

16. NAMING OF STREETS.

(a) Beaconsfield Mews. The Hagman Laboratories (1933) Ltd., have made an application for the official re-naming of this road from Beaconsfield Mews to Beaconsfield Close.

The Committee recommend that no action be taken.

(b) Street rear of Queens Parade. The Committee have received an application from Messrs. Turnack & Co., for the naming of the street at the rear of Queens Parade in which their premises are situate, in view of the difficulty which they are experiencing at the present time through this street not being named.

The Committee consider that a suitable name would be "Queens Parade Close".

The Committee accordingly recommend that in accordance with the provisions of Section 18 of the Public Health Act, 1925, notice be given of the Council's intention to make an Order assigning to this street the name "Queens Parade Close".

17. REFUSE DISPOSAL - TO CONSIDER POLICY OF RETAINING MAN ON PAPER SALVAGE. The question of the engagement of a special man on the tip face to salvage waste paper from the refuse was last considered by the Council in June, when it was agreed to continue his employment for a further period of three months.

For information the waste paper sales in June were 17 tons 9 cwts. as against 12 tons 14 cwts. the previous June; 21 tons 3 cwts. in July as against 19 tons 15 cwts. the previous July, and 20 tons 19¼ cwts. in August as against 19 tons 11 cwts. the previous August.

It is to be pointed out that the two returns for July and August of last year of roughly 20 tons each month were exceptional for that year insofar as the September return was 13 tons 15 cwts., October 12 tons 18 cwts., November 12 tons 13 cwts., and December 11 tons, and owing to a breakdown in the baling press and holidays of the refuse disposal men, this special man on salvage has not been engaged on waste paper salvage the whole time for the last two months.

The Committee recommend that this man's employment be continued on a month to month basis, so that the matter can be kept under constant review.

18. PRIVATE STREET WORKS.

(a) Making up of Fernwood Crescent - Contractor's Claim for increased cost of materials. With reference to Minute No.5 (a) of the Report of this Committee on 1st July, 1948, on informing Messrs. French, Renwick Ltd., of the Council's decision, a further letter was received in which they express regret at the decision, and ask for reconsideration. They point out that it was the first instance in their experience where such charges have been disallowed during and since the war, and also that they have lost money on this section of the contract. They also point out that a Rise and Fall Clause was incorporated in the contract with Messrs. Hutchinson for the remainder of the work, and that they were under the impression that a similar Clause was included in the Council contract.

The Committee recommend that the Council adhere to their previous decision.

(b) Making up of Alexandra Road - Progress Report. The Contractors Messrs. E. Knifton Ltd., are proceeding satisfactorily, and all sewerage works will be completed by the week ending the 11th September, 1948.

The Barnet District Gas & Water Company, the Tottenham and District Gas Company, and the Eastern Electricity Board have revewed their mains and cables in this section of Alexandra Road, and now that these works are completed it is anticipated that the Contractor will make good progress on the street works.

(c) Making up of Raleigh Drive (part), Temple Avenue, Oakleigh Park South, and Bedford Close. With reference to Minute No.2 of the Report of this Committee on 1st July, the Engineer and Surveyor has issued the necessary Certificate to the effect that the condition of Raleigh Drive, Temple Avenue and Bedford Close is such as to constitute a danger to life and limb to the users of these streets. No further communication has yet been received from the Ministry on this matter.

With regard to Oakleigh Park South, the preparation of this scheme is proceeding, but in view of the shortage of technical staff in the Engineer and Surveyor's Department, it will be some time before the Engineer and Surveyor will be in a position to invite tenders for this work.

(d) Lighting of Porch Way. With reference to Minute No.11 (d) of the Report of this Committee on 6th May, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor has been in negotiation with the original Developers Messrs. Alfred Thompson & Sons Ltd., who have agreed to pay for the cost of installing two lamps in the road. The necessary deposit has been received and an order placed with the Eastern Electricity Board for the work to be put in hand.

(e) Making up of Porch Way. In 1939 Messrs. Alfred Thompson & Sons Ltd., the Developers of this road entered into an Agreement with the Council undertaking to make up the road in accordance with the Council's specification, to lay a surface water sewer and provide means of lighting.

On completion of the works to the satisfaction of the Engineer and Surveyor, the road was to be taken over as a highway repairable by the inhabitants at large.

The work was to be completed within a period of 12 months, and the Developers were to pay to the Council for supervising the work, the sum of £10. and if the works were not completed within the stipulated time, or such extended time as may be allowed by the Engineer and Surveyor, they were to pay a further £10. for each 12 months beyond the original period.

The surface water sewer necessary to drain the highway has been laid, and the installation of lighting has been reported on in the preceding Minute, but the provisions of the Agreement relating to the making up of the road have not yet been complied with.

No application appears to have been made for any extension of time for completion, but undoubtedly the works were delayed owing to the War.

The Committee recommend that Messrs. A. Thompson & Sons Ltd., be requested to proceed with the agreed works, but that no action be taken to enforce the payment of £10. for each additional year other than the original supervision charge of £10.

19. SEWERS.

(a) Raleigh Drive Relief Sewer. A small amount of reinstatement work is still outstanding, on completion of which final costs will be drawn up.

(b) Friern Mount Drive Sewer Collapse - Report on Costs. With reference to Minute No.8 (b) of the Report of this Committee on 8th July, 1948, the final account as agreed with the Contractor, Messrs. French Renwick Ltd., is in the sum of £1,493.10.2d.

The Committee accordingly recommend that formal application be now made to the Minister of Health for consent to loan for a period of 10 years in the sum of £1,500. made up as follows:-

Total cost of work	£1,493.
Loan Charges	7.
	£1,500.

The Committee further recommend that on receipt of loan sanction, the money be borrowed from the Public Works Loan Board, and that the Chairman of the Council and the Clerk be authorised to seal the Mortgage and any other documents, if necessary out of Meeting.

20. SURFACE DRESSING. The annual surface dressing programme for District and County roads was commenced on 30th August, and owing to bad weather rather poor progress has been made, but the work will proceed as quickly as possible when weather conditions permit.

21. QUEENSWELL FOUNTAIN, FRIERN BARNET LANE. This fountain is now in a badly damaged condition, and is serving no purpose, probably not even from an ornamental point of view. The fountain itself is an obsolete type, with chain and cup, which is missing. The bowl is broken and the supply fittings are in such a condition as would require renewal.

The Committee recommend that the fittings be removed, the water supply disconnected, and only the pedestal retained as a memorial, and that the site be generally tidied up.

22. ROADSIDE GARDENS.

(a) Completion of Library Site. The Layout of the Library site, including grass seeding has now been completed. Three trees will be planted in the lawn in the Autumn.

(b) Further Sites. The Committee have referred consideration of the proposals for the carrying out of the work on the remaining selected sites to the Ornamental Gardens Sub-Committee.

23. STATUTORY OPENINGS. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the Statutory Openings being carried out by and on behalf of Statutory Companies.

24. FRIERN HOSPITAL. A letter dated the 4th September, 1948, from Councillor Miss Richards, a copy of which has been circulated to all Members of the Council, was submitted requesting consideration of -

(a) the provision of a seat for 20 or more persons, with a verandah-type roof, at the entrance to the Hospital,

(b) the numbering of the Medical Superintendent's house, and

(c) the numbering of the Hospital itself.

The Committee recommend that the question of the provision of a seat of the type requested be referred to the Ornamental Gardens Sub-Committee.

The Committee also recommend that the Medical Superintendent's house be numbered as requested.

The Committee also further recommend that the Hospital be given a number in Friern Barnet Road.

25. COLNEY HATCH LANE - PROPOSED RE-NAMING. The letter referred to in Minute No.24 above also, for reasons indicated in such letter, requested the consideration of the Committee on the desirability of re-naming Colney Hatch Lane.

The Committee, after giving this matter very careful consideration recommend that no action be taken.

26. ROUNDABOUT - NORTH CIRCULAR ROAD - PINKHAM WAY. With reference to Minute No.4 of the Report of this Committee on 1st July, 1948, correspondence has been received from the Middlesex County Council and the Divisional Road Engineer agreeing to plant flowering shrubs on this roundabout, provided the cost is repaid by this Council, and making enquiries as to the future maintenance.

The Committee recommend that the Council pay for the planting of the shrubs, estimated to cost £25 on the understanding that future maintenance costs would be at the expense of the Trunk Roads Fund.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.15 p.m. and terminated at 8.53 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Rating and Valuation Committee.

16th September, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. A.C.S. Meynell ... Chairman.

Crs. McClane, Matthews, Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds and Sparks.

Also in attendance:

Cr. Mrs. McCarthy.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Henry, Martin and Pickering.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 8th July, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. NEW PROPERTIES. Having received a report by the Valuation Officer as to new properties erected in the District, the Committee recommend assessments as follows:-

		Recommendation.
(a)	Nos. 9, 10, 11, and 12 Friary Close.	£42/32. each.
(b)	No. 21, Buckingham Avenue. Cost of works rebuilt house.	£82/66.
(c)	No. 18, Crescent Road.	£44/34.
(d)	Nos. 236 and 236a, Sydney Road. Cost of works rebuilt flats.	No.236 - £26/19. No.236a- £27/20.

4. ALTERATIONS. Having received a report by the Valuation Officer as to alterations to the following properties, the Committee recommend amended assessments as indicated:-

		Recommendation.
(a)	No.16, Bellevue Road. Premises converted to two flats.	Delete existing £59/47, insert £35/26 each flat.
(b)	Holly Park School. Addition of three Ministry of Works huts.	Increase from £520/430 to £715/592.
(c)	No. 8, St. John's Villas, Friern Barnet Road. The Surgery and Waiting Room at this house have been converted to ordinary domestic accommodation.	Reduce from £67/54 to £59/47.
(d)	No. 182, Sydney Road. Shop converted to living accommodation.	Reduce from £32/25 to £25/18.
(e)	No. 33, Wetherill Road. Shop destroyed by fire.	Divide £70/56 as follows:- Shop £25/18. Buildings and yard £48/38.
(f)	No. 25, Bawtry Road. Garage demolished.	Reduce from £35/26. to £32/24.

		Recommendation.
(g)	No. 23, Hollickwood Avenue. Addition of Garage.	Increase from £38/28 to £41/31.
(h)	No. 9, Thurlestone Avenue. Addition of Garage.	Increase from £38/28 to £41/31.
(i)	No. 12, Thurlestone Avenue. Motor-cycle garage replaced by small car garage.	Increase from £40/30 to £41/31.
(j)	No. 5, Halliwick Court Parade. Store converted to shop.	Increase from £40/30 to £85/68.

5. DEMOLITIONS.

		Recommendation.
(a)	No. 2, Alexandra Road.	Delete assessment of £19/12.
(b)	No. 52, Beaconsfield Road.	Delete assessment of £53/42.

6. PROPOSAL LIST No.67. The Committee approved Proposal List No.67 and authorised the Valuation Officer to take the necessary action in connection therewith.

7. EXAMINATION SUCCESS. The Committee recommend that the congratulations of the Council be forwarded to Mr. R.F. Long on his successfully passing the Intermediate Examination for the Degree of B.Sc. (Estate Management) of the University of London.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 6.45 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Housing Committee.

16th September, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. E. Draper ... Vice Chairman in the Chair.

Crs. Foley, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mason, Matthews Maynell, Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds and Sparks.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Henry, Martin, Pickering and Tarlton.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 8th July, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. HOUSING LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The Report of the Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee held on the 29th July, 1948, a copy of which is attached, was submitted and approved.

4. REQUISITIONED PROPERTIES.

(a) 33, Carlton Road. A renewed application has been received for release of this property to the owner, but the Committee, after giving the matter careful consideration, recommed the Council to adhere to their previous decision.

(b) 26, Parkhurst Road. A further application has been received from the owner of this property for de-requisitioning. Repeated applications have been received from him owing to the unsuitability of his present accommodation, as he has an invalid wife who must have accommodation on the ground floor. The owner purchased the property with the requisition already on it and he was warned at the time of purchase that no promise could be made as to the lifting of the requisition.

The Committee recommend that the Council adhere to their previous decision in this instance.

(c) 86, Chandos Avenue. A renewed application has been received for the release of this property to the owner on the grounds of the high rent which he is now paying for his present accommodation, the insecurity of tenure, the distance from any shopping centre, the long residence of his wife in Friern Barnet, the present accommodation being detrimental to the health of his children, and for other reasons set out in the application.

The Committee recommend that in view of the fact that this property is at present occupied by two families who would require alternative accommodation in the event of the owner's application being granted, no action be taken at the present time.

(d) Arrears of Contributions. The Treasurer submitted a report on the arrears of contributions in respect of requisitioned properties. The following matters arise out of the report:-

(i) Occupier No.549. The arrears are £2 13s. 6d. and the weekly contribution is £1 4s. 8d. There are domestic and financial difficulties and the Committee recommend that a further letter be sent requesting the occupier to call in and see the Treasurer to discuss the question of these arrears.

(ii) Occupier No.674. The arrears are £3 1s. 9d. and the weekly contribution is 17s. 5d. Payments of previous arrears have been irregular, and the Committee recommend that a strongly worded letter be sent to this occupier.

(iii) Occupier No.633. The arrears are £3 19s. 0d. and the weekly contribution is £1 11s. 8d. The occupier arranged to pay regular instalments off previous arrears but of late the payments have become irregular resulting in an increase in the amount outstanding. The Committee recommend that a letter be forwarded requesting adherence to the instalment arrangement, failing which a Notice to terminate the licence will be issued.

(iv) Occupier No.669. The arrears are £7 14s. 4d. and the weekly contribution is £1 18s. 7d. Action has been taken by the Committee on previous arrears resulting in payment. The Committee recommend that notice terminating the licence be served and enforced if necessary.

(v) Occupier No.659. The arrears are £2 17s. 1d. and the weekly contribution is 14s. 5d. Instalment arrangements for payment of the arrears are now in operation and a further report thereon is to be submitted.

(vi) Occupier No.692. The arrears are £3 13s. 2d. and the weekly contribution is £1 16s. 7d. These arrears probably arise from the fact that the occupier is away on holiday. The Treasurer will submit a further report next month if the arrears are still outstanding.

(e) 145, Friern Park - Demolition of old Coach House. The Coach House at the rear of this property is in a dilapidated and dangerous state and it is considered that the building should be demolished as soon as possible and a plan and specification has been prepared incorporating the partial demolition of the building and the adaptation of part of the building for use as a fuel store for the two families occupying the house.

Tenders have been invited from local builders and the Ministry of Health have indicated their approval to the acceptance of the lowest tender received from Mr. E.D. Fensome, in the sum of £78 5s. 0d.

The Committee recommend that the tender of Mr. E.D. Fensome, amounting to £78 5s. 0d. be accepted and the work put in hand.

(f) External Painting. Contracts have been entered into with the following contractors for the external redecoration of the undermentioned requisitioned properties:-

Property	Contractor	Remarks
Friern Park 145	J. Holland & Son.	Not yet commenced.
Sutton Road 32, 88	- do -	" " "
Mayfield Avenue 94	- do -	Commenced.
Friern Watch Avenue	- do -	
58, 64	- do -	Not yet commenced.
60, 70	- do -	Commenced.
Glenthorne Road 61	- do -	Not yet commenced.
Bellevue Road 9	- do -	" " "
Hollyfield Avenue 1	- do -	" " "
Sydney Road 111	- do -	" " "
Torrington Park 97	V.A. Howard Ltd.	" " "
Newton Avenue 13	- do -	" " "
Sutton Road 24, 53	- do -	" " "
Friern Park 118	H. Ginn & Sons.	" " "

(g) "Cranbrook" and "Highclere" - Repairs.

(i) "Cranbrook". Repairs in connection with the removal of dry rot at this property have been completed and a considerable amount of work was involved. A report on the cost thereof will be submitted in due course.

(ii) "Highclere". The owner's agents have now agreed to the filling of the basement of this property, and the Engineer and Surveyor hopes to be in a position to invite tenders in about a week's time.

5. BUILDING CONTRACTORS - INTERIM PAYMENTS. The Committee have authorised and ordered Barclays Bank Limited to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed on page 22 of the Treasurer's Order amounting to £15,061 5s. 9d., being interim payments to building contractors, subject to the accounts being initialled by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of this Committee.

The accounts have since been inspected and initialled by the Vice-Chairman.

6. MINISTRY OF HEALTH CIRCULARS.

(a) Progress Officers. Circular L.R.L.15/1948 dated 9th July, 1948 from the Ministry of Health states that the Progress Officers appointed by the Minister have been instructed to keep in touch with local authorities throughout the progress of the erection of houses from the time of acceptance of tender, and every effort will be made to speed up not only the completion of houses but the time taken by the Ministry in considering and approving tenders.

(b) Acquisition of Controlled Materials. Circular 136 dated 10th July, 1948, has been received from the Ministry of Health setting out the procedure to be adopted in connection with the acquisition of controlled materials.

7. FRIERN BARNET PROGRESSIVE TENANTS' ASSOCIATION. Notification has been received of the formation of this Association, the Chairman being Mr. V. Snellgrove and the Vice Chairman Mr. J. Mackie. The objects of the Association are stated to be to ensure a mutual understanding between the Council and the tenants and to endeavour to obtain an amicable solution to any grievances which may arise. The Association is open to all tenants occupying flats on Housing Site No.3, Alexandra Road, and the Association will endeavour to incorporate tenants of other housing schemes. The Association is to be non-political and a Committee of the Association is to be formed comprising one member from each block.

8. NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT. A letter has been received from the Clerk of the County Council referring to the duty placed upon the County Council by the above Act to provide temporary accommodation for persons in urgent need thereof, and stating that the County Council is considering the provisions of temporary accommodation for persons who might be rendered homeless as a result of flooding or fire. The County Council are enquiring whether local authorities in the County have in the past used "half-way houses" and if so, whether such temporary accommodation could be made available for the accommodation of persons rendered homeless in the event of flooding or fire, any expenditure incurred by the local authority being paid by the County Council.

The County Council have been informed that this Council have not found it necessary in the past to provide "half-way houses", as it has been possible to accommodate persons rendered homeless at very short notice in properties which have been requisitioned from time to time, but that undoubtedly the Council would be prepared to help in any way possible in the future.

The Committee recommend that the action taken be confirmed.

9. PROPERTIES IN BEACONSFIELD ROAD. The Clerk reported redeipt of formal notifications of the decisions of the Rent Tribunal in respect of references from two of the tenants in No.12 Beaconsfield Road and submitted a report thereon.

10. EXCHEQUER CONTRIBUTIONS. The Executive Committee of the Outer London Standing Joint Committee have recently had under consideration correspondence from the Borough of Ilford in relation to the question of rents payable by tenants of houses provided under that Council's post-war housing schemes. The Ilford Borough Council pointed out that when the Exchequer Contributions were fixed under the Act of 1946, the Minister undoubtedly had in view the fact that at that time the rate of interest on loans was 2½%, that the rate has now been increased to 3%, and that the cost of building has increased, and they requested the Outer London Standing Joint Committee to consider the question of asking the Minister to consider an increase in the Exchequer Contributions, as they felt many of the tenants would be unable to afford the increased rents. The Standing Joint Committee have referred the matter to all local authorities enquiring what action the local authority had taken or proposed to take in the matter, and whether it is considered desirable that the amount of the Exchequer Contributions should be considered by the Joint Committee.

The Treasurer reports that the Minister has already decided that the present rates of contributions should continue until June 1949, the Minister's view appearing to be that relief from high rents should be obtained by lower building costs, and the Minister has promised to re-examine the position in due course if loan charges and building costs do not fall.

The Committee recommend that no action be taken at the present time.

11. HOUSING RETURNS. The Ministry of Health Housing Returns for June and July were submitted.

12. ALEXANDRA ROAD FLATS - CARETAKER. The caretaker, Mr. C. Salisbury, took up occupation of his flat on the 6th September, 1948, from which date his duties will commence.

13. MUSWELL HILL GOLF COURSE. It will be remembered that the Committee decided to approach the Wood Green Borough Council with a view to some slight adjustment being made in the boundary line between Housing Site No.3 and the Muswell Hill Golf Course. Both the Wood Green Borough Council and the Muswell Hill Golf Club agreed to the proposition, and application was made to the Minister of Health for consent to an exchange of small areas of land between the two authorities. The Minister stated he was unable to issue a formal instrument authorising an exchange of lands, but he was prepared to issue consents to sale to both authorities if some agreed value could be arranged. It was agreed with the Wood Green Borough Council that the value of the area of land to be transferred to this Council should be fixed at £5, with a similar value on the area of land to be transferred from the Council to Wood Green, so that there would be no actual cash transfer. The Minister has now issued his formal consent to sale on these terms.

The Committee recommend that the Chairman of the Council and the Clerk be authorised to seal any necessary documents in connection therewith, if necessary out of Meeting.

14. "THE HOLLIES", OAKLEIGH PARK NORTH. The Minister has intimated that he has no objection to the Council acquiring the site of the above property for housing purposes, and has asked for development plans which are being prepared for submission to the Minister.

15. SMITH'S NURSERY SITE, OAKLEIGH ROAD. It will be remembered that this Council originally intended to purchase this site for housing purposes, but that subsequently the Middlesex County Council thought the site might be suitable for the erection of a Day Nursery. The

Middlesex County Council now state that they are considering the advantages and disadvantages of this site in conjunction with another site which they have in mind. In the meantime the Clerk has received a number of enquiries both from the owner of this land and intending purchasers as to the Council's intentions.

The Committee recommend that subject to the approval of the Minister of Health, the whole of this land, or in the event of the Middlesex County Council acquiring a part for the erection of a Day Nursery, such part as remains, be acquired by this Council for housing purposes.

16. BUILDING LICENCES - CASE OF AN ALLEGED CONTRAVENTION. With reference to Minute No.12 (f) of the Report of this Committee on 8th July, 1948, the Clerk submitted his report on this matter and the Committee directed that proceedings be instituted and authorised the Clerk to make the necessary arrangements for this Council to be represented by Counsel.

17. HOUSING ESTATES.

(a) General Maintenance. The report by the Engineer and Surveyor on the general maintenance of Housing Estates was submitted for information.

(b) Arrears of Rent. The Treasurer reported on the present position regarding arrears of rent. The following matters arise out of this report:-

(i) Tenant No.21. Arrears £2.18.6d, weekly rent £1.6.7d. There is no financial hardship; the tenant has been continually in arrear, and the Committee recommend that Notice to Quit be served on the tenant.

(ii) Tenant No.57. It was reported last month that the tenant promised to reduce the arrears, now amounting to £6.9.6d, by regular instalments, but the amount outstanding has in fact increased. In view of the failure to pay instalments, the Committee recommend that Notice to Quit be served.

(iii) Tenant No.66. The tenant offers 5/-d per week off the arrears amounting to £4.9.7d, and the Committee recommend that this be agreed to, but that in the event of the tenant failing to pay Notice to Quit be served.

(iv) Tenant No.82. The tenant agrees to reduce the arrears, which amount to £4.3.10., by 10/-d per week, and the Committee recommend that if this is not adhered to Notice to Quit be served.

(v) Tenant No.126. The tenant offers to pay weekly instalments off the arrears amounting to £2.14.4d, and the Committee recommend that if these are erregular or insufficient Notice to Quit be served.

(vi) Tenant No.155. Arrears £2.19.11d, weekly rent £1.5.9d. Financial circumstances are difficult in this case, and the Committee recommend that a further letter be written requesting regular instalment payments, and that a further report be submitted to the next Meeting.

(vii) Tenant No.199. Arrears £5.11.10d, weekly rent £1.6.7d. The Committee at their last Meeting gave authority for the service of a Notice to Quit, this was served and payment made, since when the further arrears have accrued. The Committee recommend that a further Notice to Quit be served.

(viii) Tenant No.225. Arrears £3.0.10d, weekly rent £1.5.1d. There is no financial hardship in this case; previous Notices to Quit have brought forth payment, and the Committee recommend that a further Notice be served.

(ix) Tenant No.357. Arrears £2.8.4d, weekly rent £1.3.8d. The Committee is not aware of any financial difficulty in this case, and in view of the fact that the arrears of £2.8.4d represent approximately only two weeks rent, recommend that the tenant be informed he must make immediate payment.

(x) Tenant No.1025. Arrears £2.6.6d, weekly rent £1.0.9d. There does not appear to be any financial hardship in this case, and the Committee recommend that a letter be sent.

(c) Re-building of Coal Houses, North Ward. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a quotation from Mr. G.D. Vine, dated 27th July, 1948, in the sum of 30/-d each for adding on 18" of brick-work to those coal houses already build, and in the sum of £5 for the revised size of 3' 10½" wide, 4' deep overall, 6' high at the front and 5' 6" at the back, of those to be build on existing sites.

The Committee instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to ascertain the numbers of each type concerned and report thereon to the General Purposes Committee.

(d) New Stoves and Hot Water Systems. With reference to Minute No.3 (g) of the Report of this Committee on 10th June, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had obtained the services of a further three pairs of Plumbers.

The Committee recommend that under the circumstances the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to continue with this work by direct labour, up to the total as provided in the Annual Estimates.

(e) Survey of condition of Hot Water Systems and Fireplaces - To consider policy. Arising from the survey which has been made, a schedule has been prepared showing the condition of the Fireplaces and Hot Water Systems in all Council houses.

The Committee recommend that consideration of this matter be postponed until the next Meeting of the Committee.

(f) External Painting of Prefabs. Further to the Committee's recommendation as to the external painting of prefabricated houses, an inspection has now been made.

The Committee recommend that in view of the fact that the best part of the year for work of this nature is now practically over, the doors and door frames only be repainted this year and the rest of the work, which is not in such a bad condition be left until next year.

(g) Nos.2 & 4, East Road - Proposal to instal Electric Lighting. During the August recess quotations were invited for the installation of electricity in Nos. 2 and 4, East Road, and the quotations, excluding the servicing charge, were as follows:-

G.D. Vine	£13 15s. 0d. per house.
A.R. Jeffrey	£14 16s. 6d. " "
Eastern Electricity Board	£15 0s. 0d. " "
E. Wight & Co... ...	£16 15s. 0d. " "

The quotations include for wiring complete with ceiling blocks, roses, holders, switches, main switch fuses and provision of the following points:-

Hall	One point in centre of passage with 2-way switch in Hall and landing.
Front Reception Room..	One lighting point.
Back Reception Room...	One lighting point and one switch plug.
Kitchen	One lighting point.

Bedroom No.1 ... ... One lighting point.

Bedroom No.2 ... ... One lighting point.

The total cost of installation, based on the lowest tender, is as follows:-

Internal wiring and provision of points	£13 15s. 0d.
Eastern Electricity Board's charge for supply from mains... ...	7 5s. 0d.
	£21 0s. 0d.

The two tenants concerned were written to giving details of the quotation and informed that if they were prepared to pay for the cost of the work, the Council would give permission for electricity to be installed in the property. It was also pointed out that the cost of removing the existing gas installations and fittings would be borne by the Council. Each of the tenants concerned have replied to the effect that they are not in a position to pay the full amount down, but would be prepared to pay 2/-d per week until the amount is paid off.

The Committee recommend that this work be put in hand and that the offer of the tenants concerned to pay 2/-d per week until the amount is paid off be accepted.

(h) Fencing. A survey has now been made of fences to all Council houses.

The Committee recommend that in view of the magnitude of the problems, consideration of this matter be postponed until the next Meeting of the Committee.

(i) External Painting. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the following Council houses have been redecorated by direct labour:-

Albion Avenue 2 - 32 inclusive.
Russell Lane 11 - 31 "

Contracts have been entered into for the redecoration of the following Council properties in the sum of £18.10.0d per house, and a commencement has been made on the work:-

Albion Avenue	1 - 11 inclusive.	Messrs. W.E. Smith.
Coppetts Road	50 - 76 "	" V.A. Howard Ltd.
Russell Road	2 - 10 "	" H.C. Buddington.

The Engineer and Surveyor hopes to commence the following Council houses by direct labour staff as soon as the redecorations to the Town Hall are complete:-

The Vale 1 - 11 and 2 - 16 inclusive.
Miles Way 1 - 43 and 2 - 20 "
Albion Avenue 13 - 19 "
Simmons Way 1 - 31 "

(j) 233/235, Oakleigh Road - Structural Repairs. The structural repairs to these two houses have now been completed. During the course of repairs a spring was found under one house, which made a considerable amount of extra work necessary in the form of additional footings and a drain and soak away.

A further report will be submitted as to the exact cost of this additional work.

(k) 34/35, Russell Road - Structural Repairs. The structural repairs to these two properties have been completed and less work was proved necessary than was originally anticipated, which will result in a substantial saving on the job.

(l) Felling of two dead Trees, rear of Oakleigh Road North. With reference to Minute No.3 (b) of the Meeting of the Housing Committee held on 10th June, 1948, quotations have been obtained for the carrying out of this work. The quotation from Mr. W. Tansley for £12, being the lowest, was accepted, and this work has now been completed.

18. HOUSING SCHEMES.

(a) Site No.3 - Alexandra Road.

(i) Friern Barnet Progressive Tenants' Association. Correspondence with the Friern Barnet Progressive Tenants' Association was submitted setting out certain suggestions for the completion and improvement of the above site, and requesting a visit by Members of the Housing Committee to meet representatives of the Association to discuss their complaints.

The Committee instructed the Clerk to forward copies of this correspondence to the Women's Advisory Panel on Housing forthwith, and recommend that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Council, the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of this Committee and Cr. Mrs. McCarthy, be appointed to meet representatives of the Friern Barnet Progressive Tenants' Associaltion on the site and report back to this Committee.

(ii) Outstanding Works. The completion of site works will commence as soon as it is possible for the contractor to gain access to the site, which is temporarily obstructed by a sewer trench.

(b) Site No.4 - Alexandra Road - Progress. A further 12 flats were handed over for occupation on 28th August, 1948. Work on the site is progressing satisfactorily, and it is hoped that by the end of next week structural work on this site will be completed.

A further 12 flats should be ready for occupation by the third week in October.

(c) Site No.5 - Colney Hatch Lane.

(i) Contract 5A/4 - Messrs. Hubert C. Leach Ltd. In a letter dated 16th August, 1948, the Ministry of Health gives approval to the tender for a further 6 houses type 1, submitted by Messrs. Hubert C. Leach in the sum of £7,552. 10. 0d. and work on the 6 houses has commenced.

The Committee recommend that application be made to the Minister of Health for sanction to loan in the sum of £7,587 made up as follows:-

Cost of works	£7,552 10s. 0d.
Stamp Duty and cost of raising loan.	34 10s. 0d.
	£7,587 0s. 0d.

and that on receipt of loan sanction the money be borrowed from the Public Works Loan Board, and that the Chairman of the Council and the Clerk be authorised to seal the Mortgage and any other necessary documents, if necessary out of Meeting.

(ii) Contract 5A/6 - Messrs. Graham, Builders and Contractors Ltd. A tender for a further 12 houses has been negotiated and submitted to the Ministry of Health for approval, and it is understood that the Ministry are likely to approve this tender very shortly.

(iii) Contract 5B/4 - 24 Flats. Tenders for these flats were opened on 14th July, 1948, and the lowest tender was submitted to the Ministry of Health, after checking on 20th July, 1948. Ministry approval was received on 19th August, 1948, but having been notified of the acceptance of their tender, the firm concerned wrote withdrawing their tender on 24th August, 1948.

The second lowest tender, which was submitted by Messrs. Tarran Industries Ltd., (now Myton Ltd.) in the sum of £37,256 was then submitted to the Ministry of Health, and a letter approving this tender was received on 7th September, 1948.

It is understood that this firm are able to commence work on the site on 4th October, 1948, the contract period being ten months from that date.

The Committee recommend that application be made to the Minister of Health for sanction to loan in the sum of £37,424 made up as follows:-

Cost of works.	£37,256.
Stamp Duty and cost of raising loan.	168.
	£37,424.

and that on receipt of loan sanction the money be borrowed from the Public Works Loan Board, and that the Chairman of the Council and the Clerk be authorised to seal the Mortgage and any other necessary documents, if necessary out of Meeting.

(iv) Houses - Progress. Twelve houses are now occupied on this site. Progress in the finishing trades by the original two contractors for a total of 20 houses, all of which are structurally completed, is still slow, but progress on the recent contracts for a total of 76 houses is generally good, 52 being above damp course level and 8 roofed in.

(v) Tenders for further 30 Flats. The Ministry of Health have indicated that they are prepared to consider tenders for a further 30 flats on this site, and tenders have, therefore, been invited for one block of 6 flats and one block of 24 flats. These tenders should be available for the October Meeting of this Committee.

(vi) Housing Programme. When the anticipated Ministry of Health approval for an additional 12 houses on this site is received the total number of houses built, or under construction on this site, will be 108, there remaining only 12 houses, and 6 aged persons dwellings on the plot now occupied by temporary allotments, which will not be available for housing until the end of March, by which time a large proportion of the houses already approved should be completed.

Should the Ministry approve a tender for a further 30 flats, 54 flats should be under construction, with a further 60 outstanding. With the completion of flats on Site 4, it is likely the Ministry will approve further contracts.

(vii) Painting of Bathrooms, Kitchens, W.C's and Dados. The Committee recommend that subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health the painting of bathrooms, kitchens, W.C's, and dados in halls, staircases and landings in houses on this site, be carried out at an additional expenditure of approximately £10 per house.

(viii) Immersion Heaters and Electric Fires. The Engineer and Surveyor has been in touch with the Ministry of Health again in connection with the provision of Electric Panel Fires in bedrooms, and the provision of Immersion Heaters for summer water heating, and he understands that the Ministry have not changed their views that Panel Fires should not be provided for bedrooms, but in the case of Immersion Heaters they might be prepared to consider the provision of these so long as they are wired and switched in such a way that it is impossible to have both Immersion Heater and Cooker on at the same time. The Ministry have been most anxious not to increase the electric loading above the minimum practicable.

It is found that such a switching device has only just been produced, and that the provision of Immersion Heaters and the necessary switchgear will probably cost in the region of £15 per house.

There is, of course, no difficulty in adapting the installation in the houses now being built, to provide this apparatus, but there would be difficulty in the houses already completed as the Immersion Heater point is wired in the normal way as a separate unit.

The Committee recommend that subject to Ministry approval, Immersion Heaters be installed at an additional expenditure of approximately £15 per house.

(ix) Approval from Ministry of Health to installation of 22 Street Lamps. Approval has now been received from the Ministry of Health to the installation of 22 street lamps at a cost of £645.14.0d in lieu of the 18 street lamps at a cost of £300 originally included in the Bill of Quantities of Messrs. Percy Bilton Ltd.

(x) Aged Persons' Dwellings. The question of the provision of aged persons' dwellings in addition to the six included in the layout of this site was raised.

The Committee recommend that consideration of the need for aged persons' dwellings be borne in mind when considering future schemes.

19. BUILDING LICENCES.

(a) Allocation. Cr. Mrs. McCarthy submitted a letter from Cr. Martin requesting information as to the allocation of the last 18 building licences to private builders. The Chairman reported that the Chairman of this Committee (Councillor Pickering) in consultation with himself, the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council and the Surveyor, had allocated these houses in accordance with the delegation given to the Chairman by this Committee for the period of the recess.

The Committee recommend that the allocation of the further eight licences now available be referred to the Housing Lettings Committee for consideration and allocation.

One of these 18 licences has been issued in respect of the following approved development:-

Vacant site, junction of Torrington Park and Friern Barnet Lane. - Detached dwellinghouse - Maximum selling price £3,475. Maximum rental £191.0.0d. exclusive - R.J. Johnston.

(b) Progress re cost of works Houses.

1 Licence issued in August for 2 houses.

Total Licences issued	51 Houses. 10 Flats.
Total completions to date	22 Houses.

(c) Progress re private enterprise Houses.

1 Licence issued in August for 1 House.

Total Licences issued	42 Houses. 29 Flats.
Completions during July and August ...	1 House.
Total completions to date	36 Houses. 29 Flats.

20. LAWRENCE CAMPE'S ALMSHOUSES - SCHEME FOR TREE PLANTING IN FRONTAGE. The grass in front of the Almshouses has been cut by scythe, and it has been suggested that the appearance of the front of the Almshouses would be very much improved if the two unsightly Elm trunks were removed and replaced with suitable young trees. There are a number of smaller Elms at each end of the Almshouses, and a Horse Chestmut, and it is thought that by replacing the two trees with a Horse Chestnut, and two Ash trees, a pleasing effect would be obtained in a reasonable period of time.

The Committee recommend that the question be passed to the Ornamental Gardens Sub-Committee for consideration.

21. NATIONAL HOUSING AND TOWN PLANNING CONFERENCE. The Clerk submitted an invitation from the National Housing and Town Planning Council for the appointment of delegates to attend the above Conference, to be held at Margate on the 25th to 28th November, 1948, inclusive. The Ministry of Health has sanctioned the payment of all reasonable expenses in connection with the attendance of not more than four delegates.

The Committee recommend that the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of this Committee, the Chairman of the Town Planning Committee, Cr. Miss Richards and the Engineer and Surveyor, be appointed as the Council's delegates to the above Conference.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.45 p.m. and terminated at 8.10 p.m.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee.

29th July, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. J.E. Pickering ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Richardson, Simmonds and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Henry and Sparks.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 26th June, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. SELECTION OF TENANTS - PERMANENT HOUSING SITE No.5 COLNEY HATCH LANE. The Committee have selected the following applicants for the tenancy of properties on this site which are nearing completion:-

Applicants Number D.248; D95; D.194; D.72; D.176; D.87; D.42; D.114; E.36; E.14; D.125; D.135; D.52; D.4; D.178; D.97; D.212; D.94; D.171; D.232.

The Committee decided to give priority to those of the selected applicants whose present accommodation will become available for other applicants on the Council's Housing list.

4. APPLICATION D.39. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Report of this Committee on the 26th June, 1948, the Committee decided to offer this applicant the tenancy of a Council house and to allocate to the Caretaker the flat the applicant was previously offered.

5. TENANT No.10/04 - LODGERS. The Committee decided to grant an application received from this tenant to accomodate his married son and wife in this Council house.

6. CHELWOOD, OAKLEIGH ROAD NORTH. A further application was received from the occupiers of this requisitioned property for the cleaning of the common staircase and the Committee are of the opinion that the occupiers should make a joint arrangement for this work to be carried out by them.

E. Draper.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.45 p.m. and terminated at 9.0 p.m.

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL. 22

No. 22

To BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED,
233, WOODHOUSE ROAD, FRIERN BARNET, N.12.

PURSUANT to a Resolution adopted this 16TH day of SEPTEMBER, 1948
WE, the Council the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 22 to ~~to~~ of this Order, amounting to the sum of ----------FIFTEEN THOUSAND AND SIXTY ONE---------- pounds ---FIVE-- shilgs and ---------NINE--------- pence, ~~also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of ..... pounds and in any one case a maximum of ..... pounds signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.~~

Chairman.

Members of the Council.

Countersigned :

Clerk of the Council.

S. & S. LTD. G61924

Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
883	R.BORLAND & SON LTD.--	1,150 - -
884	H.C.BUDDINGTON.--	50 - -
885	CHAS.DENTON.--	1,880 - -
886	GRAHAM BUILDERS & CONTRACTORS LTD.--	2,650 - -
887	J.HOLLAND & SON.--	150 - -
888	V.A.HOWARD LTD.--	860 - -
889	HUBERT C LEACH LTD.--	2,340 - -
890	McMANUS & CO LTD.--	5,450 - -
891	R.W.POWE & REVELL LTD.--	510 - -
892	TEUTON & CO LTD.--	21 5 9
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Report and Recommendations of the Town Planning Committee

16th September, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. L.W. McClane ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Mrs. McCarthy, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds, and Sparks.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Henry, Martin, Pickering and Tarlton.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 8th July, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. NORTH MIDDLESEX AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE. The Area Planning Committee will be holding Meetings at the Guildhall, Westminster, S.W.1, on the following dates:-

27th September at 3.0 p.m.
25th October at 4.0 p.m.
22nd November at 3.0 p.m.

4. BUILDINGS OF SPECIAL ARCHITECTURAL OR HISTORIC INTEREST. The Ministry of Town and Country Planning have forwarded a provisional list of buildings of special architectural or historic nature within the District, and have requested certain information as to ownership, occupation etc., which has been duly returned to the Ministry.

5. MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL CIRCULAR No.4. This is a very long Circular from the Clerk of the County Council setting out detailed administrative procedure in connection with some provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act, and asking to be supplied with a considerable amount of information which is in course of preparation.

The Clerk of the County Council desires to be advised of the names of those persons whom this Council consider should be authorised to act as authorised Officers under Section 103 of the Act which deals with the powers of entry.

The Committee recommend that the following members of the Engineer and Surveyor's Department be appointed as authorised officers for the purposes of the application of Section 103 of the Town and Country Planning Act:-

Engineer and Surveyor.
Deputy Engineer and Surveyor.
Assistant Architect.
Senior Building Inspector.

6. MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL CIRCULAR No.5. With reference to Minute No.5 (c) of the Report of this Committee on the 10th June, 1948, the County Council now state that the proposals regarding financial reimbursement of the Council's expenses as Agents for the County Council have recently been discussed with the Drafting Sub-Committee of the Executive Committee of the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association in connection with the question of transfer of staff to the County Council. The concern of local authorities at the loss of control over staff was expressed by those present at the Conference and the County Council pointed out that it must be appreciated that if these officers are paid by the County Council they will be subject to a difference in conditions of service and liable to transfer to other local authorities, and that the payment of salaries direct to them would involve a corresponding reduction in the amount of administration expenses paid to local authorities. The Drafting Sub-Committee therefore suggested that the most satisfactory solution would be for the transferred officers to be

re-transferred to local authorities and for each authority to pay its own administrative expenses, thereby rendering any claim for reimbursement from the County Council unnecessary, and at the same time avoiding the issue of precepts by the Councy Council to cover such claims. The Councy Council is prepared to agree to this proposal, subject to the Delegation Agreement being amended accordingly and to the Minister of Town and Country Planning approving. This would, of course, in effect mean that this Council would not receive the proposed minimum payment of £500 per annum, and on the other hand would not receive from the County Council any precept to recover that payment and similar payments made to other local authorities in the County.

The Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association at their Meeting on 28th July, 1948, recommended all local authorities to accept the proposal put forward by the Middlesex County Council.

The Committee recommend that the proposals of the Middlesex County Council be approved and accepted.

7. 1416, HIGH ROAD, WHETSTONE. The enquiry into Messrs. Breen's appeal against the Council's refusal of permission to install machinery took place on 27th July, 1948. Up to the date of this report no decision has been received from the Minister of Town and Country Planning.

8. LAND AT THE JUNCTION OF SYDNEY ROAD AND COLNEY HATCH LANE. Notification has been received from Messrs. Watney, Coombe, Reid & Co. that they have lodged an appeal with the Minister of Town and Country Planning against the Council's refusal to permit the development of the above land by the erection of licensed premises. No notification has been received from the Minister of Town and Country Planning as to the receipt of this appeal or of the date fixed for the Hearing.

9. STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS ETC. The following is a list of Statutory Instruments and Memoranda issued by the Minister of Town and Country Planning and other Ministers, in connection with the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947.

It will be appreciated that a special staff would be required to keep Members advised or to issue reports on these and the numerous other legislature which is being poured out by the various Ministries. The titles of the various regulations etc., do, however, give Members some adea of the subjects dealt with, and as and when specific cases arise, an endeavour will be made to advise Members of their powers and duties.

Statutory Instruments.

1947	No.2294	The Central Land Board Regulations 1947.
"	" 2499	(Authorisation of Delegation) Regulations 1947.
1948	" 213	(Appointed Day) Order 1948.
"	" 711	(Making of Applications) Regulations 1948.
"	" 902	Claims for Depreciation of Land Value Regulations 1948.
"	" 954	(Use Classes) Order 1948.
"	" 955	(Use Classes for 3rd Schedule Purposes) Order 1948.
"	" 958	(General Development) Order 1948.
"	" 1126	(Enforcement of Restriction of Ribbon Development Acts) Additional Regulations 1948.
"	" 1188	(Development Charge Exemptions) Regulations 1948.
"	" 1189	(Development Charge) Regulations 1948.
"	" 1236	(Transfer of Property and Officers and Compensation to Officers) Regulations 1948.
"	" 1380	(General) Regulations 1948.
"	" 1436	(Tree Preservation Order) Regulations 1948.
"	" 1437	(Minerals) Direction No.1.
"	" 1461	(Local Authorities' Land - Exceptions to Section 32) Regulations 1948.
"	" 1520	(Enforcement of Restriction of Ribbon Development Acts) Regulations 1948.

1948 No. 1521 (Minerals Regulations) 1948.
" " 1522 (Modification of Mines Act) Regulations 1948.
" " 1613 (Control of Advertisements) Regulations 1948.
" " 1766 (Building Preservation Order) Regulations 1948.
" " 1767 (Development Plans) Regulations 1948.

Statutory Instruments dealing with the same Act but issued by other Ministries.

1948 No. 207 Acquisition of Land (Claims for Adjustment of Compensation for War Damaged Land) Regulations 1948. (Treasury)
" " 1213 (Registration of Orders and Lists of Buildings)
(L.9) Rules 1948. (Lord Chancellor)
" No. 1283 Local Land Charges (Amendment) Rules 1948.
(L.13) (Lord Chancellor)
" No. 1309 (Erection of Industrial Buildings) Regulations 1948. (Board of Trade)
" " 1348 Stopping up of Highways (Concurrent Proceedings) Regulations 1948. (Ministry of Transport)

Memoranda.

Explanatory Memorandum - Part I General.
" II Sectional notes.

Orders on Section 12 (2) (f) and Para. 6 Third Schedule - Explanatory Memo.

General Development Order - Explanatory Memo.

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Circulars.

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" 51 General Regulations.
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" 54 Grant Regulations.
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" 118 Development Schemes.
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10. PLANS. The Committee have considered the following applications for planning permission to the undermentioned development and for approval to plans under the Public Health Act, 1936, and Building Byelaws and other statutory enactments and in accordance with their delegated powers have taken the action noted against each application.

Where planning permission has been granted or refused action has been taken as Agents for the Middlesex County Council under the Delegation Agreement.

Where the plans have been "excepted" by the Area Planning Officer the Committee's recommendations have been forwarded to him.

Where conditions have been imposed these are recorded against each application.

Plans No.3861/F.B.4 to 3868/F.B.14 were dealt with by the Chairman of the Committee during the vacation.

(a) Plan 3861/F.B.4. 60, Church Crescent. Extension of garage and additional bedroom. L. Bignell.
Planning - permission granted.
Byelaws - approval already granted.

(b) Plan 3863. Factory N.W. side of Hampden Road. H. Odone.
Planning.- application not yet received.
Byelaws - approved.

(c) Plan 3864/F.B.7. 30, Stanford Road, N.11. Two self-contained flats. H. Wells.
Planning - permission granted.
Byelaws - approved.

(d) Plan 3865/F.B.10. 33, Raleigh Drive. Prefabricated domestic garage. Dr. R. Semple.
Planning - permission granted.
Byelaws - approved.

(e) Plan 3866/F.B.11. 121, Pembroke Road. Bathroom and minor alterations. Mr. J.T. Russell.
Planning - permission granted.
Byelaws - approved.

(f) Plan 3867/F.B.12. 44, Mayfield Avenue. Domestic garage. Mrs. E. Day.
Planning - permission granted.
Byelaws - approved.

(g) Plan F.B.13. 1294, High Road, N.20. Food Store. Cullens Stores Ltd.
Planning - permission granted.
Byelaws - approval already granted.

(h) Plan 3868/F.B.14. 35, Raleigh Drive. Private garage. Mr. G.J. Pimm.
Planning - permission granted.
Byelaws - approved.

(i) Plan F.B.15. "Blanefield", Oakleigh Park South, N.20. Use as a home to house mission workers, for the Trustees - Community of the Resurrection of St. Peter's Home, South Africa.
Planning - permission granted, subject to a condition prohibiting the display of any nameplate or sign other than a nameplate of limited size, such nameplate to be approved by the Council.
Byelaws - approval not required.

(j) Plan F.B.16. 54, Bellevue Road, N.11. Use partly for the purpose of making stained glass windows and partly for residential purposes. Mr. H.W. Luxford.
Planning - passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission to develop be refused on the following grounds:-

The proposed development would be detrimental to the amenities of the adjoining property.

It is contrary to the principles of good planning to permit industrial development in an area which is predominately residential in character.

Byelaws - approval not required.

(k) Plan F.B.17. Rebuilding "Blue Anchor" P.H., High Road, N.20. Messrs. Benskins Watford Brewery Ltd.
Planning - passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be granted subject to:-

The owners conveying, free of cost to the Highway Authority at the time of rebuilding, that portion of the forecourt which will eventually be included in the highway, provided that the Highway Authority pay all legal costs, reform and make up the surface of this land for use as a car park allowing the owners under licence the use of this land for such a purpose until road widening takes place, and the Highway Authority maintaining the car park for this period.

The temporary urinal being removed immediately the rebuilding of the "Blue Anchor" P.H. is completed.

The existing signpost being moved to a position behind the road improvement line at the time road widening takes place.

The erection of a dwarf wall or other measure along the frontage of the site on the road improvement line between the vehicular accesses.

The vehicular accesses to be in accordance with the requirements of the County Engineer and Surveyor.

Byelaws - approval already granted.

(l) Plan 3869/F.B.18. 176, Sydney Road. Glazed porch at rear. Mr. T. Collinson.
Planning - permission granted.
Byelaws - approved.

(m) Plan 3870/F.B.19. 214, Colnay Hatch Lane, N.10. Private garage at side. Mr. W. Long.
Planning - passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be granted subject to the application receiving favourable consideration by the County Engineer and Surveyor.
Byelaws - approved.

(n) Plan 3871/F.B.20. 1412 to 1418, High Road, Whetstone, N.20. Four shops with six self-contained flats over. Messrs. T.P. Breen Ltd.
Planning - passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be granted subject to:-

The owners conveying, free of cost to the Highway Authority at the time of erection of proposed shops and flats, that partion of the land which will eventually be included in the highway, provided that the Highway Authority pay all legal costs and reform and make up the surface of this land.

The design of the shop fronts being to the approval of the Council.

Byelaws - approved subject to the structural steel work, beams, piers, reinforced concrete floors and adequate foundations all being to the satisfaction of the Engineer and Surveyor.

(o) Plan 3872/F.B.21. 8, Chandos Avenue, N.20. Private garage at rear. Mr. D.J. Mack.
Planning - permission granted subject to the vehicular access to Chandos Avenue being in accordance with the requirements of the Council.
Byelaws - approved.

(p) Plan 3873/F.B.22. 56, Buckingham Avenue, N.20. Private garage at rear. Mr. J. Collins.
Planning - permission granted.
Byelaws - approved.

(q) Plan 3874/F.B.23. Nos.46 to 56 (even nos. inclusive) Friern Mount Drive, N.20. Three pairs semi-detached houses. Messrs. F. & H. Joyce Ltd.
Planning - permission granted.
Byelaws - approved subject to:-

Site being filled with suitable materials, and the foundations on the site of the filled ground being to the satisfaction of the Engineer and Surveyor.

The deposit of cross sections of the site indicating the level of the site of the buildings, the level of the lowest floor of the buildings and the level of the street adjoining the curtilege of the buildings.

(r) Plan 3875/F.B.24. 75, Raleigh Drive, N.20. Detached house. Mr. K.A. Newgas.
Planning - permission granted.
Byelaws - approved.

(s) Plan 3876/F.B.25. Junction of Friern Barnet Lane and Torrington Park. Amended site plan of detached house north side. Mr. J. Johnston.
Planning - permission granted.
Byelaws - approved.

(t) Plan 3877/F.B.26. 12, Friern Mount Drive, N.20. Detached bungalow and detached garage. Mr. S. Ridler.
Planning - permission granted.
Byelaws - approved.

(u) Plan 3857/F.B.1. 147, Woodhouse Road, N.12. Garage at rear. Mr. J.E. Flesher.
Planning - refused in accordance with the decision of the Area Planning Committee for the reason that the proportion of site covered would be excessive.
Byelaws - approval already granted.

(v) Plan No. F.B.8. Land Junction Colney Hatch Lane and Sydney Road. Proposed licensed premises. Watney Coombe, Reid & Co. Ltd.
Planning - in accordance with the decision of the Area Planning Committee permission refused for the reason that the site is inadequate as the area does not afford the necessary car parking facilities.

The Assistant Commissioner of Police agrees that all access, pedestrian and vehicular, should be confined to Sydney Road as far as possible from its junction with Colney Hatch Lane.
Byelaws - plans not yet received.

11. APPLICATIONS TO ERECT GARDEN SHEDS, GREENHOUSES, ETC. The Committee recommend that the applications as set out below, in each case exempt from Planning permission, be approved in accordance with the provisions of the Building Byelaws and Public Health Act, 1936, subject to temporary licences for the periods stated in each instance:-

(a) Plan No. T.B.427. 1, Bramber Road, N.12. Garden Shed. Mr. J.N. Scott. Temporary licence expiring 31.12.1949.

(b) Plan No. T.B.428. 7, Wetherill Road, N.10. Garden Shed. Mr. G. Creamer. Temporary licence expiring 31.12.1949.

(c) Plan No. T.B.429. 32, Queens Avenue, N.20. Open verandah. Mr. R.A. Day. Temporary licence expiring 31.12.1951.

(d) Plan No. T.B.430. 11, Friary Close, N.12. Garden Shed. Mr. R.F. Culverhouse. Temporary licence expiring 31.12.1949.

(e) Plan No. T.B.431. 63, Oakleigh Avenue, N.20. Greenhouse. Mr. W. Hawkyard. Temporary licence expiring 31.12.1951.

12. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947 - APPLICATION FOR DETERMINATION - LAND ADJOINING 4, BETHUNE AVENUE, N.11. An application has been received from Messrs. Henry Boustred & Sons for a determination under Section 17 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, regarding the use of part of a strip of land adjoining 4, Bethune Avenue, N.11, for

the erection of a private garage thereon. The Area Planning Officer agreed that the proposal would constitute development within the meaning of the Act, and the applicants have been advised accordingly.

13. 97, FRIERN BARNET ROAD - OVERHANGING SIGN. With reference to Minute No.6 of the Report of this Committee on 8th July, 1948, Messrs. Mac Signs have been requested to reduce the overhang of the sign erected at 97, Friern Barnet Road so that a 2 ft. clearance from the kerb line is obtained. Despite a further reminder no action has yet been taken to reduce the overhang.

The Committee recommend that Messrs. Mac Signs be informed of the penalties to which they are subject under Section 242 of the Middlesex County Council Act, 1944, and that if the sign is not altered to comply with the Committee's requirements within two weeks of such notification, that authority be given for the necessary proceedings to be taken against the owners.

14. 2, CHURCH CRESCENT - UNAUTHORISED BUILDING. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Report of this Committee on 8th July, 1948, the owner of the Garden Shed erected at the side of 2, Church Crescent has been informed of the Committee's decision and has been requested to re-site the shed so that a 5ft. flank building line is observed. A letter dated 1st September, 1948 has been received from the owner's solicitors stating that their client has taken steps to have the building moved in accordance with the Committee's requirements.

15. PLAN No. T.P.438 - ANDERSON SHELTER TYPE GARDEN SHED - 9, FRIARY CLOSE. An application has been received for the erection of an Anderson Shelter type garden shed at the rear of this property. The Committee recommend that the plan be approved for the purpose of the Building Byelaws, subject to a temporay licence expiring on the 31st December, 1949, pursuant to Section 53 of the Public Health Act, 1936.

16. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947 - DEVELOPMENT CONTROL - CIRCULAR LETTER FROM THE COUNTY PLANNING OFFICER. A letter has been received from the Area Planning Officer enclosing a copy of a circular letter from the County Planning Officer dated 3rd August, 1948 regarding development control. A request is made that the observations and intended recommendations of the Engineer and Surveyor on development applications be forwarded at the time the applications are sent to the Area Planning Officer. The observations and recommendations are required from two angles (a) on purely planning grounds and (b) from a highway point of view.

After consultation with the Chairman of this Committee the Engineer and Surveyor has informed the Area Planning Officer that arrangements will be made, in forwarding development applications to him, to let him have, whenever possible, the observations and intended recommendations of the Chairman and himself in respect of the less important applications. In the case of any major applications it is considered that any observations and recommendations should be given under the authority of a resolution by the Committee, and the Area Planning Officer has been advised accordingly.

17. COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN. The Clerk informed the Committee that the joint Report of the Engineer and Surveyor and himself with regard to the above Plan was now available, and would be sent out with the Agenda for the General Purposes Committee.

The Committee have decided to hold a special Meeting for the purpose of considering this Report, and have fixed a provisional date as Thursday, 30th September, 1948, at the conclusion of the Council Meeting.

18. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947 - COUNTY OF MIDDLESEX (DELEGATION OF FUNCTIONS) SCHEME, 1948. A letter was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council requesting the observations of all District Councils as to the desirability of providing upon the granting of planning permission, that the permission should become void unless the development be substantially commenced within a reasonable period.

The Middlesex County Council requested the observations of District Councils to the suggestion that:-

(a) the following condition should be imposed in appropriate cases - "that this permission shall be void if the proposed development has not been substantially commenced within three years of the date of this permission" or

(b) the above condition shall be included in all planning permissions.

The Committee recommend that the condition set out in (a) above be included in all planning permissions, and that the Middlesex County Council be recommended accordingly.

19. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ASSOCIATION. A communication was submitted from the above Association inviting the appointment of delegates to attend the "One Day School" on the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947 (a series of three lectures to be given by Mr. William Wood of the Ministry of Town and Country Planning) to be held at the Institution of Civil Engineers, London, S.W.1., on Saturday, 23rd October, 1948.

The price of tickets is 10s.0d. for non-members of the Association and 7s.6d. for members.

The Committee recommend that the Chairman of this Committee, and Messrs. Moulsdale and Smith of the Engineer and Surveyor's Department be authorised to attend this "One Day School" as representatives of the Council, and that every endeavour be made to obtain sufficient copies of the synopsis of the lectures for circulation to each Member of the Council.

J. Bickerton.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 8.10 p.m. and terminated at 8.45 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Establishment Committee.

21st September, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards and Richardson.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Foley, Henry, McClane and Martin.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, Sparks and Tarlton.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 20th July, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. REORGANISATION OF ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT AND HOUSING DEPARTMENT. The final Report of the Sub-Committee, dated 3rd September, 1948, was submitted, and the Committee approve the whole of the proposals therein set forth to give effect to the above. Arising out of the decisions, the Establishment Committee make the following recommendations to the Council:-

(a) Housing Department.

(i) That advertisements be issued in the appropriate journals for the appointment of a Housing Estates Manager at a salary in accordance with Grade VI of the A.P.T. Division, and that this Committee be authorised to make the appointment.

(ii) That the present designation of Mr. T.E. Lloyd be altered to that of "Housing Officer", he to continue with his present work and duties under the supervision of the new officer, and generally assist in the administration and supervision of the Housing Department.

(iii) That advertisements be issued for a Housing Welfare Officer (Woman) at a salary equivalent to the Miscellaneous Grade II (which is a Male Grade), her duties to consist of responsibility for general welfare work with the occupying tenants; to assist in investigations of the home circumstances of some of the applicants for accommodation, particularly those investigations which the Committee think can best be carried out by a woman officer, such as "home conditions", "cleanliness", and "personal enquiries".

(iv) That Mrs. Scillitoe be seconded to the duties of General Clerk to deal with ordinary enquiries.

(v) That a Shorthand-Typist be appointed on the authorised scale for Shorthand-Typists.

(vi) That the present Housing Foreman, with the appropriate working staff, be incorporated in the new Housing Department and that the Foreman be responsible for supervising the outdoor staff under the general direction of the Housing Estates Manager.
Note:
This will necessitate the splitting of the present Housing Staff as between the new Department and the Surveyor's general staff, those members of the present staff not

actually transferred to the new Housing staff remaining under the control of the Engineer and Surveyor for general repair and maintenance work of Council properties etc., other than Council houses, permanent and temporary, pre-war and post-war, and requisitioned properties.

The Committee recommend that the new Housing Estates Manager, when appointed, and the Engineer and Surveyor submit a report on the proposed allocation of the existing Housing staff, and that it be left to this Committee to approve the personnel to be allocated to each Department.

(vii) That Caretakers of blocks of flats be considered as on the staff of the Housing Estates Manager.

(viii) That the new Housing Department submit its own Annual Estimates after collaboration with the Engineer and Surveyor, and, also, in common with all other Departments, the Treasurer.

(ix) That all applications for accommodation and all communications regarding repairs and maintenance, as well as Tenants' requests and complaints, schedules of condition etc., of requisitioned properties, be dealt with by the Housing Estates Manager.

(x) That there be no alteration with the present system of central buying and central store-keeping, these being matters for the Engineer and Surveyor with the necessary financial supervision of the Treasurer, the new Housing Department indenting on the general stores in the same way as any other Department of the Council.

(xi) That the Housing Estates Manager and the Engineer and Surveyor make the necessary arrangements for the joint use of the Depot or the Carpenters' Shop, or vehicles, as may be necessary. The Housing Estates Manager being required to supply the Engineer and Surveyor with a programme of his requirements so far as these services are concerned, and that a report on the working of this arrangement be submitted at the expiration of a period of three months from its initiation.

(xii) That the maintenance of communal gardens in connection with the Council's estates be carried out by the Parks Staff, the Housing Estates Manager giving to the Engineer and Surveyor a suggested programme for the six months following each March and September.

(xiii) That the necessary application be made to the Ministry of Health for revision or confirmation of the present financial arrangements as soon as the new Department has been set up, with a view to securing the appropriate grant in respect of that portion of the Housing staff time devoted to requisitioned properties.

(xiv) That appropriate car allowances, at the rates authorised for the time being, be allowed to the Housing Estates Manager, and the Housing Officer.

(xv) That subject to the appointments referred to above having been made, every effort be made for the new Department to operate as from the 1st January, 1949, at the latest.

(xvi) That the question of office accommodation be the subject of reports of appropriate chief officers, after the appointment of the Housing Estates Manager and the establishment of his new Department, but it is considered very desirable to accommodate the new Department in the Town Hall.

(b) Engineer and Surveyor's Staff.

(i) Architectural Staff. That the Architectural Staff remain under the Engineer and Surveyor as at present, Mr. Smith's designation remaining that of "Assistant Architect".

(ii) First Engineering Assistant. That Mr. Gentle remain in his present position.

4. REPORTS OF JOINT COMMITTEES. The Committee received reports of the Joint Committee Meetings held this day, copies of which have been circulated to all Members of the Council, and arising therefrom the Committee recommend as follows:-

(a) Revised Sickness Pay Scheme. That subject to settlement of the matters still under discussion as set out below, the Council adopt the revised sickness pay scheme which supersedes the previous scheme forming paragraph 16 of the National Scheme of Conditions of Service.

The matters still under consideration are as follows:-

(i) Calculation of Sickness Allowance - Paragraph (2) (a). As to whether absence without pay should be taken into account.

(ii) The Position in relation to the calculation of Sickness Allowance of married women exercising their right to be excepted from insurance.
As an interim measure pending further consideration it has been agreed that deduction shall be made from a sum equal to full pay of the benefit made under the National Insurance Acts to which such women would be entitled were they insured in their own right. The National Council has not considered the position of maternity benefit, and the Local Authorities who operate a scheme of maternity leave should continue to do so.

(iii) The Position of Voluntary Contributors in relation to the Calculation of Sickness Allowance. No deduction is to be made of benefits under the National Insurance Act for the period of six months commencing on the 5th July, 1948.

(b) Provincial Joint Industrial Council Sickness Pay Scheme. That the words "both officers and" referred to in Minute No.3 of the Report of this Committee on 20th July, 1948, be deleted as it is not intended that this scheme should apply to officers.

(c) Manual Workers - Reduced Working Week. That from and including the 29th September, 1948, the normal working week of manual workers be reduced to 44 hours without reduction in wages, to be operated on a five day basis with the exception of the six weeks preceding and the six weeks following Christmas, when it shall be spread over 5½ days owing to the hours of daylight being restricted. Working hours to be as follows:-

(i) 5 day Week.

Monday to Thursday	...	7.30 a.m. to 5.15 p.m.
Friday	...	7.30 a.m. to 5.30 p.m.
(Lunch	...	12.30 p.m. to 1.30 p.m.)

(ii) 5½ day Week.

Monday to Friday	...	7.45 a.m. to 4.30 p.m.
(Lunch	...	12.30 p.m. to 1.15 p.m.)
Saturday	...	8.0 a.m. to 12 noon.

(iii) Overtime. That where an employee is required to work in excess of 44 hours per week he shall be paid appropriate overtime rates for the additional time worked.

(iv) Parks and Sewage Works' Staff. For the purpose of skeleton staff on Saturdays and Sundays the men be pooled. The staff concerned have been requested to submit a scheme to the Engineer and Surveyor and Parks Superintendent for consideration.

(v) Tea Break. That the present arrangement for a 10 minute break each morning and afternoon should remain in operation.

(d) Mr. R. Crossen, Gardener - Up-grading. As result of the promotion of Mr. C. Tucker, former Propagating Gardener, to the position of Parks Foreman, the Committee recommend that Mr. R. Crossen be promoted to the position of Propagating Gardener, and be up-graded from Grade "C" to Grade "D" as from the 29th September, 1948.

(e) Carpenter's Apprentice - Mr. P.E. Guy. Mr. P.E. Guy was engaged as Apprentice Carpenter on 3rd May, 1948, and at the request of the Building Apprenticeship and Trade Council, the Committee recommend that this Council enters into an Apprenticeship Agreement with the employee concerned, and the Clerk be authorised to prepare the necessary Articles of Agreement.

5. CLERK'S DEPARTMENT.

(a) Junior Clerk. With reference to Minute No.5 (e) of the Report of this Committee on 20th July, 1948, Miss B. Waterhouse has been appointed to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss P. Broughton, at a salary in accordance with the General Division of the National Scheme of Conditions of Service, and commenced duty on Monday the 16th August, 1948. The appointment is subject to termination by one month's notice on either side, and to a term of probation for a period of six months. Miss Waterhouse will be required to contribute to the Superannuation Scheme on attaining the age of 18 years, subject to medical examination.

(b) Typist-Telephonist. With reference to Minute No.5 (d) of the Report of this Committee on 20th July, 1948, Mrs. M.G. Snell has tendered her resignation with effect from 11th September, 1948, and Miss J.D. Newling has been appointed to fill the vacancy created thereby, at a salary of £210 per annum rising by annual increments of £12 to a maximum of £246 per annum, plus London Weighting of £20 per annum up to the age of 25, and thereafter £30 per annum, the first increment to be effective from 1st April, 1949, in accordance with the special scale within the General Division of the National Scheme of Conditions of Service. Miss Newling commenced duty on 6th September, 1948.

The appointment is subject to a term of six months probation, after which Miss Newling, subject to satisfactory service, and to medical examination, will be admitted to the Superannuation Scheme.

6. TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT.

(a) Payment of Overtime. The Committee approved the payment of overtime as follows:-

Mr. A.B. Herrington	...	11 hours.
Mr. J. Lowry ...	...	10½ "
Mr. L.J. Williams	...	18½ "

(b) Death of Mr. C.W. Kingston. The Chairman referred with deep regret to the sudden death of Mr. C.W. Kingston, Accountancy Assistant in the Treasurer's Department, on 17th September, 1948.

The Chairman further reported that he had, on behalf of the Council, communicated with Mrs. Kingston expressing the Council's sympathy in her bereavement.

The Treasurer reported that owing to the illness of Mr. Kingston, and annual holidays in the Department, he had, with the approval of the Chairman of the Finance Committee, engaged Mr. R. Dupont as a temporary Income Assistant for a period of two or three weeks at a salary of £3.15.0d per week.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Chairman of the Finance Committee, and the Treasurer, be approved and confirmed.

(c) Appointment of Accountancy Assistant - Income Section. The Committee considered the question of filling the vacancy created by the death of Mr. Kingston, and having received a report by the Treasurer, recommend that Mr. J.W. Gentle, Rent Collector be promoted to the position at a salary in accordance with Grade I of the A.P.T. Division of the National Scheme of Conditions of Service, and that applications be invited for the appointment of Rent Collector in accordance with the Miscellaneous Division Grade II at a salary of £375 per annum, rising by annual increments of £15 to £420 per annum, plus London Weighting. Mr. Gentle's promotion will take effect from the date the newly appointed Rent Collector takes up office.

The Committee further recommend that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council, the Chairman of the Finance Committee, and the Chairman of the Housing Committee, be authorised to make the appointment.

(d) Junior Accountancy Assistants - National Service. Messrs. N.E. Haskell and L.J. Williams were called up for National Service on 16th and 28th September respectively. The Treasurer reported that the Chairman of the Finance Committee and he, had appointed the following to fill the vacancies created thereby:-

(i) John Lauder, 120, Torrington Park, N.12.
Aged 16½ years.

(ii) Peter Marshall, 85, Horsham Avenue, N.12.
Aged 17 years.

The appointments are in accordance with the General Division of the National Scheme of Conditions of Service, and are subject in the first instance to six months probation. The employees in each case commenced duty on Monday, 20th September, 1948.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Chairman of the Finance Committee and the Treasurer, be approved and confirmed.

(e) Senior Accountancy Assistant - Income Section - Mr. C.M. Spenceley - Removal Expenses. An application was submitted from Mr. C.M. Spenceley for consideration to the question of reimbursing his removal expenses from Stafford and Harrow to Friern Barnet, and the Committee recommend that the application for payment by the Council of his expenses, amounting to £24.10.0d be granted.

7. VALUATION DEPARTMENT - VALUATION ASSISTANT - MR. R.F. LONG, EXAMINATION SUCCESS. It was reported that Mr. R.F. Long, Valuation Assistant, had recently passed the Intermediate Examination for the Degree of Science (Estate Management) University of London, and the Committee recommend that the Council's congratulations be conveyed to Mr. Long on his success and that in pursuance of paragraph 29 of the National Scheme of Conditions of Service, a grant of £15 be made to Mr. Long.

8. ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT.

(a) Resignations.

(i) Deputy Engineer and Surveyor - Resignation of Mr. E. Johnson, and Appointment of Mr. E.H. Start. With reference to Minute No.7 (b) of the Report of this Committee on 20th July, 1948, Mr. Johnson has tendered his resignation with effect from 20th October, 1948.

The Committee at their Meeting this evening have appointed Mr. E.H. Start, Senior Engineering Assistant, Finchley Borough Council, to this appointment at a salary in accordance with Grade VI of the A.P.T. Division. Mr. Start will take up his position on 1st November, 1948.

(ii) Temporary Architectural Assistant - Mr. F.W. French. Mr. F.W. French, Temporary Architectural Assistant, has submitted his resignation with effect from 30th September, 1948, having obtained a permanent appointment with the Southgate Borough Council.

As a matter or urgency the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had consulted the Chairman of the Council, who authorised that the position be advertised forthwith at a salary inaccordance with Grade V (a) of the National Scheme of Conditions of Service.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Chairman of the Council be approved and confirmed.

(iii) Sewage Works Manager - Mr. A.C. Brown. Mr. A.C. Brown has tendered his resignation with effect from 3rd October, 1948, having obtained an appointment as resident Engineer to the Bridge-Blean Rural District Council.

(iv) Temporary Junior Engineering Assistant - Mr. R.A. Mason. Mr. R.A. Mason has tendered his resignation with effect from 25th September, 1948, having obtained a similar appointment with the Potters Bar Urban District Council.

(b) Temporary Architectural Assistant - Mr. F.W. French - Examination Success. It was reported that Mr. F.W. French had recently passed the Final Examination of the Royal Institute of British Architects, and has applied for the grant of £30 in accordance with paragraph 29 of the National Scheme of Conditions of Service.

Having regard to the fact that Mr. French has now tendered his resignation after only eight months' service with the Council, the Committee feel unable to accede to his request, and recommend accordingly.

(c) Mr. E.C. Howard - Labourer. Mr. E.C. Howard has been absent since 2nd June, 1948, as the result of an accident, and following a medical examination by the Insurance Company, this employee has been certified as "fit for light duties".

The Engineer and Surveyor interviewed this employee, who attained the age of 65 years on 18th September, 1948, and was of the opinion that he was unfit to carry out any form of light work available.

The Committee recommend that Mr. Howard's employment be terminated, and having regard to the fact that he is not a contributor to the Superannuation Scheme, further recommend that a gratuity not exceeding £52 be paid to him in pursuance of the provisions of Section 11 of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, such gratuity to be paid to him at the rate of £1 per week, the gratuity to cease on the death of Mr. Howard should that occur before the expiration of 52 weeks.

(d) Workman's Compensation - J. Keenan. With reference to Minute No.13 of the Report of this Committee on 18th May, 1948, further reports were now submitted, and the Committee recommend that the Council's Medical Officer of Health be asked to examine and report upon the case, and the matter be further considered at the next Meeting of this Committee.

The Committee further recommend that full pay continue to be made to this employee until such time as the matter is further considered.

(e) Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937 - C.W. Armstrong. This employee, who will be 65 years of age on 7th November, 1948, has been absent owing to illness since 7th June, 1948, and it is understood that his doctor is of the opinion that he will be unable to return to manual work. Mr. Armstrong has been in the employ of the Council since July, 1935, and was admitted to the Superannuation Scheme on 2nd April, 1942.

The Committee recommend -

(i) that on and from the 7th November, 1948, when he reaches the age of 65, this employee be retired on superannuation.

(ii) that in respect of this employee's recorded non-contributory service the rate of 1/120ths be increased to 1/60ths, the additional allowance which becomes payable being paid by the Local Authority.

(iii) that the Middlesex Local Authorities Superannuation Joint Committee be notified accordingly.

(iv) that full pay less National Insurance benefit be continued to the date of retirement.

(f) Manual Workers - Sickness, Accidents, Engagements and Resignations. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted details of sickness, accidents, engagements and resignations with regard to manual workers since the date of the last Meeting.

(g) Payment of Overtime. The Committee approved the payment of overtime as follows:-

Mr. R.E. Matthews ... 16¾ hours.

Mr. I.J. Hayward ... 25¾ "

9. CAR ALLOWANCES. With reference to Minute No.14 of the Report of this Committee on 18th May, 1948, the Committee recommend that the car allowances payable to the under-mentioned Officers be continued, in accordance with the scale referred to in Minute No.10 of the Report of this Committee on 15th December, 1947, for a further period of three months to the 31st December, 1948:-

Clerk of the Council.
Engineer and Surveyor.
Deputy Engineer and Surveyor.
Building Inspector.
Assistant Architect.
Sanitary Inspector.
Housing Manager.
Highways Foreman.
Housing Foreman.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.40 p.m. and terminated at 9.20 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Finance Committee.

23rd September, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. R.P. Matthews ... Chairman

Crs. Foley, Henry, McClane, Martin, Pickering, Richardson, Simmonds and Sparks.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Draper, and Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, Mason, Meynell and Tarlton.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 15th July, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. RATE COLLECTION. The Treasurer reported that the collection of rates from the 1st April, 1948, to the 14th September, 1948, was 99% of the amount collectable, as compared with 99.2% for the corresponding period of last year.

107 rate summonses were heard at Highgate Court on the 23rd August, 1948. Distress warrants were obtained in all cases. Payment has been obtained in 100 cases and 7 warrants have been forwarded to the Council's bailiff for execution.

4. JOINT HOSPITAL COMMITTEE ACCOUNTS. A statement of accounts was submitted for the year ended 31st March, 1948, with respect to the Joint Hospital Committee showing that of a total of £3,506 3s. 3d., the balance due to the Joint Hospital Committee, which will be submitted to the next Meeting for payment, is £657 3s. 3d.

The total actual expenditure of £3,506 3s. 3d. is £854 3s. 3d. in excess of the estimate given by the Joint Hospital Committee in February, 1947.

5. FINAL ACCOUNTS, 1947/48. The above accounts were completed on the 23rd August, 1948, and the Abstract of Accounts is now in the hands of the Finchley Press Ltd.,

The Committee recommend that the Abstract of Accounts be placed on the Agenda for consideration at the next Meeting of this Committee.

6. AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS, 1947/48. The Clerk reported the receipt of Notice of Audit of the Accounts of the Council for the year ended 31st March, 1948, to commence on Thursday, 21st October, 1948.

7. CASH POSITION. The Treasurer reported upon the present position with regard to the above, showing that shortly after the 30th September, 1948, when cheques for accounts and wages totalling approximately £32,088 17s. 2d. will have been issued, there will be an overdraft at the Bank of approximately £21,252.

The reason for this temporary overdraft was that payment had been made to Builders pending the receipt of further housing loans.

The Committee recommend that the Treasurer be authorised to make arrangements for temporary borrowing up to an amount of £30,000 by way of short term loan and up to £15,000 by way of Bank overdraft.

8. FRIARY ROAD SEWER RECONSTRUCTION - FINAL COSTS. With reference to Minute No.8 (a) of the Report of the Highways and Public Works Committee on the 1st July, 1948, it was reported that due to various adjustments in the contribution receivable from the County Council, the loan now required in addition to the £1,988 already received is £492. Loan sanctions have already been obtained.

The Committee recommend that the total loan of £2,480 be borrowed from the Public Works Loan Board and that the Chairman of the Council and the Clerk be authorised to seal the Mortgage and any other necessary documents, if necessary out of Meeting.

9. FIRE SERVICE PROPERTIES. Such properties as the County Council require in respect of this service became vested in them on the 1st April, 1948, under the Fire Services Act, 1947. This Council, by arrangement, is continuing to meet the loan charges on these properties subject to reimbursement by the Middlesex County Council.

The reimbursement provisions do not, however, apply to the Hose Tower at the Central Depot where the outstanding loan debt at the 31st March, 1948, was £561 4s. 10d., because although the tower was erected for Fire Service purposes, the Middlesex County Council have no use therefor. The matter has been taken up with the County Council and the above decision given.

Annual loan charges on the Hose Tower will therefore fall to be defrayed from the Council's General Rate Fund.

10. BUILDING LICENSING COSTS. The Clerk reported receipt of Ministry of Health Circular No.104/48 informing the Council that the Ministry of Works will make a grant of 75% of the specific costs attributable to the above as from the 1st April, 1947.

The amount of grant claimable for the year 1947/48 which has been taken into the accounts for that year is £1,006 4s. 11d.

11. SUNDRY ACCOUNTS. The Treasurer reported on the present position in respect of several sundry debtors accounts outstanding.

In connection with accounts Nos. 6248, 6279, 6309, 7146, 7310, 7493, 7561, 7695, 7697, 7765 and 7863, the Committee have instructed the Treasurer to carry out certain action and report to the next Meeting of the Committee.

The Committee recommend that the following accounts be written off as irrecoverable:-

Account No.	Amount. £. s. d.
5268	5. 0.
6092	4. 0.
6096	12. 0.
6481	15. 0.
6559	10. 0.
6560	10. 0.
6744	1. 7. 9.
6995	3. 5.
7137	10. 0.
7678	2. 2. 8.
7815	1. 1. 0.

12. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS DURING VACATION. With reference to Minute No. 11 of the Report of this Committee on the 15th July, 1948, the Accounts Sub-Committee met on the 24th August, 1948, and authorised Barclays Bank Ltd. to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer and listed on pages Nos. 19 to 21 of the Treasurer's Order, totalling a sum of £24,211 19s. 3d., and the Committee concurred in the action taken.

13. ACCOUNTS. The Committee recommend that the Council authorise and order Barclays Bank Ltd. to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed on pages Nos. 23 to 28 of the Treasurer's

Order totalling a sum of £30, 188 17s. 2d., and weekly cheques for wages not exceeding the aggregate sum of £4,750 signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

14. LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MEMBERS' ALLOWANCES) REGULATIONS, 1948. The Clerk submitted the above Regulations.

A. Matthan.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 7.10 p.m.

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

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No. 23

To BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED,
233. WOODHOUSE ROAD, FRIERN BARNET, N.12.

PURSUANT to a Resolution adopted this 30TH day of SEPTEMBER, 19 48
WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 23 to 28 of this Order, amounting to the sum of ----------THIRTY THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED & EIGHTY EIGHT---------- pounds --SEVENTEEN-- shillings and ----------TWO---------- pence, also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster-General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of ----------FOUR THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND FIFTY---------- pounds and in any one week a maximum of ----------NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY---------- pounds signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

Chairman.

Members of the Council.

Countersigned :

Clerk of the Council.

S. & S. LTD. G61924

Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
897	EMERGENCY IMPREST ACCOUNT.--	1,266 13 8
898	ABBEY NATIONAL BUILDING SOCIETY.--	12 10 -
899	ADDRESSOGRAPH MULTIGRAPH LTD.--	4 2 5
900	AFFINED BASIC CHEMICALS LTD.--	- 15 -
901	E.J.ALLWORTHY.--	28 - -
902	ANGLO-AMERICAN OIL CO LTD.--	3 18 4
903	ATLAS STONE CO LTD.--	46 - -
904	W.& T.AVERY LTD.--	3 15 -
905	DAVID BAKER & CO.--	35 2 -
906	BANK OF ENGLAND.--	10,439 12 3
907	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	37 3 10
908	P.W.K.BARKER.--	17 10 -
909	BARNET DISTRICT GAS & WATER CO.--	687 2 10
910	J.H.BEATTIE & CO LTD.--	80 3 11
911	F.W.BERK & CO LTD.--	- 10 -
912	BERSEL MANUFACTURING CO LTD.--	8 11 -
913	BLAKE & SON.--	143 6 3
914	BOOKBINDERS COTTAGE HOMES & PENSION SOC.--	3 15 -
915	R.BORLAND & SON LTD.--	2 2 -
916	S.F.N.BOULTING.--	13 - -
917	H.N.BOUSTREDS.--	11 5 -
918	SYDNEY BOWYER & CO.--	27 4 6
919	BRADFORD PROPERTY TRUST LTD.--	12 2 6
920	BRAMLEY STRUCTURES (BUILDERS) LTD.--	2 2 -
921	BRITISH OXYGEN CO LTD.--	- 8 -
922	D.MELVILLE BROWN.--	12 10 -
923	BUCKLAND & SONS.--	21 5 -
924	H.C.BUDDINGTON.--	66 2 3
925	BURLINGTON PRESS.--	46 9 2
926	W.J.F.BURNETT.--	13 - -
927	BUTTERWORTH & CO (PUBLISHERS) LTD.--	8 14 6
928	CHAS.B.BUXTON LTD.--	2 10 -
	CARIBONUM LTD.--	1 13 -
930	F.T.CARTER.--	2 6 8
931	CHEPSTOW (CONTRACTORS) LTD.--	4 5 4
932	CHURCH ARMY HOUSING LTD.--	30 - -

No. 24241

E.E.L. 97100

Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment £	s.	d.
933	CLARE &CLARE.--	9	7	6
934	ALEXANDER CLARK CO LTD.--	5	7	8
935	CLINICAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATION.--	1	6	6
936	GEORGE COHEN, SONS & CO LTD.--	30	11	3
937	EXORS OF W.J.COLLINS.--	45	-	-
938	COMMERCIAL (STEWART & ARGYLL) PROPERTIES LIMITED.--	15	5	-
939	COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE.--	204	6	-
940	COOK, HAMMOND & KELL LTD.--	1	5	-
941	P.A.CORDELL.--	13	5	-
942	E.COWING & SON LTD.--	11	5	3
943	CRAMB BROS LTD.--	100	9	4
944	W.CREIGHTON & CO LTD.--	14	12	9
945	CROSBY ESTATES LTD.--	10	-	-
946	CROW, CATCHPOLE & CO LTD.--	38	3	3
947	M.H.CULLEN.--	36	15	8
948	GABRIELLA CUNLIFFE.--	17	-	-
949	JOHN DAVIE.--	-	15	-
950	DAY (CONTRACTORS) LTD.--	2	2	-
951	J.W.DEAN.--	33	9	11
952	CHAS.DENTON.--	2	2	-
953	DENTON HALL & BURGIN.--	13	-	-
954	DICKINSON & CLARKE LTD.--	2	2	-
955	F.DOEL.--	16	5	-
956	H.M.DUNPHY & SON.--	134	1	8
957	EASTERN ELECTRICITY BOARD.--	1,147	5	10
958	HORACE ECKERT.--	226	17	6
959	J.ELKIN.--	3	10	-
960	A.E.ELLIOTT.--	11	17	6
961	EYRE & SPOTTISWOODE (PUBLISHERS) LTD.--	-	10	-
962	FAIRWAYS LTD.--	40	2	6
963	FINCHLEY CORPORATION.--	9	6	-
964	FINCHLEY PRESS LTD.--	82	18	-
965	FINE ART & GENERAL INSURANCE CO LTD.--	3	17	9
966	E.FISHER (RECEIVER).--	17	15	-
967	J.C.FLETCHER.--	2	5	-
968	G.T.FLETCHER.--	13	18	7
969	H.FOOT.--	1	-	-
970	FOUR OAKS SPRAYING MACHINE CO.--	1	17	9
971	I.S.FOX.--	-	10	-
972	W.H.E.FRAMPTON.--	21	5	-
973	FRENCH RENWICK LTD.--	493	10	2
974	FRIERN BARNET FIRE BRIGADE PENSION FUND.--	31	5	-
975	FURNACK LTD.--	6	16	3
976	GAS LIGHT & COKE CO.--	307	2	11
977	GENERAL ELECTRIC CO LTD.--	1	-	-
978	ALFRED GILBERT & SONS LTD.--	1	-	-
979	GOODLASS, WALL & CO LTD.--	4	19	6
980	GOODMAN BROS (BUTCHERS) LTD.--	31	13	2
981	GORDON LODGE INVESTMENT CO LTD.--	8	-	-
982	GOSPO LTD.--	1	14	6
983	ARTHUR E.GOULD LTD.--	2	2	6
984	GRAHAM BUILDERS & CONTRACTORS LTD.--	2	2	-
985	WILLIAM GREASBY & CO LTD.--	214	10	1
986	HENRY J.GREENHAM (1929) LTD.--	52	10	-
987	H.GRIFFITHS.--	-	2	6
988	GUARDIAN ASSURANCE CO LTD.--	422	-	10
989	J.HALDEN & CO LTD.--	2	11	7
990	HALL HARDING LTD.--	6	6	3
991	HEAL & SON LTD.--	18	-	-
992	R.HENDTLESS.--	-	7	6
993	JOSEPH HIBBARD & SONS.--	16	15	-
994	P.Y.HICKS.--	1	10	-
995	BARRY HIGH.--	2	2	-
996	JAMES HILLER LTD.--	10	3	10
997	B.HIRST & SONS LTD.--	14	-	-
998	H.M.STATIONERY OFFICE.--	3	5	6
999	FRED HODGE LTD.--	56	7	9
1000	J.HOLLAND & SON.--	14	8	5
1001	HOOPER & JACKSON.--	27	15	-
1002	BOROUGH OF HORNSEY.--	-	9	-

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1003	HOSPITAL SAVING ASSOCIATION.--	8	14	8
1004	V.A.HOWARD LTD.--	2	6	4
1005	H.HOWES & CO LTD.--	25	-	-
1006	J.& H.HOWIE LTD.--	8	19	9
1007	C.J.HUNT & CO LTD.--	35	10	3
1008	INITIAL TOWEL SUPPLY CO.--	1	4	-
1009	E.JOHNSON.--	47	14	7
1010	E.G.& A.E.JONES.--	14	10	-
1011	W.T.JONES.--	12	10	-
1012	F.& H.JOYCE LTD.--	2	2	-
1013	A.N.JOYCE & SONS LTD.--	40	4	5
1014	B.KELION.--	-	12	6
1015	KINGSBURY FOOD PRODUCTION ASSOCIATION.--	3	-	-
1016	KNIGHT, FRANK & RUTLEY.--	18	-	-
1017	P.E.KNIGHT.--	7	5	-
1018	H.KONYN.--	13	-	-
1019	I.M.LAING.--	-	5	-
1020	A.LANDSTEIN.--	-	15	-
1021	LAWES RABJOHNS LTD.--	23	2	-
1022	W.E.& G.LAWRANCE LTD.--	6	18	10
1023	TRUSTEES OF THE LAWRENCE CAMPE'S ALMSHOUSES.--	1	5	-
1024	LAWSONS (GREETSTONE) LTD.--	2	6	8
1025	LEA RECORDER CO LTD.--	5	2	-
1026	ROBERT C.LEACH LTD.--	2	2	-
1027	LINDSAY BROS LTD.--	2	11	2
1028	LONDON &COUNTY BUILDERS.--	2	8	1
1029	LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL.--	-	10	-
1030	LORD & GARRETT LTD.--	13	-	-
1031	M.V.MARKHAM.--	5	15	-
1032	MARSHALL.--	11	14	10
1033	W.MARSHALL.--	3	-	-
1034	MARTYN (BUILDERS) LTD.--	39	10	-
1035	N.McLEOD LTD.--	4	-	6
1036	W.M.MEADOWS.--	6	7	-
1037	MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT, FRIERN HOSPITAL.--	-	2	-
1038	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	2	18	11
1039	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	1	5	7
1040	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	6,664	-	-
1041	MIDDLESEX LOCAL AUTHORITIES SUPERANNUATION JOINT COMMITTEE.--	650	5	4
1042	MIDLAND BANK LTD.--	12	10	-
1043	J.W.MILTON.--	14	-	-
1044	L.M.MOCKFORD.--	4	19	-
1045	C.S.MOORE & SON.--	42	14	5
1046	MOORE'S PLANT AGENCY LTD.--	47	14	3
1047	M.P.P.(PRODUCTS) LTD.--	8	10	-
1048	MUNICIPAL JOURNAL LTD.--	3	-	-
1049	MUNICIPAL MUTUAL INSURANCE LTD.--	11	4	7
1050	MUSWELL HILL RECORD & PRINTING CO LTD.--	3	6	6
1051	H.A.NASH.--	-	8	6
1052	NATIONAL CANINE DEFENCE LEAGUE.--	10	10	-
1053	A.G.NAYLOR.--	-	2	6
1054	SIDNEY A.NAYLOR.--	52	-	-
1055	EDWARD NEVOLS.--	12	10	-
1056	NEW SOUTHGATE JOINT RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE.--	150	-	-
1057	NORMANS.--	11	10	-
1058	E.ROY NURSE.--	-	2	6
1059	H.G.OAKLEY.--	6	5	-
1060	OFFICIAL SOLICITOR TO SUPREME COURT.--	28	8	5
1061	OSCROFT BROS.--	2	5	6
1062	M.J.O'SULLIVAN.--	4	10	-
1063	OUR DOGS.--	1	5	-
1064	J.PALLOT.--	-	5	-
1065	T.PARSONS & SONS LTD.--	106	5	6
1066	PEARCE & SONS.--	40	-	-
1067	PEILEE QUARRIES LTD.--	193	3	-
1068	S.H.PEREIRA.--	-	2	6
1069	H.PERRIOR.--	2	9	1
1070	A.PITT.--	16	19	-
1071	J.N.POOLE.--	2	-	-

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1072	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	85	9	3
1073	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	9	-	-
1074	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	191	12	11
1075	R.H.POWE & REVELL LTD.--	2	2	-
1076	J.A.PRESTWICH & CO LTD.--	-	10	-
1077	L.PRIESACK.--	13	10	-
1078	PYRENE COMPANY LTD.--	-	15	-
1079	RANSOMES, SIMS & JEFFERIES LTD.--	51	15	6
1080	P.RAYS	9	15	-
1081	REGENT OIL COMPANY LTD.--	65	16	8
1082	D.W.REID.--	4	15	-
1083	REPETITION TYRE & ACCESSORIES LTD.--	14	-	7
1084	RESMIT SALES LTD.--	20	19	10
1085	ADMINISTRATORS OF E.J.REYNOLDS.--	15	-	-
1086	R.S.ROBINSON.--	23	10	-
1087	W.T.ROBOTHAM (BUILDERS) LTD.--	2	2	-
1088	RONEO LTD.--	12	16	2
1089	A.N.ROOKE.--	-	7	6
1090	E.W.ROOKE.--	-	15	-
1091	J.ROUSE.--	-	2	6
1092	ROYAL INSTITUTE OF BRITISH ARCHITECTS.--	1	10	9
1093	ROYAL LONDON MUTUAL INSURANCE SOCIETY LIMITED.--	391	19	9
1094	ROYAL LIVER FRIENDLY SOCIETY.--	338	18	6
1095	ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF ACCIDENTS.--	17	13	9
1096	RUBBERINE LTD.--	22	-	-
1097	ST.ALBANS SAND & GRAVEL CO LTD.--	42	15	6
1098	SALTER REX & CO .--	12	10	-
1099	ADA SAMUEL.--	24	6	3
1100	C.M.SCOTT.--	-	7	6
1101	V.E.SCOTT.--	13	18	2
1102	H.SCOTT & SONS.--	15	16	6
1103	SHANNON LTD.--	6	1	2
1104	F.H.SHARP.--	14	10	-
1105	SHAW & SONS LTD.--	32	7	4
1106	SHELL MEX & B.P.LTD.--	2	18	4
1107	C.F.B.SIMMONDS.--	-	9	8
1108	A.A.SIMPSON.--	1	7	6
1109	SIMPSON & SONS LTD.--	133	1	7
1110	CYRIL SLINN.--	5	1	-
1111	P.SNEDLEY.--	-	10	6
1112	E.W.SMITH.--	103	4	6
1113	H.C.D.SMYTH.--	15	-	-
1114	SOCIETE GENERALE.--	62	10	-
1115	CHARLES SPARROW & SON.--	20	-	-
1116	S.F.STANLEY & CO LTD.--	3	-	9
1117	STANNARD (BUILDERS) LTD.--	35	10	5
1118	P.STEEDS.--	30	-	-
1119	P.J.STEPHENS.--	3	12	6
1120	S.STEVENS.--	15	8	10
1121	STEVENS & ADAMS LTD.--	2	17	-
1122	STUTT & TIVENDALE.--	395	7	4
1123	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	1,245	7	9
1124	J.F.WARD.--	27	1	4
1125	E.I.MARTIN.--	26	5	-
1126	R.J.GANN.--	20	18	1

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1127	L.MANNING.--	29	17	7
1128	L.TIBBENHAM.--	20	12	7
1129	T.CORAI.--	20	6	-
1130	W.J.CLARKE.--	14	17	1
1131	A.C.BRUMWELL.--	8	-	-
1132	M.ELLIOTT.--	31	2	3
1133	M.KING.--	26	13	8
1134	D.PHILLIPS.--	20	7	-
1135	V.GEORGE.--	22	5	11
1136	J.KEELING.--	15	4	1
1137	E.WATERHOUSE.--	9	9	-
1138	H.FAWCETT.--	20	18	6
1139	K.R.SMITH.--	51	13	-
1140	F.H.GENTLE.--	36	18	4
1141	T.A.HAYWARD.--	27	18	2
1142	C.WALKER.--	19	5	6
1143	D.F.BARKER.--	22	13	10
1144	C.TAYLOR.--	25	15	10
1145	H.HORMANS.--	32	18	4
1146	H.A.PHILLIPS.--	27	4	4
1147	T.B.WESTACOTT & SONS.--	2	13	2
1148	W.TANSLEY.--	12	-	-
1149	W.L.THACKRAH.--	30	-	-
1150	THAMES BANK PUBLISHING COMPANY LTD.--	2	12	-
1151	THAMES INDUSTRIES LTD.--	3	6	-
1152	C.G.THURSTON.--	16	4	6
1153	F.FERRIER TOMLIN.--	92	12	6
1154	TOTTENHAM & DISTRICT GAS CO.--	2	-	3
1155	W.B.TOMERS & CO.--	2	2	-
1156	TRISTRAM & POWER.--	12	-	-
1157	J.A.TURNER.--	3	-	-
1158	TWICKENHAM GRAVEL CO LTD.--	14	8	4
1159	EXECUTORS OF H.J.TYLER.--	10	-	-
1160	UNDERWOOD ELLIOTT FISHER LTD.--	26	18	10
1161	URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILS ASSOCIATION.--	5	7	-
1162	G.E.VINE.--	7	9	-
1163	A.H.WADELING.--	15	-	-
1164	WATERLOW & SONS LTD.--	10	13	-
1165	WATKINS & McCOMBIE LTD.--	1	18	-
1166	WATMOUGHS LTD.--	1	5	10
1167	WEAVER MANUFACTURING AND ENGINEERING COMPANY LTD.--		9	7
1168	E.S.WHITTLESTONE.--	10	10	-
1169	E.WIGHT & CO (MUSWELL HILL) LTD.--	1	4	8
1170	J.R.WILLIAMS.--	-	12	6
1171	ALFRED WILLIAMSON.--	4	16	11
1172	JAS.WILSON & SONS.--	2	2	-
1173	W.WOHL.--		5	-
1174	S.E.WOOD.--	15	10	-
1175	F.WOODING & SON.--	50	4	1
1176	A.R.WRIGHT.--	44	-	-

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1177	G.YATES.--	12 - -
1178	A.J.YULL & CO.--	7 2 6
1179	EASTERN ELECTRICITY BOARD.--	1 14 -
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Report and Recommendations of the General Purposes Committee.

23rd September, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, McClane, Martin, Matthews, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson and Sparks.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, Mason, Meynell and Tarlton.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the last Meeting of the Committee held on 15th July, 1948, were submitted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. PUBLIC BUILDINGS LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The Report and recommendations of the above-mentioned Committee held this day, a copy of which is attached, was submitted, and the Committee recommend that the Report and recommendations be approved and confirmed.

4. EXPENDITURE. The Chairman referred to the fact that the question of relating the actual expenditure of the Council to the estimated expenditure has been exercising the minds of some of the members for some time past, as a result of which he had arranged a Meeting with the Chairman of the Finance Committee, and the Vice-Chairman of the Council, for the purpose of discussing whether any steps could be suggested which would assist members whenever they are called upon to recommend expenditure, especially in cases where no provision has been made in the Annual Estimates. It is not intended that the Finance Committee should in any way control the activities of any of the Spending Committees which are, under their Chairman, responsible only to the Council, but to give each member periodically an over-all picture of the Council's financial position in relation to the rate levied or to be levied for the year.

The Committee, having carefully considered the matter, recommend that the following proposals be adopted:-

(a) When proposals involving expenditure are submitted to a Spending Committee the appropriate Officer should indicate those items which have not been provided for in the Annual Estimates, or which are estimated to exceed the amount provided in the Estimates [by £50.]

(b) If the proposed expenditure is covered by the Estimates the Spending Committee will approve or otherwise in the usual way.

(c) Similar arrangements to apply in respect of expenditure not included in the estimates but below the prescribed limit of £50.

(d) Proposed expenditure not covered by the estimates and in excess of the agreed limit, if approved by the Spending Committee, to be authorised "subject to the comments of the Finance Committee".

(e) At each meeting of the Finamce Committee all items of expenditure for which no provision is made in the Annual Estimates be scheduled for consideration. The Finance Committee should, at the same time, be notified of material increases in expenditure beyond the estimates which have arisen since its last meeting by reason of action not within the control of the Council, e.g. an increase in wages, rates, etc., so that they have before them the total excess commitments which have arisen to date. In the light of this they should review the recommendations of the Spending Committees and agree either:-

(i) To approve the expenditure already recommended, in which case it is suggested their Resolution should take the form of "no comment" on the proposed expenditure as the question of "authorising" it does not arise until the Council Meeting.

(ii) Recommend that the proposed expenditure be not incurred or be deferred for the time being.

(f) In the event of expenditure being approved by a Spending Committee but not recommended by the Finance Committee, the final action would, of course, lie with the Council which, at its open meeting would pass without comment the Resolution of the Spending Committee authorising the expenditure subject to the Finance Committee's comments, but when dealing with the relevant Minute of the Finance Committee would either approve the Minute agreeing not to incur the expenditure or, alternatively, reverse it.

5. YOUTH CENTRE, GOLDSMITH ROAD. In May, 1947, the Council offered the Friern Barnet Youth Committee the use of this building at an annual rental of £300 subject to deductions being made from this sum in respect of evenings when the building is not in use by the Youth Committee, such deductions being at the rate of 25s. 0d. per evening during the winter months (September to April) and 15s. 0d. per evening during the summer months (May to August).

Correspondence has now been received from the County Valuer who points out that the building was erected at the expense of the Middlesex County Council and has never been transferred to this Council. Interviews have followed between representatives of the County Council and representatives of this Council's Treasurer's Department, and the County Valuer is prepared to reimburse the following sums expended in connection with the Meetings of the Youth Committee, in lieu of paying the rental as suggested by this Council:-

1945/46	...	...	...	£5 15s. 7d.
1946/47	...	...	...	£9 2s.10d.
1947/48	...	...	...	£79 15s. 9d.

It is pointed out that these sums do not include expenses incurred in respect of meetings of the Civil Defence Association or the "Good Companions" Club, as the County Council is not authorised to meet the expenses of such bodies, and until such time as the building is transferred to this Council the County Valuer suggests that it would be simpler for the County Council to re-imburse expenses for repairs, maintenance and services provided by this Council.

Having received a report by the Treasurer thereon the Committee recommend that the amounts of re-imbursements referred to above be accepted, which will result in amounts of £2 19s. 10d. and £22 5s. 5d. in respect of the years 1946/47 and 1947/48 respectively being borne by the Council's General Rate Fund and that the basis of future payments suggested by the County Council be approved.

6. PRIORY CIVIC RESTAURANT. The Treasurer reported that the Priory Civic Restaurant showed a trading profit for the year 1947/48 of £574 and for the quarter ended the 30th June, 1948 a profit of £4.

The Committee are of the opinion that the restaurant is insufficiently publicised at the present time and therefore recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to erect suitable notice boards in prominent positions at the junction of Woodhouse Road/Colney Hatch Lane/Friern Barnet Road and Friern Barnet Lane and outside the restaurant.

The Committee further recommend that, subject to the approval of the Middlesex County Council, a similar notice be displayed in the Public Library in Friern Barnet Road.

7. FRIARY PARK - CATERING. With reference to Minute No.3 (b) of the Report of the Parks Committee on the 7th September, 1948, the Chairman of the Council reported that the Sub-Committee appointed to consider the desirability of the Council running their own catering establishment in the Park considered that further investigation was necessary before reporting fully to this Committee, and it was hoped that a detailed report would be submitted to the next Meeting.

The Committee recommend that the attention of Mrs. Thurston, the present caterer, be drawn to the fact that the present catering rights expire on the 30th September, 1948, and that the question of catering rights generally in Friary Park is receiving the attention of the Council whose decision thereon would be conveyed to her in due course.

8. COUNTY FIRE SERVICE.

(a) Reports. A report was submitted from the Middlesex County Council of the fire calls within the Urban District during the month of July 1948.

(b) Fire at premises in Wetherill Road. As certain members of the Council received comments of alleged delay in the arrival of the Fire Brigade to a fire in Wetherill Road on the 25th August, 1948, a report was requested from the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade, which has now been received as follows:-

"Our records show a call was received at the "Fortis Green Fire Station from the Tudor Exchange at "19.57 hours, and that a second call was received "immediately afterwards.

" It appears that the Wetherill Road district of "Friern Barnet is actually on the Tudor Exchange. "Incidentally the Fortis Green Fire Station is the "nearest station to that district, and since the "initial call was received at this Station there could "be no question of any delay in dealing with the call,

" An appliance left the Fortis Green Station at "19.58 hours and arrived at the fire within two "minutes. Immediately the call was received a "second appliance was ordered to the fire from the "Wood Green Fire Station; this appliance left the "Station at 19.59 hours and arrived at the fire at "20.04 hours. At 19.58 hours the Finchley Fire "Station received a call from the Halliwick Road fire "alarm and an appliance left the Station at 19.59 "hours arriving at the fire at 20.02 hours. On the "arrival of the first appliance from Fortis Green at "20.00 hours the officer in charge, who was, "incidentally, in the Station Watch-room when the "call was received, sent back a message to make the "pumps up to three; this message was received at "20.04 hours and an additional appliance was ordered "from Hornsey and Southgate.

" The stop message (indicating that the fire was "under control, and that no further assistance was "required) was received at 20.14 hours.

" The time of the first call to Fortis Green "Fire Station has been checked with the Tudor Exchange "and there is only one minute discrepancy between the "stated times.

" Our records show that an appliance was actually "in attendance at the fire within four minutes of the "receipt of the call, and I am completely satisfied "that no allegation of delay can be justified."

In connection therewith it was reported that information had been received to the effect that the person giving the initial alarm by means of the public call box in the vicinity of the scene of the fire also gave the second alarm by direct call from the fire alarm in Colney Hatch Lane at the other end of Wetherill Road.

It would appear, upon the information to hand, that the alleged delay occurred in transmitting the alarm through the Tudor Exchange, and the Committee recommend that the Engineer of the London Telephone Communications Region be notified of the allegations and asked for his observations, a copy of the letter being supplied to the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade for information.

(c) Management Scheme. A copy of the Management Scheme under the Fire Services Act, 1947, as approved by the Secretary of State, has now been received from the Middlesex County Council. This District is included in Group 2, comprising the Urban Districts of Friern Barnet and Potters Bar and the Boroughs of Southgate and Wood Green, the Town Clerk of the Borough of Southgate being the responsible Officer.

(d) Long Service Medal - C.R. James. The National Fire Brigade Association report that they have received an application for a Long Service Medal from Mr. C.R. James, who was formerly in this Council's Fire Brigade, and have suggested that as the greater part of the fire service of Mr. James was in the employ of this Council, consideration might be given to the payment of the fees on behalf of the applicant.

The current prices are £2 per silver medal, plus 6s. 6d. per silver bar, plus engraving at 2s. 0d. per dozen letters, all these prices being inclusive of 125% purchase tax.

The Committee recommend that the fees in this case be met by this Council.

The Committee have, however, requested the Clerk to ascertain whether the Scheme for the award of Long Service Medals to fire service personnel is being continued by the County Council.

(e) Fire Station. With reference to Minute No.4 (e) of the Report of this Committee on the 20th May, 1948, a letter has been received from the Middlesex County Council referring to the use of certain parts of the Friern Barnet Station by this Council, and it is understood that one of the conditions imposed by the National Fire Service for this use was that this Council should bear the whole cost of heating, lighting, water rates and loan charges in respect of the portions of the Fire Station so occupied. As there is some difficulty in determining the exact apportionment of these charges, the County Valuer has made an assessment based on outgoings as follows:-

"(i) The garages in yard adjoining are sufficiently self-contained, are separately assessed at £60 G.V. £43 R.V., and were constructed more recently than the Fire Station. Friern Barnet U.D.C. is in sole occupation and should therefore pay all outgoings relating to this property.

(ii) Friern Barnet U.D.C. occupies the whole of the Appliance Room for garage purposes, and in my opinion this portion of the Fire Station premises is worth 50% of the whole. The local authority should therefore pay 50% of all outgoings. The existing assessment of £200 G.V. £163 R.V., was agreed by me with the Valuation Officer.

(iii) The Staff of the Urban District Council have part time use of the Recreation Room in which is a billiard table apparently purchased originally by the Urban District Council and presented to the staff. The County Council staff on duty have the right to use the table also, although at present this right does not seem to be much exercised. In all the circumstances, I estimate that a charge equivalent to 7½% of outgoings on whole premises would be fair and equitable in respect of this user".

As it was necessary to use the appliance room for the housing of ambulances as from the 4th July last, this apportionment would only be applicable for the period 1st April to 3rd July, inclusive.

It is now proposed to make further changes at this Fire Station, one of them being the use of the Recreation Room as a Mess Room and Rest Room so as to make available the first floor flat for residential purposes, and in the circumstances it will no longer be possible for this Council's staff to use the Recreation Room in which the Billiard table is at present accommodated, and notification will be sent as to when the proposed changes are to take place.

It is proposed to leave in abeyance the apportionment of the charges subsequent to the 4th July until such time as the user of the Recreation Room by staff ceases.

In connection therewith the Clerk reported as to the difficulties in finding alternative accommodation for the billiard table, and accordingly the Middlesex County Council have been requested to reconsider their decision to convert the Recreation Room into a Mess Room as it is felt that it should be possible to find a Mess Room for a small number of men elsewhere in the Fire Station. At the same time it has been pointed out to the County Council that the staff will be unable to meet such a high charge as 7½% of the outgoings which would amount to at least £40 per annum, and the Clerk of the County Council has replied that the proposed alterations are being given further consideration.

Having received reports from the Treasurer and Valuation Officer the Committee recommend that further representations be made as to the proposed apportionment of charges from the 1st April to the 3rd July, inclusive.

(f) Fire Brigade Pensions. Mr. H.K. Moody, who was formerly in this Council's Fire Brigade, was transferred to the National Fire Service and is now employed by the Middlesex County Council Fire Service, will now become subject to the Firemen's Pension Scheme Order 1948, and the County Council desire to ascertain the pension position of this member. Under Section 6 of the Fire Brigade Pensions Act, 1925, service with a Fire Brigade was only regarded as being pensionable if the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade certified that the service was diligent and faithful. These certificates cannot now be given by the Chief Officers of former Fire Brigades in respect of past service, and the new Order authorises local authorities to give such certificates if they are satisfied as to the service.

Mr. Moody was in the employ of this Council as a fireman from 13th July, 1936, to 17th August, 1941, and having received a report by the Clerk, the Committee recommend that the necessary certificate be issued.

9. FINCHLEY AND FRIERN BARNET COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE.

(a) Reports. The reports of the Council as to the services rendered during the months of June, July and August were submitted for information, copies of these reports having already been supplied to Members of the Council.

(b) Grant - Increase in Salaries of Officers. With reference to Minute No.17 (a) of the Report of this Committee on the 15th July, 1948, it will be recalled that this Council decided that they were prepared to increase their annual contribution towards the funds of the Council of Social Service to meet increased salaries to be paid by them, subject to the Finchley Borough Council taking similar action.

The Chairman of the Council now reports that the Finchley Borough Council have appointed two of their Member, namely the Deputy Mayor and Cr. Grant, to meet representatives of this Council to investigate the question of the funds of the Council of Social Service.

The Committee recommend that the Chairman of the Council and Cr. McClane be appointed this Council's representatives to meet the representatives of the Finchley Borough Council and it was suggested that the Clerk of this Council and the Town Clerk of Finchley be present at such meeting.

10. FINCHLEY AND FRIERN BARNET HOUSING ASSOCIATION. With reference to Minute No.6 of the Report of this Committee on the 17th June, 1948, enquiries were made of the Minister of Health as to whether he would be prepared to sanction a grant being made towards the funds of this Association in connection with the French Memorial Home for Old People. The Minister states that he considers the Council have power to assist the Association under Section 93 (3) (a) of the Housing Act, 1936, and that he would be prepared to give his consent to a grant being made by this Council on receipt of a copy of the Council's resolution authorising the application.

The Committee recommend that the representatives referred to in the preceding Minute be appointed to discuss with representatives of the Finchley Borough Council the question of making a grant towards the funds of the Association.

11. FRIERN BARNET'S OWN CHARITY - WINDING UP. With reference to Minute No.5 of the Report of this Committee of 17th June, 1948, when it was decided to make formal application for the inclusion of this Charity in the County Council's list of approved charities under the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, the Clerk reported that it is now understood the Trustees of the Charity have met and the fund has been wound up.

12. CIVIL DEFENCE ASSOCIATION. A letter has been received from the Clerk of the County Council in connection with Civil Defence Circular No. 100/1945 referring to the formation of Civil Defence Associations in the County by men and women who were engaged on Civil Defence work during the war and stating that these Associations are considered to constitute a useful reserve of experienced and interested people for any future Civil Defence Organisation, suggesting that their activities should be encouraged by all possible means.

It was further stated that it was hoped local authorities will continue to look favourably on these ventures and calling attention to the powers which exist to provide accommodation and other facilities for Civil Defence Associations.

In connection therewith the Clerk reported that a copy of the letter had been forwarded to the Friern Barnet Civil Defence Association asking for their observations and they had replied that the facilities at present enjoyed by them are adequate for their present requirements and they have no further observations to make.

13. FRIERN BARNET PROGRESSIVE TENANTS' ASSOCIATION. Correspondence has been received from the above Association enquiring what steps the local Member of Parliament proposes to take in regard to the latest imposition of the Government, namely, the further increase in the cost of electricity to become effective in the near future.

It was further stated that it was felt that this matter must be firmly and urgently dealt with and respectfully suggested that a meeting to discuss measures be arranged immediately.

As a matter of urgency the Chairman reported that he had communicated with Captain Crowder on the matter who stated that he would endeavour to raise the matter in the House during the coming Session.

14. TOC H BANNER - REPRODUCTION OF COAT-OF-ARMS. Correspondence has been received from the Friern Barnet Branch stating that they have recently been granted the status of a Toc H Branch and as such are entitled to possess a banner with any design they consider suitable to identify the unit at Toc H functions, and for that purpose applied for permission to include in their banner a reproduction of that part of the Friern Barnet Coat-of-Arms comprising the shield containing the pale argent and field vert and the motto "Ruris Amator".

The Committee recommend that the Toc H be informed that this Council have no objections to offer to the proposal.

15. MIDDLESEX TERRITORIAL ETC. FORCES ASSOCIATION. With reference to Minute No.9 of the Report of this Committee on the 15th July, 1948, the Clerk reported that at a Meeting of the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association held on the 26th July, 1948, Cr. Meynell's nomination as a member of the Association was submitted together with nominations made by Harrow, Ruislip-Northwood and Enfield. After a ballot Cr. Young, nominated by Ruislip-Northwood, was appointed.

16. TRAVELLING FACILITIES - PASSENGER SERVICE, NEW SOUTHGATE STATION. The Clerk of the County Council has forwarded a copy of a letter he has received from the Railway Executive Eastern Region in which it is stated that with the re-issue of their time-table for the winter train services an additional service will operate as from Monday, 27th September, 1948, on Mondays to Fridays, inclusive, from New Southgate Station at 8.23 a.m., running non-stop to Finsbury Park arriving at 8.36 a.m., and thence to Kings Cross arriving at 8.43 a.m.

17.. SPEED OF VEHICLES USING FRIERN BARNET LANE. With reference to Minute No.27 of the Report of this Committee on the 15th July, 1948, it was reported that the Police had been notified of the complaints received regarding cases of excessive speeding in Friern Barnet Lane. A communication has now been received from the Commissioner of Police stating that action has been taken where cases have been noted and the attention of police officers on duty in the area will continue to be given to prevent further cases of complaint.

18. PRINTING - NON-UNION FIRMS. With reference to Minute No.14 of the Report of this Committee on the 15th July, 1948, a further letter has now been received from the Printing and Kindred Trades Federation who desire to point out that they were not concerned whether the firm with whom orders are placed are members of the British Federation of Master Printers, but they are most anxious that the conditions and wages of the firms carrying out the Council's contracts are in accordance with the recognised agreements as accepted by both sides of the industry.

The Committee recommend that the Federation be informed that their observations will be borne in mind when future quotations for printing work are considered.

19. TOWN HALL - ACCIDENT TO MRS. TOLLERVEY. On the 7th August, 1948, Mrs. Tollervey of 1, Hollyfield Avenue slipped on the floor in the Cashier's Office, sustaining serious injuries, and was conveyed to Finchley Memorial Hospital. A claim has been received from Mrs. Tollervey's solicitors, which has been forwarded to the Council's Insurance Company.

The Committee have requested the Engineer and Surveyor to submit to their next Meeting a report on the condition of the flooring in the Cashier's Office.

20. DEATH OF MRS. WICKENS. Notification has been received that Mrs. Wickens, widow of the late Parks Superintendent, who was employed as a Convenience Attendant at Friary Park nominally at a weekly wage of 10s. 0d., died on the 8th August, 1948, and the payment ceased on the date of death.

21. 246, FRIERN BARNET LANE. Notification was received on the 20th August, 1948, from the Whetstone Police Station that the lead covering on the flat roof at the rear of these premises had been wilfully removed, and in order to render the building water-tight the Engineer and Surveyor has arranged to carry out the necessary minimum repairs.

22. GAS EXAMINER'S REPORT. The report of the Gas Examiner for the Quarter ended the 30th June, 1948, was submitted for the information of the Committee.

23. METROPOLITAN WATER BOARD. The Report of the Metropolitan Water Board for the years 1940/44, inclusive, was submitted for information.

24. GREATER LONDON WATER SUPPLIES. The report of the Ministry of Health Departmental Committee on Greater London Water Supplies was submitted for information.

25. ELECTORAL DIVISIONS. A copy of the representations which have been made by the County Council to the Secretary of State in connection with this matter has been received from the Clerk of the County Council. The representations increase the number of County Councillors and the number of Electoral Divisions in the County from 80 to 90. No alteration is proposed in the Electoral Division comprising the Urban District of Friern Barnet which still remains a separate Division returning one County Councillor.

26. URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILS' ASSOCIATION - ANNUAL CONFERENCE. A copy of the report of the Annual Conference of this Association has been supplied to each Member of the Committee for information.

27. NEW LEGISLATION. The Clerk reported that the following new legislation had been received, and reports will be submitted to the Council thereon as and when necessary:-

(a) Local Government (Conference) Regulations, 1948.
(b) Children Act, 1948.
(c) Nurseries and Child-Minders Regulations Act, 1948.
(d) Factories Act, 1948.
(e) National Service Act, 1948.
(f) Representation of the People Act, 1948 - copy supplied to each Member.
(g) National Assistance Act, 1948 - copy of Ministry Circular No.87/48 supplied to each Member.

28. REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACT, 1948. This Act, which deals with the preparation of Voters Lists, Parliamentary and Local Government Elections, corrupt and illegal practices at Elections, retirement of Councillors and date of Annual Meeting, provides that the day of the Election shall be a day in the week beginning with the Sunday before the 9th day of May, or if the 9th day is a Sunday, with that day, provided that if the said week is the week before Whit Sunday, the week ending on the Thursday before Whit Sunday shall be substituted therefor.

The Election in 1949 will therefore take place on a day during the week commencing Sunday, the 8th May, and the County Council are required to fix the actual date within these limits prior to the end of the preceding February after consultation with the District Council.

The Act further provides that in 1949 and subsequent years Councillors shall go out of office on the 20th May instead of the 15th April, and that the Annual Meeting of the Council shall be held on or soon as conveniently may be after the 20th May.

The Committee recommend that 26th May, 1949, be fixed as the date for the next Annual Meeting.

29. POST OFFICE FACILITIES. The London Postal Region have been pressed for further information as to the establishment of a Branch Post Office in Friern Barnet. Information has now been received that negotiations are proceeding for the acquisition of suitable premises, but it is not possible to say when the work of converting the premises will commence owing to present building restrictions.

30. AGENDAS AND REPORTS - USE OF COLOURED PAPER FOR VARIOUS DEPARTMENTS. The Clerk reported that the question of obtaining tinted duplicating paper for the reports of the various Departments of the Council had been investigated and a quotation as follows was submitted from Messrs. H. Howes & Co. Ltd., the normal Council suppliers, although it was stated that owing to irregular deliveries from the mills, no guarantee could be given of having all shades in stock at any particular time:-

White.		Tinted.	
Quarto ...	7s.6d. per ream.	Quarto ...	9s.3d. per ream.
Foolscap ...	9s.6d. per ream.	Foolscap ...	11s.6d. per ream.

The Committee recommend that the Clerk be authorised to obtain supplies of tinted paper for the reports of the various Departments of the Council.

31. MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL - PROPOSED GENERAL POWERS BILL. The Clerk submitted a report on the provisions which the County Council proposed to include in a General Powers Bill to be promoted in the next Session of Parliament in connection with which the County Council have indicated that they will be prepared to consider including in the Bill other provisions desired by the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association, subject, however, to the provisions in question not being of a contentious nature, as in present circumstances it is not considered expedient to include any provisions which are not both essential and urgent.

A further report will be submitted to the Committee as soon as the Bill is issued in approved form.

32. NORTH WARD HOUSING ESTATE - REBUILDING OF COAL HOUSES. With reference to Minute No.17 (c) of the Report of the Housing Committee on the 16th September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the original scheme for rebuilding the coal houses based on the acceptance of the lowest tender was as follows:-

38 pairs (76 coal houses)
at £7 10s.0d. per pair £247

Inside dimensions of coal houses 3' 3" x 2'3" x 4' 3" average height.

When 16 pairs of these coal houses had been commenced, but not completed, the Sub-Committee inspected the site and decided to increase the height of those already commenced and to increase the floor area and height of those still to be built and, on the basis of these instructions, revised prices were received from the Contractors as follows:-

16 pairs incomplete height to be extended 18" at an additional cost of £3 per pair, i.e. at a total revised cost of £10 10s.0d. per pair.

16 pairs to be built to new dimensions - revised price £10 per pair.

The reason for the revised price of the larger coal houses being 10s.0d. less than the revised price for those already commenced was that it was found possible to build the second batch on the existing concrete foundations which had not been practicable in the case of the first 16.

Further detailed investigations had been carried out on the site and whilst the balance of six pairs included in the original scheme were considered to be in a dilapidated condition it was felt that they could be left for the time being.

The total cost of constructing the 32 pairs to the revised dimensions amounts to £328. The work is now in hand and proceeding satisfactorily.

The Committee recommend that these revisions be approved and that the Contract entered into with the Contractors be amended accordingly.

33. TOWN HALL.

(a) External Painting. The external decoration of the Town Hall for which provision had been made in the current estimates of expenditure, although it was considered to be urgently required, had been deferred having regard to the Government licensing restrictions on painting generally. Owing to the easing of these restrictions the Engineer and Surveyor reported that during the August recess the Chairman of the Council has authorised that the work should proceed by direct labour. This work has now been completed.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Chairman of the Council and the Engineer and Surveyor be approved and confirmed.

(b) Interior Lighting. With reference to Minute No.8 (b) of the Report of this Committee on the 18th March, 1948, the Sub-Committee reported on the investigations which had taken place with a view to providing improved lighting in the Town Hall, and as a result of considerable consultations, it was proposed to provide fluorescent lighting in all the offices, the equipment at present provided in the corridors, Committee Rooms and Council Chamber to remain for the present, and to alter the shades at present provided in the Chairman's room, the Members' room, and the Lady Members' room to give a semi-direct light by using a glass unit of peach colour, the glass to be let into the existing bowl. A quotation for carrying out the work, as referred to above, was submitted from Messrs. Courtney, Pope (Electrical) Limited in the sum of £850 15s.6d.

The Committee recommend that the scheme now suggested be approved and that the quotation of Messrs. Courtney, Pope (Electrical) Limited be accepted, subject to contract.

34. STAFF - ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT - APPOINTMENT OF ENGINEERING ASSISTANT. With reference to Minute No.7 (b) of the Report of the Establishment Committee on the 20th July, 1948, the Sub- Committee authorised to make this appointment reported that only one applicant had been selected to appear for interview and was considered to be unsuitable for the position.

The Committee recommend that the position be re-advertised on the same scale, namely Grade V of the A.P.T. Division.

35. WOMEN MEMBERS OF LOCAL GOVERNMENT AUTHORITIES IN ENGLAND AND WALES - 8th CONFERENCE. An invitation was submitted from the National Women Citizens' Association to appoint a representative to attend the 8th Conference of Women Members of Local Government Authorities in England and Wales to be held in London on Friday, the 29th October, 1948, and the Committee recommend that either Cr. Mrs. McCarthy or Cr. Miss Richards be appointed the Council's representative to attend the Conference.

The Committee further recommend that application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to the payment of expenses of such delegate.

36. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING - GENERAL DEVELOPMENT ORDER, 1948. A letter dated 17th September, 1948, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that consideration is being given to the suggestion that a direction should be made under Article 4 of the Town and Country Planning (General Development) Order, 1948, providing that the permission granted by Article 3 of the Order shall not apply to development permitted by

(a) Clause 1 of the Order in respect of shelters and kennels for breeding dogs and pigeon and dove cotes and avaries, or

(b) Clause 4 of the Order in respect of trading, markets, fairs and caravans.

Further, it has been suggested that by classifying the above types of development as permitted development the Order removes from planning control uses of land which local authorities have in the past endeavoured to control by local legislation and that in highly urban areas the fullest possible control should be maintained over this type of development, particularly where the development referred to in (b) above is carried out on vacant plots of land in built-up areas.

Accordingly the observations of the Council were sought as to whether they would wish the area of the Urban District to be included within the scope of any direction which the County Council might make requiring permission to be obtained for carrying out this type of development.

The Committee recommend that the Middlesex County Council be informed that this Council desire to support the proposal and request that any direction made should apply to the whole of the Urban District.

37. MARQUEE - FRIARY PARK. With reference to Minute No.3 (f) of the Report of the Parks Committee on the 7th September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that offers for the purchase of the Marquee at present erected in Friary Park had been invited from a number of firms, but no offer had been received.

The Committee recommend that the Marquee be dismantled and suitably stored for the time being.

38. PURCHASE OF TREES AND SHRUBS. With reference to Minute No.8 (c) of the Report of the Parks Committee on the 7th September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor submitted a comprehensive report on the quotations received for the supply of trees and shrubs for various purposes.

The Committee recommend that the undermentioned quotations be accepted:-

Trees and Shrubs for Cromwell Road Recreation Ground.

Walter C. Slocock Ltd.		£46 18s. 0d.

Roses for Library Site.

Messrs. Chaplin Brothers.	(part requirements)	£13 19s. 0d.
William Wood and Sons.	(" ")	£ 9 12s. 0d.

Trees and Shrubs for Library Site.

John Hill & Sons.	(part requirements)	£ 1 15s. 0d.
Walter C. Slocock Ltd.	(" ")	£ 1 16s. 0d.
William Wood & Sons.	(" ")	£ 10s. 6d.

Street Tree Replacements.

John Hill & Sons.	(part requirements)	£23 16s. 6d.
Walter C. Slocock Ltd.	(" ")	£ 7 16s. 0d.

Trees and Shrubs for Pinkham Way Roundabout.

John Hill & Sons.	(part requirements)	£ 4 10s. 0d.
Walter C. Slocock Ltd.	(" ")	£ 15s. 0d.
William Wood & Sons.	(" ")	£ 5 0s. 0d.

Trees for Sewage Works.

Walter C. Slocock Ltd.	(part requirements)	£ 13s. 0d.
William Wood & Sons.	(" ")	£ 1 2s. 6d.

Roadside Gardens (Miles Way).

John Hill & Sons.	£ 15s. 0d.

Forest-tree Replacements.

Walter Slocock Ltd.	£ 3 19s. 0d.
	£122 17s. 6d.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.10 p.m. and terminated at 8.40 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Buildings Lettings Committee.

25rd September, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. E. Draper ... Chairman.

Crs. McClane, Matthews, Simmonds and Sparks.

1. MINUTES. Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 15th July, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. LETTINGS BOOK. The Lettings Book for the Town Hall was submitted and each booking to date approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. COUNCIL CHAMBER. It was reported that the Chairman of the Council had granted the use of the Council Chamber free of charge as follows:-

Monday, 18th October, 1948.	Civil Defence Association - Annual General Meeting.
Monday, 25th October, 1948.	United Nations Association - Public Meeting.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Chairman of the Council be approved and confirmed.

4. COMMITTEE ROOMS 1 and 2.

(a) Friern Barnet Local Appeals Committee. An application was submitted from the above-mentioned Committee for permission to hold whist-drives in Committee Rooms 1 and 2 on Saturdays, 18th September, 30th October, 13th November, and 11th December, 1948, in aid of various charities which have been sponsored by the Chairman of the Council, and the Committee recommend that the application be granted free of charge.

(b) Double letting. The Friern Barnet Young Conservatives Association have booked Committee Rooms 1 and 2 on the evening of Saturday, 23rd October, 1948, for the purpose of a dance and have agreed to Mr. W.L. Bird of 42, The Ridgeway, who has subsequently applied for the use of these rooms for a wedding reception during the afternoon of the same day, having the use of the accommodation up to 6.0 p.m., subject to the Council's consent.

The Committee recommend that this double letting be approved subject to the payment of a reduced fee of £3 3s.0d. for the wedding reception and £4 4s.0d. for the dance and to the payment of the normal fee of 10s.6d. for the piano in each case.

5. TOWN HALL BASEMENT.

(a) Toc H. An application has been received from the Friern Barnet Toc H for the use of the accommodation in the Town Hall basement, previously known as the Control Room, for the purpose of whist-drives in aid of the funds of the Organisation on Saturdays, 25th September, 30th October, 27th November, 1948, and 1st January, 1949. In view of the fact that no other user of this accommodation would be affected thereby, the application was granted subject to the payment of the usual fee of 5s.0d. for each occasion, the Organisation being responsible for the necessary cleaning of the room in conjunction with the other users.

The Committee recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

(b) St. John Ambulance Brigade. An application has been received from the 145 (Friern Barnet) Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade for the use of the accommodation in the Town Hall basement on each Thursday evening in lieu of each Monday evening, as at present, owing to certain difficulties which have arisen within the Organisation.

This arrangement will in no way affect the other users of the accommodation, and the Committee recommend that the application be granted.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 6.40 p.m.

Meeting of the Council held in the Town Hall, N.11.

30th September, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman.

Cr. A. Richardson ... Vice-Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Matthews, Miss Richards, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Mason, Maynell and Pickering.

2. ILLNESS OF CR. PICKERING. The Chairman referred to the sudden illness of Cr. Pickering, and undertook to express to him the Council's desire for his speedy recovery.

3. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the 29th July, 1948, were submitted and approved subject to Cr. Tarlton being added to the list of Members present at the Meeting, and were then signed by the Chairman.

4. REPORT OF ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Simmonds seconded by Cr. Richardson that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 7th September, 1948, be received and adopted.

5. REPORT OF PARKS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. McClane, that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 7th September, 1948, be received and adopted.

6. REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Henry seconded by Cr. Foley, that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 9th September, 1948, be received and adopted.

7. REPORT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE. Moved by Cr. Foley seconded by Cr. Sparks that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 9th September, 1948, be received and adopted.

Minute No.25. Colney Hatch Lane - Proposed Re-Naming. An amendment was moved by Cr. Miss Richards seconded by Cr. Mrs. McCarthy, that this Minute be referred back to the Committee for further consideration. The amendment on being put to the Meeting was declared to be CARRIED.

The motion for the reception and adoption of the report and recommendations, subject to this amendment, was then put to the Meeting and declared to be CARRIED.

8. REPORT OF RATING AND VALUATION COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Sparks seconded by Cr. Richardson, that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 16th September, 1948, be received and adopted.

9. REPORT OF HOUSING COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Draper seconded by Cr. Matthews, that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 16th September, 1948, be received and adopted.

10. REPORT OF TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. McClane seconded by Cr. Foley, that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 16th September, 1948, be received and adopted.

11. REPORT OF ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Simmonds seconded by Cr. Draper, that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 21st September, 1948, be received and adopted, subject to the addition of the following Minute No.3 (b) (iii) :-

"Junior Engineering Assistant. That an advertisement be issued for a Junior Engineering Assistant at a salary in accordance with Grade II of the A.P.T. Division, and that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council, and the Chairman of the Highways Committee be authorised to interview candidates, and make the appointment."

12. REPORT OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Matthews seconded by Cr. Henry, that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 23rd September, 1948, be received and adopted.

13. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. Moved by Cr. Simmonds seconded by Cr. Richardson, that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 23rd September, 1948, be received and adopted.

Minute No.4. Expenditure. An amendment was moved by Cr. Matthews seconded by Cr. Foley, that the words "by £50." be deleted from the end of paragraph (a) of this Minute. The amendment on being put to the Meeting was declared to be CARRIED.

A further amendment was moved by Cr. Sparks seconded by Cr. Matthews, that the word "prescribed" at the end of the second line in paragraph (c) of this Minute be deleted. The amendment on being put to the Meeting was declared to be CARRIED.

The motion for the reception and adoption of the report and recommendations, subject to these amendments, was then put to the Meeting and declared to be CARRIED.

14. SEALING OF DOCUMENTS. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Matthews, that the Seal of the Council be affixed to the following documents:-

(a) Contract with Messrs. Ernest Knifton Ltd., for the making up of part of Alexandra Road, N.10.

(b) Licence to deal in Game - Messrs. S. Pulham & Sons Ltd., 27, Queens Parade, N.11.

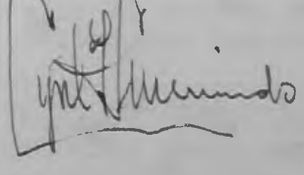
(c) Licence to deal in Game - Messrs. S. Pulham & Sons Ltd., 1260, High Road, N.20.

Seal affixed accordingly.

The Council approved the sealing of the following documents out of Meeting:-

(a) Mortgage with the Public Works Loan Board for the sum of £5,900 for the purchase of 246, Friern Barnet Lane.

(b) Mortgage with the Public Works Loan Board for the sum of £12,000 in respect of the erection of 10 houses - Site No.5 by Messrs. V.A. Howard Ltd.



Chairman.

Report and Recommendations of a Special Meeting of the Town Planning Committee.

30th September, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. L.W. McClane ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, Martin, Matthews, Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Mason, Meynell and Pickering.

2. COUNTY DEVELOPMENT PLAN. With reference to Minute No.17 of the Report of this Committee on 16th September, 1948, the Committee considered the joint report of the Clerk and the Engineer and Surveyor with regard to the County Development Plan, which in certain respects differs from the provisions contained in the Friern Barnet Planning Scheme No.1 and the Friern Barnet Draft Planning Scheme No.2.

Plans of the County Development proposals, and plans showing counter proposals, as outlined in this report, were submitted to the Meeting.

Having carefully considered the matter, the Committee make the following observations and, as a matter of urgency, have instructed the Clerk to inform the County Council accordingly:-

(a) Oakleigh Park Area including "The Hollies". It is considered that an area should be zoned "Non-agricultural open space" commencing with the small area at the top of the railway tunnel within the Urban District of East Barnet, then proceeding to include land originally in the North Ward Housing Scheme at present used as temporary allotments, the land between Oakleigh Park South and the Railway leaving a building depth to Oakleigh Park South, and then proceeding across Oakleigh Park South and a small portion of Oakleigh Park North, and linking with the existing private open space lying to the South of Chandos Avenue.

This proposal will avoid the inclusion of "The Hollies" in an area providing a local green belt and non-agricultural open space, and permit of its retention for housing purposes as recently decided by the Council with the approval of the Ministry of Health.

It will also provide a belt of open space with the minimum loss of building frontage on Oakleigh Park South and North, frontages which are in the main already developed.

(b) Area comprising the Gun Site and Sweet's Nursery. That the Western part of the site nearest the Great North Road be scheduled for development including a School site, and the remainder for non-agricultural open space purposes.

The development plan provided for the inclusion of this area in a local green belt and non-agricultural open space.

(c) Barfield Allotments. That this area, scheduled under the proposals of the County Council as a Development Area, be preserved as an allotment site.

(d) North Middlesex Golf Course. Although the new proposal for this area does not strictly comply with the provisions of the Friern Barnet Planning Scheme no objection be raised to its being scheduled for public open space, including the proposed building frontages being scheduled as part of the open space.

(e) Land at the junction of Friern Barnet Lane and Torrington Park. Although this area is zoned under the Friern Barnet Planning Scheme for development, it is considered that the planning in the locality will be improved by this area being scheduled for an open space and ultimately absorbed into Friary Park.

(f) Bookbinders Cottage Homes. It is considered that this area should remain scheduled for residential purposes and not as a public open space, particularly having regard to the adjoining open spaces.

(g) Temporary Housing Site East Crescent, and Adjoining Land Fronting the West side of East Road. The Committee concur in the proposal for approximately one half of this area nearest Oakleigh Road North, including the land on the West side of East Road, being scheduled for development, and the remainder public open space, except that it appears that the land on the East side of the proposed T.P.6. road, if constructed, should be thrown into and form part of the Recreation Ground, the area obviously being unsuitable for development.

(h) Finchley Allotments - Warnham Road. The Committee concur in the suggestion that part of this land which has a frontage to the North side of Warnham Road be scheduled for development so far as within the Urban District.

(i) Sports Ground and Land adjoining Hilton Avenue. The Committee concur in this land being scheduled for the purpose of a public open space, including the land at present occupied by Nos. 33, 35, 37 and 39, Hilton Avenue.

(j) Friern Hospital. It is considered that a provision should be made in this area for that part adjoining the railway to be scheduled for industrial pruposes, frontages to Colney Hatch Lane and Pinkham Way for open spaces and/or non-agricultural open spaces, and the remainder, including part of the frontage to Friern Barnet Road, for development area, subject to any adjustment to permit of the proposed shool site already under consideration by the Education Committee, which it is considered could be sited in this area without detriment to good planning - County proposals provide for the whole area being scheduled as a local green belt and non-agricultural open space.

(k) Cromwell Road - North Side. The Committee concur in the proposal to schedule this area for a public open space, which would result in a continuance of the open space from Colney Hatch Lane, comprising the present London County Council playing field, right through to Cromwell Road.

(l) South Ward Allotments - Pinkham Way area; Coppetts Road portion permanent allotments up to Halliwick Recreation Ground and remainder a Recreation Ground. The Committee consider that the present allotment area should be retained as non-agricultural area, and the existing Halliwick Recreation Ground retained as a public open space.

It is felt, however, that the attention of the County Council should be called to the requirements of the Education Committee for a school site in this area, and in this connection both this area and the area of the Friern Barnet Sewage Works should be borne in mind and any necessary variation made in the Development Plan accordingly.

The proposal of the County Council is to change the present permanent allotment site from allotments to public open space and the existing Recreation Ground with part of the existing Housing Estate into allotments.

(m) Area comprising the remainder of the South Ward. Having regard to the proposal for the provision of an open space on the North side of Cromwell Road, the Committee concur in the proposal for this area being scheduled for development.

This will eliminate the Cromwell Road Recreation Ground.

(n) Sewage Works Site. The Committee have no observations to offer on this land being scheduled as a local green belt and non-agricultural open space, this matter being primarily for consideration by the Wood Green Borough Council.

Lord Clare

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 8.20 p.m. and terminated at 9.30 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Allotments Committee.

5th October, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. M.R. Tarlton ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Martin, Richardson and Simmonds. Messrs. Harris, Harman and Ovenden representing the North, Central and Halliwick Park Allotment Holders' Associations respectively.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mason and Matthews.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 7th September, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. NORTH ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 18 outstanding applications for permanent plots.

(b) Rathbone Allotments - Extension of Water Supply. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Report of this Committee on the 7th September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that an order for this work has been placed with the successful contractor Messrs. J. Hendon & Sons and the Barnet District Water Co.

(c) Rathbone Allotments - Complaint re Washdown of Piggeries. With reference to Minute No.5 (e) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th September, 1948, the Committee recommend that Mr. H. Beeles of 6, Lily Villas, the occupier of the plot in question, be informed of the action which has been taken.

(d) Allotments, Oakleigh Road North and Vacant Land adjoining Denham Road. With reference to Minute No.4 (b) of the Report of this Committee on the 10th November, 1947, the Association's representative reported that although barbed wire had been erected as requested, it had been torn down within a very short period and the gate is now permanently open.

The Committee recommend that the Clerk make a further approach to the East Barnet Urban District Council on this matter.

3. CENTRAL ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have between 30 and 35 outstanding applications for permanent plots.

(b) Extension of Water Supply. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Report of this Committee on the 7th September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that an order has been placed with the successful contractor, Messrs. J. Hendon & Sons and the Barnet District Water Co.

The Engineer and Surveyor will investigate the question of access to the new water supply position.

(c) Fencing. The Association's representative referred to the very poor condition of certain sections of fencing on the allotments, when the Engineer and Surveyor stated that a survey will be made of all fencing with a view to a sum to cover repairs and new fencing being included in next year's estimates.

4. HALLIWICK PARK ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 10 outstanding applications for permanent plots.

(b) Access to Allotments from Housing Site No.5. With reference to Minute No.4 (e) of the Report of this Committee on the 1st June, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that together with the Chairman of the Council he had met the Association's representative on the site, and after careful consideration the following proposals were agreed, subject to confirmation by the Committee.

(i) That one of the two proposed footpaths flanking the rectangular greensward fronting the western boundary of George Crescent should be replaced by a 10 ft. vehicular road to give access from George Crescent into the allotments.

(ii) That a link road should be constructed within the allotments running along the western side of the boundary with the housing estate to link up the existing allotment roads at present running between the boundary with the housing estate and Coppetts Road. Thus the proposed access road from George Crescent would lead on to this link road and serve the existing allotment roads.

The Engineer and Surveyor's estimate for this work is £470.

The Committee recommend that the proposals of the Engineer and Surveyor as set out above, subject to the inclusion of the provision of a gate giving access to Coppetts Road opposite the central road on the allotments be approved, and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for a grant in connection with disturbance and change-over in relation to Housing Site No.5.

5. TEMPORARY WAR-TIME ALLOTMENTS - PINKHAM WAY. An application has been received from Mr. W.S. Webster for consent to the erection of a greenhouse 12 ft. x 9 ft. x 6 ft. high on Allotment No.9 of the temporary war-time allotments, Pinkham Way.

The Agreement between this Council and the London County Council prohibits the erection of any buildings without the consent of the London County Council.

The Committee recommend that Mr. Webster be informed it is the policy of the Council to refuse permission for the erection of buildings of this nature on allotments and his application cannot be granted.

6. TEMPORARY ALLOTMENTS - HOUSING SITE No.5, COLNEY HATCH LANE. Having regard to the progress being made with the erection of houses on this site it is probable that the land occupied by these temporary plots will be required early next year.

The Committee accordingly recommend that the Association be requested to terminate the temporary tenancies on the 31st March, 1949.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.15 p.m. and terminated at 7.50 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Parks Committee.

5th October, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mason, Matthews and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin and Miss Richards.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 7th September, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman,

2. NEW SOUTHGATE RECREATION GROUND. With reference to Minute No.16 of the Report of the Public Health Committee on the 9th September, 1948, the Clerk submitted a report, a copy of which has been circulated to all Members, on the terms on which this Recreation Ground is held.

The Committee propose to give this matter further consideration when considering the contribution to be made for the ensuing year or at their January Meeting, whichever is the earlier.

3. SPORTS LETTINGS.

(a) Applications authorised by Chairman. The Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman be confirmed in granting the use of sports facilities as follows:-

(i) Cricket Pitch - Halliwick Recreation Ground. The use of the cricket pitch in Halliwick Recreation Ground by the Coldfall Residents' Athletic Association, for an all-day match on Sunday, the 12th September, 1948, in lieu of their half-day booking. No additional charge was made in this instance.

(ii) Football Pitch - Halliwick Recreation Ground. The use of the football pitch in Halliwick Recreation Ground by the Finchley Taxes Sports & Social Club, on Wednesday evenings, the 22nd and 29th September, 1948, subject to the payment of a fee of 7s. 6d. for each evening.

(iii) Football Pitch - Bethune Recreation Ground. The use of the new football pitch in Bethune Recreation Ground by the Holly Park Secondary Modern School on each Tuesday and Thursday afternoon, from 4 p.m. to 5.30 p.m., from 28th September to the 14th October, 1948, at a fee to be fixed.

It will be remembered that at the last Meeting of the Committee similar facilities were granted for the use of this pitch as follows:-

		Fee
Holly Park Primary School.	Thursdays 1.30 - 4 p.m. Occasional Saturday mornings for inter-school matches.	£10 per season.

(iv) Running Track - Bethune Recreation Ground. The use of the running track in Bethune Recreation Ground for the purpose of carrying out Boy Scout tests on Sunday 12th September, 1948, free of charge.

Owing to certain difficulties within the organisation, it was found impossible to utilise the track on the day in question, and the tests were subsequently carried out on Sunday, 19th September, 1948, when a fee of 2s. 3d. was charged in respect of the 9 boys concerned. The Chairman has authorised the refunding of the 2s. 3d. paid in this instance.

The Committee recommend that in respect of item (iii) above a fee of £1 1s. 0d. be charged.

(b) Hockey Pitch Area - Bethune Recreation Ground. It will be recalled that owing to limited facilities it was not possible to fulfil all the requirements of the Friern Barnet Grammar School. Information was received from the Headmaster that although the Holly Park Secondary Modern School was granted the use of this area for various periodson each day (Mondays to Fridays) it was not being used on Monday afternoons. The matter has been taken up with the Education Officer, who reports that owing to the shortage of staff it is not possible to make full use of the facilities at present, and efforts are being made to fill the vacancies. He is, however, prepared to forego the use of the area on Monday afternoonsfor the present season, in favour of the Grammar School, but is most anxious that it will not prejudice the School's position as to requirements in future seasons.

The Committee recommend t hat the Friern Barnet Grammar School be granted the use of the Hockey Pitch Area, as requested; that the fee in respect of the bookings of sports facilities by the Holly Park Secondary Modern School be reduced by £5, and that the Friern Barnet Grammar School be charged £5 in respect of the facilities now granted them.

(c) Football Pitch - Bethune Recreation Ground. An application has been received from the Hon. Secretary of the Tufnell Park Football Club, as follows:-

" I have recently had an interview with the Chairman of the Friern Barnet Council, and following this interview, wish to make on behalf of my club, Tufnell Park Football Club, formal application for the use of the ground adjoining Bethune Park as a football pitch.

My club is a member of the Isthmian League, the premier amateur league in the country, and includes such clubs as Dulwich Hamlet, Ilford, St. Albans City, Oxford City, Leytonstone etc.

We have been unable to obtain the use of our pre-war ground and are at present playing too far away from London.

Having seen the Bethune Park ground I am of the opinion it would make an ideal ground for a club of our standing.

The question of the name of the club would naturally require consideration, and for your information I should like to mention that six of my committee are residents of Friern Barnet, and also a number of the players.

I trust that your Council will give this application their consideration, bearing in mind that since its formation in 1907, Tufnell Park F.C. have gained a very high reputation for their support to local schools, youth organisations etc., in the form of coaching and training and all round encouragement. "

The Chairman of the Committee and Councillor Draper undertook to make further investigations into this application, and a further report will be circulated to Members for consideration at the next Meeting.

4. FRIARY PARK.

(a) Extension of Greenhouse, and Construction of second Frame in Nursery. With reference to Minute No.3 (d) of the Report of this Committee on 7th September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had been in communication with Messrs. Duncan Tucker & Co., regarding the capacity of the existing boiler, and they are of the opinion that it is capable of heating the proposed extension of 30 ft. x 18 ft. to the existing 30 ft. x 18 ft. Greenhouse.

The Committee recommend, subject to the comments of the Finance Committee, that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to proceed with the provision of an extension to the existing Greenhouse of 30 ft. x 18 ft. at an estimated cost of £350, and the two nursery frames, one of which was approved at the last Meeting, at a total estimated cost for the two of £80.

The work will necessitate the removal of one small tree.

(b) Master Plan. With reference to Minute No.3 (g) of the Report of this Committee on 7th September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that owing to the shortage of staff in his Department, he had been unable to prepare a Plan of the proposed layout.

The Committee have decided to give this matter further consideration at their next Meeting, when they hope Members will bring forward any ideas which they may have for the future layout of this Park, and the Engineer and Surveyor will submit suggestions as a basis for discussion.

(c) Open Potting Shed in Yard of Friary House. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that he hopes to commence work in connection with the above during the week commencing 4th October, 1948.

(d) Friary House - External Painting. Five tenders were received for this work as follows:-

H. Ginn & Sons	...	£ 86 0s. 0d.
J. Holland & Son	...	164 0s. 0d.
G.D. Vine	...	195 0s. 0d.
Simpson & Sons	...	278 2s. 6d.
H.C. Buddington	...	330 0s. 0d.

These tenders were opened by the Chairman of the Council on Saturday, 18th September, 1948, and on consultation with the Chairman of this Committee the Engineer and Surveyor was authorised to place an order forthwith with Messrs. H. Ginn & Sons, and this was done on the same day.

The Committee recommend that this action be confirmed.

(e) Marquee - Dismantling and Storing. With reference to Minute No.37 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee on 23rd September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the Marquee had been taken down, and placed in storage at the Sewage Disposal Works.

(f) Marquee for Summer Entertainments 1949. With reference to Minute No.3 (f) of the Report of this Committee on 7th September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had made enquiries for the purchase or hire, for the Summer period, of a Marquee of approximately 3,000 square feet, replies to which were as follows:-

Purchase.

Manufacturer	Quotation or remarks
Benjamin Edgington.	Unable to quote at present.
John Edgington & Co. Ltd.	Tentative quotation of £400.
C. Nielson & Son.	Unable to quote at present.
John Smith & Co.Ltd.	Have ceased manufacture owing to difficulties with controls. They stated that they have to cope with no less than five separate controls.
Yacht & Commercial Rigging Co.	Unable to quote for Marquee of that size.

The Engineer and Surveyor was given to understand by several of the representatives of the above firms to whom he spoke, that the position regarding the supply of marquee fabric is still extremely difficult, as was the case two years ago when the Council had this subject under consideration previously. In general the small amount of fabric which firms are able to get hold of is used for repairs and for manufacturing the smaller marquees. There is a certain amount of ex-Government fabric on the market, but it is not considered to be satisfactory as it has been in stock for a long time and has deteriorated.

Hire.

Manufacturer	Size	Price	Total for 13 weeks
Blake & Son B. & T. Ltd.	110 x 30	£23.7.6d 1st week £16.5.0d following weeks.	£218.7.6d
C. Nielson & Son.	85 x 40	£18.0.0d per week.	£234.0.0d
S.E. Ogles.	Unwilling to quote for such a long period.		
Benjamin Edgington.	Unable to quote at present.		

The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a letter subsequently received from Messrs. J. Edgington & Co. Ltd., for a Marquee - 8 oz. fabric, size 80 feet x 40 feet with 6 feet detachable walls, for £352, delivery 6-8 weeks.

Further enquiries are being made, and the Committee will give the matter further consideration at their next Meeting.

5. BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND.

(a) 9-Hole Golf Course.

(i) Maintenance. A report was submitted on the work carried out to the 9-hole Golf Course since the last Meeting of this Committee.

(ii) Receipts. Receipts for the month of September, 1948, were £126 8s. 0d. compared with £116 19s. 3d. for September, 1947. The total receipts from 1st April, 1948, to 30th August, 1948, were £824 7s. 6d. compared with £727 2s. 9d. for the same period in 1947.

(iii) Competitions. The annual stroke conpetition is now finished, the winner being Mr. W. Ward, runner-up Mr. A. Flint. The semi-finals and final of the knock-out competition have yet to be played.

Competitions have also been played by the Friern Hospital Golf Section and The Standard Telephones Golf Section.

(iv) Season Ticket. A resident purchased a Summer Season Ticket in April (£2 0s. 0d.), and after playing only two rounds was taken seriously ill, and has been unable to play since. The resident has been, and still is, unemployed as a result of this illness. In view of the circumstances and as he has been a regular player at Bethune Park for the last ten years, the Committee recommend that he be granted a Winter Season Ticket free of cost.

(b) Arrangements for additional Dressing Accommodation. In view of the extra teams now playing football on the Bethune Recreation Ground, the Chairman of this Committee, the Caterer, and the Engineer and Surveyor, inspected the accommodation in the brick cafe on the 23rd September, 1948, and it was agreed to set off approximately half of the room attached to the cafe for dressing accommodation, with a longitudinal partition 25 feet long with door and a short cross partition to form two compartments. This partition was installed in readiness for games on Saturday last, together with loose forms for seats, hat and coat hooks and one wash bowl, and two small dust bins to each compartment, one of the dust bins being for clean water and the other for waste water.

This work is not provided for in the Annual Estimates and the estimated cost is £23 15s. 0d.

The Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman be confirmed.

(c) Provision of additional Goal Posts and Nets. Larch posts have been erected to two goals on the Hockey Pitch area, and oak posts with Oregon pine crossbars have been erected on the new football pitch. Nets have been purchased for this pitch, but owing to their tarry condition are being dried out for a week or so before fixing.

The Committee recommend that the Council be responsible for the erection and taking down of these nets, before and after games.

6. PARKS GENERALLY.

(a) Report of Parks Superintendent. The Parks Superintendent submitted a report on the works carried out by the Parks Staff since the last Meeting of the Committee.

(b) Parks Mowing Machines - Overhaul and Repair. The Committee recommend that authority be given for the following Parks mowing machines to be overhauled and repaired during the Winter months:-

4 Gang units together with connecting frames.
1 - 24" Motor Mower.
2 - 20" " "
1 - 20" " Roughcut.
3 - 14" Hand Mowers.
3 - 15" Rough Cut Mowers.

(c) Repairs to Paths.

(i) Friary Park. Extensive repairs are being carried out to the paths throughout Friary Park.

(ii) Bethune Recreation Ground. Following completion of the repairs in Friary Park, it is proposed to carry out the necessary repairs to the paths in Bethune Recreation Ground.

(iii) Halliwick Recreation Ground. The condition of these paths has deteriorated very rapidly owing to the original poor construction, and practically the whole of the paths have had to be resurfaced.

(iv) Paths Generally. Having regard to the extent of repairs which have had to be carried out, it will not be possible to carry out the surface dressing which had been hoped, and some of this work will have to be deferred for inclusion in next year's Annual Estimates.

(d) Playground Equipment. The Engineer and Surveyor reported on damage which had occurred to certain of the playground equipment in the Parks, thereby putting certain apparatus out of action until replacements are obtained.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to make enquiries of local firms for the replacement of certain spares for playground equipment, should deliveries from the manufacturers be unduly delayed.

The Committee are concerned at the amount of damage which is being done, and propose to consider at their January Meeting the question of the engagement of some person to give more direct supervision over the use of the playing apparatus, and the provision of exercise appratus for older youths.

7. AUTO SCYTHE AND HEDGE TRIMMER. The Sub-Committee have now seen a demonstration of the Hedge Trimmer, and, at the same time, a demonstration of a combined Hedge Trimmer and Auto Scythe. The Sub-Committee report that the Hedge Trimmer is useful for that one purpose only, but the combined machine could also be used for the rough cutting of grass areas, including grass areas bordering highways.

The cost of the Hedge Trimmer is £75 and of the combined machine £105 7s. 6d.

The Committee recommend that provision be made in the 1948/49 Estimates for the purchase of the combined machine from Messrs. John Allan & Sons (Oxford) Ltd., at a cost of £105 7s. 6d. and that an order be placed for delivery in April 1949.

8. GANG MOWERS. With reference to Minute No.8 (b) of the Report of this Committee on 7th September, 1948, the Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to place a provisional order for two new units with Messrs. Ransomes, Sims & Jefferies Ltd., at a cost of £54 10s. 0d. (less 5%) each, financial provision to be made in next Year's Estimates.

9. FRIARY PARK BOWLING GREEN. The Chairman of the Committee reported on the condition of this Green, and the Committee recommend that the Parks Superintendent be instructed to returf faulty areas from the turf nursery.

10. ALEXANDRA PALACE. The Alexandra Park Trustees are considering the proposal that the Alexandra Palace and Park should be transferred to the control of the Middlesex County Council, and have asked for the views of this Council.

The Committee recommend t hat the Trustees be informed this Council favour control by the County Council provided that the existing use of the Palace and Park will not be prejudiced thereby.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 8 p.m. and terminated at 10.20 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Health Committee.

7th October, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. A.C. Henry ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Mrs. McCarthy, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Cr. Mason.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Matthews, Meynell and Richardson.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 9th September, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES. The following notifications of infectious diseases have been received since the date of the last Meeting:-

Disease	Wards					Total for District only
	North	South	Central	East	West	
Whooping Cough	-	-	-	1	4	5
Scarlet Fever	1	-	1	-	-	2
Tuberculosis	-	1	1	1	-	3

4. DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION. The Medical Officer of Health reported as to the present position in the District in connection with the above, stating that 2,490 immunisations had been completed to date.

5. COMPLAINTS. Sinch the last Meeting of the Committee 58 complaints, including 7 cases of rat infestation, have been received and investigated, and the necessary action taken to secure a remedy.

6. ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES. The works necessary to comply with Notices served requiring abatement of nuisances at 24 properties throughout the District have been completed.

7. UNSOUND FOOD. The Sanitary Inspector reported as to the various types of food which had been condemned as unfit for human consumption since the last Meeting of the Committee.

8. REGISTRATION OF PREMISES FOR THE SALE OF ICE-CREAM, SECTION 14, FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1938. Mrs. M.M. Blundell makes application for registration of her shop premises at No.28, The Avenue, N.11., for the sale of Ice-Cream in accordance with the Food and Drugs Act, 1938.

The Ice-Cream is obtained from the manufacturer in wrapped packages and cartons, and is retailed in the same condition.

It is stored in a refrigerator capable of retaining the Ice-Cream at the temperature prescribed by the Ice-Cream (Heat-Treatment etc.) Regulations 1947.

The Committee recommend that the premises be registered for the sale of Ice-Cream.

9. PIGGERY, REAR No.420, OAKLEIGH ROAD, N.20. With reference to Minute No.13 of the Report of this Committee on 9th September, 1948, the work of providing a satisfactory drainage system to these premises has been commenced.

10. APPOINTMENT OF ADDITIONAL SANITARY INSPECTOR. The Sub-Committee authorised to make this appointment interviewed selected candidates on 2nd October, 1948, and appointed Mr. J.J. Wisdom of Highgate, at present a District Sanitary Inspector with the Borough Council of St. Pancras, at a salary in accordance with Grade I of the A.P.T. Division of the National Joint Council Scale of Salaries, plus London Weighting.

Mr. Wisdom holds the Certificate of the Royal Sanitary Institute, and Sanitary Inspectors Examination Joint Board.

In accordance with the provisions of the Sanitary Officers (Outside London) Regulations, 1935, the appointment will be for a period ending on the 31st March, 1949, and thence from year to year subject to the right of the Council to give not less than three months' notice expiring on the 31st March in any year.

The appointment of Mr. Wisdom is subject to confirmation by the Minister of Health.

11. FOOD AND DRUGS (MILK AND DAIRIES) ACT, 1944. With reference to Minute No.10 of the Report of this Committee on 4th September, 1947, further notification has now been received from the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries that, owing to certain difficulties mainly in connection with the revision of the regulations governing production and distribution, it will not now be practicable, as was anticipated, to bring this Act into operation during the present year.

12. RODENT CONTROL, MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND FISHERIES CIRCULAR No.20. This circular is on the subject of infestation of sewers by rats, and refers to the relationship between this type of infestation and infestation of surface premises.

The circular indicates the importance of rat proofing measures in sewers, particularly where new works are contemplated, and makes certain suggestions as to the treatment of disused and abandoned sewers, which might provide undisturbed nesting places where breeding could continue unchecked. These comments of course apply likewise to disused drains to premises.

The subject was under discussion at a recent meeting of the London Workable Area Committee on rodent control, which the Sanitary Inspector attended, and it then appeared that these were matters which received the attention of local authorities generally as part of normal rodent control measures.

So far as this District is concerned, in addition to the usual six-monthly treatments of the sewers, the possibility of connection between surface infestation and defective or disused sewers and drains is always considered, and in fact from time to time defects have been revealed and remedied.

13. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936, SECTION 93. The Sanitary Inspector reported the existence of Statutory nuisances at the undermentioned premises:-

(a)	No.73, The Avenue.	Defective and leaking roof.
(b)	No.266, Sydney Road.	Defective W.C. flushing cistern and sink waste pipe.
(c)	No.55, Holly Park Road.	Defective and leaking roof.

Intimation notices having been served and not complied with, the Committee recommend the service of Abatement Notices under Section 93 of the Public Health Act, 1936, and failing compliance therewith, that the Clerk be authorised to take appropriate proceedings.

14. LOCAL AREA HEALTH COMMITTEE. With reference to Minute No.13 (a) of the Report of this Committee on 6th May, 1948, Cr. Foley has tendered his resignation as a representative of this Council on the above Committee, owing to his inability to attend Meetings on Mondays, the day on which Meetings of the Local Area Health Committee are normally held.

The Member appointed must be a person appointed by this Council as a representative on the District Education Sub-Committee.

The Committee recommend that the Council accept the resignation of Cr. Foley, and that Cr. C.F. Simmonds be nominated to take the place of Cr. Foley, as a representative of this Council.

15. CLOSING HOURS OF SHOPS DURING THE WINTER MONTHS. Notification has been received from the Home Office that Defence Regulation 60 A.B. which imposes earlier hours for the closing of shops during the winter months will be operative from Sunday, the 7th November, 1948, to Saturday, the 5th March, 1949, and accordingly during that period shops will be required to close at 6.0 p.m. on ordinary days and at 7.30 p.m. on one day of the week to be known as the late day.

The Local Authority may vary these hours by Order provided that the substituted hours shall not be later than 7.0 p.m. except on not more than two days, when the substituted hour may be 8.0 p.m.

The Friern Barnet Chamber of Commerce have been consulted as to whether there is a general desire for any extension of the hours of 6.0 p.m. and 7.30 p.m., and they have replied that in their opinion no useful purpose would be served by altering the hours laid down.

The Committee recommend that no action be taken to vary the hours prescribed.

A. C. Heaver

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 6.40 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Highways and Public Works Committee.

7th October, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. J. Foley ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Henry, Martin, Mason, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, Miss Richards, and Sparks.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Matthews, Meynell and Richardson.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 9th September, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. PARKING FACILITIES - HIGH ROAD, FINCHLEY. In September, 1947, the Council, in conjunction with the Finchley Borough Council, made application to the Minister of Transport for a direction under Section 46 of the Road Traffic Act, 1930, prohibiting heavy vehicles from using Mayfield Avenue, Finchley Park and Lynton Avenue. Subsequently, the Minister notified the Finchley Borough Council that before he would make such an Order, the Finchley Council should consider the possibility of providing parking places for heavy vehicles in suitable car parks off the High Road, North Finchley, in the vecinity of the transport cafes.

The Finchley Borough Council have now notified the Minister of Transport that they find it quite impossible to obtain suitable parking facilities owing to the exceedingly high cost of land in the area, and they have, therefore, requested the Minister to make the proposed Order prohibiting vehicles standing in the side roads without making any condition as to the provision of alternative parking places.

4. FRIERN MOUNT DRIVE - LIGHTING. A request has been received from Mr. D.C. Wright of 39, Friern Mount Drive, for the provision of street lamps in a portion of this road.

In December, 1946, similar requests were received and a circular was sent to all frontagers pointing out that the responsibility for providing means of lighting was a matter for the frontagers, but that if they were prepared to form a small Committee for the purpose of collecting the cost of the installation and would deposit the necessary sum with this Council, the Council would be prepared to carry out the installation of means of lighting and ensure thereafter that the lamps were kept lit. As a result of those circulars which were forwarded to approximately 40 frontagers, only two or three replies were received, and it then appeared to the Council that the frontagers were not interested, and no further action was taken. Mr. Wright, has, however, been informed that if the frontagers now care to get together and deposit the necessary cost, details of which have also been forwarded, the Council would no doubt be prepared to carry out the work.

An assurance has also been given that, in the event of this course being adopted, the cost will not be re-charged in the ultimate cost of making up the road.

5. RENAMING COLNEY HATCH LANE. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Minutes of the Council on 30th September, 1948, the Committee further considered the question of the renaming of Colney Hatch Lane.

The Committee recommend that for the time being no action be taken as regards the renaming of Colney Hatch Lane.

6. HIGHWAYS - GENERAL MAINTENANCE. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on maintenance work carried out during the month of September.

7. PRIVATE STREETS.

(a) Temple Avenue.

(i) Lighting. An application has been received from Mr. P.H. Jenkinson, a resident in Temple Avenue, requesting the provision of means of lighting. Mr. Jenkinson has been informed that the Minister is proposing to hold a Local Inquiry into the Council's application for the making up of this street, and that if the works are approved by the Minister they will include the provision of street lights. Mr. Jenkinson has also been informed that if, in the meantime, the frontagers like to get together and deposit the cost of the provision of one or more street lights as a temporary measure, the Council would no doubt be prepared to carry out these works.

The estimated cost will be approximately £20 5s. 0d. for each lamp.

(ii) Private Street Works. Notification has been received from the Ministry of Health that one of the Minister's Inspectors, Colonel A.S. Lowe, M.C., B.Sc., M.I.C.E., M.E.Mech.E., proposes to attend at the Town Hall on Tuesday, 19th October, 1948, at 10.0 a.m. for the purpose of holding a Public Inquiry into the Council's application for authorisation to the making up of this street.

Public notice of the Inquiry has been given in accordance with the instructions of the Minister by posting up Notices throughout the District, and notifications have also been sent to the local newspapers and to the East Barnet Urban District Council, as a portion of this street in within that District and they were proposing to make up their portion in conjection with this Council's work.

(b) Oakleigh Park South.

(i) Making Up. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted plans, specification and estimate in connection with the making up of Oakleigh Park South. The estimated cost of the work is £14,944, approximately £2 12s. 6d. per foot of frontage.

The Committee recommend:-

(A) that the plans, specification and estimate be approved.

(B) that Notices under Section 150 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the respective owners of property or land fronting, adjoining or abutting on the said road, to execute the necessary works within three months of the service of such Notices, and that if the Notices are not complied with by the owners, the Council carry out the works.

(C) that, in the event of the works being carried out by the Council on default of the owners, tenders be invited.

(ii) Provision of new Manholes on Soil and Surface Water Sewers. In connection with the plans which are being prepared for the making up of this road for submission to the Ministry of Health, considerable investigations have had to be undertaken to locate the position of the existing soil and

surface water sewers, owing to the lack of manholes, and it will be necessary to build two manholes on the soil sewer and five manholes on the surface water sewer. The cost of this work cannot be charged to the frontagers.

The exact depth of the sewer at the points it is proposed the manholes should be constructed is not known, but it is estimated that the cost of building the manholes on the soil sewer will be £280, and on the surface water sewer £620.

The Committee recommend that provision be made for this work in the estimates for the next financial year.

(c) Alexandra Road. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that all sewerage works are completed, and work on the making up of the street is progressing satisfactorily.

It is anticipated that the work will be substantially completed by the end of this month, providing there are no unforeseen holdups due to inclement weather etc.

(d) Raleigh Drive (Part). The Minister of Health in a letter dated 9th September, 1948, has advised that he is prepared to approach the Regional Building Committee for the award of a starting date for the proposed works, on receipt of the following information:-

A list of the tenders received.

The amounts of any controlled materials required.

Certain detailed particulars regarding labour requirements etc., and an assurance that no priority for labour is required.

This information has been forwarded.

(e) Bedford Close. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that in view of shortage of staff he had been unable to have plans etc., prepared in connection with the making up of this street.

(f) Lighting of Porch Way. The installation of the two lamps in this road has now been completed.

(g) Lighting of Torrington Avenue. Plans and estimates for the installation of the additional lamp required in this road have been prepared, and notices under Section 150 of the Public Health Act, 1875, will be served on the frontagers in the near future.

8. RUSSELL ROAD - APPLICATION FOR ADDITIONAL LIGHTING. A complaint has been received regarding the inadequate lighting in this road. An additional lamp is needed at its junction with Simmons Way, and a further lamp approximately midway between the junction of Russell Road and Russell Gardens and the Eastern end of Russell Road. The distance between the existing lamps is 144 yards on the Western section, and 130 yards on the Eastern section, as against the normal requirements of approximately 50 yards.

The estimated cost is £40.

The Committee recommend that two additional lights be placed in this road, and as a matter or urgancy have authorised the Engineer and Surveyor to place an order for this work forthwith.

9. SALVAGE.

(a) Returns. The returns for salvage for the month of September are as follows, showing a comparable figure for the same period in 1947:-

1948	...	41 tons 19 cwts.	£182 10s. 0d.
1947	...	32 tons 19 cwts.	£147 19s. 0d.

(b) New National Waste Paper Contest. The Waste Paper Recovery Association Ltd., have circularised all Local Authorities that although collections improved in the first part of the year, without considerable imports they would have been insufficient for immediate requirements and altogether inadequate to meet the growing need of industry. At the present rate of consumption stocks cannot last many days, and, therefore, they ask that Local Authorities should work harder than ever during the Autumn and Winter months to increase further the collections, as failure will react disastrously on the industrial production programme already planned and the Export Drive so essential to National recovery.

As a further stimulus to domestic collections the Association announce another National Contest for the six Autumn and Winter months from October, 1948, to March, 1949, inclusive.

The basis of this new contest will be the monthly average figures put up by Councils during the period of the Spring Contest of March, April and May this year. Each Council's collections then shown will be graded 100 and the highest monthly average for the new Contest period in relation to that figure will be the winner.

Councils who did not enter the earlier Contest are invited to enter the new one, and the collections of these Councils will be related to the National monthly average per 1,000 of population shown by their respective category of Council during the earlier Contest period March to May, 1948.

£5,000 in money prizes will be divided amongst Councils in England, Wales and Northern Ireland, and the prize money will be paid to the successful Councils to do with as they wish.

Local Authorities who wish to enter the Contest should indicate their intention not later than 20th October, 1948.

The Committee recommend that the Council enter this Competition, and that the Engineer and Surveyor takes such additional action as may be necessary having regard to existing difficulties.

(c) Special Paper Salvage at Refuse Disposal Tip. With reference to Minute No.17 of the Report of this Committee on 9th September, 1948, owing to the sickness of the man on waste paper salvage at the refuse disposal tip, it has not been possible to engage this man much on special paper salvage at the tip face for the past month.

It is considered that the waste paper collections are being maintained at a very good level, and the capital sales of paper since 1st April, 1948, to the end of September, 1948, are as follows, (showing comparisons with previous years):-

1948	...	145 tons 4 cwts.
1947	...	95 " 4 "
1946	...	80 " 18 "
1945	...	82 " 10 "
1944	...	98 " 14 "

The Committee recommend that this man's employment be continued subject to review each month.

10. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES. - RAILWAY HOTEL. With reference to Minute No. 14 of the Report of this Committee on 9th September, 1948, tenders were submitted for the carrying out of the necessary repairs as follows:-

Simpson & Sons	...	£38 10s. 0d.
H. Ginn & Sons Ltd.	...	40 0s. 0d.
E.D. Fensome	...	43 7s. 0d.

The Committee recommend that the tender of Messrs. Simpson & Sons, amounting to £38 10s. 0d. be accepted, and as a matter of urgency the Committee have authorised the Engineer and Surveyor to instruct the Contractors to proceed with the work forthwith.

11. FLOODING, 11-29, CROMWELL ROAD. In September of last year the Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on sites in the District which were subject to flooding in times of storm, and he then referred to the flooding in the back gardens of properties at the North of Cromwell Road.

It will be recalled that instructions were then given for the position to be fully investigated, and for a further report to be submitted.

Owing to shortage of technical staff it has not been possible to carry out detailed investigations.

The Committee have now had before them correspondence which has passed between a resident and the Engineer and Surveyor regarding the recent flooding.

From the limited information available it would appear that there are three means of alleviating flooding:-

(a) To enlarge the existing soil sewer in Cromwell Road. This would be a very costly scheme.

(b) To consider diverting the soil sewer drains from all the properties affected to the new 30" soil sewer running at the rear of the properties.

(c) The Committee will recollect that under the proposed Middlesex Main Drainage Scheme, it is intended to lay a new trunk sewer along the North Circular Road to take all the soil sewerage from the District. When this scheme is carried out connections will be made at various points to pick up the existing soil sewers, and one result will be that the new 30" soil sewer at the rear of the properties already referred to, will be rendered redundant. When this circumstance arises it would be possible to construct an overflow from the existing surcharged sewer in Cromwell Road into the redundant sewer referred to. The County Council are, however, unable to give any indication when the new trunk sewer is likely to be laid through this District, and it may well be several years before such a scheme can be carried out.

The Committee recommend that action be deferred pending consideration of flooding thorughout the District, and the preparation of general schemes for flooding relief.

12. BEACONS FOR PEDESTRIAL CROSSINGS. With reference to Minute No.10 of the Report of this Committee on 9th September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that since all pedestrian crossings are sited on County roads, or at street junctions with County roads, the whole of the cost incurred in installing the new beacons should be allocated to County road expenditure.

The Committee recommend that application be made to the County Engineer for authority to proceed, and to place an order for the 40 beacons with Messrs. Splintex Safety Glass Ltd., in the sum of £64 plus labour costs etc. £16.

13. ROAD SAFETY - ACCIDENT RETURNS. The Engineer and Surveyor reported the receipt of road accident returns for the month of September, 1948, during which period no accidents occured in Friern Barnet.

14. STATUTORY OPENINGS. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the statutory openings being carried out by and on behalf of statutory Companies.

15. BEACONSFIELD MEWS. With reference to Minute No.16 (a) of the Report of this Committee on 9th September, 1948, a further application from Messrs. Hagman Laboratories (1933) Ltd., was submitted for the renaming of this road from "Beaconsfield Mews" to "Beaconsfield Close". On further consideration the Committee feel there is some justification for the change.

The Committee recommend that Beaconsfield Mews be renamed "Beaconsfield Close".

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.50 p.m. and terminated at 8.25 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Rating and Valuation Committee.

14th October, 1948.

PRESENT:

Crs. Henry, Martin, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson and Simmonds.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Draper and Mrs. McCarthy.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. McClane and Meynell.

2. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN. In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Committee, Cr. Pickering was appointed Chairman of this Meeting.

(Cr. J.E. Pickering ... In the Chair)

3. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 16th September, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

4. NEW PROPERTIES. Having received a report by the Valuation Officer as to new properties erected in the District, the Committee recommend as follows:-

		Recommendation.
(a)	Nos. 34, 36, 38 and 40, George Crescent.	£30/22 each.
(b)	Nos. 232, 232a, 234 and 234a, Sydney Road. Cost of Works re-built flats.	Nos.232 & 234 - £28/21 each. Nos.232a & 234a - £29/22 each.

5. ALTERATIONS. Having received a report by the Valuation Officer as to alterations to the following properties, the Committee recommend amended assessments as indicated:-

		Recommendation.
(a)	61, Friern Barnet Road. Rooms over shop severed to form separate flat	Delete existing assessment of £66/53 and insert - Shop £56/45 and flat £24/17.
(b)	14, Goldsmith Road. Addition of garage.	Increase from £39/29 to £44/34.
(c)	170, Sydney Road. Addition of two garages.	Increase from £60/48 to £70/56.
(d)	29, Oakleigh Road South. Repairs completed.	Reinstate former full assessment of £40/30.
(e)	21, Buckingham Avenue. Addition of garage.	Increase from £82/66 to £90/72.

6. HOARDING, JACQUES COTTAGES, HIGH ROAD, N.20. DEMOLITION. The Valuation Officer reported that this hoarding had been demolished, and the Committee recommend that the assessment of £26/23 in respect thereof be deleted.

7. BARNET DISTRICT GAS & WATER COMPANY - GAS UNDERTAKING. A provisionally agreed figure recommending an increase from £160 to £195 for the period 1st April, 1946, to the 31st March, 1947, in respect of the above has been received from the County Valuer, and the Committee recommend that this figure be accepted.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.35 p.m. and terminated at 6.45 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Housing Committee

14th October, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. J.E. Pickering ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, Martin, Matthews, Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. McClane and Meynell.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 16th September, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. HOUSING LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The Report of the Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee held on 4th October, 1948, a copy of which is attached, was submitted and approved.

4. REQUISITIONED PROPERTIES.

(a) Arrears of Contributions. The Treasurer submitted a Report on the arrears of contributions in respect of requisitioned properties. The following matters arise out of the Report:-

(i) Occupier No.638. The arrears are £3 0s. 2d. and the weekly contribution is £1 10s. 1d. The occupier has frequently been in arrear since April last, and the Committee recommend that a letter be sent to this occupier requesting payment forthwith, and regular payments in the future.

(ii) Occupier No.674. The arrears are £2 11s. 5d. and the weekly contribution is 17s. 5d. The occupier has now promised to pay 25s. 6d. per week until the arrears have been cleared, and a further report thereon is to be submitted.

(b) General Maintenance. The Engineer and Surveyor reported as to the general maintenance work carried out by direct labour, and by Contractors since the last Meeting.

(c) External Painting. With reference to Minute No.4 (f) of the Report of this Committee on 16th September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the external painting of seven requisitioned properties had been completed, the work on two further properties had been commenced, leaving eight further properties to receive attention.

(d) 145, Friern Park - Demolition of old Coach House. With reference to Minute No.4(e) of the Report of this Committee on 16th September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the Contractor engaged on this work commenced the work on 6th October, 1948.

5. BUILDING CONTRACTORS - INTERIM PAYMENTS. The Committee have authorised and ordered Barclays Bank Limited to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed on Page 29 of the Treasurer's Order amounting to £17,626 16s. 1d. being interim payments to building contractors subject to the accounts being initialled by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of this Committee.

The accounts have since been inspected and initialled by the Chairman.

6. HOUSING ESTATES.

(a) Arrears of Rent. The Treasurer reported on the present position regarding arrears of rents. The following matters arise out of this report:-

(i) Tenant No.37. Arrears £3 6s. 2d., weekly rent £1 4s. 1d. There is no financial hardship. The tenant has been in arrear since April last, arrears have recently been increasing, and the Committee recommend that Notice to Quit be served on the tenant.

(ii) Tenant No.50. Arrears £3 12s. 1d., weekly rent £1 4s.11d. There is no financial hardship. The tenant has been continuously in arrear since April last, and the Committee recommend that Notice to Quit be served on the tenant.

(iii) Tenant No.57. Arrears £6 8s. 1d., weekly rent £1 5s. 11d. The tenant is not in employment owing to illness, but has promised to make instalment payments off the arrears when employment is resumed. The Committee have instructed the Treasurer on the action to be taken and a further report will be submitted in due course.

(iv) Tenant No.103. Arrears £2 18s. 4d., weekly rent £1 5s. 1d. There is no financial hardship, the tenant having been continually in arrear since April last, and the Committee recommend that Notice to Quit be served on the tenant.

(v) Tenant No.105. Arrears £4 1s. 0d., weekly rent £1 5s. 1d. There is no financial hardship. The tenant has been continually in arrear since May last, and the Committee recommend that Notice to Quit be served on the tenant.

(vi) Tenant No.363. The arrears in this case have now been substantially reduced. The Committee have requested the Treasurer to press for payment of the balance now outstanding.

(vii) Tenant No.1028. Arrears £3 2s. 1d., weekly rent £1 1s. 0d. There is no financial hardship, the tenant having been continually a week or more in arrear since April last, and the Committee recommend that Notice to Quit be served.

(b) General Maintenance. The report by the Engineer and Surveyor on the general maintenance of Housing Estates was submitted for information.

(c) External Painting. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that since the last Meeting of the Committee the external painting of eighteen houses had been completed by direct labour and twenty-one by contractors.

(d) Installation of new stoves and hot water systems. With reference to Minute No.17 (d) of the Report of this Committee on 16th September, 1948, it was reported that this work has been recommenced and a further 10 have been installed making a total of 18 since the 1st April, 1948, and a gross total of 46 since the end of the war.

In this connection a summary of a survey of the condition of the stoves and hot water systems in Council property was submitted.

The Committee consider that a further 60 installations should be replaced before the end of March next, making a total of 78 for the financial year.

As a total of 50 only was allowed in the annual extimates this will entail an estimated additional expenditure of £1,120.

The Committee recommend that, subject to any observations of the Finance Committee, the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to proceed with this work.

(e) Internal Painting - Winter Programme. Owing to weather conditions it will be necessary to terminate the programme for external painting of Council houses in the near future during the winter months, and it is considered that this labour should be employed during that period on internal decorations.

Having received a report by the Engineer and Surveyor the Committee recommend that he be authorised to proceed with the decorations of the ground floor rooms, halls, staircases and landings on 60 properties, and the complete internal decorations of 50 houses which are affected by extensive war damage repairs, in accordance with the scheme already approved in principle.

(f) Unauthorised Structures. A survey has been made of the structures erected in the gardens of Council property which discloses that there are approximately 213 structures erected where there is no evidence of permission having been granted. There is, however, record that permission has been granted for the erection of 71 such structures.

The Committee recommend that the Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman of this Committee, be authorised to prepare a circular to be sent to Tenants in cases where such structures have been erected without the consent of the Council, intimating that the Council will consider applications for permission to retain one shed or similar structure, and favourable consideration would be given to the keeping of a reasonable number of hens by any one tenant.

(g) Fencing. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that a survey has been made of the fences to Council houses, which disclosed that generally the fences to the older properties were in a bad condition. It is estimated that the cost of the complete renewal by providing chain link fencing and concrete posts and gates would amount to approximately £30 per house.

The Committee are advised that a considerable delay might be experienced in obtaining a sufficient supply of this material.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to place orders for the necessary material up to an amount not exceeding £1,000, subject to the observations of the Finance Committee.

No provision has been made in the current estimates for this expenditure but it is not anticipated that delivery will take place in the current financial year, and accordingly the Committee further recommend that provision be made for this expenditure in the estimates for the year 1949/50.

(h) Rebuilding of Coal Houses, North Ward. With reference to Minute No.17 (c) of the Report of this Committee on 16th September, 1948, it was reported that this work was proceeding satisfactorily, completion being anticipated within a week.

(i) Nos. 2 and 4, East Road - Proposal to instal Electric Lighting. With reference to Minute No.17 (g) of the Report of this Committee on the 16th September, 1948, it was reported that the order had now been placed for this work to be carried out by Messrs. G.D. Vine in the sum of £13 15s. 0d. per house. An order has also been placed with the Eastern Electricity Board for the service installations in the sum of £7 5s. 0d. per house.

(j) No. 1, Miles Way - Application to erect Greenhouse. An application has been received from the tenant to erect a greenhouse 12 ft. in length, 9 ft. in width, and 8 ft. 6 ins. in height to ridge, in the rear garden of the property. It is

proposed to site the structure a distance of 42 ft. from the rear of the house. The tenant has previously been granted permission for the erection of an Anderson shelter tool shed subject to a temporary licence.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted subject to the construction and appearance of the greenhouse being to the satisfaction of the Engineer and Surveyor.

(k) Friary House - External Decorations. With reference to Minute No.4 (d) of the Report of the Parks Committee on the 5th October, 1948, it was reported that the Contractor anticipated commencing this work on the 11th October, 1948.

(l) C. Cole, Plumber - Application for Regrading. An application has been received from Mr. C. Cole, plumber, to be regraded foreman plumber. The Council have now four plumbers engaged with their mates on plumbing work, and having received a report by the Engineer and Surveyor, the Committee recommend the Joint Staff (Manual Workers) Committee be requested to give favourable consideration to the application.

7. No.2, ALEXANDRA ROAD. With reference to Minute No.13 of the Report of this Committee on the 8th July, 1948, the demolition of this property has now been completed with the exception of the removal of surplus material and tidying up of the site. The flank wall to No. 4, Alexandra Road has been completely rebuilt.

8. HOUSING SCHEMES.

(a) Housing Site No.3 - Friern Barnet Progressive Tenants' Association. With reference to Minute No.18 (a) (i) of the Report of this Committee on the 16th September, 1948, the Sub-Committee submitted a report on the meeting which took place with representatives of the Association, on the suggestions for the improvement of certain conditions. Arising from consideration thereof the Committee make the following observations:-

(i) Coal Shutes. The Engineer and Surveyor has been requested to investigate with local coal merchants the height of the coal shutes and to make any necessary adjustments.

(ii) Dwarf Boundary Wall. The Association have requested that a dwarf boundary wall be erected to prevent damage and trespass.

The Committee have referred consideration of this matter to the next Meeting of the General Purposes Committee when a report on the proposal will be submitted by the Engineer and Surveyor.

(iii) External Doors - Provision of Mortice Locks. The Committee recommend that the application from the Association for the provision of mortice locks to external doors be approved.

(iv) Electric fire switches in Bedrooms. The Committee favour the suggestion of the Association that the switches for the electric fires in the bedrooms should be fitted outside the rooms, thereby avoiding any tampering by young children.

(v) Recesses for Door-Mats. The Committee recommend that the Association be informed that the provision of rising butts on front doors or a recess in the floor to make provision for a door-mat will be approved, subject to an application being made to the Engineer and Surveyor.

(vi) Clothes Lines. The question of the provision of additional clothes drying facilities is being investigated.

(vii) Duties of Caretaker. The Committee recommend that a list of the duties of the caretaker be supplied to the Tenants' Association in order to avoid any confusion as to the work he is expected to undertake.

(viii) Provision of Flat Numbers. Arising from a question raised by a Member of the Committee, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that considerable delay was being experienced in obtaining the flat number boards for erection externally, and the Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to endeavour to obtain these at an early date.

(ix) Youth Club. It has been reported that a Youth Club has been formed within the Tenants' Association.

(b) Future Schemes - Provision of Workshop. Arising from the report referred to in the preceding Minute, the Committee recommend that due consideration be given, in the planning of future housing schemes, to the provision of a communal workshop.

(c) Housing Site No.4, Alexandra Road. Work on this site is progressing satisfactorily, structural work having been completed. A further 12 flats will be available for occupation in the very near future, which completes three-fifths of the whole scheme.

(d) Housing Site No.5, Colney Hatch Lane.

(i) Contract 5A/6 - Messrs. Graham Builders & Contractors Ltd. A letter dated 16th September, 1948, was submitted from the Ministry of Health giving approval to the acceptance of the tender submitted by Messrs. Graham Builders & Contractors Ltd. for the erection of a further 12 houses, Type 1, in the sum of £15,105.

The Committee recommend that application be made to the Minister of Health for sanction to loan in the sum of £15,175, made up as follows:-

Cost of works	£15,105
Stamp duty and cost of raising loan ...	70
	£15,175

and that on receipt of loan sanction the money be borrowed from the Public Works Loan Board and that the Chairman of the Council and the Clerk be authorised to seal the Mortgage and any other documents, if necessary out of Meeting.

(ii) Contract 5B/4 - 24 Flats. With reference to Minute No.18 (c) (iii) of the Report of this Committee on the 16th September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the Contractor has commenced preliminary site works and the construction of the flats will commence on Monday, the 18th October, 1948.

(iii) Contract 5B/3 - 30 Flats. Tenders which were invited for this Contract were opened to-day by the Chairman of the Council. The Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to submit the lowest tender to the Ministry of Health, subject to checking of Bills of Quantities.

(e) Painting of Bathrooms, Kitchens, W.C.s and Dados. With reference to Minute No.18 (c) (vii) of the Report of this Committee on the 16th September, 1948, a letter dated the 25th September, 1948, has been received from the Ministry of Health stating that the Minister is unable to agree to the painting of walls in bathrooms, kitchens and w.c.s in lieu of distemper, as it is considered that this work should be carried out when the plaster is thoroughly dry by the Council's Maintenance Staff.

(f) Immersion Heaters. With reference to Minute No.18 (c) (viii) of the Report of this Committee on the 16th September, 1948, a letter dated the 25th September, 1948, has been received from the Ministry of Health wherein it is stated that the Minister is unable to agree to the installation of immersion heaters to houses on this site as a means of water heating is already provided. In connection therewith the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he has requested reconsideration of this decision having regard to the fact that the existing means of heating water is by the heating appliance in the living room and in view of the undesirability of this appliance being operated during hot weather it is felt that an alternative means of water heating for summer use should be provided.

(g) Progress. Progress on the site is generally satisfactory and a further six houses will be available for occupation very shortly.

9. LAND, OAKLEIGH ROAD SOUTH BETWEEN FALKLAND AVENUE AND MARNE AVENUE. A letter dated 28th September, 1948, has been received from Messrs. Norman, Estate Agents, offering on behalf of the owner to sell this land to the Council.

Having received reports from the Clerk and the Engineer and Surveyor and the observations of the County Engineer, the Committee do not consider that the land in question forms a suitable site for housing purposes, and therefore recommend that the offer be not accepted.

10. FURNISHED HOUSES (RENT CONTROL) ACT, 1946. PROPERTIES IN TORRINGTON PARK AND BEACONSFIELD ROAD. The Clerk reported receipt of formal notifications of the decision of the Rent Tribunal in respect of references from the tenant of a property in Torrington Park and one in Beaconsfield Road.

11. HOUSING SUMMARY, AUGUST, 1948. The Housing Summary of the Ministry of Health setting out the total provision of housing accommodation in Great Britain as at the 31st August, 1948, was submitted to the Committee for information.

Arising from consideration of the Summary, the Committee recommend that for the time being arrangements be made for a monthly comparative statement for the District to be displayed inthe Housing Office window, giving information as to the number of applicants on the waiting list for housing accommodation, the number of houses and flats completed, and the number of properties requisitioned for housing purposes, and a similar statement incorporated in the Report and Recommendations of this Committee each month.

12. "THE HOLLIES", OAKLEIGH PARK NORTH. With reference to Minute No.14 of the Report of this Committee on the 16th September, 1948, the Minister of Health has now issued sanction to loan for the purchase of this property and the acquisition is proceeding. Plans of the proposed development will be submitted to the Committee as soon as they have been prepared.

13. BUILDING LICENCES.

(a) Applications for licences for the erection of dwellings for letting by the Council. Applications have been received for building licences for the erection of flats or houses for letting by the Council as follows:-

Name of Applicant.	Site.
Collins & Prior Ltd.	Land on north-west corner of Temple Avenue and Buckingham Avenue, for erection of 4 detached houses or maisonettes.
Mr. E.D. Fensome.	Land Stanford Road for the erection of 2 flats.

Name of Applicant.	Site.
Mr. N.G. Wolfe.	Land Buckingham Avenue and Friern Mount Drive.

The Ministry of Health's recent scheme to issue a limited number of licences for private enterprise building was conditional upon such licences being issued to prospective owner-occupiers and makes no provision for the issue of licences for private houses or flats for the purpose of letting. It would, therefore, be necessary to treat these applications under the provisions contained in Circular No.108/48, and such schemes would have to be taken from the Council's agreed quota with the Ministry of Health for their own houses or flats.

The Committee recommend that the applications now submitted be refused having regard to the fact that they would impede the progress on the housing estates already in course of development.

(b) Progress re cost of works houses. The number of licences issued has not increased since the report submitted to the last Meeting and no further properties have been completed.

(c) Progress re private enterprise houses.

Total licences issued ...	...	42 houses and 29 flats.
Completions during September	...	4 houses.
Total completions to date...	...	40 houses and 29 flats.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.45 p.m. and terminated at 8.30 p.m.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee.

4th October, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. E. Draper ... (In the Chair)

Crs. Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Richardson, Simmonds, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Pickering.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 29th July, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. APPLICANT No.F.17. It was reported that this Applicant is under Court Order to vacate the premises at present occupied, on 27th instant, and owing to the difficult position so far as housing accommodation is concerned at present, it was decided to advise the Applicant to apply to the Court for an extension.

4. APPLICANT No.C.322. The Committee considered a report in connection with the business premises at which this Applicant occupies the living accommodation, and after giving the matter careful consideration it was decided that no action could be taken therein.

5. APPLICANTS Nos. A.658 and B.676. The owner of the premises at present occupied by these Applicants has requested that one of the present families be re-housed, to enable him to obtain possession of part of the property, owing to business reasons.

After giving the matter careful consideration, the Committee decided that they were unable to accede to the request at the present time.

6. SELECTION OF TENANTS.

(a) Permanent Housing Site No.4 - Alexandra Road. The Committee have selected the following Applicants for the tenancy of properties on this site which are nearing completion:-

8 - two bedroom Council Flats.

Applicants No. C.89, E.41, C.467, C.438, E.40, C.360, B.421 and F.13.

4 - three bedroom Council Flats.

Applicants No. C.40, D.237, C.60 and C.86.

It was decided that Applicant No.D.225 be offered the next suitable flat which becomes available.

(b) Permanent Housing Site No.5 - Colney Hatch Lane. The Committee have selected Applicant No.D.301 for the tenancy of a four bedroom Council House which is nearing completion on this site.

7. TENANT No.442. An application has been received from a Tenant of one of the flats on Site No.4, Alexandra Road, for permission to retain a Dog. The conditions of tenancy, which have been approved by the Council, specifically prohibit the keeping of animals, and the Committee do not recommend any variation of the conditions in this particular case.

8. OCCUPIER No.808. An application has been received from this occupier of requisitioned property for permission to keep a Dog. In this case the conditions provide for consent by the Council, and having regard to the special circumstances, the Committee recommend that approval be granted.

9. COUNCIL FLATS - ALEXANDRA ROAD - REPORT BY CARETAKER. The Caretaker of the above-mentioned Flats submitted a report upon the work carried out. Arising from perusal of the report, consideration was given to a suggestion that a telephone for emergency purposes would be beneficial to the tenants.

The Committee recommend that application be made to the Postmaster General for the installation of a public call-box in the vicinity.

10. APPLICANT No.C.508. The Housing Manager reported upon the developments in this case concerning the action taken by the applicant's Landlord, resulting in the family now being homeless.

11. OVERCROWDING. The Committee recommend that a suitable letter be sent to the tenants of properties where overcrowding conditions have been relieved by re-housing some of the occupants, pointing out the provisions in relation to overcrowding in the Housing Act, 1936.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 9.30 p.m.

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

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No.

To BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED,
233, WOODHOUSE ROAD, FRIERN BARNET, N.12.

PURSUANT to a Resolution adopted this 14TH day of OCTOBER, 19 48

WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 29 ~~to~~ of this Order, amounting to the sum of ----------SEVENTEEN THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED AND TWENTY SIX---------- pounds -- SIXTEEN -- shillings and ----------ONE---------- pence, ~~also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster-General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of ..... pounds and in any one week a maximum of ..... pounds~~

signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

Chairman.

Members of the Council.

Countersigned :

Clerk of the Council.

S. & S. LTD. G61924

Consecutive Number		NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment		
	1185	R.ROWLAND & SON LTD.--	1,375	-	-
	1186	CHAS.DENTON.--	1,570	-	-
	1187	GRAHAM (BUILDERS & CONTRACTORS) LTD.--	4,770	-	-
	1188	V.A.HOWARD LTD.--	660	-	-
	1189	HUBERT C.LEACH LTD.--	3,210	-	-
	1190	McMANUS & CO LTD.--	5,000	-	-
	1191	R.N.PONE & REVELL LTD.--	100	-	-
	119[illegible]	H.J.VENNING & PARTNERS.--	941	16	1
			17,626	16	1

Report and Recommendations of the Town Planning Committee.

14th October, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. J.E. Pickering ... Vice-Chairman in the Chair.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. McClane and Meynell.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 30th September, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. No.1416, HIGH ROAD - APPEAL OF MESSRS. T.P. BREEN LIMITED. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Report of this Committee on the 16th September, 1948, a letter dated the 30th September, 1948, was submitted from the Ministry of Town and Country Planning stating that the Minister has considered the Report of his Inspector following the Local Inquiry held in connection with the appeal under the provisions of the Friern Barnet Planning Scheme No.1 against the refusal of the Council to permit the installation of a lathe and pillar drill in a motor repair workshop situate at the rear of these premises. By virtue of the coming into full operation on the 1st July, 1948, of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, and in accordance with the provisions contained in the 10th Schedule to the Act, the Minister has treated the appeal as an appeal made to him under Section 16 of the Act. It is further stated that after careful consideration of all the circumstances of the case the Minister has come to the conclusion that the machines form a reasonable addition to the equipment of the repair shop for which permission was granted in 1946 and he is also satisified that the machines in question are quiet in operation and are unobjectionable in themselves and that they will not, therefore, prove injurious to the amenities of the area. He has, therefore, decided to allow the appeal.

4. LAND AT THE JUNCTION OF SYDNEY ROAD AND COLNEY HATCH LANE. With reference to Minute No.8 of the Report of this Committee on the 16th September, 1948, formal notification has been received from the Minister of Town and Country Planning that a Public Local Inquiry will be held at the Town Hall, on Tuesday, the 2nd November, 1948, upon the appeal lodged by Messrs. Huggins & Co. Ltd. against the Council's refusal (which was in accordance with the decision of the Area Planning Committee) to permit the development of this site by the erection of licensed premises thereon.

In accordance with the Minister's instructions notification of the Inquiry has been sent to the owners and occupiers of properties in the immediate vicinity of the site who are likely to be affected by the proposal. The Hornsey Borough Council and the Area Planning Officer have also been advised.

5. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947 - ENFORCEMENT OF PLANNING CONTROL. A letter dated the 16th September, 1948, from the Middlesex County Council was submitted stating that the County Planning Committee has had under consideration the provisions of Section 23 (1) of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947 which provides that action to enforce planning control in respect of development carried out after the Appointed Day without planning permission or in respect of failing to comply with the conditions subject to which planning permission was granted under Part III of the Act of 1947 may, subject to any direction by the Minister, be initiated within four years of any such development being carried out.

This Section would thus appear to preclude the taking of enforcement action where -

(a) planning permission is granted for a definite period exceeding four years; or

(b) where the planning permission is subject to conditions of a continuing nature indefinite as to time, e.g. relating to the limitation of user or the conveyance of land for future widening; or where planning permission is subject to conditions and the period within which such conditions shall be complied with exceeds four years or is not defined, e.g. a condition that a screen of trees be planted.

It is understood that the Minister of Town and Country Planning is examining the position so created.

In the meantime, in accordance with Article 7 (2) (c) of the County of Middlesex (Delegation of Planning Functions) Scheme, 1948, the County Council makes the following General Direction No.1 to ensure that the Development Plan is in no way prejudiced:-

> That where it is proposed to limit the period for which planning permission is granted such permission shall not be granted for a period exceeding three years and where it is proposed to impose conditions upon the granting of planning permission which are of a continuing nature indefinite as to time, e.g. relating to the limitation of user or the conveyance of land for future widening, such permission shall not be granted for a period exceeding three years unless the permission requires the conditions to be complied with within three years of the granting of planning permission.

6. UNAUTHORISED GARAGES FRONTING ALEXANDRA ROAD. During the progress of making up this section of Alexandra Road it has been found that three structutes within the curtilages of properties in Sydney Road have been erected in advance of the building line to Alexandra Road contrary to the Public Health (Buildings in Streets) Act, 1888.

The attention of the owners concerned was drawn to the fact.

A letter dated 11th October, 1948, was submitted from the owner of No.176, Sydney Road contending that the structure erected at the rear of his premises was not erected in advance of the building line and stating that if required to remove the structure it would necessitate the reduction of a large area of the garden under cultivation for the production of vegetables and cutting down fruit trees.

In the case of the owner of No.170 it would appear that he is prepared to comply with requirements to remove the building but owing to certain structural difficulties has asked for a reasonable time to carry out the work.

The building at the rear of No.178 in its present position also creates a certain amount of danger to traffic as it obstructs the sight line of the section of Alexandra Road now being made up with the section already vested in the Council. The owner has stated in an interview that he is prepared to convey to the Council the land necessary for improving the sight line if the Council will take down and re-erect his garage in a position to comply with requirements and provide a chain link fence on the boundary to Alexandra Road. The Engineer and Surveyor reports that the estimated cost of carrying out this work is £83.

The Committee have appointed a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman of the Council, the Chairman of this Committee and Cr. Pickering to make an inspection of the site on Saturday, the 16th October, 1948, together with the Engineer and Surveyor, and to submit a report on the matter to the next Meeting.

7. No.22, OAKLEIGH PARK NORTH - USER. With reference to Minute No.10 of the Report of this Committee on the 13th May, 1948, the Abbey Corinthian Games Company, who were granted approval to the use of these premises for a period expiring on the 31st December, 1948, for warehousing and packing of children's games, have now vacated the premises and the former user has ceased.

The Committee accordingly recommend that the temporary permission for the use of these premises for business purposes be cancelled.

8. No.120, ALEXANDRA ROAD - GARAGE FOR TEMPORARY INVALID CARRIAGE. The garage used for the purpose of housing an invalid carriage for which a temporary licence has been granted to the 31st December, 1949, has now been removed and the Committee recommend that the temporary licence be cancelled.

9. APPLICATIONS TO ERECT GREENHOUSES. The Committee recommend that the applications as set out below, in each case exempt from planning permission, be approved in accordance with the provisions of the Building Byelaws and the Public Health Act, 1936, subject to temporary licences for the periods stated in each case:-

(a) Plan No. TB.433. No.1, Miles Way - greenhouse - Mr. S.A. Bartlett. Temporary licence expiring 31st December, 1951.

(b) Plan No. TB.434. No.38, Bethune Avenue - greenhouse - Mr. L.J. Inman. Temporary licence expiring 31st December, 1951.

10. No.1176, HIGH ROAD - USER. A letter dated the 8th October, 1948, was submitted from the Finchley Borough Council stating that an application to use existing garages and workshop at the rear of these premises for light engineering purposes is under consideration, the matter having been deferred in order to receive any observations which this Council may wish to make in the matter.

The use entails the manufacture of thin wooden splines for use in battery cells and will, it is understood, involve the use of a small circular saw (about 6" diameter), a grooving machine and a 50 gallon tank of hot caustic soda in which impurities are extracted from the imported timber. The buildings are situated on the Urban District boundary adjoining Sweets Nursery, which is zoned as a local green belt and non-agricultural open space under the Preliminary Outline Plan prepared by the Middlesex County Council, although the Council have suggested that the western part of Sweets Nursery be scheduled for development including a school site.

The Committee recommend that the Finchley Borough Council be informed that it is considered that any consent given should be for a limited period only in order to protect the amenities of possible future residential development in this Council's area adjoining the site.

11. PLANS. The Committee have considered the following applications for permission to the under-mentioned development and for approval to plans under the Public Health Act, 1936, and Building Byelaws and other Statutory Enactments and, in accordance with their delegated powers, have taken the action noted against each application.

Where planning permission has been granted or refused action has been taken as agents for the Middlesex County Council under the delegation agreement.

Where plans have been "excepted" by the Area Planning Officer the Committee's recommendations have been forwarded to him.

Where conditions have been imposed these are recorded against each application:-

(a) Plan No.3878/FB.27. Site between Nos. 40 and 42, Myddelton Park, N.20, two semi-detached houses and two detached garages. Mr. A.E. Smith.

Planning - passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be granted.

Byelaws - approved.

(b) Plan No. FB.28. Hampden Road, N.10. Factory building to be used as Builders' Workshop and registered office - Messrs. H. Odone Ltd.

Planning - passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be refused for the reason that the proposed factory would be detrimental to the amenities of the properties on either side of the site.

Byelaws - already approved.

(c) Plan No. FB.29. Site of "Jaques Cottages", High Road, N.20, advertisement hoarding - Messrs. Willings (Bill Posting Department) Ltd.

Planning - passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be refused on the grounds that the proposed advertisements would be detrimental to the general appearance and amenities of the main road and would tend to distract the attention of road users at a point on the main road where special attention to the traffic conditions is required.

Byelaws - not required.

(d) Plan No. FB.30. Land adjoining No.13, Oakleigh Park North - detached bungalow - Mrs. D. Ruskin.

Planning - deferred pending the submission of a sketch plan of the proposed bungalow.

Building Byelaws - Detailed plans not yet submitted for consideration.

(e) Plan No.3879/FB.31. No.63, Goldsmith Road - conversion into two flats - Mrs. E. Lumley.

Planning - permission granted.

Byelaws - approved.

(f) Plan No.3880/FB.32. No.65, Queens Avenue - domestic garage - Mrs. Berensweig.

Planning - permission granted.

Byelaws - approved.

(g) Plan No.3881/FB.33. Site adjoining No.35, Bramber Road - detached house and garage - Mr. W. Clifft.

Planning - permission granted.

Byelaws - approved.

(h) Plan No.3882/FB.34. No.71, Torrington Park - rebuilding war destroyed house - Mr. W. Kelly.

Planning - permission granted.

Building Byelaws - approved.

(i) Plan No.3883. Piggeries at the rear of No.420, Oakleigh Road North, N.20 - drainage - Mr. R. Ryall.

Planning - application not yet received.

Byelaws - approved.

12. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947 - 54, BELLEVUE ROAD. With reference to Minute No.10 (j) of the Report of this Committee on the 16th September, 1948, it was reported that the Area Planning Committee have considered the application to use these premises for industrial and residential purposes and have refused permission to develop for the reason that the proposed development would be detrimental to the amenities of the residential neighbourhood.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 8.30 p.m. and terminated at 8.50 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Establishment Committee.

19th October, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman.

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards and Richardson.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Foley, McClane, Martin and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Draper.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on the 21st September, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. REPORT OF JOINT COMMITTEE (MANUAL WORKERS). The Committee received the Report of the Joint Committee (Manual Workers) held this day, a copy of which has been circulated to all Members of the Council, and arising therefrom the Committee recommend as follows:-

(a) Absence on account of illness on Saturday mornings preceding Bank Holidays. That in the event of an employee being absent from duty on account of illness or accident on a Saturday morning preceding a Bank Holiday, such employee be not entitled to equivalent time off in the same way as if such absence occurred on a statutory holiday.

(b) Emoluments in kind. That Messrs. H.W. Jackson, Custodian, and A. Hetherington, Sewage Works Foreman, be paid the new standard consolidated rates of pay in cash and that the arrangement for the deduction of one-sixth of the war wage increase be ceased. The Committee further recommend that such payment be retrospective as from the 1st January, 1947, the date when the new standard consolidated rates became operative.

(c) C.Cole, Plumber - Regrading. That as from the 3rd November, 1948, this employee be redesignated Foreman Plumber, and his rate of pay increased accordingly.

(d) Reduced working week.

(i) Park Patrol. Having regard to the fact that the duties of the two Parks Patrol men are not considered comparable with the normal duty of manual workers, their employment be continued on the basis of a six-day week.

(ii) Weekend Patrol. Having regard to the fact that Mr. A. Hoy formerly employed solely for weekend patrol duties in Friary Park is now employed in full time work as a labourer in the general gang, this man be employed to relieve Park Staff in the weekend rota at present in operation for the Parks Staff at the normal rate of pay for labourers, plus appropriate overtime rates for such duties worked in excess of 44 hours per week.

(iii) Holiday Pay. That in view of the fact that the 44 hour week is now being worked by arrangement on a five-day week basis, the holiday entitlement should continue to be interpreted as two weeks per annum.

29th January, 1947 substituted for 1st January, 1947 See Minute 3(b) Establishment Committee Meeting 16th November 1948

4. PAYMENT OF OVERTIME. The Committee approve the payment of overtime as follows:-

(a) Clerk's Department.

Mrs. King	3 hours.
Mrs. James	2 hours.
Miss Waterhouse ...	2 hours.

(b) Treasurer's Department.

Mr. A.B. Herrington..	6 hours.
Mr. J. Lowry... ...	5½ hours.
Mr. P. Marshall ...	1½ hours.

(c) Engineer and Surveyor's Department.

Mr. R.E. Matthews ...	10 hours.
Mr. I.A. Hayward ...	12¾ hours.

5. ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT.

(a) Appointment of Deputy Engineer and Surveyor. With reference to Minute No.8 (a) (i) of the Report of this Committee on the 21st September, 1948, it was reported that Mr. E.H. Start had by arrangement since the 27th September, 1948, carried out part time duty on four afternoons per week as part of the annual holiday due to him, and arrangements will be made when he finally takes up his appointment for equivalent time off in lieu thereof.

(b) Appointment of Temporary Architectural Assistant. With reference to Minute No.8 (a) (ii) of the Report of this Committee on the 21st September, 1948, it was reported that no suitable applications had been received for this appointment.

The Committee directed that the position be re-advertised forthwith at a salary to be fixed within Grade Va of the National Scheme of Conditions of Service according to the experience of the successful applicant.

The Committee further authorised the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council and the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Housing Committee to interview selected applicants and to make the appointment.

(c) Reduced Working Week - Parks and Sewage Works Staff. With reference to Minute No.4 (c) (iv) of the Report of this Committee on the 21st September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the Staff concerned had duly submitted schemes for the operation of skeleton staff on Saturdays and Sundays and appropriate arrangements had been made.

(d) Manual Workers' Sickness, Accidents, Engagements and Resignations. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted details of sickness, accidents, engagements and resignations with regard to Manual Workers since the date of the last Meeting.

(e) J. Keenan. With reference to Minute No.8 (b) of the Report of this Committee on the 25th September, 1948, the Committee received a report from the Medical Officer of Health of the condition of this employee. The Committee have authorised that notice be given terminating his employment with the Council as from the 2nd November, 1948, and recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

Mr. Keenan has been in the employ of the Council since June 1941, and a contributor to the Superannuation Scheme since 1st February, 1946. Not having completed ten years' contributory service he is not entitled to receive a Superannuation allowance.

The Committee further recommend that:-

(i) Application be made to the Superannuation Joint Committee for the refund of the contributions paid by this employee, with interest; and

(ii) That a gratuity of £3 per week as from the 3rd November, 1948, be paid to him until the 28th December, 1948, under the provisions of Section 11 of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, the gratuity to cease on the death of Mr. Keenan should that occur before the date when the pension would normally cease.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.0 p.m. and terminated at 7.40 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Entertainments Committee.

19th October, 1948.

PRESENT:

Crs. Foley, Matthews, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Pickering, Richardson, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin, Meynell and Miss Richards.

1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN. Cr. Richardson was appointed Chairman of the Committee for the current year.

(Cr. Richardson ... In the Chair)

2. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN. Cr. McClane was appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the current year.

3. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Draper.

4. FUTURE PROGRAMME. The Committee gave consideration to the future types of entertainment to be provided under the provisions of Section 132 of the Local Government Act, 1948, and submitted the following observations thereon:-

(a) Festival of Drama. The Committee recommend that arrangements be made for a Festival of Drama to be held in 1949.

(b) Festival of Arts. The Committee are of opinion that consideration should be given to a Festival of Arts being held, and have instructed the Clerk to approach suitable organisations for information on the proposal, including information as to the experience of Local Authorities who have organsied such events.

(c) Piano, Song and Gramaphone Recitals. The Committee are of opinion that consideration should be given to the provision of this form of entertainment, and have requested the Clerk to obtain information from organisations interested in such entertainment.

(d) Summer Entertainments in Friary Park. The Committee consider that the attendance in relation to the cost involved does not justify a continuance of entertainments of the type provided in 1948, and accordingly recommend that no provision be made for such entertainments during 1949.

If this decision is approved by the Council the question of the purchase of a marquee does not arise.

It is felt that some entertainment, including children's entertainments could be provided in the Bandstand, free of charge, to which further consideration will be given in conjunction with the question of certain improvements being made to this structure.

5. MEETINGS OF THIS COMMITTEE. It was decided that Meetings of this Committee be held monthly, following the Meeting of the Establishment Committee, at approximately 7.30 p.m.

6. NORTH LONDON THEATRE GUILD - GENERAL MEETING. A letter dated 30th September, 1948, was submitted from The North London Theatre Guild extending an invitation to all private individuals who are interested in the maintenance of a high standard of amateur drama, together with

officers and members of amateur Societies, to attend a General Meeting of the Guild to be held at the Allison Hall, Harringay, on Tuesday the 2nd November, 1948, at 7.45 p.m.

Such Members of the Committee as find it convenient will endeavour to be present.



Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.40 p.m. and terminated at 8.35 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Finance Committee.

21st October, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. R.P. Matthews ... Chairman.

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Meynell, Pickering, Richardson, Simmonds, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Mason.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 23rd September, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. TREASURER'S ORDERS. A letter dated the 30th September, 1948, has been received from the Manager, Barclays Bank Limited, stating that the Banks have recently been considering the large amount of labour which is involved in the payment of cheques signed by designated officials or bearing only a lithographed signature, on the authority of a list signed by Principals and Senior Officials of Authorities, Companies and other Undertakings. This system involves the Banks in a great deal of additional work in a strictly limited time and the Clearing Banks and Scottish Banks have come to the unanimous conclusion that in present circumstances they must give notice that as from the 1st April, 1949, this facility will be withdrawn entirely. The Banks have not reached this decision without considerable thought, but increasing pressure upon them to extend the facility has left them with no alternative.

Accordingly, as from the 1st April next, payment of cheques against lists will no longer be undertaken and each document will be required to be signed in accordance with the mandatory instructions to the Bank.

In connection therewith the Clerk reported that this matter was receiving detailed consideration and investigation and a further report on the subject will be submitted to the Committee in due course.

4. RATE COLLECTION. A summary of the rate accounts for the half year ended 30th September, 1948, was submitted with a comparable statement for the corresponding period during 1947/8.

5. RATE ARREARS. The rate arrears have been reduced from £748 15s. 3d. at the 31st March, 1948, to £515 14s. 9d. at the 30th September, 1948.

The Rate Arrears Book listing the individual cases was submitted and signed by the Chairman.

6. IRRECOVERABLE RATES BOOK. The Committee recommend that the amount listed in the Irrecoverable Rates Book totalling £2,369 17s. 1d. for the half year ended the 30th September, 1948 be written off.

7. ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS 1947/48. The printed Abstract of Accounts, a copy of which has been supplied to each Member of the Council, was submitted, and consideration deferred to the next Meeting.

8. LOAN SANCTION. Since the last Meeting of the Committee loan sanctions have been received from the Ministry of Health as follows:-

Housing purposes	£96,976.
General Rate Fund purposes - Friary Road sewer...	£ 492.
	£97,468.

9. CASH POSITION. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Report of this Committee on the 23rd September, 1948, a temporary loan of £20,000 has been arranged with the Bank of China at 1 1/16th % per annum for one month firm then subject to seven days' notice of repayment on either side. To date it has not been necessary to incur Bank overdraft since additional capital expenditure to that financed by the temporary loan has been met from current rates and revenues. During thenext few weeks however, it will be necessary to borrow approximately a further £25,000 for financing capital expenditure.

The Committee recommend that the Treasurer be authorised to make arrangements for further temporary borrowing up to £25,000 by way of short term loan.

10. SUNDRY ACCOUNTS. With reference to Minute No.11 of the Report of this Committee on the 23rd September, 1948, the Treasurer submitted a report on the action taken in connection with accounts Nos.6248, 6279, 6309, 7146, 7310, 7493, 7695.

In the case of account No.7493 the Committee have referred consideration of this matter to the Housing Committee and have requested the Treasurer in the meantime to obtain certain further information in connection therewith.

The Committee recommend that the following account be written off as irrecoverable:-

Account No.	Amount.
6309	£2 1s. 7d.

So far as the remaining accounts are concerned the Committee are satisfied that satisfactory arrangements for payment are being made.

11. ESTIMATES 1948/49 - ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE. A statement was submitted showing the approximate additional commitments to date which have arisen since the rate estimates for 1948/49 were prepared.

Items approved by Spending Committees, subject to the observations of this Committee, during October are as follows:-

Committee.	Minute No.	Nature of Expenditure.	Estimated Cost.
Parks.	No.4 (a)	Estension of greenhouse and provision of second frame in Nursery - Friary Park.	£435.
Housing.	No.6 (d)	Installation of new grates and hot water systems.	£1,120.
Housing.	No.6 (g)	Renewal of fencing - North Ward Housing Estate. (Delivery of material not anticipated in the current financial year).	£1,000.

The Committee have no comments to make on such expenditure.

12. ACCOUNTS. The Committee recommend that the Council authorise and order Barclays Bank Limited to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed on pages Nos.30 to 33 of the Treasurer's Order totalling a sum of £8,574 16s. 10d. and weekly cheques for wages not exceeding the aggregate sum of £3,800 signed by the Treasurer and counter-signed by the Clerk of the Council.

K.J. Matthews

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 6.55 p.m.

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

No. 30

To BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED,
233, WOODHOUSE ROAD, FRIERN BARNET, N.12.

PURSUANT to a Resolution adopted this 28TH day of OCTOBER, 1948
WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 30 to 33 of this Order, amounting to the sum of EIGHT THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED AND SEVENTY FOUR pounds SIXTEEN shillings and TEN pence, also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster-General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of THREE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED pounds and in any one week a maximum of NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY pounds signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

Chairman.

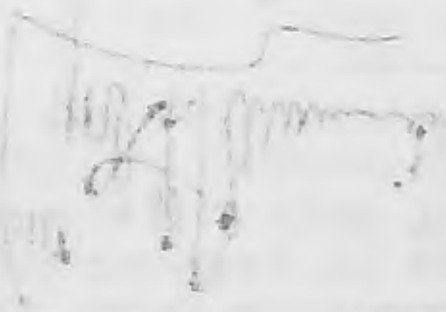
Members of the Council.

Countersigned :

Clerk of the Council.

S. & S. LTD. G61924

Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment		
1197	EMERGENCY IMPREST ACCOUNT.—	404	12	7
1198	ADDRESSOGRAPH MULTIGRAPH LTD.--	10	1	8
1199	ATLAS STONE CO LTD.--	46	-	-
1200	AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE & ELECTRIC CO LTD.--	3	15	6
1201	BARNET DISTRICT GAS & WATER CO.--	13	6	5
1202	J.H.BEATTIE & CO LTD.--	29	10	8
1203	BRAMLEY STRUCTURES (BUILDERS) LTD.--	2	2	-
1204	BRITISH OXYGEN CO LTD.--	-	14	5
1205	H.C.BUDDINGTON.--	169	19	-
1206	THE BUILDER LTD.--	4	3	-
1207	BURLINGTON PRESS.--	9	4	8
1208	BURROUGHS ADDING MACHINE LTD.--	-	18	9
1209	J.A.CABLE & CO LTD.--	37	15	11
1210	R.CADISCH & SONS.--	2	18	3
1211	THE CEMENT MARKETING CO LTD.--	23	16	9
1212	CHRIST CHURCH (SOUTHGATE) AMATEUR DRAMATIC SOCIETY.--	10	10	-
1213	ALEXANDER CLARK CO LTD.--	10	1	-
1214	L.CLAYDEN.--	-	5	-
1215	CLEVELAND PETROLEUM CO LTD.--	1	5	-
1216	J.H.CLIFFORD.--	-	2	6
1217	COGGAN & PEARSON LTD.--	1	16	3
1218	GEORGE COHEN, SONS & CO LTD.--	23	15	6
1219	COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE.--	173	15	-
1220	E.COWING & SON LTD.--	-	4	2
1221	W.CREIGHTON & CO LTD.--	116	17	10
1222	CROW, CATCHPOLE & CO LTD.--	80	12	7
1223	CULLENS STORES LTD.--	49	2	11
1224	DAY (CONTRACTORS) LTD.--	2	2	-
1225	ROBERT DEARDS LTD.--	42	5	-
1226	DENNIS BROS LTD.--	30	13	11
1227	EAST BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.--	15	15	4
1228	EASTERN ELECTRICITY BOARD.--	272	19	4
1229	J.ELKIN.--	1	10	-
1230	A.E.ELLIOTT.—	3	12	-



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1231	FERODO LTD.--	- 11 -
1232	FINCHLEY & FRIERN BARNET CITIZENS ADVICE & SOCIAL SERVICE GUILD.--	75 - -
1233	FINCHLEY, HORNSEY, WOOD GREEN AND FRIERN BARNET JOINT HOSPITAL COMMITTEE.--	657 3 3
1234	FINCHLEY PRESS LTD.--	- 13 3
1235	FINE ART & GENERAL INSURANCE CO LTD.--	116 18 7
1236	G.T.FLETCHER.--	43 16 1
1237	J.C.FLETCHER.--	- 7 6
1238	E.F.FLOOD.--	1 18 1
1239	H.FOOT.--	- 2 6
1240	M.H.E.FRAMPTON.--	30 10 11
1241	FRIERN BARNET U.D.COUNCIL.--	2 14 7
1242	FURNACK LTD.--	- 17 10
1243	GAS LIGHT & COKE CO.--	324 - 10
1244	A.GILBERT & SONS LTD.--	3 16 5
1245	H.GINN & SON LTD.--	41 - -
1246	GOODMAN BROS.--	31 17 9
1247	M.GREASBY & CO LTD.--	168 8 10
1248	H.J.GREENHAM (1929) LTD.--	59 15 10
1249	HALES CLINKERS LTD.--	51 2 -
1250	HALL HARDING LTD.--	- 6 4
1251	HALLS (FINCHLEY) LTD.--	- 18 11
1252	HARRISON & SONS (MAIDSTONE) LTD.--	35 5 -
1253	R.HENDTLESS.--	- 5 -
1254	R.K.HENRY.--	- 2 6
1255	HERMANS, H.W.--	29 2 1
1256	P.Y.HICKS.--	- 7 6
1257	H.M.STATIONERY OFFICE.--	- 4 3
1258	HOAD & SON LTD.--	2 2 -
1259	FRED.HODGE LTD.--	7 3 2
1260	J.HOLLAND & SON. --	305 10 -
1261	HOSPITAL SAVING ASSOCIATION.--	3 14 4
1262	V.A.HOWARD LTD.--	142 4 8
1263	G.P.HOWE.--	85 - -
1264	H.HOWES & CO LTD.--	45 5 -
1265	C.J.HUNT & CO LTD.--	43 4 8
1266	INITIAL TOWEL SUPPLY CO.--	1 4 4
1267	I.JACKAMAN.--	35 12 8
1268	JEYES SANITARY COMPOUNDS CO LTD.--	3 5 10
1269	F.& H.JOYCE LTD.--	2 2 -
1270	WALTER JUDD LTD.--	20 9 -
1271	B.KELIGN.--	- 10 -
1272	KILLGERM COMPANY LTD.--	2 8 -
1273	DAVID KIRKALDY & SON.--	4 8 -
1274	W.E.& G.LAWRANCE LTD.--	44 6 4
1275	HUBERT C LEACH LTD.--	90 19 7
1276	LEONARDS (BUILDERS)LTD.--	2 2 -
1277	W.LEVINSON.--	- 2 6
1278	LEYLAND PAINT & VARNISH CO LTD.--	22 15 2
1279	T.E.LLOYD.--	25 5 4
1280	LONDON LETTER FILE CO LTD.--	10 17 2
1281	R.F.LONG.--	15 - -
1282	W.MARSHALL.--	2 10 -
1283	MARSHALL.--	12 1 4
1284	N.McLEOD LTD.--	1 10 4
1285	MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT, FRIERN HOSPITAL.--	- 1 -
1286	MIDDLESEX J.I.C. EMPLOYERS' FUND.--	17 - -
1287	MINISTRY OF HEALTH.--	8 8 -
1288	C.S.MOORE & SON.--	32 1 -
1289	MOORE'S PLANT AGENCY.--	65 9 1
1290	W.H.MOULSDALE.--	27 17 9
1291	MUNICIPAL MUTUAL INSURANCE LTD.--	48 11 10
1292	MUSWELL HILL RECORD & PRINTING CO LTD.--	- 15 6
1293	A.H.NAYLOR & SON.--	8 19 9
1294	G.NEIL.--	192 12 9
1295	NEWTON CHAMBERS & CO LTD.--	14 14 6
1296	OSCROFT BROS.--	3 12 5
1297	M.J.O'SULLIVAN.--	2 5 -
1298	W.PAGE & CO LTD.--	2 19 8

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1299	J.PALLOT.--	-	5	-
1300	THOS.PARSONS & SONS LTD.--	17	11	-
1301	PEACE & CO (BUILDERS) LTD.--	2	2	-
1302	PENLEE QUARRIES LTD.--	98	7	3
1303	G.PEREIRA.--	-	2	6
1304	H.PERRIOR.--	12	-	7
1305	PERRYS (REPAIRS & SERVICE) LTD.--	29	10	2
1306	A.PITT.--	15	17	-
1307	J.W.POLE.--	-	5	-
1308	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	9	-	-
1309	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	81	13	4
1310	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	9	18	7
1311	J.A.PRESTWICH & CO LTD.--	4	13	8
1312	PRUDENTIAL ASSURANCE CO LTD.--	155	18	6
1313	Q.G.CONSTRUCTION LTD.--	18	17	5
1314	RAYWARD BROTHERS LTD.--	17	9	9
1315	REGENT OIL CO LTD.--	65	12	6
1316	D.W.REID.--	1	10	-
1317	A.RICHARDSON.--	9	9	11
1318	R.S.ROBINSON.--	1	6	10
1319	ROGERSON & CO (BUILDERS) LTD.--	2	2	-
1320	RONEO LTD.--	6	2	11
1321	A.N.ROOKE.--	-	2	6
1322	E.M.ROOKE.--	-	2	6
1323	ROYAL LIVER FRIENDLY SOC.--	156	4	10
1324	SANITARY INSPECTORS ASSOCIATION.--	1	17	6
1325	SANITAS CO LTD.--	1	2	7
1326	A.G.SCOTT (BUILDERS) LTD.--	2	2	-
1327	H.SCOTT & SONS.--	30	5	-
1328	F.H.SHARP.--	13	3	6
1329	SHAW & SONS LTD.--	15	5	-
1330	SHELL MEX & B.P. LTD.--	12	18	4
1331	C.F.SIMMONDS.--	62	10	-
1332	SIMPSON & SONS.--	276	19	8
1333	SITUSED LTD.--	164	3	5
1334	P.SMEDLEY.--	1	7	-
1335	K.R.SMITH.--	29	13	9
1336	T.SMITH & SON LTD.--	29	14	-
1337	ST.ALBANS SAND & GRAVEL CO LTD.--	44	8	-
1338	STANDARD RANGE & FOUNDRY CO LTD.--	-	9	1
1339	H.N.STOKOE.--	-	5	-
1340	STURT & TIVENDALL.--	80	2	4
1341	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	1,081	13	6
1342	M.ELLIOTT.--	28	12	8
1343	M.KING.--	25	11	8
1344	D.PHILLIPS.--	20	8	-
1345	V.G.GEORGE.--	22	5	11
1346	B.WATERHOUSE.--	9	9	-
1347	J.NEWLING.--	18	8	-
1348	H.FAWCETT.--	20	18	6
1349	K.R.SMITH.--	51	12	-
1350	F.H.GENTLE.--	35	16	4
1351	I.A.HAYWARD.--	32	4	9
1352	C.WALKER.--	19	4	6
1353	D.BARKER.--	22	16	10
1354	C.TAYLOR.--	25	16	10
1355	H.HERMANS.--	32	16	4
1356	H.A.PHILLIPS.--	27	4	4
1357	J.F.WARD.--	27	3	4
1358	E.I.MARTIN.--	26	3	-
1359	R.J.GANN.--	20	19	1
1360	J.LAUDER.--	11	9	4
1361	P.MARSHALL.--	11	9	4
1362	L.MANNING.--	29	17	7
1363	L.TIBBENHAM.--	20	12	7
1364	I.CUDRAI.--	20	6	-
1365	A.J.CLARKE.--	14	17	11
1366	A.C.BRUMMELL.--	8	-	-
1367	LUTTERWORTH PRESS.--	1	18	3
1368	A.TADDELL LTD.--	5	-	5
1369	MYTON LTD.--	2	2	-

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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment		
1370	C.TAYLOR.--	32	8	2
1371	THAMES TAR PRODUCTS & CONTRACTORS LTD.--	54	10	2
1372	TOTTENHAM & DISTRICT GAS CO.--	202	8	2
1373	TWICKENHAM GRAVEL CO LTD.--	10	16	3
1374	UNDERWOOD ELLIOTT FISHER LTD.--	28	2	5
1375	G.D.VINE.--	72	19	9
1376	VOLSPRAY LTD.--	7	12	11
1377	WATERLOW & SONS LTD.--	10	13	-
1378	WATKINS & McCOMBIE LTD.--	18	15	4
1379	J.F.WEIR.--	-	2	6
1380	WEST HAM CORPORATION.--	25	7	-
1381	F.N.WHITE.--	15	-	-
1382	E.WIGHT & CO (MUSWELL HILL) LTD.--	3	5	-
1383	WILLOW PEN CO.--	2	7	9
1384	WINTON RUFFELL & CO LTD.--	2	2	-
1385	J.H.WISEMAN & CO LTD.--	3	9	3
1386	W.G.WOOD (BRUSHES) LTD.--	4	13	-
1387	F.WOODING & SON.--	49	6	8
1388	L.C.WRIGHT.--	241	7	10
1389	A.J.YULL & CO.--	1	6	4
		8,574	16	10

Report and Recommendations of the General Purposes Committee.

21st October, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman.

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson, Sparks, and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Draper and Mason.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 23rd September, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. HOUSING APPLICATIONS - ALLEGATIONS AGAINST HOUSING OFFICER. Information was submitted to the Committee of an incident in the Housing Office on Saturday the 16th instant, when scandalous and slanderous statements were made in the presence of a number of callers in the Office at the time, reflecting on the work of the Housing Officer.

The Committee take a very serious view of the matter, and recommend that the Clerk communicate with the individual concerned, requiring a withdrawal of the statements, and an apology for his conduct.

4. PUBLIC BUILDINGS LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The report and recommendations of the above-mentioned Committee held this day, a copy of which is attached, was submitted, and the Committee recommend that the report and recommendations be approved and confirmed.

5. FRIERN BARNET FOOD CONTROL COMMITTEE - NOMINATIONS FOR THE YEAR 1949. A request has been received from the Ministry of Food for the Council to submit a list of nominations for the local Food Control Committee for the year 1949, and the Committee recommend that the 18 names now submitted be forwarded to the Divisional Food Officer for consideration.

6. STREET TRADING. A request has been received from the Finchley Chamber of Commerce for this Council's views concerning the measures, if any, to be taken to curtail, or prevent, trading by hawkers who move from place to place, and street traders with standing pitches.

On 21st September, 1948, a special Meeting of the Chamber was held to consider this matter, at which representatives of the Finchley Borough Council and the Metropolitan Police were present. A report of the Meeting, a copy of which has been supplied to each Member of the Council, was submitted, when the following decisions were made:-

(a) That the Finchley Borough Council be requested to put the case before Counsel for his opinion as to the powers of the Finchley Corporation and the Middlesex County Council in preventing any person remaining static for the purpose of selling goods on the highway (footpath or carriageway), instead of using the highway for the proper purpose of moving from place to place.

(b) That the Finchley Borough Council be requested to enforce registration of all traders of food stuffs.

(c) That the Police be asked to take action under the Metropolitan Police Act in which they are given powers of prosecution if persons stand on the highway longer than is necessary, quite apart from prosecution for obstruction, and to take action more often in cases of obstruction.

(d) That no steps be taken by the Chamber to request the Finchley Borough Council to adopt Part IX of the Middlesex County Council Act, 1944.

The Committee recommend that no action be taken at the present time, but further consideration be given to the matter when information is received as to any action the Finchley Borough Council may take.

7. REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACT, 1948 - ELECTORAL REGISTRATION AND RETURNING OFFICERS' ORDER, 1948. The Clerk submitted a report on the above-mentioned Order which came into operation on 1st October, 1948, wherein under Sub-Section 2 of Section 4 of the Representation of the People Act, 1948, the Town Clerk of Finchley, and the Mayor of Finchley, have been appointed Electoral Registration Officer and Returning Officer respectively, for the Finchley Parliamentary Borough in which the Urban District is contained.

8. FIRE BRIGADE.

(a) Fire Calls. During the month of September, the Fire Service was not required to attend any fires within the Urban District. One false alarm was given, which it was reported was "with good intent".

(b) Fire in Premises at Wetherill Road. With reference to Minute No.8 (b) of the Report of this Committee on 23rd September, 1948, a letter dated 9th October, 1948, was submitted from the London Manager, Northern Area, London Telecommunications Region, stating that his records show that the first fire call was received in the Tudor Exchange at 7.55 p.m. from the kiosk at the junction of Wetherill Road and Alexandra Road. Two further calls, one from 7, Wetherill Road, and the other from 137, Muswell Avenue, were each timed at 7.58 p.m. A further call from the same kiosk was received at 8.13 p.m. In each case the calls were connected immediately to Tudor 2222 and no delay whatever was experienced, nor has any complaint been received regarding delay in the arrival of the Fire Brigade.

(c) Supply of Long Service Medals. With reference to Minute No.8 (d) of the Report of this Committee on 23rd September, 1948, a letter was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that the question of affiliation to the National Fire Brigades Association is at present under consideration, and the question of awarding Long Service Medals will no doubt be considered in conjunction therewith.

(d) Fire Station. With reference to Minute No.8 (e) of the Report of this Committee on 23rd September, 1948, a letter has been received from the Middlesex County Council stating that as requested, further consideration has been given to the proposed alterations at the Friern Barnet Fire Station, but it has not been found possible to modify the original arrangements. It will therefore be necessary to utilise the whole of the recreation room for the Fire and Ambulance service.

With regard to the question of the apportionment of charges, it was stated that the following matters were taken into consideration when the charges were originally made:-

(i) The use was subject to the right of the County Council's staff on duty to use the billiard table.

(ii) The District Council's staff were restricted by circumstances to comparatively short periods of use.

(iii) District Council's staff occupation was in the nature of licence only, the value of such occupation being lower than if there had been a sole tenancy by which staff could have improved amenities of the room, and so increased its value to them.

On the basis of the Rating Assessment agreed with the Valuation Officer, the value of the recreation room represents about 14% of the value of the whole premises, and in these circumstances it is not felt that the figure suggested is in any way excessive.

It will therefore be necessary for the local branch of N.A.L.G.O. to vacate these premises at an early date, and for the billiard table at present in the recreation room to be removed.

A letter has been received from the local branch of N.A.L.G.O. stating that in view of the suggested charge by the Middlesex County Council for the use of this accommodation, which will amount to over £40 per annum for rates and loan charges alone, the staff feel that they have no option but to immediately cease any use of this room. Owing to the condition of the billiard table, the staff have not availed themselves of the facility for some considerable time, and they therefore feel that it would be inequitable for the Middlesex County Council to insist on payment from the 1st April, 1948, to date.

The informal arrangement made by the National Fire Service did not require the payment of rent. If it had, the staff would have been unable to avail themselves of the facility, as their funds are very limited. The question of the continuation of use was taken up with the Middlesex County Council in March, and it was not until August that the County Council gave any indication that the terms would be so onerous. Had the Council, or the staff, been aware at 1st April, 1948, when the County Council took over, that any substantial payment of rent would be required, the arrangement could have been terminated earlier.

The Committee recommend -

(A) That further representations be made to the Middlesex County Council as to the proposed apportionment of the charges for this accommodation from 1st April, 1948, to date.

(B) The billiard table be offered to the local Youth Committee, and if it is found that they are unable to accommodate the table, it be offered for sale.

9. FINCHLEY AND FRIERN BARNET COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE.

(a) Minutes. The Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Guild were submitted for information.

(b) Grant for the increase of Salaries of Officers. With reference to Minute No.9 (b) of the Report of this Committee on 23rd September, 1948, the Chairman of the Council reported that a Meeting was held this day with representatives of the Finchley Borough Council, to discuss the question of increasing the grant to meet increased salaries of Officers, but before coming to a decision in the matter certain further information was being requested from the Guild, and a further Meeting will be arranged when such information is available.

10. FINCHLEY AND FRIERN BARNET HOUSING ASSOCIATION. With reference to Minute No.10 of the Report of this Committee on 23rd September, 1948, the Chairman of the Council reported on the Meeting with representatives of the Finchley Borough Council, on the question of making a grant towards the funds of the Association, the Finchley Borough Council having decided to make a grant of £300.

The Committee recommend that a grant of £100 be made by this Council towards the funds of the Association.

11. YOUTH EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE. A copy of the Agenda for the Meeting of the Finchley and Friern Barnet Youth Employment Committee to be held on Friday the 22nd October, 1948, enclosing the 36th Annual Report of the Committee, together with a report of the work of the Employment Bureau from 1st July, to 30th September, 1948, were submitted for information.

12. GAS UNDERTAKING ACTS 1920 - 1934. A letter dated 27th September, 1948, was submitted from the Ministry of Fuel and Power, enclosing a copy of the new special prescription for testing the gas supply of the Tottenham and District Gas Company which came into operation on 1st October, 1948. This prescription requires that eight tests of calorific value shall be made in each Quarter for the Urban District.

13. FUEL ECONOMY CAMPAIGN. With referenct to Minute No.4 of the Report of the Highways and Public Works Committee on 9th September, 1948, it was reported that arrangements were made to interview Mr. Davis of the Ministry of Fuel and Power, in connection with the organisation of a local Fuel Economy Campaign, on Saturday the 9th October, 1948, at which Mr. Davis stated that the object of the Campaign would be to persuade people at home to use electricity outside peak hours, and this object would be achieved by:-

(a) National publicity.

(b) Fuel flashes of about one minute each at Cinemas.

(c) Advertisements on hoardings.

This would be undertaken nationally, and the local effort supplementing the Campaign would be on the following lines:-

(i) The establishment of a local Fuel Economy Committee in close touch with all local organisations.

(ii) Local posters or leaflets - either local ideas, or the issue of Ministry posters and leaflets.

(iii) Bookmarks - local publication, or Ministry publication, for issue to Libraries.

(iv) Labels and rubber stamps and/or dies on the postage franking machine.

The Ministry undertook to reimburse Local Authorities incurring expenditure in organising a local campaign, up to the 31st March, 1949.

The Committee, after giving the matter careful consideration, are satisfied that adequate national publicity is being given to the campaign, and that no useful purpose would be served by local supplementation thereof.

The Committee therefore recommend that no further action be taken in the matter.

14. TYPEWRITERS - ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT. It was reported that defects are constantly arising in the typewriters in use in the Engineer and Surveyor's Department, which are in need of extensive repairs.

There are four typewriters concerned, namely three Royal typewriters and one Remington. Messrs. Royal Typewriters Limited are prepared to intrade two of these machines immediately for rebuilt machines, for the sum of £64 10s. 0d.

Extensive repairs, however, cannot be undertaken by this firm for a period of at least six months.

They cannot undertake to intrade the third machine at the present time, but will do everything possible as soon as a suitable machine comes to hand.

In the case of the Remington machine, Messrs. Remington Rand Limited have submitted an estimate for the repairs, which amount to £22 18s. 9d. As an alternative, a rebuilt machine is offered in exchange for the old machine for approximately £30.

No provision has been made in the Estimates for any such expenditure, but having regard to the condition and age of the machines now in use, the Committee recommend that subject to the comments of the Finance Committee, the machines be exchanged for rebuilt machines at a total cost of approximately £94 10s. 0d.

15. TOWN HALL.

(a) Floor. With reference to Minute No.19 of the Report of this Committee on 23rd September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the condition of the flooring in the Cashier's Office.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to continue the use of Dusmo grade "A" Sweeping Compound in the corridors and main offices.

(b) Internal Decoration. A sum of £340 was included in the current year's estimates for internal and external decorations, and to date external decorations, together with the internal decoration of six rooms have been completed, at a cost of £225.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the following further interior decorations:-

Council Chamber.
Committee Rooms 1 and 2.)
Waiting Room.) Ceiling and frieze only.
Members' Room.)
Lady Members' Room.
Room No.6 - Treasurer's General Office.
Room No.9 - Treasurer's Enquiry Office.
Room No.32 - Building Inspector's Office.

It is anticipated that this work can be carried out within the balance provided in the Annual Estimate.

16. BUILDING LICENCES - QUOTA FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR WORK. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that notification had been received from the Ministry of Health that the quota fixed for the six months ending 31st March, 1949, is £2,500 per calendar month.

The Committee are advised that this quota will cause delay in the issue of Licences for essential works.

17. CIVIL DEFENCE STRUCTURES - DEMOLITION. A letter dated 7th October, 1948, was submitted from the Home Office stating that the clearance of air raid shelters, and the collection of Anderson and Morrison shelters should be discontinued.

In connection therewith the Engineer and Surveyor reported as to the very little work outstanding in this respect.

18. SALVAGE OF WASTE PAPER - PUBLICITY CAMPAIGN. A letter dated 13th October, 1948, has been received from the Directorate of Salvage and Recovery stating that with a view to increasing the yield of waste paper from the County of Middlesex as a whole it is proposed that a Publicity Campaign be organised in all Local Authority areas from 29th December, 1948, to 15th January, 1949, with a pre-contact period during the week commencing 15th November, 1948.

In order to provide an opportunity for discussing this proposal in detail, a Meeting is to be held in the Guildhall, Westminster, on Tuesday, 2nd November, 1948, to which Councillors and Officials were invited.

The Committee recommend that the Council participates in the proposed Campaign, and that Cr. Foley be appointed as this Council's representative to attend the Meeting.

19. PERMANENT HOUSING SITE No.3 - ALEXANDRA ROAD - PROVISION OF DWARF WALL AT REAR OF FOOTPATH. With reference to Minute No.8 (a) (ii) of the Report of the Housing Committee on 21st October, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the estimated cost of constructing this wall was £125.

The Committee are advised that this expenditure will not fall as a direct rate charge, but will be incorporated in the cost of the site works, and recommend that the work be put in hand.

20. ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE - RESIGNATION OF SECRETARY AND APPOINTMENT OF SUCCESSOR. At the Meeting of the Road Safety Committee held on 11th October, 1948, the resignation of Mr. F.H. Gentle as Hon. Secretary was accepted, and a request has been received from that Committee for a successor to Mr. Gentle to be appointed from the Council's staff.

The Committee recommend that Mr. M.G. Elliott be appointed as Hon. Secretary of the Committee.

21. FRIARY PARK CATERING. With reference to Minute No.3 (b) of the Report of the Parks Committee on 7th September, 1948, the Committee considered the reports of the Sub-Committee appointed to investigate this matter, which Sub-Committee held three Meetings, and called for reports from the Clerk the Engineer and Surveyor, and the Cook Supervisor of the Priory Civic Restaurant.

The Committee received correspondence from Messrs. W.J. & W.G. Bradshaw stating that they would be prepared to undertake the catering in Friary Park during the 1949 season if required, and also a communication from New Southgate and Friern Barnet Chamber of Commerce, stating that that organisation viewed with disfavour any form of municipal trading, and suggesting that tenders be invited for the catering rights in Friary Park for the coming season.

In all the circumstances, the Committee recommend that tenders for the catering rights in Friary Park for the season 1949/50 be invited through the local press.

The Committee feel that some alterations and improvements will be necessary to the premises, and that accordingly some provision for this work should be made in the Annual Estimates for 1949/50, such proposal for improvements to be mentioned in the advertisement.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.55 p.m. and terminated at 8.40 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Buildings Lettings Committee.

21st October, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. L.W. McClane ... Vice-Chairman in the Chair.

Crs. Matthews and Richardson.

Also in Attendance:

Cr. Meynell.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Draper.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 23rd September, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. LETTINGS BOOK. The Lettings Book for the Town Hall was submitted and each booking to date approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. COMMITTEE ROOMS 1 and 2.

(a) Double Letting. The Friern Barnet Local Appeals Committee have been granted (free of charge) the use of Committee Rooms 1 and 2 on the evening of Saturday, 11th December, 1948, from 6.30 p.m. for the purpose of a whist drive in aid of a charity sponsored by the Chairman of the Council and agree to Miss N.R.F. Lush, of No.33, The Ridgeway, who has subsequently applied for Committee Room 1 for a wedding reception during the afternoon of the same day, having the use of the accommodation up to 5.30 p.m. subject to the Council's consent.

The Committee recommend that this double letting be approved subject, in the case of the wedding reception, to the payment of the normal fee of £3 3s. 0d.

(b) New Year's Eve Dance. An application was submitted from the Friern Barnet Retailers in Queens Parade for the use of Committee Rooms 1 and 2 on New Year's Eve for the purpose of a social evening, and the Committee recommend that the application be granted subject to the payment of a fee of £5 5s. 0d. and 10s.6d. for the piano and that an extension be granted to midnight subject to the payment of an additional charge of £1 1s. 0d.

E. Draper.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.15 p.m. and terminated at 6.25 p.m.

Meeting of the Council held in the Town Hall, N.11.

28th October, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman.

Cr. A. Richardson ... Vice-Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richardson, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the 30th September, 1948, were submitted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

2. REPORT OF TOWN PLANNING SPECIAL COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. McClane seconded by Cr. Henry that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 30th September, 1948 be received and adopted.

3. REPORT OF ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Tarlton seconded by Cr. Draper that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 5th October, 1948, be received and adopted.

4. REPORT OF PARKS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. McClane that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 5th October, 1948, be received and adopted.

5. REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Henry seconded by Cr. Tarlton that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 7th October, 1948, be received and adopted.

6. REPORT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE. Moved by Cr. Foley seconded by Cr. Sparks that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 7th October, 1948, be received and adopted.

Minute No.5. Colney Hatch Lane - Proposed re-naming.

Further correspondence in relation to the above was submitted from the Friern Hospital Management Committee and the Physician Superintendent of the Friern Hospital. An amendment was moved by Cr. Simmonds seconded by Cr. Foley that this Minute be referred back to the Committee for further consideration. The amendment on being put to the Meeting was declared to be CARRIED.

The motion for the reception and adoption of the report and recommendations, subject to this amendment, was then put to the Meeting and declared to be CARRIED.

7. REPORT OF RATING AND VALUATION COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Pickering seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 14th October, 1948, be received and adopted subject to the inclusion of Cr. Matthews' name in the list of those present at the Meeting.

8. REPORT OF HOUSING COMMITTEE. Moved by Cr. Pickering seconded by Cr. Draper that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 14th October, 1948, be received and adopted.

Minute No.6 (g). Housing Estates - Fencing.

An amendment was moved by Cr. Matthews seconded by Cr. Sparks that the words "and accordingly the Committee further recommend that provision be made for this expenditure in the estimates for the year 1949/50" in

the last paragraph of this Minute be deleted. The amendment on being put to the Meeting was declared to be CARRIED.

The motion for the reception and adoption of the report and recommendations, subject to this amendment, was then put to the Meeting and declared to be CARRIED.

9. REPORT OF TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Pickering seconded by Cr. Draper that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated the 14th October, 1948, be received and adopted.

10. REPORT OF ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Simmonds seconded by Cr. Richardson that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 19th October, 1948, be received and adopted.

11. REPORT OF ENTERTAINMENTS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Foley that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 19th October, 1948, be received and adopted.

12. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Matthews seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 21st October, 1948, be received and adopted subject to the inclusion in Minute No.12 (Accounts) of the amount listed on page 34 of the Treasurer's Order in the sum of £4,197 5s. 8d.

13. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Simmonds seconded by Cr. Richardson that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 21st October, 1948, be received and adopted.

Minute No.3. Housing Applications - Allegation Against Housing Officer. The Chairman reported that the apology which had been demanded from the person making these allegations had now been received.

14. SEALING OF DOCUMENTS. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Meynell seconded by Cr. Pickering that the Seal of the Council be affixed to the following documents:-

(a) Contract with Courtney Pope (Electrical) Limited for the installation of improved lighting in the Town Hall.

(b) Contract with Charles Denton for the erection of 4 houses on Site 5 Colney Hatch Lane.

Seal affixed accordingly.

The Council approved the sealing of the following document out of Meeting:-

Mortgage with the Public Works Loan Board for the sum of £2,480 in respect of reconstruction of Friary Road Sewer.

Chairman.

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL. 320

No. 34

To BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED,
233, WOODHOUSE ROAD, FRIERN BARNET, N.12.

PURSUANT to a Resolution adopted this 28th day of October, 19 48
WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 34 ~~to~~ ..... of this Order, amounting to the sum of .....FOUR THOUSAND ~~TWO~~ One HUNDRED & ~~FIFTY EIGHT~~ Ninety seven..... pounds ..~~ELEVEN~~ Five.. shillings and .....EIGHT..... pence, ~~also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of~~ ..... ~~pounds~~ and ~~in any one week a maximum of~~ ..... ~~pounds~~ ~~signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council~~.

..... *Chairman.*

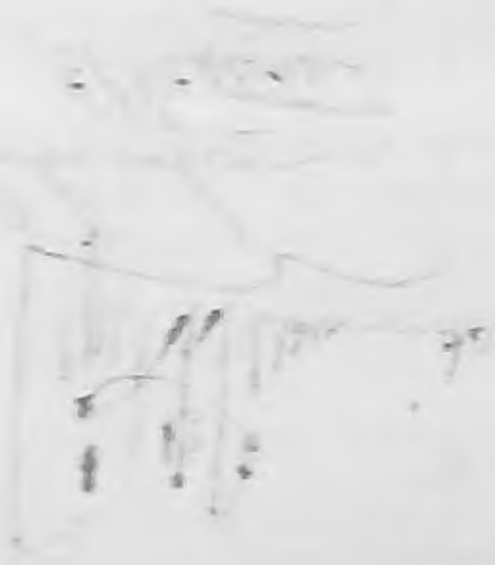
..... *Members of the Council.*

Countersigned :

..... *Clerk of the Council.*

S. & S. LTD. G61924

Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
1390	CLARE & CLARE.---	£4,197. 5. 8 ~~£4,208 11 8~~



Report and Recommendations of the Allotments Committee

2nd November, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. M.R. Tarlton ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Martin and Richardson.
Messrs. Harris, Harman and Ovenden representing the North, Central and Halliwick Park Allotment Holders' Associations respectively.

Also in attendance:

Cr. Mrs. McCarthy.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence was submitted from Cr. Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 5th October, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. NORTH ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 17 outstanding applications for permanent plots.

(b) Rathbone Allotments - Extension of Water Supply. With reference to Minute No.2 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 5th October, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that Messrs. J. Hendon & Sons have not yet been able to make a commencement with this work owing to difficulty in obtaining the necessary materials.

(c) Rathbone Allotments - Complaint re Washdown of Piggeries. With reference to Minute No.2 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 5th October, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the new drainage works required by the Council to be carried out under Statutory Notice had now been completed and the drainage of the piggeries connected to the main sewer.

The Allotment Association's representative reported that there appeared to be some clearing up still to be done in connection with this work and the Committee instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to investigate this matter.

(d) Allotments, Oakleigh Road North, and Vacant Land Adjoining Denham Road. With reference to Minute No.2(d) of the Report of this Committee dated 5th October, 1948, the Clerk submitted a letter from the Clerk of the East Barnet Urban District Council stating that the East Barnet Council were anticipating the land would be leased to a local firm, in which case there should be no further cause for complaint.

(e) Glebe Fields Allotments. The Allotment Association's representative reported that the hedge on the Friern Barnet Lane side of these allotments was rather high.

The Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to investigate this matter.

(f) Allotments, Oakleigh Park South. The Allotment Association's representative reported that a considerable amount of unauthorised tipping was taking place just inside the entrance to these allotments and requested that in view of the very wet nature of the land at this spot action be taken to stop this unauthorised tipping.

The Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to investigate with a view to taking appropriate action.

4. CENTRAL ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 28 outstanding applications for permanent plots.

In connection therewith reference was made to the apparent lack of cultivation of certain of the temporary plots in Friary Park and the Association's representative undertook to have this matter investigated.

(b) Extension of Water Supply. With reference to Minute No.3 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 5th October, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that Messrs. J. Hendon & Sons have not yet been able to make a commencement with this work owing to difficulty in obtaining the necessary materials. The Barnet Water Company have, however, made the road connection to a point within the Allotments ready for the Contractor to pick up.

5. ALLOTMENT PLOT AT LIBRARY SITE. Reference was made to the apparent lack of cultivation of the above plot and the Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to investigate this matter.

6. HALLIWICK PARK ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 11 outstanding applications for permanent plots.

(b) Access to Allotments from Housing Site No.5. Application to Ministry of Health for Grant. With reference to Minute No.4(b) of the Report of this Committee dated 5th October, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that an application had been made to the Ministry of Health for a grant in connection with the works outlined at the last Meeting on the basis that the work is necessitated by the disturbance from the change over in ralation to Housing Site No.5.

M.S. Carlin

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.15 p.m. and terminated at 7.35 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Parks Committee

2nd November, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Cr. Martin.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Matthews and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 5th October, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. SPORTS LETTINGS.

(a) Football Pitch, Halliwick Recreation Ground.

(i) Albion Rovers Football Club. The Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman in approving the use of the football pitch in Halliwick Recreation Ground on Sunday, 31st October, 1948, by the Albion Rovers Football Club, subject to the payment of the usual fee of 7s. 6d., be confirmed.

(ii) Freehold Football Club and Albion Rovers Football Club. Aplications have been received from:-

(A) Freehold Football Club, at present granted the use of the above pitch on alternate Sunday mornings throughout the season, for permission to use the pitch every Sunday morning in order that they may be able to field a second team, and so give more of their members a game, and

(B) Albion Rovers Football Club, for permission to use the pitch on Sunday morning 14th November, 1948.

The Committee recommend that both Clubs be invited to apply for definite dates upon which they require the use of the pitch, and that the Chairman be authorised to grant these applications subject to a fee of 7s. 6d. per match, or on a pro rata basis to the season fee according to the number of bookings each Club requires.

(b) Football Pitch, Bethune Recreation Ground. Applications were received from:-

(i) the Friern Barnet Progressive Tenants' Association on behalf of the Progressive Youth Club, and

(ii) the Coldfall Rangers Football Club.

for permission to use the football pitch on the Bethune Recreation Ground on Sunday mornings, 21st November, 12th and 26th December, 9th and 23rd January, 13th and 20th February and 13th and 27th March.

The Committee recommend that the application of the Friern Barnet Progressive Tenants' Association be granted at a reduced fee of £3 3s. 3d. and the Coldfall Rangers Football Club notified accordingly.

(c) Applications for Cricket Pitches - Season 1949. Applications were submitted for the use of the cricket pitches in Bethune and Halliwick Recreation Grounds for the Season 1949.

The Committee have appointed a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of this Committee to consider these applications, and recommend that they be authorised to allocate the available facilities, subject to the charge in respect of the schools being fixed by the Committee.

4. REPORT OF THE ORNAMENTAL GARDENS SUB-COMMITTEE. The Report of the Ornamental Gardens Sub-Committee held on 16th October, 1948, a copy of which is attached hereto, was submitted and approved.

The Committee feel that the experimental gardens already laid out have met with success, and suggest to the Ornamental Gardens Sub-Committee that the Engineer and Surveyor should now be instructed to prepare layout plans for further sites.

5. ORNAMENTAL GARDEN - LIBRARY SITE. It was reported that requests had been received for the provision of further seating accommodation in the above ornamental garden, and the Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to submit a scheme for the provision of further seats together with an estimate of the cost.

6. FRIARY PARK.

(a) Application for Hire of Marquee by North London Inter-Group Youth Hostels Association. An application has been received from the North London Inter-Group of Youth Hostels Association for the hire of the marquee for the Annual Rally of the Association for a period at the end of August, or beginning of September, 1949. The Association are unable to give a definite date, and do not state in their application for what period the marquee is required.

The Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to enquire whether the Association would care to submit an offer for the purchase of the marquee, and if they do not wish to purchase, what offer they are prepared to make for the hire.

(b) Marquee for Summer Entertainments. With reference to Minute No.4 (f) of the Report of this Committee dated 5th October, 1948, the Committee recommend that in view of the recommendation contained in Minute No.4 (d) of the Report of the Entertainments Committee dated 19th October, 1948, no further action be taken in this matter.

(c) Construction of Potting Sheds - Progress. With reference to Minute No.4 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 5th October, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the construction of the two potting sheds in the yard at Friary House has now been completed.

(d) Construction of One Cold Frame. With reference to Minute No.4 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 5th October, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that a commencement had been made on the work of the construction of one Cold Frame on one side of the existing Greenhouse, and it is anticipated that this work will be completed shortly.

(e) Master Plan. The Committee had before them plans embodying suggestions for the future layout of Friary Park, and have given the Engineer and Surveyor instructions to have these plans available for inspection by Members of the Council.

The Committee have noted a suggestion that a swimming pool might be incorporated in the layout, and that the refreshment facilities to be provided in the main building should incorporate a children's restaurant.

(f) Friary House External Painting. With reference to Minute No.4. (d) of the Report of this Committee dated 5th October, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the external repairs and painting have now been completed satisfactorily.

(g) Friary Park Bowling Club - Decorations. A letter dated the 16th October, 1948, has been received from the Honorary Secretary of the above Club drawing the Council's attention to the rather bad state of the room on the ground floor at Friary House used by Bowling Club Members, and requesting that some renovations be carried out during the "close" season of the Club's activities.

The Committee recommend that the Club be informed that this matter will be borne in mind in conjunction with the annual estimates for next year.

7. BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND.

(a) 9-Hole Golf Course.

(i) Maintenance. A report was submitted on maintenance work carried out to the 9-hole Golf Course.

(ii) Receipts. Receipts for the month of October, 1948, were £131 17s. 9d. compared with £122 10s. 2d. for October, 1947. The total receipts from the 1st April, 1948, to 31st October, 1948, were £956 5s. 3d. compared with £849 13s. 0d. for the same period of 1947.

(iii) Competitions. The Annual Knock-Out Competition has been won by Mr. G. Coombes, runner-up Mr. L. Goodship. The prizes for this and the Annual Stroke Competition were given by Mr. T. Wheeler, and presented by Mrs. Wheeler. The presentation took place on Sunday, 10th October, 1948.

Winners each received a Silver Tankard and £1 0s. 0d. The runners-up received £1 0s. 0d. each.

The Committee desire to record and convey to Mr. Wheeler their sincere thanks and appreciation for his public spirited action in donating these prizes, and for his offer to donate prizes for a Competition next year.

(b) Wilful Damage. It was reported that the following damage was caused in Bethune Recreation Ground during the nights of 22nd, 23rd and 24th October, 1948:-

1 Seat broken in Jubilee Gardens.
1 Seat broken in Bethune Recreation Ground.
2 Padlocks and chains removed from Car Park.
1 Concrete post broken at Golf Course footpath.
1 Tree uprooted in Golf Course area.
Plants pulled up from border, Bethune Cafe.

The damage was immediately reported to the Police.

(c) Gresham Avenue Car Park - Commencement of Work. With reference to Minute No.4 (f) of the Report of this Committee on 7th September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that a commencement has been made on the work authorised to enable this area to be incorporated in the entrance gardens, It is anticipated that there may be some delay in completion owing to the fact that considerable difficulty is being experienced in obtaining top spit at a reasonable price, the lowest quotation received being 18s. 0d. per cubic yard as compared with previous prices ranging from 4s. 6d. to 6s. 0d.

The Committee have left this matter in the hands of the Engineer and Surveyor to make further investigations.

8. HALLIWICK RECREATION GROUND.

(a) Purchase of Goal Posts. The Committee recommend confirmation of the action of the Chairman in authorising the purchase of the goal posts at present used in the Halliwick Recreation Ground from the Freehold Football Club, at a cost of £8 0s. 0d.

(b) Purchase of Nets. An offer has been received from the Cromwell Football Club for the sale of the nets at present used in the Halliwick Recreation Ground, for the sum of £9 0s. 0d.

The Committee recommend that the nets be purchased at this price.

9. CROMWELL RECREATION GROUND, IMPROVEMENT WORKS. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that a commencement has now been made on the improvements to the above Recreation Ground. Tarmacadam footpaths have been laid on the North-Eastern and Western boundaries. A 3 ft. border will be planted with shrubs within the fence line to Cromwell Road, and trees are being planted on the outer boundaries.

The Engineer and Surveyor has been in communication with the Regional Technical Advisor of the Home Office, putting forward a strong claim on behalf of the Council for a grant for regulating and top spitting in connection with the restoration of that part of the Recreation Ground used for underground trenches, and the Regional Technical Adviser has agreed to receive and strongly support the Council's claim for a grant.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to continue negotiations with the Home Office, and that until a decision has been reached, the question of further levelling of the site be deferred.

10. PARKS GENERALLY.

(a) Completion of Path Repairs at Friary Park, Bethune and Halliwick Recreation Grounds. The path repairs referred to above have now been completed.

(b) Repairs to Playground Equipment. With reference to Minute No.6 (b) of the Report of this Committee on 5th October, 1948, spares have now been received, and appropriate repairs carried out to all damaged playground equipment.

(c) Purchase of New Playground Equipment. The Engineer and Surveyor has now been advised that the delivery of the following playground equipment may be expected towards the end of November:-

Plane Swing	Friary Park.
Plank Swing) Pendulum See-Saw)	Cromwell Road Recreation Ground.
Pendulum See-Saw) Plane Swing) Giant Stride)	Halliwick Recreation Ground.

The Sub-Committee (Crs. Richardson, Mason, McClane and Tarlton) following the allocation of the equipment, met to fix the sites, and at that time decided that only the Pendulum See-Saw should be fixed at Halliwick Recreation Ground, leaving the Plane Swing and Giant Stride to be sited elsewhere, as it was considered that there was not sufficient space for them to be accommodated there.

The Sub-Committee have considered the possibility of erecting the Plane Swing and Giant Stride in the Cromwell Recreation Ground, but they would have preferred that all the Cromwell playground apparatus should be erected on the site of St. Peter's School, which the Council are considering purchasing. Considerable difficulty is being experienced in obtaining information as to this site.

The Committee gave consideration to the further suggestion that the apparatus should be installed in the Bethune Recreation Ground, near the temporary Housing Site, but have decided that this site might be considered when making further purchases.

The Committee deferred consideration to their next Meeting in the hope that further information will then be available as to the St. Peter's School site.

(d) Report of Parks Superintendent. The Parks Superintendent submitted a report on the works carried out by the Parks Staff since the last Meeting of the Committee.

11. OAKLEIGH PARK AND CHANDOS LAWN TENNIS CLUB. The Clerk submitted a letter from the Secretary of the above Club, asking if the Council would be prepared to enter into negotiations for the purchase of their property as a permanent open space, and to grant a fairly long Lease to the present Tennis Club to enable them to continue their present activities. The property consists of approximately 2½ acres of land, at present laid out as three hard and eight grass tennis courts, a small pavilion, car park, and allotments.

The Committee have instructed the Clerk to obtain further information.

Chairman.

The Meeting Commenced at 8.0 p.m. and terminated at 10.0 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Ornamental Gardens Sub-Committee

16th October, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman

Also in attendance:

Cr. McClane.

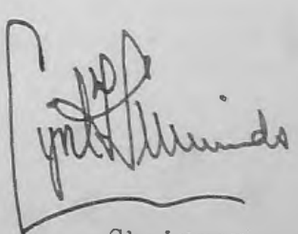
1. AWARD IRIS COMPANY, HADLEY. With reference to Minute No.3 (e) of the Report of the Parks Committee on the 7th September, 1948, the Sub-Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to prepare a site in connection with the offer of the above Company, in Friary Park on the Friern Barnet Lane side of the main entrance to Friary House.

2. VERANDAH-TYPE SHELTER AND ORNAMENTAL GARDEN - FRIERN HOSPITAL ENTRANCE, FRIERN BARNET ROAD. With reference to Minute No.24 of the Report of the Highways and Public Works Committee on 9th September, 1948, the Sub-Committee have considered and approved in principle, subject to the decision of the Hospital Board, a plan for the above scheme submitted by the Engineer and Surveyor, provided the wing wall is not higher than the adjoining dwarf wall of the garden.

The estimated cost of this work is £350 for the structural work and seating accommodation and £100 for the paths and garden.

It will be remembered that the Sub-Committee when appointed were authorised to spend a sum not exceeding £500. As this expenditure together with that already incurred will exceed this figure, the decision of the Sub-Committee is subject to the comments of the Finance Committee.

3. FURTHER ADDITIONAL SITES. Having regard to the success of those sites already provided, the Sub-Committee recommend that within the limits of the terms of reference all other sites provided for in the overall scheme be proceeded with as soom as possible and have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to submit the necessary plans in connection therewith.



Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 9.30 a.m. and terminated at 9.55 a.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Health Committee

4th November, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. A.C. Henry ... Chairman.

Crs. Foley, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Richardson and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin, Pickering and Sparks.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Draper, Miss Richards and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 7th October, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES. The following notifications of infectious diseases have been received since the date of the last Meeting:-

DISEASE	WARDS					Total for District only.
	North	South	Central	East	West	
Measles	-	-	-	-	2	2
Scarlet Fever	-	-	1	1	1	3
Pneumonia	1	-	-	-	-	1

4. DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION. The Medical Officer of Health reported as to the present position in the District in connection with the above, stating that 2,510 immunisations had been completed to date.

5. COMPLAINTS. Since the last Meeting of the Committee 46 complaints, including 6 cases of rat infestation, have been received and investigated, and the necessary action taken to secure a remedy.

6. ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES. The works necessary to comply with Notices served requiring abatement of nuisances at 21 properties throughout the District have been completed.

7. UNSOUND FOOD. The Sanitary Inspector reported as to the various types of food which had been condemned as unfit for human consumption since the last Meeting of the Committee.

8. PIGGERY REAR OF No. 420, OAKLEIGH ROAD, N.20. With reference to Minute No.9 of the Report of this Committee on 7th October, 1948, the Sanitary Inspector reported that the provision of a satisfactory drainage system to this Piggery is now complete, and the turning of pig-sewage and sty-washings over the adjoining land has ceased. The ground is still waterlogged, but conditions are improving daily, and it is anticipated that very shortly it will be possible to turn the ground over and restore the land to cultivation.

9. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT 1936 - SECTION 75 - PROVISION OF DUSTBINS.

(a) Cardrew Court, Friern Park, N.12. The arrangements for the storage of house refuse at this block of flats are on the chute system, and consist of 4 chutes, each serving 4 flats, with each chute designed to discharge the refuse into a container at the bottom. These containers have worn out and been removed. The

effect is that all refuse falls to the bottom of the chutes, fouling the internal surfaces and making removal difficult.

The Committee recommend that a Notice, under the above Act and Section, be served on the owner, requiring him to provide, in connection with each chute, a galvanised iron container of suitable size, provided with handles for lifting purposes.

(b) No. 75, Sutton Road, N.10. With reference to Minute No.11 of the Report of this Committee on 9th September, 1948, the Clerk reported that he had attended at Highgate Police Court on Wednesday the 3rd November, 1948, in connection with the Appeal by the owners against the Notice from the Council, requiring them to provide a dustbin for the use of the occupiers of the above property.

Counsel appeared for the Appellants, and after a fairly lengthy hearing, the Bench decided to uphold the Appeal on the grounds that there was no contractural undertaking on the part of the owners to provide the dustbins in the case of this and adjoining blocks of flats.

In view of this decision the tenant has indicated her intention to provide a dustbin.

The Committee recommend (1) that the Sanitary Inspector be authorised to serve a Notice, under the above Act and Section, on the tenant in the event of her not providing a dustbin within a reasonable period, and (2) that the present procedure of serving intimation Notices on owners be continued.

10. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936 - SECTION 93 - STATUTORY NUISANCES. The Sanitary Inspector reported the existance of statutory nuisances at the under-mentioned premises:-

(a)	No.129, Friern Barnet Road, N.11.	Defective and leaking roof.
(b)	No.59, Lewes Road, N.12.	Defective and leaking roof.
(c)	No.95, Oakleigh Road, N.11.	Defective and broken brick-work to main rear wall.
(d)	No.58, Torrington Park, N.12.	Defective and leaking roofs, eaves gutters and rain-water downspouting.
(e)	No.20, Pembroke Road, N.10.	Defective and broken floor to ground floor front room.
(f)	No.125, Cromwell Road, N.10.	Defective and broken floor to ground floor back room. Defective condition of staircase from ground to first floor.
(g)	No.127, Cromwell Road, N.10.	Defective and leaking roof. Defective floors to ground floor front and back rooms. Broken condition of window head to first floor front room.
(h)	No.440, Oakleigh Road, N.20.	Defective and leaking gutters and downspouting. Defective window sashes to ground floor and first floor back rooms.
(i)	No.260, Sydney Road, N.10.	Defective and leaking roof. Defective eaves guttering.

(j)	No.136, Cromwell Road, N.10.	Defective and leaking roof. Defective floor to kitchen. Dirty and broken walls to scullery and flaking ceiling.
(k)	No.126, Cromwell Road, N.10.	Defective and leaking roofs. Defective flush pipe joint to W.C. pan. The filthy and broken condition ofthe scullery walls.
(l)	No.57, Cromwell Road, N.10.	Defective and leaking roof and eaves guttering.

Intimation Notices having been served and not complied with, the Committee recommend the service of Abatement Notices under Section 93 of the Public Health Act, 1936, and failing compliance therewith that the Clerk be authorised to take appropriate proceedings.

11. SHOPS (HOURS OF CLOSING) ACT, 1928 - CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS.
Notification has been received that the Secretary of State does not intend to make a general order suspending the normal closing hours of shops during the Christmas holidays, in view of the continued need for economy in fuel and lighting.

The Home Office point out, however, that the Council have power to make an order suspending the general closing hours for not more than seven days in any year, where they are satisfied that the circumstances justify the suspension.

The New Southgate and Friern Barnet Chamber of Commerce have been notified of the decision of the Secretary of State, and asked whether they desire the Council to consider the making of an Order suspending the general closing hours, and they have telephoned to say they do not consider such an order necessary.

The Whetstone area is apparently covered by the Finchley and Whetstone Chamber of Commerce, and similar enquiries were made of that Chamber. A reply has been received that they desire to close from Friday evening the 24th December until Wednesday morning the 29th December, except that shops selling food and carrying out essential services may open on Tuesday the 28th December. They have also informed the Finchley Corporation that they desire the suspension of the provisions of the Shops (Hours of Closing) Act, 1928, during Christmas week so that shops be allowed later closing as in previous years.

It is understood that this request will not be considered by the Finchley Corporation until later this month.

The Committee recommend that if the Finchley Borough Council decide to make such an Order, this Council should also make an Order on similar lines for the Whetstone area, and that the Chairman of the Council and the Clerk be authorised to affix the Seal of the Council to any such Order, if necessary out of Meeting.

12. CARE OF YOUNG CHILDREN. The Committee considered the living conditions of a family in the District, and have given instructions that the appropriate Officer of the Middlesex County Council be asked to investigate.

A C Kerr

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 7.15 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Highways and Public Works Committee.

4th November, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. J. Foley ... Chairman

Crs. Henry, Martin, Matthews, Meynell, Richardson and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, Pickering, and Sparks.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Draper and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 7th October, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. TIME OF MEETING. The Committee recommend that future Meeting of this Committee be scheduled to commence at 7.0 p.m.

4. HIGHWAYS - GENERAL MAINTENANCE. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on maintenance work carried out during October.

5. PRIVATE STREETS.

(a) Making up of Raleigh Drive. The Ministry of Health have now indicated the 1st November as a starting date for making up of this road, the contractor has been duly instructed, and it is anticipated that a commencement will be made in the near future.

(b) Making up of Temple Avenue. The Clerk submitted a letter from a frontager in Temple Avenue complaining of the injustice which he feels is being caused by the making up of this street in two sections necessitating two separate apportionments for one street, together with a copy of his reply fully setting out the position of the Council.

Up to the date of this Meeting no decision on the recent Inquiry has been received from the Minister of Health.

(c) Making up of Alexandra Road. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the work in connection with the above was well advanced, although considerable wet weather and some frost has delayed progress to a small extent. The work is approximately 90% complete, the outstanding items being completion of tarmac verge, planting of street trees, completion of car crossings and other minor works.

(d) Friern Mount Drive - Lighting. With reference to Minute No.4 of the report of this Committee dated 7th October, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had received £128 from the frontagers concerned, for the installation of six further lamps in addition to the two existing lamps, which will provide street lighting to requirements from the Great North Road to a point 110 yards east of the junction with Langton Avenue.

The Eastern Electricity Board had been forewarned of the possibility of additional lighting being required in this road and personal contact has been made with the District Superintendent who agreed to commence the installation of these lamps on Tuesday, the 2nd November, 1948.

6. COUNTY ROAD ESTIMATES. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that on the request of the County Engineer he had submitted a revised estimate of expenditure on classified road, for the current year, together with extimates for the ensuing year ending 31st March, 1950, which were required to be submitted by the 30th October.

It should be pointed out that the County Engineer has indicated that it is not known what grant monies will be available from the Ministry of Transport for the next financial year but it is anticipated that the funds ultimately available will only be such as to enable essential maintenance works to be carried out. It is doubtful if the amount will be greater than that finally allocated to this District for the current year.

The main items of expenditure included in the estimates for the financial year ending 31st March, 1950, are as follows:-

Ordinary maintenance and repairs.	£7,356.
Repairs to certain parts of Oakleigh Road South.	1,140.
Repairs to Friern Barnet Lane from The Ridgeway to Hemington Avenue.	1,500.
Repairs to Colney Hatch Lane from 100-500 yds. south of Pinkham Way.	2,190.
Repairs to Friern Barnet Road from Beaconsfield Road to Station Road.	1,330.
	£13,516.

It will be remembered that the estimates for the present year were cut from £14,285 to £4,889.

7. RUSSELL ROAD - ADDITIONAL LIGHTING. With reference to Minute No.8 of the Report of this Committee dated 7th October, 1948, the provision of the two additional lamps in this road has now been completed.

8. RE-INFORCED CONCRETE LAMP COLUMNS - REPORT ON REPAIRS. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that following an inspection of the tall reinforced lamp columns throughout the District, superficial repairs had been carried out to approximately ten of the older columns.

9. TRAFFIC CONDITIONS, HIGH ROAD, WHETSTONE. With reference to Minute No.13 of the Report of this Committee dated 9th September, 1948, replies were submitted from the County Engineer and the Finchley Borough Council. No replies have so far been received from the Divisional Road Engineer or the Metropolitan Police.

10. WAR-DAMAGED COST OF WORKS HOUSES, BRAMBER ROAD. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted correspondence received from Messrs. Lovell & Son Limited regarding an account for reinstatement of the footways in Bramber Road.

The Committee have authorised the Chairman of the Committee, and the Engineer and Surveyor, to meet a representative of the firm to discuss this matter, and give a further report.

11. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES.

(a) Proposed Library Site, Sutton Road/Colney Hatch Lane. With reference to Minute No.15 of the Report of this Committee dated 9th September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he has been advised by the County Architect that there is little

prospect of the plans for the proposed Library being prepared for a considerable period, and he considers, therefore, it would be very difficult at this juncture to plan Public Conveniences for future incorporation.

(b) Friern Barnet Road, Hospital Site. With reference to Minute No.15 of the Report of this Committee dated 9th September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he has been advised by the North West Metropolital Hospital Board that consideration is being given to this matter, and a further communication will be forwarded in due course.

(c) Railway Hotel. With reference to Minute No.10 of the Report of this Committee dated 7th October, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the Contractors have not been able to commence this work owing to difficulty in obtaining delivery of the automatic flushing cistern.

The Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to look into the possibility of arranging for as much of the piping as possible, to be incorporated into the brickwork of the Public Convenience, in an effort to abviate further wilful damage.

12. "DENNIS" REFUSE COLLECTION VEHICLES - REPLACEMENT OF LARGER WHEELS. With reference to Minute No.14 of the Report of this Committee dated 1st July, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the firm, after some negotiation, had decided to fit the larger size wheels, and again fit new tyres to the refuse collection vehicles, admitting that his contention before purchase that the wheels already fitted were insufficient, had been fully justified. The estimated cost, to be borne by the suppliers, of the replacement of tyres and wheels to these vehicles is £484 10s. 0d.

13. ROAD SAFELY.

(a) Accident Returns. Road accident returns for the month of October, 1948, were submitted. During this period five accidents, one of which was fatal, occurred in Friern Barnet.

(b) Recommendation from Road Safety Committee for Re-siting of Red Light Bollard at 'Bus Stop Opposite Library, Friern Barnet Road. At a meeting of the Road Safety Committee held on 11th October, 1948, it was requested that investigation be made as to the possibility of re-siting the bollard at the 'bus stop in Friern Barnet Road opposite the Library, as it was felt that it was so close to the 'bus stop as to be a danger to alighting passengers. The bollard referred to is one of the Tom Thumb concrete bollards with red glass to define the kerb line on this somewhat acute bend in the road, and as it is at present approximately 3 feet away from the trolley 'bus stop, it is considered there should be no danger to alighting passengers providing drivers recognise the proper stopping place.

The Committee recommend that no action be taken.

(c) Recommendation from Road Safety Committee for Improved Lighting on Grass Verge, Junction of Torrington Park and Friern Barnet Lane. At a Meeting of the Road Safety Committee held on 11th October, 1948, a complaint was made of inadequate lighting on the grass verge at the junction of Torrington Park and Friern Barnet Lane; similar complaints were also received with regard to other "black spots" in the District.

The Committee recommend that in view of the proposed improved lighting scheme for main roads, no action be taken at the present time regarding main roads, but that the Engineer and Surveyor investigate the lighting in Pollard Road.

14. SALVAGE.

(a) Returns. The returns for salvage for the month of October, 1948, are as follows, showing comparison for the same period in 1947.

1948	...	21 tons 2 cwt.	value £147 14s. 0d.
1947	...	12 tons 18 cwt.	value £103 4s. 0d.

(b) New National Waste Paper Contest. Formal entrance in the above Contest has been made.

(c) Special Paper Salvage at Refuse Disposal Tip. With reference to Minute No.9 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th October, 1948, the Committee recommend that the man employed on paper salvage at the tip face continue to be so employed for at least the period of the Competition referred to in Minute No.14 (b) above.

(d) Contract with Thames Board Mills Limited. The existing five-yearly contract with Thames Board Mills Limited for the sale of salvaged waste paper and cardboard expires on 31st December, 1948.

The Committee recommend that a similar contract be entered into with this firm for a further period of five years.

15. STATUTORY OPENINGS. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the statutory openings being carried out by and on behalf of the Statutory Companies.

16. STREET NUMBERING, COLNEY HATCH LANE - HOUSING SITE No.5. Some houses having a frontage to Colney Hatch Lane may be ready for occupation in the fairly near future, and work is commencing on flats adjacent to Colney Hatch Lane. The last house in Colney Hatch Lane south of Site No.5 is No.187, the next higher number being No.253, which is the first house on the west side between the North Circular Road and Friern Barnet Road.

The question of numbering and/or naming those blocks of flats has received the consideration of the Committee, and the Committee agree that the blocks of flats should be numbered to enable strangers to the District to more easily find their situation. The Committee are also in favour of the blocks of flats being given names, but have deferred the choice of names to the next Meeting so that Members of the Council may consider the matter and make suggestions.

The numbers to be assigned to the blocks of flats will be 189, 191, 193, 195, 197, 199, 201, Colney Hatch Lane, and to the houses 203, 205, 207, 209, 211, 213, 215, 217, 219, 221, Colney Hatch Lane.

17. RALEIGH DRIVE RELEIF SEWER. The Clerk reported that the final cost of the above scheme was £3,516 of which £628 was chargeable to revenue.

The Committee recommend that application be made to the Minister of Health for consent to the borrowing of the sum of £2,901 0s. 0d. made up as follows:-

Cost of works	£2,888.
Stamp duty, loan charges etc.	13.
	£2,901.

the money to be borrowed from the Public Works Loan Board, and that the Chairman of the Council, and the Clerk, be authorised to seal all necessary documents in connection therewith, if necessary out of Meeting.

18. STAFF - ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT. The Engineer and Surveyor reported on the difficulties he was experiencing in obtaining suitable qualified staff for his Department, and the probable effect on the progress of works recommended for execution by this Committee. Details were submitted showing the establishment of his Department as approved by the Joint Staff Committee on 20th May, 1946, the establishment of his Department as at May 1948, and the establishment of his Department as at present existing.

The Committee recommend that in view of the number of the Spending Committees concerned, consideration of this matter be referred to the General Purposes Committee.

19. PAPER BALING MACHINE. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the existing paper baling machine in his Department was at present unserviceable and submitted a quotation for a new machine at a cost of £38 10s. 0d.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to purchase such a new machine or a second-hand machine of a larger type than that at present used if practicable up to a maximum of £60, subject to the comments of the Finance Committee in the latter case.

20. ADVANCE TRAFFIC DIRECTION SIGNS. Complaints were received as to the lack of advance traffic direction signs throughout the District and particularly at the Orange Tree inter-section.

The Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to investigate this matter and report to the next Meeting of the Committee.

21. ANALYSIS OF SEWAGE EFFLUENT. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on a sample of sewage effluent taken from the Bounds Green Brook on 26th October, 1948, The report indicates a satisfactory effluent.

22. FOULING OF FOOTPATHS BY DOGS. Further complaints have been received as to the fouling of footpaths by dogs throughout the District.

The Committee recommend that notices be displayed throughout the District as follows:-

" FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

In the interests of all, please do not allow your dog to foul the footpaths. This is a byelaw offence. "

23. HOUSING SITE No.5 - CONDITION OF ROADS. Complaints were received as to the dirty and untidy condition of the roads and footpaths on this estate, caused to a certain extent by the use of the roads and paths for the deposit of builders materials and the carrying of mud on to the roads by vehicles.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to lay and maintain clinker paths from the roads to those houses already occupied to keep the carriageway free of mud and also to request the Contractors to keep the roads and paths as clean and tidy as possible.

24. "FRIERN BARNET" NOTICES. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the above notices had now been received and will be fixed as soon as possible.

25. GOLF COURSE NOTICE. It was reported that the 9-hole Golf Course direction notice in Friern Barnet Road opposite Beaconsfield Road was in a very dilapidated condition.

The Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to replace the existing sign with a metal plate and to repair or renew the direction notice in Manor Drive.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.15 p.m. and terminated at 8.15 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Rating and Valuation Committee.

11th November, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. A.C.S. Meynell ... Chairman

Crs. Henry, McClane, Matthews, Pickering and Richardson.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy and Mason.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Martin and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 14th October, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1948 - LOCAL VALUATION PANELS. The new valuation procedure prescribed under the Local Government Act, 1948, dispenses with Assessment Committees, and the hearing and determining of appeals will be carried out by the Local Valuation Court. Each Local Valuation Court is to consist of the Chairman or one of the Deputy Chairmen of the Valuation Panel and two other members of the Panel to be selected in accordance with a scheme to be made by the County Council and approved by the Minister of Health.

A letter dated 1st November, 1948, has been received from the Middlesex County Council enclosing a copy of the Scheme under Part III of the Act for the constitution of Local Valuation Panels in the County which has been submitted to the Minister of Health for approval. This Scheme, known as the County of Middlesex Local Valuation Panels Scheme 1948, provides for the division of the County into three areas, namely, North, Central and South Middlesex. This Urban District has been included in the North Middlesex Panel area together with the County Districts of Edmonton, Finchley, Hendon, Hornsey, Southgate, Tottenham, Wood Green, Enfield and Potters Bar. The Panel for each area will consist of fifteen persons including a Chairman and two Deputy Chairmen to be appointed by the County Council at the Annual Meeting in April 1949 to take office on 1st May, 1949. The Act does not make provision for any of these members to be nominated by the District Councils, the appointments being entirely in the hands of the County Council. One half of the members originally appointed retire on the 1st May, 1952, and the remainder remain in office until the 1st May, 1955, and thereafter the term of office will be for a period of six years. Provision is also made in the Scheme for the filling of casual vacancies.

The Committee do not desire to make any observations on the Scheme.

4. NEW PROPERTIES. Having received a report from the Valuation Officer as to new properties erected in the District, the Committee recommend assessments as follows:-

		Recommendation.
(a)	Nos. 228, 228a, 230 and 230a, Sydney Road. Cost of Works re-built flats.	Nos.228 and 230 £26/19 each. Mos.228a and 230a £27/20 each.

		Recommendation.
(b)	Nos.52 and 52a, Wilton Road, Cost of works flats replacing war-destroyed house.	No.52 £28/21. No.52a £42/32.
(c)	Nos.54, 54a, 56 and 56a, Wilton Road. Cost of works flats replacing war-destroyed houses.	Nos.54 and 56 £43/33 each. Nos.54a and 56a £29/22 each.

5. ALTERATIONS. Having received a report by the Valuation Officer as to alterations to the following properties, the Committee recommend amended assessments as indicated:-

		Recommendation.
(a)	7, Oakleigh Park North. Addition of 2-car garage.	Increase from £112/90 to £119/96.
(b)	"Green Trees" Oakleigh Park North. Tennis Court - derelict.	Reduce from £136/110 to £129/104.
(c)	No.145, Friern Park. Outbuildings demolished.	Reduce from £60/48 to £52/42.
(d)	No.264, Colney Hatch Lane. Ground floor altered for use as cafe.	Increase from £37/28 to £45/35.

6. HOUSE ASSESSED IN PARTS - No.70, SYDNEY ROAD. This house, which is assessed in parts, is now partly occupied by the owner and the Committee recommend that the original assessment of £48/38 be re-instated in lieu of the present assessment of £30/20 in respect of each of the two flats.

7. METROPOLITAN WATER BOARD. The provisional figures agreed by the Panel Valuers for this hereditament for the rate period 1st April, 1945, to the 31st March, 1946, showing no change on the rateable value of £275 for this District, have been received and the Committee recommend that this figure be accepted.

8. PROPOSAL LIST No.68. The Committee approved Proposal List No.68 and authorised the Valuation Officer to take the necessary action in connection therewith.

9. TENNIS COURTS AND PAVILION - COLNEY HATCH LANE - DEMOLITION. The Valuation Officer reported that these courts are now derelict and the pavilion demolished, the site being used for the keeping of poultry.

The Committee recommend that the existing assessment of £16/14 be deleted.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 6.40 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Housing Committee

11th November, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. J.E. Pickering ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Richardson, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Martin and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 14th October, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. HOUSING LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The Report of the Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee held on 29th October, 1948, a copy of which is attached, was submitted and approved.

4. REQUISITIONED PROPERTIES.

(a) No.82, Wilton Road. An application has been received from the owner of these premises for the release of the ground floor, which is at present under requisition, stating that having failed to find suitable alternative accommodation for his family he had purchased these premises, having resided there for the past seven years, and pointing out the unsatisfactory conditions under which his family were at present living.

The ground floor of the property is at present occupied by a husband, wife and two children rendered homeless as a result of enemy action in the District, whose application for alternative accommodation will no doubt receive consideration as building progresses.

The Committee have deferred consideration of the application for the release of part of this property for a period of three months, at the expiration of which time the matter will be further reviewed in the light of the circumstances then prevailing.

(b) No.1, Hollyfield Avenue. A letter dated the 5th November, 1948, has been received from the owner of this requisitioned property enquiring whether the Council would be prepared to lift the requisition or would consider purchasing the property. In connection therewith the Housing Officer submitted a report on the position with regard to the present occupants.

Having regard to all the circumstances, the Committee recommend that the owner be informed the Council are unable to release the property at the present time nor are they interested in its acquisition.

(c) No.115, Friern Barnet Road. A letter dated the 8th November, 1948, has been received from the owner of this property requesting the de-requisitioning of the upper part of these premises which have recently become vacant. The ground floor is at present occupied by him for business purposes and the difficulties experienced by him in carrying on his business were outlined.

Certain repairs are being carried out to the accommodation at the present time in order to accommodate another family.

The Committee recommend that having regard to the housing position in the District the owner be informed that the Council are unable to accede to his request.

(d) Arrears of Contributions. The Treasurer submitted a report on the arrears of contributions in respect of requisitioned properties. The following matters arise out of the report:-

(i) Occupier No.523. The arrears are £2 8s. 0d. and the weekly contribution is 16s. 4d. In the past payments have been made monthly in arrear and the occupier has been requested to make payments in advance.

(ii) Occupier No.674. The arrears are £2 18s. 8d. and the weekly contribution is 17s. 5d. The occupier has promised to pay 25s. 0d. per week, but has not kept to this arrangement.

The Committee recommend that notice to terminate the licence be issued.

(iii) Occupier No.669. The arrears are £9 12s. 11d. and the weekly contribution is £1 18s. 7d. This case has been under consideration on many previous occasions and the Committee recommend that notice to terminate the licence be issued.

(iv) Former Occupier No.700. This occupier has removed from the District leaving one week's contribution of £1 13s. 4d. outstanding. There is no financial hardship; the debtor is disputing the amount outstanding. Two communications have been sent requesting payment.

The Committee recommend that notice be served on this former occupier stating that failing payment of the amount at present outstanding within seven days proceedings will be instituted for recovery.

(v) Former Occupier No.526. This occupier has left the property and emigrated to Canada owing the sum of £1 17s.4d. There would appear to be no possibility of recovery and the Committee accordingly recommend that the amount be written off as irrecoverable.

(e) General Maintenance. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the general maintenance work carried out to requisitioned properties since the last Meeting.

(f) External Painting. Since the last Meeting of the Committee the external painting of 10 properties has been completed, 3 are in course of decoration and the work on 4 has not yet been commenced.

(g) No.145, Friern Park - Demolition of Old Coach House. With reference to Minute No.4 (d) of the Report of this Committee dated 14th October, 1943, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the work involved in the demolition of this structure and the provision of fuel stores at the rear of the property has now been completed with the exception of the necessary external painting.

5. HOUSING ESTATES.

(a) No.15, Barfield Avenue - Installation of Electric Lighting. An application has been received from the tenant of this property for permission to arrange for the installation of electric lighting.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted subject to the tenant undertaking to bear the cost of the installation and to make good any damage which might be caused to the property in the process.

(b) Arrears of Rent. The Treasurer reported on the present position regarding arrears of rents. The following arise out of this report:-

(i) Former Tenant No.319. This case has previously been reported to the Committee and the former tenant has arranged to make payments of instalments at the rate of 5s. 0d. per month.

Having regard to the financial circumstances, the Committee recommend that this arrangement be accepted, but failing the upkeep of the periodical payments, court proceedings be instituted for the recovery of the amount outstanding.

(ii) Tenant No.363. The arrears amount to £5 15s. 7d. and the weekly rental is £1 3s. 8d. Payment has been promised but not received.

The Committee have instructed the Treasurer as to the action tobe taken and to submit a further report to the next Meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

(c) General Maintenance. The report of the Engineer and Surveyor on the general maintenance of Housing Estates was submitted for information.

(d) Installation of New Stoves and Hot Water Systems. With reference to Minute No.6 (d) of the Report of this Committee dated 14th October, 1948, a total of 8 new stoves and hot water systems have been installed since the last Meeting of the Committee making a total of 26 during the current financial year and to date a total of 54.

(e) Rebuilding of Coal Houses - North Ward. With reference to Minute No.6 (h) of the Report of this Committee dated 14th October, 1948, the Contractors have now completed this work and the fixing of doors by direct labour is in hand at the present time.

(f) External Painting. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the scheme for the external painting to Council Houses had been completed with the exception of the work on 4 properties, 2 by direct labour and 2 by private contractors.

(g) Nos. 2 and 4, East Road - Installation of Electric Lighting. With reference to Minute No.6 (i) of the Report of this Committee dated 14th October, 1948, it is anticipated that the work of installation will be completed in approximately one week.

(h) Suggested Maintenance Depots. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a proposal for the construction of maintenance depots in the North and South Wards.

The Committee have deferred consideration of this matter until the Housing Estates Manager commences duty.

(i) No.38, George Crescent - Proposed Pigeon Loft. An application has been received from the tenant of this property for permission to erect a pigeon loft to house 12 racing pigeons. The dimensions of the proposed structure are 9 ft. in length, 5 ft. in width and an average height of 5 ft. 9 ins. and it is proposed that it shall be sited at the far end of the garden against the boundary of the allotments. A letter was submitted from the Secretary to the London Centre of National Homing Union supporting the application.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted subject to the external appearance being to the satisfaction of

the Engineer and Surveyor, to it being maintained to his satisfaction and reserving to the Council the right to order its demolition at any time by notice in writing.

6. TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION FOR PERSONS RENDERED HOMELESS BY EVICTION. Letters dated the 19th October and 8th November, 1948, have been received from the Middlesex County Council stating that under Section 21 (1) (b) of the National Assistance Act, 1948, the County Council has the duty of providing temporary accommodation for persons who are in urgent need thereof, being need arising in circumstances which could not reasonable have been foreseen or in such other circumstances as the Authority may in any particular case determine. Circular 87 from the Ministry of Health states that this provision is not one for dealing with the inadequately housed, such action being precluded by Sub-Section 8 of Section 21, but that it is primarily intended to cover persons temporarily without accommodation as a result of such circumstances as fire, flood or eviction. The County Council further state that the word 'eviction' in the Circular causes some difficulty as many cases of eviction give rise to the ordinary housing problem which is the function of the Local Authority and not the County Council, and in view of this fact there is some doubt as to whether some of the families whose cases have been referred to the Area Welfare Officer could not have been dealt with by the Housing Authorities and accommodated in their half-way houses. Having regard to the difficulty in the County Council obtaining suitable accommodation at the present time, the Councy Council has decided to convene a Conference to be held at the Guildhall on Wednesday, the 17th November, at 10.30 a.m. to discuss the following matters:-

(a) the circumstances in which the County Council should refer eviction cases to the Area Welfare Officers, and

(b) the arrangements to be made between the County Council and County District Councils for re-housing any evicted persons who may be temporarily accommodated by the County Council under the appropriate Section.

This Council are invited to appoint two members and one officer to attend the Conference.

The Committee recommend that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of this Committee and the Housing Manager be appointed the Council's representatives to attend the Conference.

In connection therewith the Clerk reported upon a communication which had been sent to the County Council giving details of the circumstances under which a family rendered homeless by eviction had secured accommodation which was regarded as unsatisfactory.

7. SENIOR CLERK OF WORKS - CAR ALLOWANCE. With reference to Minute No.21 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated 15th July, 1948, the Committee considered the question of continuing the payment of a car allowance to this Officer.

The Committee recommend that the car allowance payable to this Officer be continued for a further period of six months when the matter will be further reviewed.

8. SOCIETY OF HOUSING MANAGERS - CONFERENCE. An invitation was submitted from the Society of Housing Managers Incorporated inviting the Council to appoint two representatives to attend a Conference on "Municipal Housing - Urgent Problems of Management in a Growing Service" to be held in London on Friday and Saturday, the 28th and 29th January, 1949.

The Committee have deferred consideration of this matter until their next Meeting.

9. HOUSING RETURNS - SEPTEMBER, 1948. The housing returns of the Ministry of Health for September, 1948, were submitted for the information of the Committee.

10. DISTRICT HOUSING PROGRESS. The following is a summary of the position within the Urban District as at the 31st October, 1948:-

	Completed.	Families Accommodated.
War Damaged Rebuilt Houses.....	10	10
Post War Houses.....	16	16
Post War Flats.....	72	72
Temporary Bungalows.....	86	86
	184	184
In Requisitioned Properties.....		181
Total of Families accommodated at 31.10.48.....		365

Number of Applicants on waiting list at 31/10/48... 1,760.

11. FURNISHED HOUSES RENT CONTROL ACT, 1946 - PROPERTY IN HOLLY PARK ROAD. The Clerk reported receipt of a formal notification of the decision of the Rent Tribunal in respect of a reference from the tenant of a property in Holly Park Road.

12. HOUSING SCHEMES.

(a) Housing Site No.4 - Alexandra Road. Work on this Site is progressing satisfactorily, a further 12 flats having been handed over for occupation in mid-October. It has been necessary to hold up external decorations owing to the sudden changes in temperature causing excessive condensation on the plaster work. This work has however now been recommenced and it is anticipated that a further 12 flats should be ready for occupation in December.

(b) Housing Site No.5 - Colney Hatch Lane.

(i) Contract No.5A/5. Further 6 Houses - Messrs. Charles Denton. With reference to Minute No.7 (b) (i) of the Report of this Committee dated 8th July, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that arithmetical errors in the Bill of Quantities submitted by this Contractor had been disclosed causing an increase in the Contract price of £15 4s. 8d. and approval to this sum as an increase on the Contract figure had been received from the Ministry of Health in a letter dated the 22nd October, 1948.

(ii) Contract No.5B/3 - 30 Flats. With reference to Minute No.8 (d) (iii) of the Report of this Committee dated 14th October, 1948, a letter dated the 9th November, 1948, has been received from the Ministry of Health stating that no objection is raised to the acceptance by the Council of the tender submitted by Messrs. Graham, Builders and Contractors Ltd. for the erection of 30 flats subject to a reduction in the Contract price of £243 18s. 10d. in respect of the following modifications:-

that the cost of the electrical installations in the block of six flats is excessive and should be reduced to £240 making a saving of £40, and that distemper should be used instead of paint on plaster walls. This should result in a saving of £203 18s. 10d.

The Committee recommend:-

(A) That the tender of Messrs. Graham, Builders and Contractors, Ltd. in the revised sum of £44,493 3s.11d. be accepted subject to Contract and Bond.

(B) that application be made to the Minister of Health for sanction to loan in the sum of £44,693 made up as follows:-

Cost of Works	£44,493
Stamp duty and cost of raising the loan	200
	£44,693

and that on receipt of loan sanction the money be borrowed from the Public Works Loan Board and that the Chairman of the Council and the Clerk be authorised to seal the Mortgage and any other documents, if necessary out of Meeting.

(iii) Progress. The Progress on the houses generally is fairly satisfactory. A further 4 houses should be completed this month and it is hoped that 12 more will be completed in December. Very serious delay has occurred in the delivery of certain facing bricks owing to a temporary breakdown in production but it is anticipated that further delivery will be made in about a week. Messrs. Myton Limited have commenced work on the block of 24 flats and brick-work will be starting in the very near future.

(iv) Installation of Immersion Heaters. With reference to Minute No.8 (f) of the Report of this Committee dated 14th October, 1948, a letter has been received from the Ministry of Health dated the 22nd October approving the provision of heaters in these houses subject to their being wired from the cooker panel with a change over switch.

In connection therewith the Engineer and Surveyor reported that such a suggestion is not recommended in the Report of the Committee set up by the Ministry of Fuel and Power to study the electricity peak load problem and he was in communication with the Ministry of Health on the matter.

(c) Specifications for Roads on Housing and Industrial Estates. Circular No.624 has been received from the Ministry of Transport requesting that under the present circumstances consideration should be given to the construction of estate roads in materials other than reinforced concrete, in order to reduce home demands for steel and cement to a minimum.

13. BUILDING LICENCES.

(a) Progress re Cost of Works Houses. During October a licence had been issued in respect of one house, and of the 52 licences issued to date the number of properties completed was 24.

(b) Progress re Private Enterprise Houses. Of the licences for 42 houses and 29 flats issued to date the number of properties completed was 40 houses and 29 flats.

(c) Contravention. With reference to Minute No.12 (f) of the Report of this Committee dated 8th July, 1948, the Clerk reported that summonses issued on behalf of the Council in this case were heard at Highgate Magistrates' Court on Wednesday, the 10th November, 1948, when the Council were represented by Counsel. A penalty of £50 with costs amounting to £5 5s. 0d. was imposed against each of the builders in question.

The case against the owner of the property was adjourned until Wednesday, the 24th November, 1948, in order to allow the defendant to be legally represented.

14. REBUILT PROPERTIES IN WILTON ROAD. Certain properties in Wilton Road destroyed by enemy action are being rebuilt as flats and two of the former occupants now accommodated in requisitioned property have been served with formal notice to quit in respect of their former accommodation.

Having received a report from the Clerk in this matter, the Committee recommend that the owners of the properties in Wilton Road in question be requested to consider offering accommodation to the former tenants if they desire to return or, alternatively, accepting other nominees from the Council for their occupation.

15. APPOINTMENT OF RENT COLLECTOR. With reference to Minute No.6 (c) of the Report of the Establishment Committee dated 21st September, 1948, the Sub-Committee authorised to make this appointment reported that applicants were interviewed on the 4th November. The most suitable candidate however was only prepared to accept the appointment at a salary in accordance with the Miscellaneous Division Grade II, plus one increment, namely £390 per annum plus London Weighting having regard to the present salary he was receiving.

The Committee, as a matter of urgency, have authorised that the person in question be offered the appointment on these terms and recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

16. PROVISION OF LAVATORY BASINS IN PRE-WAR COUNCIL HOUSES. Arising from a question now raised, the Committee decided to consider this matter when the Annual Estimates were before them for 1949-1950.

17. BUILDING CONTRACTORS - INTERIM PAYMENTS. The Committee have authorised and ordered Barclays Bank Limited to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed on page 35 of the Treasurer's Order amounting to £16,129 19s. 0d. being interim payments to building contractors, subject to the accounts being initialled by the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of this Committee.

The accounts have since been inspected and initialled by the Chairman.

J. Kilvington.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.45 p.m. and terminated at 8.0 p.m.

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FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

No. 35

To BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED,
233, WOODHOUSE ROAD, FRIERN BARNET, N.12.

PURSUANT to a Resolution adopted this 11TH day of NOVEMBER 1948

WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 35 to 38 of this Order, amounting to the sum of ----------SIXTEEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND TWENTY NINE---------- pounds --NINETEEN- shillings and ---------- pence, ~~also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of ..... pounds and in any one week a maximum of ..... pounds~~

signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

W. Richardson Vice *Chairman.*

J. Mickurrey
J. Lobley
Members of the Council.

Countersigned :

Clerk of the Council.

S. & S. LTD. G61924

Consecutive Number		NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
	1395	R. BORLAND & SON LTD.--	1,140 - -
	1396	CHAS. DENTON.--	1,020 - -
	1397	GRAHAM (BUILDERS & CONTRACTORS) LTD.--	4,900 - -
	1398	V.A.HOWARD LTD.--	350 - -
	1399	HUBERT C. LEACH LTD.--	3,690 - -
	1400	McMANUS & CO. LTD.--	3,000 - -
	1401	McMANUS & CO. LTD.--	950 - -
	1402	R.W.PONE & REVELL LTD.--	234 19 -
	1403	H.J.VENNING & PARTNERS.--	815 - -
			£16,129 19 -

Minutes of a Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee

29th October, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. J.E. Pickering ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Henry, Martin, Mrs. McCarthy, and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. McClane, Richardson, Simmonds and Sparks.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 4th October, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. SELECTION OF TENANTS.

Permanent Housing Site No.4 - Alexandra Road.

The Committee have selected the following applicants for the tenancy of properties on this site which are nearing completion:-

13 - two bedroom Council Flats.

Applicants No. B.123, B.320, C.384, D.261, C.226, D.717, C.391, B.355, E.32, B.407, C.416, C.429, B.247.

1 - three bedroom Council Flat.

Applicant No. C.48.

4. No.248, SYDNEY ROAD. It was decided to offer this requisitioned flat to applicant No.B.400.

5. No.144, ALEXANDRA ROAD. It was decided that this two bedroom requisitioned flat when vacated be offered to Applicant No.B.553.

6. No.74, FRIERN WATCH AVENUE. It was decided that occupier No.831 be transferred to the ground floor part of this requisitioned property, at an agreed contribution of 16s.6d. per week, and Applicant No.B.333 be accommodated in the upper part of the property upon completion of the adaptation work.

7. No.7, OAK AVENUE. It was decided to transfer occupier No.529 to this requisitioned property, and the accommodation vacated be offered to occupier No.565.

8. PRIVATE LETTINGS.

(a) 21, Alma Road. It was decided to nominate Applicant No.F.16 as the tenant for the ground floor accommodation.

(b) 61, Friern Barnet Road. It was decided to nominate Applicant No.B.121 as the tenant for this accommodation.

9. FRIERN BARNET PROGRESSIVE TENANTS ASSOCIATION. The Committee have granted an application for permission to light a bonfire on waste ground at the rear of Permanent Housing Site No.3. Alexandra Road, subject to the property not being endangered thereby.

10. REPORT BY CARETAKER - COUNCIL FLATS, ALEXANDRA ROAD. It was reported that damage has occurred to glass, which may have been caused by a golf ball, and the Committee recommend that a communication be sent to the Muswell Hill Golf Club drawing attention to the matter.

11. APPLICANT No.B.190. An application for spare rooms at certain premises to be registered was considered and it was decided that no action be taken in the matter.

12. No.60, FRIERN WATCH AVENUE. The Committee approved an application for permission to instal a second gas cooker in the upper part of this requisitioned house, providing that the work is carried out at the occupier's expense.

13. GIFT OF FURNITURE FROM SWITZERLAND. A list of families who suffered loss of furniture through enemy action was submitted, and it was agreed that this gift furniture be allocated to Mr. Stevens of 145, Alexandra Road. Further it was decided to invite Mr. Stevens to attend the next Council Meeting for the formal presentation.

14. ACCOMMODATION FOR SURGERY. An application was submitted from a medical practitioner for permission for a Surgery to be accommodated on Permanent Housing Site No.5, and it was decided that suitable accommodation for the purpose cannot be provided.

15. No.171, OAKLEIGH ROAD. The Committee have agreed to the transfer of the tenancy of this Council house to the tenant's married son and family. The present tenant will remain in the property as a lodger.

16. APPLICANT No.C.508. The Committee recommend that a communication be sent to the Middlesex County Council in connection with the housing problem of this applicant.

J. Weisberg.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.0 p.m. and terminated at 8.45 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Town Planning Committee

11th November, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. L.W. McClane ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Mason, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Martin and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 14th October, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947.

(a) Development by Local Authorities and Statutory Undertakers. Circular No.61 dated 25th October, 1948, has been received from the Ministry of Town and Country Planning, enclosing copy of The Town and Country Planning (Development by Local Authorities) Regulations, 1948. Information is given as to the procedure for making application for permission to develop within the purview of Part III of the Act, where such development is to be undertaken by Local Authorities or Statutory Undertakers.

(b) Development Charge on Houses for Members of the Agricultural Population. Circular No.62 dated 20th October, 1948, has been received from the Ministry of Town and Country Planning, giving information to the effect that it is intended that the erection or enlargement of such houses shall be free from development charges for so long as the houses are used by members of the agricultural population.

(c) Land Held in Charitable Trusts. A letter dated 7th October, 1948, has been received from the Ministry of Town and Country Planning enclosing an explanatory leaflet on the Provisions of Section 85 of the Act, under which all ecclesiastical and charitable organisations are advised to submit applications to the Minister for his direction in respect of investment land, for which normally there is no special treatment under this Section.

In the case of functional land, i.e. land which is used directly for the purpose of a charity, no payment will be made from the £300,000,000 under Part III of the Act, and no development charge will be imposed on any development thereof so long as it remains within that class.

The Minister has asked that Local Authorities bring this letter to the notice of any Member or Representative who is concerned with the administration of charitable trusts. The information has been forwarded to the Secretary of Lawrence Campe's Almshouses, and Members have supplied particulars of further charities and instructed the Clerk to notify them accordingly.

(d) Building Restrictions (War-time Contraventions) Act, 1946. A letter dated 3rd November, 1948, has been received from the Middlesex County Council stating that at a Meeting of the County Council on 27th October, 1948, consideration was given to the exercise of its functions under the Act as amended by the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, and it has been decided that such powers should be exercised by County District Councils, subject to copies of all applications for determination being

forwarded to the County Planning Officer for his observations, and to his being supplied with a copy of the final determination.

This Council will, therefore, continue to enforce the provisions of the Act, save that the observations of the County Planning Officer will be sought.

(e) Town and Country Planning (General Development) Order, 1948. With reference to Minute No.36 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated 23rd September, 1948, when a letter was submitted from the Middlesex County Council asking for the observations of this Council as to the making of directions under Article 4 of the Order, a further letter dated 26th October, 1948, has now been received from the County Council stating that having considered the observations of the District Councils (this Council favoured such directions applying to the Urban District) it has been decided, subject to the approval of the Minister of Town and Country Planning, to make an Order providing that:-

(i) development referred to in Class I of the First Schedule of the Order comprising the erection, construction and maintenance, improvement or other alteration within the curtilage of any dwelling house of a shelter or kennel for breeding dogs, or pigeon or dove lofts or cotes or aviaries shall not be undertaken in the County of Middlesex unless permission is granted on an application in that behalf.

(ii) the use of land as provided in Class IV of the First Schedule of the Order for trading, marketing, holding of fairs, or the parking of caravans in the County of Middlesex shall not be undertaken unless permission is granted on an application in that behalf.

The Council will be notified when such directions have been approved by the Minister.

(f) County of Middlesex (Delegation of Planning Functions) Scheme, 1948. With reference to Minute No.5 of the Report of this Committee dated 14th October, 1948, when consideration was given to the suggestion of the County Council that upon the granting of planning permission, provision be made that the permission should become void unless the development is substantially commenced within a reasonable period, this Council favoured the proposal in respect of all planning permissions, and the County Council were informed accordingly.

A letter dated 4th November, 1948, has been received from the County Council stating that the County Planning Committee has now considered the views submitted by the District Councils upon the proposal, but it was felt that probably little advantage would accrue to the Local Planning Authority if unexercised planning permission automatically lapsed after a defined period.

It was submitted that the condition would deprive an applicant of his rights to claim under the Act of 1947 for such abortive expenditure as he may have incurred, and that the proper and fairer procedure would be to invoke the revocation provisions of the Act in such cases in which it may become necessary to annul a consent which has not been used. Accordingly, the County Planning Committee have instructed that a General Direction be made in accordance with the provisions of Article 7 (2) (c) of the County of Middlesex (Delegation of Planning Functions) Scheme, 1948, in the following terms:-

> "That a condition to provide that a planning permission shall become void unless the development authorised therein has been substantially commenced within a definite period from the grant of permission be not imposed as a General Condition of Planning permission granted by or on behalf of the County Council."

4. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ASSOCIATION - MEETING. An invitation has been received from this Association to appoint representatives to attend a Meeting on "The Central Land Board's Policy" to be held at the Institution of Civil Engineers, Great George Street, S.W.1., on 15th November, 1948, and the Committee decided to take no action.

5. NORTH MIDDLESEX AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE. An Agenda for the meeting of the North Middlesex Area Planning Committee held on 25th October, 1948, was submitted for information.

6. UNAUTHORISED GARAGES FRONTING ALEXANDRA ROAD. With reference to Minute No.6 of the Report of this Committee on 14th October, 1948, the Committee considered a report by the Sub-Committee appointed to make an inspection of the structures.

Having regard to the circumstances now submitted, the Committee recommend that no action be taken requiring the removal of the structures in question, so long as the present persons remain in occupation, notification being sent to the present occupiers pointing out that permission to retain the structures is personal and to their giving an undertaking, to be prepared by the Clerk to that effect.

7. DECISIONS OF AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE. With reference to Minute No. 11 of the Report of this Committee dated 14th October, 1948, the following decisions on "excepted" applications were made by the North Middlesex Area Planning Committee at their Meeting held on 25th October, 1948:-

(a) F.B.17 Rebuilding of "The Blue Anchor" P.H., High Road, Whetstone, N.20, for Messrs. Benskins (Watford) Brewery, Ltd.

Permission granted subject to the following conditions:-

(i) That the owners convey to the Finchley Town Council at the time of rebuilding, that portion of the forecourt which will eventually be included in the highway, provided that the Finchley Town Council pay all legal costs, reform and make up the surface of this land for use as a car park, allowing the owners under licence the use of this land for such a purpose until the road widening takes place, and the Finchley Town Council maintain the car park for this period.

(ii) That the temporary urinal be removed immediately the rebuilding of the "Blue Anchor" Public House is completed.

(iii) That the existing signpost be moved to a position behind the road improvement line at the time road widening takes place.

(iv) That a dwarf wall or other measure be provided along the frontage of the site on the road improvement line between the vehicular accesses.

(v) That the levels of all thresholds, fences and gateways be to the approval of the Finchley Town Council.

(vi) That the position and depth of any mains, cables or services and the drain connections be approved by the Finchley Town Council before any work is commenced.

(vii) That a crossing over the public highway be constructed to the satisfaction of the Finchley Town Council.

(viii) That adequate parking and turning space be provided and maintained within the curtilage of the site to the satisfaction of the County Council. Such work to be in accordance with details submitted and approved before any works are commenced.

(ix) That the widening line be agreed with the County Engineer before any work is commenced.

(x) That this permission shall become void unless the conditions are complied with within a period of three years from the date of this permission.

(b) F.B.19 Garage at side of No.214, Colney Hatch Lane, N.10., for Mr. W.F. Long.

Permission granted subject to the following condition:-

That a crossing over the public highway be constructed to the satisfaction of the County Council.

(c) F.B.20 Erection of Four Shops with Six Self-contained Flats over, 1416, High Road, Whetstone, N.20., for Messrs. T.P. Breen Ltd.

Permission granted subject to the following conditions:-

(i) That the owners convey to the Finchley Town Council at the time of erection of the proposed shops and flats that portion of the land which will eventually be included in the highway, provided that the Finchley Town Council pay all legal costs and form and make up the surface of this land.

(ii) That the design of the shop fronts be to the approval of the Engineer and Surveyor of the Friern Barnet Urban District Council.

(iii) That the levels of all thresholds, fences and gateways be to the approval of the Finchley Town Council.

(iv) That the position and depth of any mains, cables or services and the drain connections be approved by the Finchley Town Council before any work is commenced.

(v) That a crossing over the public highway be constructed to the satisfaction of the Finchley Town Council.

(vi) That this permission shall become void unless the conditions are complied with within a period of three years from the date of this permission.

(d) F.B.27 Two Semi-detached Houses and Two Detached Garages between Nos.40 and 42, Lyddelton Park, N.20., for Mr. A.E. Smith.

Permission granted subject to the following conditions:-

(i) That the levels of all thresholds, fences and gateways be to the approval of the Friern Barnet Urban District Council.

(ii) That the position and depth of any mains, cables or services and the drain connections be approved by the Friern Barnet Urban District Council before any work is commenced.

(iii) That a crossing over the public highway be constructed to the satisfaction of the Friern Barnet Urban District Council.

(iv) That adequate visibility be secured to the main road carriageway.

(e) F.B.28 Builders' Workshop and Registered Offices, Hampden Road, N.10., for Messrs. H. Odone Ltd.

Permission REFUSED for the reason that the introduction of industry in such close proximity to residential premises is undesirable.

(f) F.B.29 Advertisement Hoarding on Site of "Jacques Cottages", High Road, Whetstone, N.20., for Messrs. Willings (Bill-posting Department) Ltd.

Permission REFUSED for the reason that the proposed advertisement would be detrimental to the general appearance and amenities of the road, and would tend to distract the attention of road users at a point on the main road where special attention to traffic conditions is required.

8. PLANS. The Committee have considered the following applications for permission to the under-mentioned development, and for approval to plans under the Public Health Act, 1936, and building byelaws, and other statutory enactments, and in accordance with their delegated powers have taken the action noted against each application.

Where planning permission has been granted or refused action has been taken as Agents for the Middlesex County Council under the delegation agreement.

Where plans have been "excepted" by the Area Planning Officer the Committee's recommendations will be forwarded to him.

Where conditions have been imposed, these are recorded against each application.

(a) Plan No.F.B.30 - Site adjoining 13, Oakleigh Park North. Detached Bungalow - Mrs. D. Ruskin. Consideration deferred at last Meeting.

Planning: Permission granted subject to the submission of detailed plans for consideration.

Byelaws: Application not yet received.

(b) Plan No.3884/F.B.35 - 16, Loring Road, N.20. Domestic garage- Mrs. E.M. Sellings.

Planning: Permission granted.

Byelaws: Approved.

(c) Plan No.3885/F.B.36 - End Stable, Bellevue Mews, Friern Barnet Road. Use for light industrial premises - Mr. F.D. Young.

Planning: Passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be refused for the reason that the introduction of industry in such close proximity to residential premises is undesirable.

Byelaws: Approved.

(d) Plan No.F.B.37 - Land Friern Mount Drive, N.20. (North side). Layout for 16 building plots - Messrs. E.J. & P. Bower Ltd.

Planning: Passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be granted subject to the siting of the houses in proximity to the public surface water sewer which passes through the land, being to the satisfaction of the Council.

Byelaws: Approval not required.

(e) Plan No.3886/F.B.38 - Nos. 46-56, Friern Mount Drive. Amended block plan - six semi-detached houses - Messrs. F. & H. Joyce, Ltd.

Planning: Passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be granted so far as the siting of the houses, density and road frontages are concerned.

Byelaws: Approved.

(f) Plan No.F.B.39 - 69, Oakleigh Road South, N.11. Conversion of outbuilding into foundry - Messrs. Victoria Foundries.

Planning: Passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be refused for the reason that the introduction of industry in such close proximity to residential premises is undesirable.

Byelaws: Application not yet received.

(g) Plan No.F.B.40 - Land West side of Oakleigh Park South. Layout for three detached dwellinghouses - Mr. Harwood Nash.

Planning: Permission granted.

Byelaws: Plans previously approved.

(h) Plan No.F.B.41 - 7, Oakleigh Park North. Steel garage - Mr. H.R. Andrews.

Planning: Permission granted subject to the following conditions:-

(i) the building being painted, and its appearance being maintained to the satisfaction of the Engineer and Surveyor, and

(ii) the building being used as a garage for private vehicles only.

Byelaws: Approved, subject to a temporary licence pursuant to the provisions of Section 53 of the Public Health Act, 1936, for a period expiring on 30th November, 1953, and to the condition that the building shall be used as a garage for private vehicles only.

(i) Plan No.3888/F.B.42 - Oakleigh Park Lawn Tennis Club, Oakleigh Road, N.20. Erection of Clubhouse and Pavilion.

Planning: Permission granted subject to the following conditions:-

(i) the building being painted and its appearance being maintained to the satisfaction of the Engineer and Surveyor, and

(ii) the building being used solely for the purpose of a Clubhouse and Pavilion for the Members of the Tennis Club.

Byelaws: Approved subject to temporary licence pursuant to the provisions of Section 53 of the Public Health Act, 1936, for a period expiring on 30th November, 1953, subject to (A) the building being used solely as a Clubhouse and Pavilion for Members of the Tennis Club, and (B) that adequate fire fighting appliances and equipment be provided and maintained to the satisfaction of the Engineer and Surveyor.

(j) Plan No.F.B.43 - 197, Woodhouse Road, N.12. Garage for business purposes - Mr. J.E. Flesher.

Planning: Passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be granted.

Byelaws: Approved.

(k) Plan No.3890/F.B.44 - 61, Friern Barnet Road, N.11. Internal alterations - Mr. F. Bennett.

Planning: Approved.

Byelaws: Approved.

(l) Plan No.3891/F.B.45 - Site adjoining 5, Pembroke Road, N.10. Garage for business purposes - Mr. G.J.W. Dyett.

Planning: Approved subject to the use of the structure being limited to the garaging of cars.

Byelaws: Approved.

9. APPLICATION TO ERECT GREENHOUSE, 102, MAYFIELD AVENUE. Notification has been received from Mr. K.L. Tivendale to the effect that he proposes to erect a greenhouse at the rear of the premises.

The Committee recommend that no objection be raised to the proposal which is exempt from the provisions of the Building Byelaws and the Planning Regulations at present in force.

10. 97, FRIERN BARNET ROAD - OVERHANGING SIGN. With reference to Minute No.13 of the Report of this Committee dated 16th September, 1948, it was reported that whilst certain modifications had been made to this unauthorised sign, Messrs. Mac Signs had failed to comply with the requirement that the overhang be reduced to 7' 6" giving approximately 2' 0" clearance from the road. They had been duly notified to this effect, and informed that unless the necessary steps were taken proceedings would be instituted.

11. DEATH OF EX-COUNCILLOR A. BRICE. Reference was made to the recent death of ex-councillor A. Brice, who had served as a Member of the Council for a period of nine years from April 1926, and the Committee have directed the Clerk to convey to his daughter an expression of sympathy.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 8.0 p.m. and terminated at 8.40 p.m.

Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Establishment Committee

13th November, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... In the Chair.

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Meynell, Pickering and Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Matthews and Simmonds.

2. APPOINTMENT OF HOUSING ESTATES MANAGER. It was reported that 101 applications were received for this appointment, 7 had been selected to attend for interview, of whom 6 attended and were interviewed by the Committee.

The Committee unanimously appointed Mr. E.H.P. Sandey, Building Inspector to the City of Winchester, to the appointment at a salary in accordance with Grade VI of the National Joint Council for Local Authorities Administrative, Professional and Technical Services; namely £595 per annum rising to £660 per annum, plus London Weighting, the appointment to be at the minimum of the Grade, and the first increment to be due and payable in accordance with the terms and Conditions of Service on 1st April, 1950.

Mr. Sandey is at present occupying a designated post under the Local Government and Other Officers Superannuation Act, 1937, and will carry a transfer value to this Authority.

The engagement is subject to one month's notice in writing on either side, and generally in accordance with the Conditions of Service of the Joint Council.

A car allowance in accordance with the general scale will be paid to this Officer.

Mr. Sandey will take up his appointment on 1st January, 1949.

3. APPOINTMENT OF HOUSING WELFARE OFFICER (WOMAN). The Committee reported the receipt of 11 applications for this appointment, of whom 4 were called for interview.

The Committee unanimously appointed Miss C.R. Twitchett, Welfare Officer for the County Borough of Great Yarmouth, to the appointment at a salary in accordance with Grade II of the Miscellaneous Division of the National Joint Council Scheme of Conditions of Service, namely £375 per annum rising to £420 per annum plus London Weighting, the appointment to be at the minimum of the Grade, and the first increment to be due and payable on 1st April, 1950.

Miss Twitchett is at present occupying a designated post under the Local Government and Other Officers Superannuation Act, 1937, and will carry a transfer value to this Authority.

The engagement is subject to one month's notice in writing on either side, and generally in accordance with the Conditions of Service of the Joint Council.

Miss Twitchett will take up her appointment on 1st January, 1949.

Chairman.

Report and Recommendations of the Establishment Committee

16th November, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Vice-Chairman in the Chair

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell and Miss Richards.

Also in attendance: Cr. Martin.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Draper, Pickering and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 19th October, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. REPORTS OF JOINT COMMITTEES. The Committee received Reports of the Joint Committee Meetings held this day, copies of which have been circulated to all Members of the Council, and arising therefrom the Committee recommend as follows:-

(a) Christmas Holidays.

(i) Officers and Staff. That the Town Hall and Housing Office shall be open on Friday the 24th December, and Tuesday the 28th December, 1948, and that by arrangement with the respective Chief Officers the Staff be given an additional day's leave on either Friday the 24th December, or Tuesday the 28th December, 1948.

(ii) Manual Workers. That the Manual Workers shall finish work at noon on Friday the 24th December, and be paid a normal week's wages for that week, with Christmas Day and Boxing Day as holidays, and that arrangements be made for the payment of wages on Thursday, the 23rd December, 1948.

(iii) Manual Workers not covered by the Joint Industrial Council. The Committee recommend that the decision in (ii) above be applied to those members of the Council's Staff not coming within the purview of the Officers and Staff Joint Council or the Manual Workers Joint Council conditions.

(b) Emoluments in Kind. That the 29th January, 1947, be substituted for the 1st January, 1947, in Minute No.3 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 19th October, 1948, in view of the fact that the recommendations of the Provincial Joint Industrial Council took effect from and including the pay day in the week in which the 1st February fell.

4. INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION CONFERENCE. An invitation was submitted from the Institute of Public Administration to appoint two representatives to the Conference on the Establishment work of Local Authorities, to be held at the Central Hall, Westminster, S.W.1. on the 28th and 29th April, 1949.

The Committee recommend that Cr. Matthews, and the Treasurer, be appointed the Council's representatives to attend the Conference.

5. MIDDLESEX DISTRICT WHITLEY COUNCIL - APPOINTMENT OF REPRESENTATIVES. A letter dated 1st November, 1948, was submitted from the Middlesex District Whitley Council drawing attention to the fact that the term of office of Cr. J.E. Pickering, and Cr. R.F. Matthews as Deputy, expires on 1st December, 1948, and requesting this Council's nominations for the ensuing year.

The Committee recommend that Cr. Pickering be re-appointed the Council's representative, and Cr. Matthews as Deputy.

6. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPERANNUATION ACTS - MR. C.W. ARMSTRONG. With reference to Minute No.8 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 21st September, 1948, a notification has now been received from the Superannuation Joint Committee that the Superannuation allowance payable out of the Joint Committee Fund to this employee is £41 13s. 9d. per annum, the amount of £15 7s. 3d. per annum representing the additional allowance in view of the substitution of 1/60th in respect of non-contributory service being borne by this Council, making a total superannuation allowance of £57 1s. 0d. per annum, plus any increase which may be due under the Pensions Increase Acts 1944-1947.

7. ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT.

(a) Resignation of Mr. F.H. Gentle - Chief Engineering Assistant. Mr. F.H. Gentle has tendered his resignation upon obtaining a similar position with another Authority.

(b) Appointment of Engineering Assistant Grade II. With reference to Minute No.11 of the Meeting of the Council held on 30th September, 1948, the Sub-Committee interviewed selected candidates for this appointment, and recommend that as from 1st December, 1948, Mr. D.F. Barker, at present Junior Engineering Assistant, be promoted to the position at a salary of £420 per annum rising by annual increments of £15 to a maximum of £465 per annum, plus appropriate London Weighting allowance, the first increment to operate as from 1st April, 1949.

The Sub-Committee considered it improbable that the vacancy created by the promotion of Mr. Barker could be filled by a suitable applicant at the present salary (Miscellaneous Grade I), and felt that one of the other applicants interviewed for the present Grade II post might be appointed to fill the vacancy.

Since the Meeting of the Sub-Committee, however, it has been ascertained that this applicant is not considered sufficiently qualified or experienced for the position.

The Committee recommend that the Sub-Committee previously appointed be authorised to interview one other applicant who appears to be suitable, and, if considered expedient, to make the appointment at a salary in accordance with Grade II of the A.P.T. Division.

(c) Manual Workers - Sickness, Accidents, Resignations and Engagements. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted details of sickness, accidents, engagements and resignations with regard to Manual Workers since the date of the last Meeting.

8. PAYMENT OF OVERTIME. The Committee approve the payment of overtime as follows:-

Engineer and Surveyor's Department.

Mr. R.E. Matthews	...	...	...	$13\frac{3}{4}$ hours.
Mr. I.A. Hayward	...	...	...	$9\frac{1}{4}$ hours.

9. TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT.

(a) Senior Accountancy Assistant, Mr. A.B. Herrington - Resignation. Mr. A.B. Herrington has tendered his resignation from this position, with effect from the 13th December, 1948.

Having received a report by the Treasurer, the Committee recommend that Mr. J. Lowry at present Accountancy Assistant Grade A.P.T.I be promoted to the position as from the 13th December, 1948, at a salary in accordance with Grade III of the A.P.T. Division of the National Scheme of Conditions of Service, namely £450 per annum rising by annual increments of £15 to a maximum of £495 per annum, plus appropriate London Weighting, the first increment to become payable on 1st April, 1949.

The Committee further recommend that the Treasurer be authorised to advertise the vacancy created thereby in accordance with the present grading, namely A.P.T.I (£390 rising by annual increments of £15 to a maximum of £435 per annum, plus appropriate London Weighting) the commencing salary to be determined according to the experience and qualifications of the successful applicant, and that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Finance Committee together with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council be authorised to interview applicants, and to make the appointment.

(b) Appointment of Rent Collector. With reference to Minute No.15 of the Report of the Housing Committee dated 11th November, 1948, it was reported that Mr. F.J. Barker had been appointed to the position at a salary in accordance with Grade II of the Miscellaneous Division, namely £375 per annum rising by annual increments of £15 to a maximum of £420 per annum, plus London Weighting, the commencing salary to be advanced one increment, namely £390 per annum, the second increment to become payable on 1st April, 1950.

Mr. Barker who is already in a designated post in a Superannuation Scheme will, subject to passing a medical examination, be transferred to the Joint Superannuation Scheme, and an appropriate transfer value will be payable. Mr. Barker will commence duty on 13th December, 1948.

(c) Appointment of Accountancy Assistant - Income Section. With reference to Minute No.6 (c) of the Report of this Committee on 21st September, 1948, Mr. Gentle's promotion to the position of Accountancy Assistant, Income Section, will take effect from 13th December, 1948, the date upon which the newly appointed Rent Collector will commence duty.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.0 p.m. and terminated at 7.20 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Entertainments Committee

16th November, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman.

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Matthews, and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin and Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Draper, Mason, Pickering and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 19th October, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. SUMMER ENTERTAINMENTS 1948. The Reports of the Meetings of the Entertainments Sub-Committee held on 29th June, and 3rd November, 1948, copies of which are attached, were submitted and approved, subject to the following addendum to Minute No.4 of the Meeting held on 3rd November, 1948:-

> "(d) That in the event of future Talent Competitions being organised, the Sub-Committee suggest that due consideration should be given to entries being restricted to persons of amateur status."

4. SUMMER SHOW 1948. The Reports of the Meetings of the Summer Show Sub-Committee held on 31st May, 28th June, 9th August, and 25th August, 1948, copies of which are attached, were submitted and approved subject to the following addendum to Minute No.4 of the Meeting of the Sub-Committee held on 25th August, 1948:-

> "(h) Distribution of Prizes. That consideration be given to the method adopted in the prize distribution."

5. THE ARTS IN COMMUNITY LIFE. A letter dated 4th September, 1948, has been received from the London Council of Social Service, enclosing a factual report based upon enquiries made by the London Council in Greater London, indicating what is being done by some Local Authorities and other bodies in working out a practical policy for the encouragement of the Arts in community life.

In view of the powers which have been conferred upon Local Authorities by Section 132 of the Local Government Act, 1948, it seems likely that there will be an increased public interest in the matter, and that new experiments will be under consideration by the Local Authorities and others at this time, and it is hoped that the short summary on what experience is available in this field of work would be of assistance.

6. NORTH LONDON THEATRE GUILD - GENERAL MEETING. With reference to Minute No.6 of the Report of this Committee dated 19th October, 1948, a report was submitted by a Member of the Council who attended this General Meeting of the Guild on 2nd November, 1948.

7. FESTIVAL OF ARTS. With reference to Minute No.4 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 19th October, 1948, the Clerk reported that as instructed communications had been sent to the Boroughs of Walthamstow, Leyton and Edmonton seeking information in connection with such events.

CR. MEYNELL ALSO PRESENT

OCTOBER SUBSTITUTED FOR AUGUST. SEE COUNCIL MINUTE 14. - 26. 11. 48.

A letter dated 5th November, 1948, was submitted from the Walthamstow Borough Council stating that that Council had not yet sponsored a Festival of Arts, but they had sponsored an Annual Music Festival embracing solos, choral and class singing in all forms, string, wind and brass instrument playing, including solo, duets, trios, quartettes, Chamber Music and Orchestras, elocution, including verse speaking, Drama Solo, Drama including Shakespeare, and all forms of dancing excluding tap and musical comedy. The whole Festival is run by the Local Authority except in the selection of test pieces, in which assistance is given by outside representatives who are incorporated in the Music Festival Executive Committee, and the initial steps taken include the convening of a Meeting at which all local musical interests are represented.

It is further stated that initially a venture of this kind must be rate supported when sponsored by the Local Authority.

A letter dated 9th November, 1948, was submitted from the Branch Librarian of the Borough of Leyton stating that that Authority had never held an Arts Festival, though for 16 or 17 years up to 1940 an Eisteddfod was held, which was sponsored by the local residents under the patronage of the Borough Council. Accommodation was provided free of charge, and in the main the event was staffed and organised by the personnel of the Education Authorities. The whole of the organisation was voluntary, except that the adjudicators were paid fees. In brief the Borough Council supported the event but accepted no responsibility.

8. OFFER OF MANAGEMENT OF ENTERTAINMENTS. A letter dated 3rd November 1948, has been received from Kentertainments (Theatrical Agents) Limited, offering to organise Concerts, Recitals and Dances, their fees to cover the engagement of artistes, and the arranging of publicity etc. Out of pocket expenses, including cost of printing would be payable by the Council.

The Committee recommend that the offer be not accepted.

9. MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEE. The Committee recommend that Cr. Miss Richards be appointed a member of the Committee. ← DELETED SEE COUNCIL MINUTES NO. 6 - 26.11.48

10. PIANO, SONG AND GRAMOPHONE RECITALS. With reference to Minute No.4 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 19th October, 1948, the letter from the Borough of Walthamstow dated 5th November, 1948 as referred to in Minute No.7 above, also stated that Piano and other recitals are also sponsored by the Council, and taking a long view may be generally considered to be self-supporting, provided of course that the income the Concert Hall can take, more than adequately covers the cost of the artistes engaged.

The Branch Librarian of the Borough of Leyton stated that the Library Committee started Gramophone Recitals in May 1940, and the 153rd Recital was held on 3rd November, 1948; such Recitals are an official activity of the Library Department, for which the Department takes full responsibility. Fees are paid to the Performing Rights Society, and the Phonographic Performance Limited, and no admission charge is made.

A letter dated 21st October, 1948, was submitted from Mr. Robert Tredinnick, who prior to 1939 was responsible for broadcasting gramophone records, and who has recently given successful Recitals for the Borough of Stoke Newington Gramophone Society, enquiring whether the Council would be interested in similar forms of entertainment.

The Committee consider that this is a matter which might interest the Community Association, to whom the communication should be passed with information as to particulars of Gramophone Groups at present in operation locally, in order that their activities might be co-ordinated.

11. PROPOSED FORMATION OF BAND. A request has been received from Mr. E.J. Dadson for assistance in the formation of a Band in the District. In connection therewith the Clerk reported that he had interviewed Mr. Dadson, from which it would appear that the backing of the Council from a publicity and administrative point of view was requested, and in the initial stages financial help would also be appreciated.

The Committee are of the opinion that this matter might be of interest to the Community Association, to whom the suggestion should be transmitted.

12. MARQUEE, FRIARY PARK. With reference to Minute No.4 (d) of the Report of this Committee dated 19th October, 1948, a letter dated 25th October, 1948, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that the County Entertainments Committee, at its last Meeting, considered the Council's application with regard to the purchase and licensing of a new marquee, and having in mind the conditions under which the licence was originally granted, the Clerk of the County Council states that whilst it is probable that the Committee would continue to grant a licence for the existing marquee, it is unlikely that favourable consideration would be given to a newly purchased or hired marquee being so licensed.

Further it is considered doubtful whether the County Council would agree to the accommodation in respect of the existing marquee being increased beyond 250 persons as now granted.

13. OFFERS TO PROVIDE ENTERTAINMENTS. The Clerk submitted a list of the offers received for the provision of entertainments during 1949, but it was decided to defer consideration thereof until the programme of entertainments was formulated.

14. FESTIVAL OF DRAMA. With reference to Minute No.4 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 19th October, 1948, further consideration was given to the organisation of a Festival of Drama to be held in 1949, and in connection therewith the Committee recommend as follows:-

(a) Date. Having regard to the fact that the Southgate Festival of Drama is being held during next Spring, the Friern Barnet Festival of Drama be held in the latter part of 1949.

(b) Appointment of Sub-Committee. The Committee recommend that a Sub-Committee consisting of Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, McClane and Richardson be appointed with power to co-opt representatives of the interested organisations, and such other persons as they may consider necessary, to fully investigate the organisation of an event on similar lines to this year, and to prepare a report on the proposals and requirements, including financial assistance, if any, for consideration by this Committee.

(c) Secretary. It was suggested that Mr. Young, who acted as Secretary to the Festival of Drama this year, be invited to undertake the duties for next year's event.

15. PROPOSALS FOR 1949 PROGRAMME. The Committee, after prolonged discussion in connection with this matter, recommend to the Council that a Sub-Committee consisting of Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, Miss Richards, Draper and Matthews be appointed to investigate and report in detail on the various suggestions which were made at the Meeting, including proposals for all or any of the following events:-

(a) A Conference of Drama.

(b) A Theatrical Repertory Season.

(c) A Photographic and Film Exhibition including both professional and amateur.

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(d) An Exhibition of pictures of fame and promise.

(e) An Exhibition of one artist's pictures.

(f) An Exhibition of young artists' pictures.

(g) An Exhibition of local pictures.

(h) An Exhibition of reproduction pictures.

(i) A Church Choir Festival in association with the local Churches, including provision of eminent soloists.

(j) An Exhibition of "Good and Bad design for the Home" in association, if possible, with the Council of Industrial Design.

(k) Orchestral Concerts, Classical Concerts and Vocal Concerts.

(l) Parks Entertainments including children's entertainments, (recommended at October Meeting).

The Sub-Committee, when presenting their considered Report on the proposals outlined above, were also asked to submit such financial details as would enable the Entertainments Committee in due course to make the necessary recommendation for the financial provisions in the financial estimates for 1949/50; the Sub-Committee to further submit for consideration by the Entertainments Committee their proposals for carrying out the necessary secretarial and other work arising out of all or any of the functions which may ultimately be approved, the Meeting being satisfied that the additional work involved by the implementation of such proposals being such that the existing staff of the Council would not be able to cope with it.

Richardson

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.30 p.m. and terminated at 10.25 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Entertainments Sub-Committee

29th June, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, McClane, Mason, Matthews and Tarlton.

Mrs. Patton and Mr. Auston attended in an advisory capacity.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Mrs. McCarthy and Pickering, and Messrs. Constable and Williams.

2. MINUTES. A copy of the Minutes of the last Meeting of the Committee was submitted for information.

3. BOXING TOURNAMENT. With reference to Minute No.4 of the Report of this Committee dated 27th April, 1948, notification has been received from the Finchley Amateur Boxing Club that they have decided not to organise a Boxing Tournament in Friary Park.

4. OAKLEIGH PLAYERS. If the Boxing Tournament had been arranged it would have been held at the end of June, The Oakleigh Players were asked if they could alter the date of their performance from the 26th June to the 17th July, and they kindly consented. They were unable to revert to the 26th June when the proposed Boxing Tournament was abandoned.

5. CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENTS. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Report of this Committee Meeting held on 27th April, 1948, the following entertainments have been booked:-

4th August	Arthur Saunders	- Conjuring, Ventriloquism etc.
11th "	Edward Proudlock	- The Magical Entertainer.
18th "	Arthur Gillett	- Magic Ventriloquism, and Punch and Judy.

The fee in each case is £4 4s. 0d.

The Committee have confirmed the action taken.

6. LOCAL TALENT COMPETITION.

(a) Adjudicators. Members of the Committee will act as adjudicators, and the following rota has been fixed:-

30th June	Mrs. Patton, Crs. Draper and Tarlton.
7th July	Crs. Mrs. McCarthy and Draper, Mrs. Patton, Mr. Austin and Mr. Constable.
14th "	Crs. Richardson and Tarlton, Mrs. Patton and Mr. Austin.
21st "	Crs. Draper, Matthews and Richardson, and Mrs. Patton.
24th "	Crs. Draper, Matthews and Richardson, and Mrs. Patton, Mr. Constable and Mr. Williams.

(b) Prizes. Each Competitor selected for the Final will receive a a prize of 10s.6d., and in addition the winner and the runner-up in each Section will receive a prize.

The Committee have authorised the Chairman of the Committee to select prizes at a cost not exceeding £7.

The allocation of prizes will be made according to the number of entries in the Adult and Juvenile Sections.

7. CIVIL DEFENCE ASSOCIATION.

(a) Programmes. For the performances organsied by this Association on the 19th June and 3rd July, it has been agreed that the Association should make their own arrangements for printing programmes.

(b) Microphones. The Chairman of the Committee authorised the acceptance of the quotation of P.J. Stephens in the sum of £3 13s. 6d. for the installation of three microphones for the Quiz and Twenty Questions organised by this Association on the 19th June.

The Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

8. PUBLICITY.

(a) Local Organisations. On the instructions of the Chairman of the Committee copies of the Entertainments Poster have been sent to a number of Local Organisations, asking them if they will be so kind as to bring the contents to the notice of their Members and exhibit the Poster.

As a result two letters have been received in reply, one from the Finchley and District Trades Council drawing attention to the fact that the Printers are not on the Trade Fair List, and the other from the Friern Barnet Labour Party suggesting that better publicity is needed.

With regard to the letter from the Trades Council, the Committee have noted the contents.

Regarding the question of additional publicity, it will be remembered that during the 1947 season publicity costs were very high and the Committee decided this year not to have weekly Posters and Handbills, but to rely on the Noticeboards outside the Town Hall and in the Park, and the Posters showing the programme for the season.

The Committee feel, however, that more publicity is needed owing to the lack of public support, and certain instructions to this end have already been given.

The Committee have now decided on further publicity as follows:-

Loud Speaker Van on Saturday 3rd July advertising Hogarth Puppets.
Bills advertising the Hogarth Puppets.
Bills advertising the Dramatic Society performances and the Variety Concert.
(Mention will be made on these of the Local Talent Competition).
Enquiries to be made as to cinema slides.

9. LETTING MARQUEE. With reference to Minute No.10 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 27th April, 1948, notification has been received from the Chamber of Commerce that they do not propose to proceed with the Trade Exhibition.

10. SEATING. The Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to rearrange the seating in the Marquee to give a centre gangway, having regard to the fact that the view of persons seated in the centre is obstructed by the marquee poles.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.0 p.m. and terminated at 8.0 p.m.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Entertainments Committee

3rd November, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. L.W. McClane ... Vice-Chairman in the Chair.

Crs. Draper, Matthews, Mrs. McCarthy, Richardson (arrived late), Mrs. Patton, Mr. Austin and Mr. Constable.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Cr. Simmonds and Mr. Williams.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Entertainments Sub-Committee held on the 29th June, 1948, were circulated to Members for information.

3. CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENTS. Mr. Arthur Saunders who was engaged by the Council at a fee of £4 4s. 0d. for one of the Children's Entertainments was unable to fulfil his engagement owing to illness, and the Chairman of the Committee authorised the engagement of Mr. J.J. Stockton at the same fee.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

4. LOCAL TALENT COMPETITION.

(a) Winners. The winners of the Competition were the following:-

Senior Section.

1st Prize	- "La Campo"	A "Record" Turn.
2nd "	- Robert Cator	Vocalist.
3rd "	- Dorothy Parsons) and Stanley Pickard)	Entertainers at the Piano.

Junior Section.

1st Prize	- Sylma Dinham	Acrobatic Dancer.
2nd "	- Frankie Mole	Accordianist-singer.
3rd "	- Dorothy Littley	Pianist.
Joint 4th "	- Jacqueline Smith	Dancer.
" 4th "	- Maureen Spooner) and Hilary Goodacre)	Song and dance duo.

The additional fourth prize was given by the Councillors present at the Final.

(b) Expenses. Mr. Gibbs incurred expenses amounting to £1 13s.10d. in connection with this Competition, and the Committee have confirmed the action of the Chairman in authorising payment of this sum.

(c) Honorarium. The Committee have authorised a sum of £7 7s. 0d. being paid to Mr. Gibbs as an honorarium in connection with the work carried out by him in organising this Talent Competition, and they desire to place on record their appreciation of the assistance which was rendered to the Sub-Committee by Mr. Gibbs.

5. STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS. The statement of income and expenditure was submitted by the Treasurer for the information of the Committee.

The net charge to revenue is £594. The provision in the estimates was £500, and subsequently a further sum of £50 was provided for waterproofing the marquee. It will therefore be seen

that the estimates were exceeded by the sum of £44. This is mainly due to expenditure on wages and stores in connection with the making of the stage for the marquee. It will be remembered that the Committee authorised the Engineer and Surveyor carrying out certain alterations to the normal type of stage used the previous year and the opportunity was taken of constructing the new stage in sections so that it could be dismantled at the end of the season and be easily re-assembled in the event of it being required for future entertainments. This new stage has a considerable value which is estimated at £130.

The total attendance at all the entertainments for which charges were made was 2,059, representing an average attendance at the 14 entertainments of 147.

The Committee recommend that the accounts be received and approved.

6. CO-OPTED MEMBERS. The Chairman of the Committee expressed the Committee's thanks for the valuable help and co-operation which they had received from the co-opted members.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.15 p.m. and terminated at 6.40 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Summer Show Sub-Committee

31st May, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. M.R. Tarlton ... Chairman

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, McClane and Richardson.
Messrs. Blatch, Harris, Impey, Johnson, Mead, White and Winch.
Mesdames Smallwood and Wills.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Messrs. Constable and King.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 15th March, were submitted, approved, and signed by the Chairman.

3. CONSTITUTION OF SUB-COMMITTEE, CO-OPTED MEMBERS. With reference to Minute No.3 of the Report of this Sub-Committee dated 15th March, 1948, it was reported that Messrs. F.W. Impey and J. Johnson, representing the Barnet Beekeepers Association, and the Wood Green, Southgate and District Beekeepers Association respectively, had intimated their willingness to serve on this Sub-Committee.

Having regard to the fact that Mr. G.E.J. Mead had retired from the Council, the Sub-Committee decided, in view of Mr. Mead's long experience in such matters, to invite him to serve as a co-opted Member of the Sub-Committee.

The Sub-Committee also decided to invite Mr. F.T. Turner to serve as a co-opted Member of the Sub-Committee.

4. MARQUEES. With reference to Minute No.5 of the Report of this Sub-Committee dated 15th March, 1948, it was reported that arrangements had been made to substitute a marquee measuring 90' x 30' for the 60' x 30' ordered for the Tropical Fish Exhibition, subject to the payment of an additional charge of £6 7s. 6d.

5. DISPLAYS.

(a) Trade Display, Mr. S.J. Cole. Correspondence was submitted from Mr. S.J. Cole enquiring whether space could be allocated to him at the Show for staging an exhibition measuring approximately 30' x 30'.

It was resolved that Mr. Cole be informed that there was not sufficient space available in the marquee to accommodate such an exhibition, but space could be allocated for an outdoor display if that would meet with his requirements.

(b) Toc H. An application was submitted from the Friern Barnet Group of Toc H for permission to stage a small display in the Exhibition Marquee.

Having regard to the fact that the display would have no connection with horticulture, the Sub-Committee regret that they are unable to accede to the request.

(c) National Allotments and Gardens Society Ltd. It was reported that the National Allotments and Gardens Society Limited, had agreed to stage a display exhibition requiring approximately 10' x 2' 6" in the Exhibition Marquee.

(d) Middlesex County Council Agricultural Department. With reference to Minute No.10 of the Report of this Sub-Committee dated 15th March, 1948, it was reported that the Middlesex County Council had undertaken to arrange for a display in the Exhibition Marquee on similar lines to previous years.

6. ADVERTISEMENTS. It was reported that 10½ pages of advertisements had been definitely booked, and in addition Gibbs Box have requested a similar advertisement to that appearing in last year's Programme, and this matter is being investigated by Mr. Blatch.

It was also reported that the draft advertisement supplied by Messrs. Wm. Bignall and Son Ltd., made reference to certain information not of a horticultural nature. The attention of the firm concerned had been drawn to this fact and they had subsequently intimated that to conform to the requirements to provide advertisement matter of a horticultural or similarly allied nature, would necessitate considerable alteration to the draft.

The Sub-Committee consider that in view of the principle which has been followed in the past, the firm be requested to exclude any advertisement matter not connected with horticulture.

7. GIFTS IN CASH AND KIND. It was reported that since the last Meeting gifts in cash and kind have been promised as appended below:-

Mrs. Couchman	£1 1s. 0d.
Mr. Winch	£1. For prizes for Dahlias - "Baby Royal" and Single, and the balance to be devoted to the general prize fund.
Mr. S.J. Cole	£2 2s. 0d. Voucher for Gladioli, large flowered, four spikes.

8. ROAD SAFETY COMMITTEE - DEMONSTRATION. It was reported that an application had been received from the Road Safety Committee for permission to arrange, in conjunction with the Summer Show, a display by the National Canine Defence League's team of demonstrators and their trained dogs, to illustrate the principles of road safety, and in order that the demonstration might be provisionally booked the Chairman had given authority for the application to be granted.

It was resolved that the action taken by the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

9. MODEL AIRCRAFT DISPLAY. A letter dated 7th April, 1948, was submitted from the Muswell Hill Model Aircraft Club enquiring whether facilities could be afforded to them to arrange a Model Aircraft Display in conjuction with the Summer Show, and the Chairman has undertaken to interview the Secretary with a view to a meeting being arranged between the Club and the special Sub-Committee to discuss the matter further.

10. FIRST AID SERVICE. It was reported that an offer had been received from the St. John Ambulance Brigade, No.145 Friern Barnet Division, to provide First Aid Service at the Summer Show, and the offer had been accepted with thanks.

Having regard to the fact that the Brigade were no longer in possession of a tent, the Sub-Committee recommend that the necessary arrangements be made for the Brigade to be provided with suitable accommodation in Friary House.

In consideration of the services being provided by the St. John Ambulance Brigade, it was requested that they be permitted to insert a small advertisement in the Programme free of charge, and it was resolved that the request be granted.

11. BRAINS TRUST. With reference to Minute No.26 of the Report of this Sub-Committee dated 15th March, 1948, it was reported that Mr. Kenneth Horne could not undertake to act as Question Master in the event of a Brains Trust being arranged, and it was therefore decided to enquire of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries whether it was possible to obtain the services of a suitable person to act in this capacity.

12. PROGRAMMES.

(a) Progress. Mr. Blatch reported as to the progress being made in the preparation of the Programme, and the respective organisers of the various sections, exhibitions and shows were requested to supply Mr. Blatch with a draft of the material which they require inserted in the Programme, at an early date.

(b) Delivery of Leaflets. It was reported that the leaflets to be used for the printing of entry forms had been received from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

(c) Distribution. It was resolved that efforts be made to distribute the Programmes for sale through the local Schools, and the special Sub-Committee have been authorised to expend a sum up to £5 on prizes to be awarded in connection with the sale of the Programmes.

13. VARIOUS SECTIONS, EXHIBITIONS AND SHOWS. The respective organisers of the various Sections, Exhibitions and Shows reported on the progress being made, and arising from consideration of the reports it was resolved as follows:-

(a) Tropical Fish Exhibition. That the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the chestnut fencing surrounding the Tropical Fish Exhibition Marquee to be so erected to enable that Marquee to be open to the public independently, and Mrs. Meadows be authorised to arrange for the Marquee to be open all day on the Saturday if it is found to be convenient.

(b) Poultry and Rabbit Exhibition. That an open Egg Show be arranged, for which a small entry fee will be charged, particularly having regard to the fact that no further information has been received as to the lifting of the Live Poultry (Regulation of Sales Exhibitions and Movements) Order, 1948.

(c) Jams, Cakes, Bottled Fruits and Handicraft Competition.

(i) The Class for sweets to be omitted from the schedule this year.

(ii) The Competition to be sited at the end of the Exhibition Marquee, and the Engineer and Surveyor to arrange for adequate lighting to be installed.

(iii) Miss M. Cumming, Demonstrator of the Ministry of Food, and Miss L. Pickering of the Medway School of Art and Crafts, be again invited to act as Judges for this Competition.

(d) Bees and Honey Exhibition and Competition. That an Exhibition of Bees, and Honey Competition occupying two 16' Stands in the Exhibition Marquee, be staged, and the question of the organisation thereof be left to the Barnet Beekeepers ~~Association~~ Association, and the Wood Green, Southgate and District Beekeepers Association respectively.

14. NEIGHBOURING AUTHORITIES EXHIBITION. It was reported that since the last Meeting of the Sub-Committee information had been received from the Hornsey Borough Council, and the Enfield Urban District Council, that they would be unable for various reasons to participate in this Competition.

15. CATERING. With reference to Minute No.13 of the Sub-Committee dated 15th March, 1948, a letter dated 14th April, 1948, was submitted from Mrs. S.G. Thurston agreeing to the terms and conditions for the provision of the necessary catering facilities during the period of the Show, and stating that arrangements could be made for the supply of a cup of tea or coffee, sandwich, and bun or cake, at a charge of 8d. per head, to essential Stewards & Stallholders. In addition arrangements can also be made to supply Lunches as required, subject to an estimated number being supplied at least three days previously.

The Sub-Committee further considered the question of the method of the issue of Vouchers for the supply of such meals, and have requested the respective organisers of the various Sections to supply an estimate of their requirements, in order that the matter may be further considered at the next Meeting.

16. PRESENTATION OF PRIZES. It was resolved that Mrs. C.F. Simmonds be invited to present the Prizes.

17. STEWARDS. With reference to Minute No.30 of the Report of this Sub-Committee dated 15th March, 1948, the question of the appointment of Stewards was further considered.

The representatives present were of the opinion that each Section could provide sufficient Stewards for that particular Section.

It was resolved that Mr. Harris be appointed Chief Steward, and he undertook to arrange for the provision of Stewards for general supervision.

18. GARDENERS THANKS-GIVING SERVICE. With reference to Minute No.33 of the Report of this Sub-Committee dated 15th March, 1948, a letter dated 30th April, 1948, was submitted from the Rector, the Rev. H.E. McLeod, stating that it was proposed to distribute the produce from the Summer Show, after the Gardeners Thanks-giving Service has been held, to St. Elizabeth's Home, Mayfield Avenue; Finchley Memorial Hospital; and the Passmore Edwards Hospital.

19. TIMETABLE OF EVENTS. In the event of it being found impracticable to include a Timetable of events in the Programme, it was resolved that the necessary arrangements be made for a large Poster giving details of the times when the various events would be taking place to be exhibited in a suitable position in the vicinity of the Show.

20. NEXT MEETING. It was resolved that the next Meeting be held on Monday the 28th June, 1948, at 7.30 p.m.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.30 p.m. and terminated at 10.10 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Summer Show Sub-Committee

28th June, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. M.R. Tarlton ... Chairman.

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy and Richardson.
Messrs. Blatch, Constable, Impey, Johnston, Mead, Turner, White and Winch.
Mesdames Meadows and Smallwood.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Messrs. Harris and Squire and Mesdames Whitelaw and Wills.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on 31st May, 1948, were submitted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. CONSTITUTION OF SUB-COMMITTEE - CO-OPTED MEMBERS. With reference to Minute No.3 of the Report of this Sub-Committee dated 31st May, 1948, it was reported that Mr. G.E.J. Mead and Mr. F.T. Turner had intimated their willingness to serve as co-opted members on this Sub-Committee.

4. MODEL AIRCRAFT DISPLAY. With reference to Minute No.9 of the Report of this Sub-Committee dated 31st May, 1948, Mr. T.W. Foxen, the Secretary of the Muswell Hill and District Model Aircraft Club, attended the Meeting and gave details of the proposal for staging the Model Aircraft Display in conjunction with the Summer Show.

The Sub-Committee have arranged to afford the necessary facilities to the Club for staging a flying display on Thursday and Friday evenings and Saturday afternoon and evening in the vicinity of the boating pond, and if sufficient space should be found to be available they will be afforded facilities for staging a static display in the Exhibition Marquee.

5. DISPLAY MARQUEE.

(a) Preliminary layout plan. The preliminary layout plan as arranged by the Special Sub-Committee was submitted and approved.

(b) Withdrawal of offer to exhibit - Messrs. W.J. Unwin, Ltd. A letter dated 10th June, 1948, was submitted from Messrs. W.J. Unwin Ltd., stating that it would seem very doubtful whether they would be in a position to stage an exhibit.

(c) Displays.

(i) Trade Exhibit - Mr. S.J. Cole. With reference to Minute No.5 (a) of the Report of this Sub-Committee dated 31st May, 1948, it was reported that Mr. S.J. Cole had intimated that the type of exhibit proposed would be unsuitable for an outdoor display.

It was resolved that Mr. Cole be offered a centre stand in the Exhibition Marquee measuring 15 ft. by 10 ft. which has become available owing to the resiting of certain exhibitions.

(ii) Trade Display - Messrs. E.J. Woodman & Sons. A letter dated 8th June, 1948, was submitted from Messrs. E.J. Woodman & Sons stating that arrangements could now be made to stage an exhibit of approximately 20 ft. frontage. It was resolved that the offer be accepted but they be informed that owing to shortage of space the maximum frontage available would be 17 ft.

(iii) British Legion. A letter dated 26th June, 1948, was submitted from the Friern Barnet Branch of the British Legion enquiring whether they could be allocated similar facilities to last year to advertise the work of the Legion and display goods made by disabled men.

It was resolved that the Special Sub-Committee be authorised to afford the British Legion all possible facilities if it is found that suitable space is available in the Marquee.

(iv) Hospital Savings Association. An application was submitted from the Hospital Savings Association for permission to stage a small stand advertising the Association in the event of a Civic Week or other such event being organised.

It was resolved that the Association be informed that owing to shortage of space in the Exhibition Marquee it is not possible to accede to their request.

(v) Television Demonstration. An application was submitted from Mr. F.J. Stephens for permission to stage free television demonstrations in the Exhibition Marquee during the period of the Show, but having regard to the fact that the space in this Marquee has been fully allocated, it was resolved that the application be refused.

6. BRAINS TRUST. With reference to Minute No.11 of the Report of this Sub-Committee dated 31st May, 1948, correspondence was submitted from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries stating that they would make arrangements for a suitable personality to act as Question Master and that the fees and expenses of such a person would be borne by the Ministry.

It was resolved that arrangements be made for the Brains Trust to be held on Thursday, the 19th August, at 8.0 p.m., and that the offer of the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries be accepted.

7. NEIGHBOURING LOCAL AUTHORITIES' COMPETITION. It was reported that a communication had been received from the East Barnet Urban District Council stating that owing to various difficulties they would be reluctantly compelled to withdraw from this Competition.

8. FRUIT BOTTLING, JAM AND CAKE MAKING AND HANDICRAFT COMPETITIONS. It was reported that Miss M. Cumming, Food Advice Organiser of the Ministry of Food, had consented to act as a Judge for the Fruit Bottling, Jam and Cake Making Competition, and owing to the fact that Miss L. Pickering who had been invited to act as a Judge for the Handicraft Competition would be on holiday during the period of the Show, she would be unable to accept the invitation. Efforts are being made to obtain the services of a suitable person to act as a Judge for the Handicraft Competition.

9. DOG SHOW. With reference to Minute No.19 of the Report of this Sub-Committee dated 15th March, 1948, it was reported that as a result of an inspection of the site which Mrs. Whitelaw had made in company with the Engineer and Surveyor, it was considered that the site upon which the Dog Show was staged last year would be the most suitable for this occasion.

10. CATERING.

(a) Supply of essential lunches and light refreshments free of charge. With reference to Minute No.15 of the Report of this Sub-Committee dated 31st May, 1948, it was decided to defer consideration of the question of the supply of these meals until the next Meeting owing to the fact that the majority of the respective organisers could not supply accurate information as to their requirements in this direction.

The respective organisers were requested to ascertain such requirements and to submit particulars thereof to the Clerk seven days before the next Meeting.

(b) Supply of additional refreshments to helpers. It was resolved that Mr. Winch be authorised to arrange for the purchase of additional refreshments for issue to helpers engaged on the preparation and dismantling of the Show, as in previous years.

11. PRESENTATION OF PRIZES.

(a) A letter dated 6th June, 1948, was submitted from Mrs. M.K.A. Simmonds accepting the invitation to present the prizes awarded at the Show.

(b) It was resolved that invitations be extended to the Mayors and Chairmen together with their ladies of the adjoining Authorities to attend the prize-giving ceremony.

12. PURCHASE OF MEDALS. A quotation was submitted for the supply of medals for presentation to last year's cup winners and it was resolved that the Chairman of the Sub-Committee and the Vice-Chairman of the Council be authorised to select the type of medal to be purchased.

13. COOKERY DEMONSTRATION - EASTERN ELECTRICITY BOARD. It was reported that an application had been received from the Eastern Electricity Board for permission to stage Cookery Demonstrations in the official marquee on Friday and Saturday, the 20th and 21st August, at 3.30 p.m. and having regard to the assistance which is being rendered by the Eastern Electricity Board it was resolved that the application be granted as on previous occasions.

14. TOC H. With reference to Minute No.5 (b) of this Sub-Committee on 31st May, 1948, it was resolved that the Friern Barnet Group of Toc H be informed that no objection will be raised to an outdoor display being arranged to solicit members during the period of the Show.

15. NEXT MEETING. It was resolved that the next Meeting of this Sub-Committee be held on either the 19th or 26th July, 1948, at 7.30 p.m., to be fixed in consultation with the Chairman.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.30 p.m. and terminated at 9.30 p.m.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Summer Show Sub-Committee

9th August, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. M.R. Tarlton ... Chairman

Cr. McClane.
Mesdames Meadows, Smallwood, Wills and Whitelaw, and Messrs. Blatch, Constable, Field, Harris, Impey, Johnson, Mead, Turner, White and Winch.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Cr. Richardson, and Messrs. King and Squire.

2. PROGRAMMES.

(a) Printing and Distribution. It was reported that Programmes had been printed at a cost of £66 17s. 6d. and arrangements were being made for their distribution and sale.

(b) Children's Competition. The Treasurer reported that in consultation with the Chairman of the Sub-Committee arrangements had been made for the Exotic Fish Marquee to be open from 10.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. on Saturday the 21st August, and a free admission voucher was being issued to all children selling over 40 Programmes each.

The question of the award of special prizes in cases where over 60 Programmes have been sold was then considered, and Mr. Constable kindly offered a donation of £2 2s. 0d. which together with the £5 already allocated, should be devoted for this purpose.

The Sub-Committee have authorised the Chairman and the Treasurer to allocate this amount for such prizes.

3. POSTERS. It was reported that Poster No.2 advising that Programmes were available for sale, and Poster No.3 giving comprehensive information of the event had been printed and circulated throughout the District since the Last Meeting.

4. DONATIONS. Donations, and gifts in cash and kind have been received since the last Meeting as follows:-

North Middlesex Golf Club.	£5 5s. 0d.
Messrs. F.W. Woolworth & Co. Ltd.	£5 5s. 0d.
Hellliwick Park Allotment Holders' Association Ltd.	£2 2s. 0d.
Central Allotment Holders' Association Ltd.	£2 2s. 0d.
North Allotment Holders' Association Ltd.	Tools to the value of £2 2s. 0d.
Mr. Constable.	£2 2s. 0d.
Mrs. Smallwood.	£2 2s. 0d.

5. DOG SHOW - SUPPLY OF STATIONERY - MESSRS. SPILLERS LIMITED. The Clerk reported that Messrs. Spillers Ltd. had undertaken to provide the Entry Forms, and Ring Cards etc., for the Dog Show, in return for which arrangements had been made for a free quarter page advertisement to be allocated to this firm as in previous years.

It was resolved that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

6. HANDICRAFT COMPETITION. With reference to Minute No.8 of the Report of this Sub-Committee dated 28th June, 1948, it was reported that Mrs. D. Halliwell had kindly undertaken to act as a Judge for the Handicraft Competition.

7. SCREENING OF DOG SHOW. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that it was not possible to obtain suitable material for screening the Dog Show, and the Sub-Committee have decided that the enclosure for this event should be roped off and arrangements made for the grass to be cut in the arena where the dogs will parade.

The Sub-Committee further decided that in the event of inclement weather this event be held in the Official Marquee, and the Engineer and Surveyor was requested to arrange for the removal of several rows of the battened seats in order to provide a suitable arena.

The Sub-Committee have requested the Clerk to approach The Eastern Electricity Board with a view to their postponing the Cookery Demonstration until a later hour, in the event of it being found necessary to arrange for the Dog Show to be held in this Marquee.

8. CATERING - SUPPLY OF ESSENTIAL LUNCHES AND LIGHT REFRESHMENTS FREE OF CHARGE. With reference to Minute No.10 of the report of this Sub-Committee dated 28th June, 1948, the Sub-Committee have authorised the Clerk to arrange for sufficient vouchers to be printed for 150 light meals each day, and also special vouchers for the supply of essential lunches. Mr. Constable undertook to be responsible for the issue of all free vouchers for these refreshments.

9. MEDALS. It was reported that an order had been placed with Messrs. Alexander Clark & Co.Ltd. for the supply of eight bronze-gilt Horticultural Medals at approximately 8/-d. each, and one Silver Medal for the Domestic Competition at approximately 15/-d. for issue to the previous year's Cup holders.

10. EXHIBITION MARQUEE. It was reported that Mr. S.J. Cole had declined the offer of an island site of approximately 15 ft. x 10 ft. in this marquee, and a further space of 17 ft. x 3 ft. was available for allocation.

It was resolved that the space 17 ft. x 3 ft. be offered to the Muswell Hill Model Aircraft Club for a static display of models, and the island site offered to the British Legion.

11. INSURANCE. It was resolved that the Clerk be authorised to effect the necessary insurance cover for the Show in consultation with the Chairman of this Sub-Committee.

12. BRAINS TRUST. It was reported that Mr. Frank Phillips the B.B.C. Announcer had undertaken to act as Questionmaster at this event, and the Sub-Committee have requested the Clerk to endeavour to obtain the services of suitable persons to serve as members of the Brains Trust.

13. PRIZES - WINDOW DISPLAY. The Clerk reported that arrangements were being made for the Prizes which have been donated for award at the Show, together, with the trophies, to be displayed in the Housing Office window in the course of the next few days.

14. MATTERS OF AN URGENT NATURE. The Sub-Committee have authorised their Chairman to deal with any urgent matters which might arise before the Show.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 8.0 p.m. and terminated at 10.10 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Summer Show Sub-Committee

25th October, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. M.R. Tarlton ... Chairman.

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy and McClane,
Mesdames Meadows and Smallwood,
Messrs. Constable, Harris, Impey,
Johnson and Turner.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Cr. Richardson and Messrs. Blatch, White and Winch.

2. STATEMENT OF INCOME AND EXPENDITURE, AND BALANCE SHEET FOR THE SHOW. The Treasurer submitted a statement of income and expenditure , and a balance sheet for the Show, showing that a loss of £235 0s. 8d. had been incurred and would be required to be borne by the general rate fund.

The Sub-Committee approved the statement and the balance sheet.

3. SUMMER SHOW 1947 - CLAIM FOR LOSS OF RABBIT. The Sub-Committee will recall that at the Meeting held on 28th June, 1948, the Clerk was instructed to approach the Insurance Company on the question of the liability for the loss of a Rabbit, and as a result of further representations being made a letter dated 26th August, 1948, was submitted from the Insurance Company stating that when dealing with the matter, it was overlooked that insurance had been effected against accidental damage and the matter was handled in error as a third party claim. Under the circumstances they were prepared to accept liability under the accidental damage cover.

In connection therewith the Clerk reported that a remittance of £5 5s. 0d., being the amount claimed by the owner, had been received and forwarded to him.

4. SUMMER SHOW 1949. The Sub-Committee before dissolving recommend the Council to give favourable consideration to the organisation of a similar Show in 1949, and having regard to the experience gained from this year's event, submit the following suggestions for consideration in conjunction therewith:-

(a) Children's Entertainment. It is considered that some form of entertainment should be provided for the children, such as a Circus and Model Railway.

(b) Date of the Show. Certain complaints have been received on the Show being held earlier in the month, which might possibily have contributed to a certain extent in the reduction in the number of entries. The Sub-Committee feel that future Shows should be given earlier publicity for the information of prospective competitors.

(c) Advertising. The Sub-Committee consider that efforts should be made to provide improved publicity for the Show, bearing in mind earlier notification by way of handbills.

(d) Displays. The Sub-Committee consider that every effort should be made to obtain more horticultural and floral displays for the Exhibition Marquee.

(e) Programmes. It was found that the 3,000 Programmes were insufficient for this year's event, and this number should be increased for future occasions.

(f) Period of the Show. On previous occasions the Show has been advertised as taking place for three days, whereas in effect it has only been open to the public on two days, the Thursday being mainly set aside for preparation, and bearing in mind considerable confusion caused in this respect, the Sub-Committee feel that in future the Show should be advertised as being open for two days only.

(g) Disposal of Produce. The Sub-Committee feel that the arrangements for the disposal of produce this year were not so satisfactory as last year, and consider that the Auction should be reintroduced next year.

5. VOTE OF THANKS TO CHAIRMAN. The Sub-Committee unanimously passed a vote of thanks to Cr. Tarlton for his service as Chairman of the Sub-Committee for the 1948 Show.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 8.0 p.m. and terminated at 9.5 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Finance Committee

18th November, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. R.P. Matthews ... Chairman.

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Meynell, Richardson, Sparks and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Draper and Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Mason, Pickering and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 21st October, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. AUDIT OF ACCOUNTS 1947/48. A report dated 8th November, 1948, was submitted from the District Auditor upon the completion of the audit of the Council's accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1948, stating that no matter arose in connection therewith to which reference need be made.

4. SUNDRY ACCOUNTS - ACCOUNT No. 7493. With reference to Minute No.10 of the Report of this Committee dated 21st October, 1948, the Committee recommend that the occupier of the property in question be required to reimburse the revised amount of 14s. 8d. being incurred in the replacement of the front door lock, and a communication sent to the tenant on the lines now suggested.

5. RATE COLLECTION. The amount of rates collected from 1st October, 1948, to date is 36.6% as compared with 30.6% for the corresponding period during 1947.

The Committee recommend that the 12th January, 1948, be fixed as the final date for payment of rates in respect of the current half year, after which date proceedings for recovery will be taken in cases of non-payment.

6. RATE ARREARS. The Treasurer submitted a report on a case of arrears of rates in which proceedings had been instituted for recovery and subsequently a Court order was issued for the payment of £1 per week. The debtor is now £8 in arrear with these instalments but has promised to recommence payment of weekly instalments of £1, the first payment to be made on the 22nd November, and to clear the instalment arrears of £8 by a payment of £5 on the 25th November and £3 in December, 1948.

The Committee recommend that this arrangement be accepted but that in the event of any part of this promise not being fulfilled the Treasurer be authorised to take further proceedings.

7. CASH POSITION. The Treasurer submitted a Financial Statement for the period from the 16th October, 1948, to the 12th November, 1948.

With reference to Minute No.9 of the Report of this Committee dated 21st October, a temporary loan of £25,000 was arranged with the Lancashire County Council on the 30th October, 1948, at 1-1/16ths % per annum for one month firm and then subject to seven days' notice by either party.

8. LOAN SANCTION AND PERMANENT BORROWING. Since the date of the last Meeting sanctions to loans in the total sum of £45,011 for housing purposes have been received. Arrangements have been made to borrow £30,000 for housing purposes from the Public Works Loan Board in order to meet instalments which will become payable to Contractors at an early date.

9. INCOME TAX. The Computation for the year 1947/48 has been forwarded to the Inspector of Taxes for his observations and a further report will be submitted to the Committee when the matter has been agreed with the Inspector of Taxes.

10. ESTIMATES 1948/49 - ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE. A statement was submitted showing the approximate additional commitments to date which have arisen since the rate estimates for 1948/49 were approved.

Items approved by Spending Committees, subject to the observations of this Committee, during the past month are as follows:-

Committee.	Minute No.	Nature of Expenditure.	Estimated Cost.
General Purposes, October Meeting.	14	Exchange of three rebuilt typewriters - Engineer & Surveyor's Department.	£95
Highways.	19	Purchase of new paper baling machine.	£60

The Committee have no comments to make on such expenditure.

11. EXPENDITURE AND ESTIMATES. The Treasurer submitted a statement of actual expenditure to the 30th September, 1948, as compared with the estimate of expenditure for the current year.

In connection with the item of refuse disposal, the Committee have requested a detailed report on this matter to be submitted to the next Meeting.

12. ABSTRACT OF ACCOUNTS. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Report of this Committee dated 21st October, 1948, the Committee gave further consideration to the Abstract of Accounts, upon which they have no observations to offer.

13. ACCOUNTS. The Committee recommend that the Council authorise and order Barclays Bank Limited to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed on pages Nos. 36 to 38 of the Treasurer's Order, totalling a sum of £25,469 13s. 10d., and weekly cheques for wages not exceeding the aggregate sum of £4,750 signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

L. Matthews.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.40 p.m. and terminated at 7.10 p.m.

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

No. 36

To Barclays Bank Limited,
233, Woodhouse Road, Friern Barnet, N.12.

Pursuant to a Resolution adopted this 25TH day of NOVEMBER 1948
WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 36 to 38 of this Order, amounting to the sum of----------TWENTY FIVE THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED AND SIXTY NINE---------- pounds --THIRTEEN-- shillings and---------TEN--------- pence, also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster-General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of---------FOUR THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED & FIFTY-------- pounds and in any one week a maximum of----------NINE HUNDRED & FIFTY---------- pounds signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council

W. H. Edmunds *Chairman.*

H. Richardson
H B Matthews.
Members of the Council.

Countersigned :

Clerk of the Council.

S. & S. Ltd. G01924

Consecutive Number		NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment		
	1409	EMERGENCY IMPREST ACCOUNT.--	67	11	6
	1410	C.F.ANDERSON & SON LTD.--	4	2	6
	1411	ANGLO-AMERICAN OIL CO LTD.--	3	18	4
	1412	ATLAS STONE CO LTD.--	103	15	9
	1413	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	4	4	3
	1414	BARNET DISTRICT GAS & WATER CO.--	97	3	9
	1415	J.H.BEATTIE & CO LTD.--	31	5	11
	1416	B.E.N.PATENTS LTD.--	1	1	6
	1417	BERSEL MANUFACTURING CO LTD.--	6	6	-
	1418	BLACKBURN ASSURANCE CO LTD.--	313	7	8
	1419	A.H.BROWN & SON.--	11	7	3
	1420	THE BUILDER LTD.--	7	19	-
	1421	BURLINGTON PRESS.--	9	2	6
	1422	J.A.CABLE & CO LTD.--	82	18	2
	1423	CARIBONUM LTD.--	4	11	8
	1424	J.W.CARPENTER LTD.--	-	15	-
	1425	F.T.CARTER.--	1	17	1
	1426	CHALLEN BROS LTD.--	6	1	4
	1427	CHAPLIN BROS.--	13	19	-
	1428	CITY ASPHALTE CO LTD.--	30	7	9
	1429	CLINICAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATION LTD.--	1	3	6
	1430	COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE.--	181	5	-
	1431	CONTROLLER OF STAMPS.--	220	-	-
	1432	E.COWING & SON LTD.--	10	17	2
	1433	W.CREIGHTON & CO LTD.--	18	1	9
	1434	CROW, CATCHPOLE & CO LTD.--	209	5	7
	1435	W.H.CULLEN.--	54	17	5
	1436	JOHN DALE LTD.--	-	12	8
	1437	DUSMO CO LTD.--	-	17	-
	1438	EAST BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.--	5	7	3
	1439	EASTERN ELECTRICITY BOARD.--	1,150	8	10
	1440	E.D.FENSOME.--	78	1	6
	1441	FINCHLEY CORPORATION.--	59	15	-
	1442	FINCHLEY PRESS LTD.--	60	19	6
	1443	FURNACK LTD.--	14	-	5
	1444	GEE & CO (PUBLISHERS) LTD.--	1	8	3
	1445	JAMES GIBB & CO LTD.--	1	14	8

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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment		
1446	H.GINN & SON LTD.--	80	-	-
1447	GOODMAN BROS.--	34	19	7
1448	WILLIAM GREASBY & CO LTD.--	234	1	8
1449	HILES CLINKERS LTD.--	55	9	6
1450	HALL HARDING LTD.--	31	6	4
1451	B.HIRST & SONS LTD.--	46	1	7
1452	H.M.STATIONERY OFFICE.--	-	4	3
1453	HOBART MANUFACTURING CO LTD.--	6	5	-
1454	HOBSON & SONS (LONDON) LTD.--	21	19	10
1455	FRED.HODGE LTD.--	32	5	4
1456	J.HOLLAND & SON.--	72	7	1
1457	HORNSEY JOURNAL LTD.--	-	8	10
1458	HOSPITAL SAVING ASSOCIATION.--	4	12	-
1459	V.A.HOWARD LTD.--	139	7	4
1460	C.J.HUNT & CO LTD.--	142	13	8
1461	INITIAL TOWEL SUPPLY CO.--	2	5	-
1462	JEYES SANITARY COMPOUNDS CO LTD.--	13	7	10
1463	W.N.JOYCE & SONS LTD.--	7	13	1
1464	KAY EQUIPMENT CO LTD.--	1	6	4
1465	J.KEENAN.--	38	5	-
1466	E.KNIFTON LTD.--	1,765	-	-
1467	LAWES RABJOHNS LTD.--	36	-	-
1468	H.V.LEE & SONS (LONDON) LTD.--	19	12	9
1469	LEYLAND PAINT & VARNISH CO LTD.--	5	3	4
1470	LIVERPOOL VICTORIA FRIENDLY SOC.--	406	15	7
1471	MARSHALL.--	13	18	11
1472	METROPOLITAN WATER BOARD.--	1	8	-
1473	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	13,329	-	-
1474	MIDDLESEX LOCAL AUTHORITIES SUPERANNUATION JOINT COMMITTEE.--	836	5	7
1475	MINISTRY OF WORKS.--	699	12	2
1476	MOORES PLANT AGENCY LTD.--	79	17	2
1477	MUNDY & NICHOLAS.--	1	5	-
1478	MUNICIPAL JOURNAL LTD.--	3	-	-
1479	MUNICIPAL MUTUAL INSURANCE LTD.--	7	9	3
1480	NATIONAL DEPOSIT FRIENDLY SOCIETY.--	740	4	7
1481	THE SAVINGS BANK OF NEWCASTLE UPON TYNE.--	136	8	2
1482	GEORGE NEAMES LTD.--	1	5	10
1483	NEWTON CHAMBERS & CO LTD.--	7	12	10
1484	WILLIAM PIGE & CO LTD.--	1	-	4
1485	PANNELL (MERCHANTS) LTD.--	7	16	-
1486	THOS.PARSONS & SONS LTD.--	58	19	9
1487	PERRY (REPAIRS & SERVICE) LTD.--	11	10	1
1488	PIGGOTT BROS & CO LTD.--	10	6	3
1489	A.PITT.--	19	-	5
1490	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	7	14	7
1491	POSTMASTER GENERAL (FOR NATIONAL INSURANCE STAMPS).--	100	15	-
1492	POSTMASTER GENERAL (FOR NATIONAL SAVINGS).	9	-	-
1493	REGENT OIL CO LTD.--	2	18	4
1494	REPETITION TYRE & ACCESSORIES LTD.--	-	4	6
1495	RIPAULTS LTD.--	1	4	9
1496	RONEO LTD.--	8	5	4
1497	ROYAL AUTOMOBILE CLUB.--	22	12	-
1498	ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF ACCIDENTS.--	1	2	6
1499	THOS.SAMPSON LTD.--	18	3	-
1500	SANDERSON & CLAYTON LTD.--	2	1	3
1501	H.SCOTT & SONS.--	20	-	-
1502	SHAW & SONS LTD.--	14	6	1
1503	B.C.SHELBOURNE.--	9	-	-
1504	SIMPSON & SONS.--	181	-	1
1505	SITUSEC LTD.--	431	10	10
1506	SMITH & SONS (STOKE NEWINGTON) LTD.--	8	15	-
1507	W.E.SMITH & SONS.--	99	16	1
1508	SMITHS MOTOR ACCESSORIES LTD.--	1	4	6
1509	CORPORATION OF SOUTHGATE.--	11	11	-
1510	SPALDING BULB CO LTD.--	60	2	6
1511	ST.ALBANS SAND & GRAVEL CO LTD.--	36	-	-
1512	E.STANFORD LTD.--	-	8	-
1513	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	1,148	5	-

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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment		
1514	M.ELLIOTT.--	28	5	9
1515	[illegible].KING.--	25	17	8
1516	D.PHILLIPS.--	20	4	2
1517	V.G.GEORGE.--	22	2	8
1518	B.WATERHOUSE.--	9	2	10
1519	J.NEWLING.--	18	4	2
1520	[illegible].FAWCETT.--	21	6	8
1521	[illegible].SMITH.--	51	1	1
1522	[illegible].[illegible].---	35	19	5
1523	I.A.HAYWARD.--	29	14	6
1524	C.WALKER.--	19	1	8
1525	D.F.BARKER.--	25	11	11
1526	[illegible].TAYLOR.--	25	10	7
1527	H.PHILLIPS.--	26	19	5
1528	J.F.WARD.--	26	16	5
1529	E.I.MARTIN.--	25	17	10
1530	R.J.GANN.--	21	5	3
1531	J.LAUDER.--	11	7	4
1532	P.MARSHALL.--	11	9	7
1533	L.MANNING.--	29	17	4
1534	L.TIBBENHAM.--	20	12	4
1535	I.CODRAI.--	20	5	9
1536	W.J.CLARKE.--	14	17	11
1537	A.C.BRUMMELL.--	8	-	-
1538	EXOR. OF A.HOSKINS.--		8	5
1539	[illegible]ILLINGS BILLPOSTING DEPARTMENT LTD.--	3	2	4
1540	ALLAN TAYLOR & CO.--	1	11	9
1541	THAMES BANK PUBLISHING CO LTD.--	1	10	-
1542	TOTTENHAM & DISTRICT GAS CO.--	187	9	9
1543	TWICKENHAM GRAVEL CO LTD.--	14	8	4
1544	UNDERWOOD ELLIOTT FISHER LTD.--	11	1	6
1545	G.D.VINE.--	355	10	-
1546	WATERLOW & SONS LTD.--	10	13	-
1547	WATFORD PAPER MERCHANTS LTD.--	6	6	-
1548	WATKINS & McCOMBIE LTD.--	7	6	6
1549	G.WOOD & CO LTD.--	4	1	-
1550	W.G.WOOD (BRUSHES) LTD.--	14	18	-
1551	F.WOODING & SON.--	54	1	6
1552	A.C.WOODROW & CO.--	5	11	-
1553	A.J.YULL & CO.--	11	19	6
		£25,469	13	10

Report and Recommendations of the General Purposes Committee

18th November, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Vice-Chairman in the Chair.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs.McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Mason, Pickering and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 21st October, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. PUBLIC BUILDINGS LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The Report and recommendations of the above-mentioned Committee held this day, a copy of which is attached, was submitted, and the Committee recommend that the Report and recommendations be approved and confirmed.

4. FIRE BRIGADE.

(a) Fire Calls. During the month of October, 1948, the Fire Service attended a small fire at No.3, Oak Avenue, Sydney Road.

(b) Fire Station. With reference to Minute No.8 (d) of the Report of this Committee dated 23rd September, 1948, representations were made to the Middlesex County Council on the apportionment of charges in respect of the Appliance Room.

A letter dated 22nd October, 1948, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that further consideration had been given to the matter, that the floor area of the Appliance Room represents 1,024 square feet of the total ground floor area of 1,722 square feet and the floor area of the whole building is 3,199 square feet, and the Appliance Room is therefore about 32% of the whole area. The apportionment of the charges was based on the value of the premises of which the Appliance Room represents the most valuable part and, in the circumstances, it is not felt that the charges are excessive.

(c) Recreation Room at Fire Station. With reference to Minute No.8 (d) (A) of the Report of this Committee on 21st October, 1948, a letter dated 3rd November, 1948, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the Local Branch of N.A.L.G.O. expressing gratitude on behalf of the Branch for the sympathetic treatment which has been given by the Council in this matter.

(d) Billiard Table. With reference to Minute No.8 (d) (B) of the Report of this Committee dated 21st October, 1948, the Friern Barnet Youth Council have been requested to supply information as to any Organisation likely to be interested in the Billiard Table for the benefit of their members, to which no reply has been received.

A letter dated 29th October, 1948, has, however, been received from the Friern Barnet Progressive Tenants' Association making application for the billiard table for the benefit of their Youth Club, and the Committee recommend that the billiard table be given to that organisation.

(e) Fire Alarm - Junction Friern Barnet Lane and Myddelton Park. Reference was made to the demolition of this fire alarm as a result of an accident, and the Committee have instructed the Clerk to communicate with the Middlesex County Council making

representations for its replacement, particularly having regard to the fact that a school in situate in close proximity thereto.

5. No.246, FRIERN BARNET LANE. With reference to Minute No.11 of the Report of this Committee dated 15th July, 1948, a letter dated 7th November, 1948, was submitted from Mr. E.L. Boggis again complaining of the indiscriminate bugle playing by the Sea Cadet Corps, which takes place every Sunday morning at these premises. The complaint was referred to the Secretary of the Management Committee of the Sea Cadet Corps, and in reply a letter dated 12th November, 1948, was submitted from the Commanding Officer regretting that Mr. Boggis has had cause to again complain of the Unit's activities. It is agreed that bugle practice after 7.0 p.m. would give cause for annoyance in the neighbourhood, and instructions have been given for band practice to be held on Sunday mornings only in the future, and for this purpose arrangements have been made to use a back room in the house, all windows of which will be kept closed.

The Committee recommend that Mr. Boggis be informed of the action taken to alleviate the annoyance.

6. THIRD PARTY INSURANCE. A communication has been received from the Municipal Mutual Insurance Limited drawing attention to the heavy amounts awarded as damages by the Courts in recent months, suggesting that the Council might reconsider their existing cover.

The Council's present cover is £10,000 for any one accident or series of accidents arising out of any one incident, unlimited during the year, and as a matter of urgency arrangements were made for temporary extended cover to the extent of £30,000 for any one accident or any series of accidents arising out of the same incident to be effected in respect of the Council's Third Party Policies covering the parks and general third party risks, making total premiums payable as follows:-

Policy No. T.P.23882 (Parks and Recreation Grounds)	£2 15s. 0d.	
Policy No. T.P.30331 (General Third Party Risks)	£74 7s. 6d.	based on present wages etc.

In connection therewith quotations were submitted from the Company in respect of cover for £40,000 and £50,000.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Clerk be approved and confirmed, and that arrangements be made forthwith to further increase the cover to £50,000 making total annual premiums of £3 and £80 2s. 6d. based on present wages etc., in respect of Policies No. T.P.23882 and T.P.30331 respectively.

7. FOOD CONTROL COMMITTEES (CONSTITUTION) ORDER, 1943 - FRIERN BARNET FOOD CONTROL COMMITTEE. With reference to Minute No.5 of the Report of this Committee on 21st October, 1948, a communication was submitted from the Ministry of Food stating that the persons nominated by the Council had been approved by the Minister for appointment on the Friern Barnet Food Control Committee for the year ending 31st December, 1949.

The Committee accordingly recommend that the following be appointed members of the Friern Barnet Food Control Committee for the year 1st January, 1949 to 31st December, 1949:-

Crs. Foley, Mason, Pickering, Simmonds and Sparks.
Mesdames W. Ainsworth and O. Dyke.
Messrs. C.H. Constable, C.E.J. Mead, F.H. Stables, W. Ford, J. Goble, F.C.N. Hardy, N. McLeod, J. Kershaw, H.E. Sanders and W.H. Mellor.

8. TRAVELLING FACILITIES.

(a) Middlesex County Council Traffic Sub-Committee. The Agenda for the Meeting of the above-mentioned Committee held on 1st November, 1948, has been received and is submitted for information.

(b) 'Bus Route 134 - Saturday Afternoons. A letter dated 22nd October, 1948, was submitted from the Public Relations Officer, London Transport Executive, stating that the traffic on this route has recently been under review, and in order to improve the service on Saturday afternoons arrangements have been made for an additional 'bus to run from the "Orange Tree", Friern Barnet, northwards as from 16th October, 1948, and the matter will continue to be under close observation.

9. CIVIL DEFENCE.

(a) Film Shows and Lectures for Clubs and Associations. A letter dated 27th October, 1948, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council enclosing a further list of films to supplement the original list which could be provided for Civil Defence Associations and Clubs free of charge. A small panel of Lecturers has also been formed by the Director General of Training, the members of which will be available to give lectures on certain matters of interest. A copy of this letter, together with the enclosures, had been passed to the Secretary of the Friern Barnet Civil Defence Association for information.

In connection therewith the Committee are informed that the Civil Defence Association are endeavouring to arrange for a series of such film shows to be provided. Owing to the difficulty of the Association in obtaining suitable accommodation the Committee recommend that the Association be granted the use of the Council Chamber, free of charge, for providing one such film show in the first instance.

(b) Development of Permanent Civil Defence Organisation. Home Office Circular No. C.D.8/48 dated 15th November, 1948, was submitted, drawing attention to the statement made in the House of Commons by the Prime Minister on the question of preparations for Civil Defence, and stating that one of the first steps necessary will be the organisation of courses for training of Instructors, and it would be useful if those Local Authorities having knowledge of any former Instructors who might be available would record particulars of their past experience, and ascertain whether they would be prepared to again give their services in this capacity either whole-time or part-time. Where there is a Civil Defence Association or Club in being, it is suggested that they should be consulted as to the possibility of finding Instructors from amongst their members.

A copy of the Circular will be passed to the Civil Defence Association seeking their co-operation in the matter.

10. FINCHLEY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. A letter dated 22nd October, 1948, was submitted from the Finchley and Whetstone Chamber of Commerce stating that at a General Meeting of the Chamber, held on 19th October, 1948, the following resolutions were passed:-

(a) That this General Meeting is in favour of all traders being advised by the Chamber that they should continue to keep their business premises open on Saturday afternoons.

(b) That the name of the Finchley Chamber of Commerce be, and is hereby, changed to the Finchley and Whetstone Chamber of Commerce.

11. LONDON AND SOUTH EASTERN REGIONAL BOARD FOR INDUSTRY - NORTH LONDON DISTRICT ADVISORY COMMITTEE. A letter dated 30th October, 1948, was submitted from the Secretary of the North London District Advisory Committee, which has been set up by the Government, and attached to the Office of Economic Affairs, as a liaison on any matters of importance in industry that arise in the District (matters affecting wages and conditions excepted), such Committee being responsible for the electricity peak load shedding arrangements.

12. LAND IN THE VICINITY OF THE AVENUE. The Clerk reported that as instructed an approach had been made to the Railway Executive with a view to the Council's use of certain land in the vicinity of The Avenue. A letter dated 1st November, 1948, was submitted from the Estate and Rating Surveyor of the Railway Executive, Eastern Region, stating that the Executive cannot be recommended to sell the land in question as it may be required for future development for the British Transport Commission's purposes. Consideration can, however, be given to granting a lease of part of the land which lies to the North East of the lines of telegraph poles, for use for an approved purpose, subject to a proviso being included in the lease reserving to the British Transport Commission the right to resume possession upon the expiration of three months' notice, without payment of compensation; any lease terms to include, inter alia, a covenant by the lessees to erect and maintain a chain link fence to separate the land leased from the remaining land of the Commission. In connection therewith the Engineer and Surveyor reported that it appeared that the area referred to would be of very little use, as it is in the main a very steep embankment.

The Committee have appointed a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman of the Council, Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy and Miss Richards, to make an inspection of the site and submit a report thereon to this Committee.

13. WATER SUPPLIES.

(a) Metropolitan Water Board - Annual Report. The Annual Report of the Metropolitan Water Board for the year ended 31st March, 1948, was submitted for information.

(b) Greater London Water Supplies. A letter dated 17th October, 1948, was submitted from the Metropolitan Water Board enclosing for information an extract of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Board held on 12th November, 1948, referring, inter alia, to arrangements for the storage of water during periods of drought, and to the findings of the Departmental Committee on Greater London Water Supplies. The view is expressed that for reasons of community interest and geological unity of the Thames basin, the resources of the Greater London area should be pooled, and all problems of water supply in that area co-ordinated.

An important outcome of the deliberations is the conclusion that if and when another drought of the 1944 type occurs, the London area will be short of water, thus endorsing the policy previously adopted to construct large additional works at the earliest possible opportunity, and so provide an adequate reserve for maintaining the supply on such occasions.

14. FINCHLEY AND FRIERN BARNET COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE - REPORT AND STATISTICS. The Report of the Council as to the services rendered during the month of September, 1948, together with statistics for October, 1948, were submitted for information, copies of the Report having already been supplied to Members of the Council.

15. GAS EXAMINER'S REPORT. The report of the Gas Examiner for the Quarter ended 30th September, 1948, was submitted for the information of the Committee.

16. DANGEROUS STRUCTURE - 29, OAKLEIGH ROAD SOUTH. With reference to Minute No.17 of the Report of this Committee dated 18th March, 1948, the leaseholder having failed to comply with the Notice served on him, the Engineer and Surveyor arranged for the necessary work to be

carried out to these premises, and the cost incurred was accordingly charged to the leaseholder. This, subject to slight adjustment, amounts to approximately £250. A letter dated 9th October, 1948, was submitted from the leaseholder objecting to the amount of the charge, and offering to pay £1 per week until the account has been cleared.

The Clerk submitted further correspondence with the leaseholder who has been supplied with an account showing in detail how the amount is arrived at, informing him that having regard to the length of lease on the property in question, it was not considered that the offer was acceptable.

After giving the matter careful consideration the Committee recommend that the leaseholder be required forthwith to pay instalments of 25s. 0d. per week until the total amount outstanding has been cleared and that he be informed that provided such payments are maintained proceedings will not be instituted for recovery.

17. REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACT, 1948.

(a) Day of Election. A letter dated 11th November, 1948, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that in order that the County Council may be in a position to proceed in accordance with the provisions of Section 57 (V) of the Act, to fix the date of election of District Councillors for the Urban District in 1949, the views of this Council as to the day upon which such election is desired are requested.

Under the Act it is provided that the day of election shall be a day in the week beginning with Sunday, the 8th day of May, 1949.

The Committee recommend that the County Council be informed that this Council desire the election of Urban District Councillors in 1949 to be held on Wednesday, 11th May, 1949.

(b) Election Equipment. Owing to the change in procedure under the Act as to the date upon which Borough Council Elections will take place, which is in close proximity to the date of Urban District Council Elections, it will no longer be possible to borrow ballot boxes from adjoining Boroughs, and it is anticipated that difficulty will be experienced in borrowing presses for the marking of ballot papers from the Stationery Office as has hitherto been the practice. Arrangements are being made for 10 out of the 14 ballot boxes owned by the Council to be repaired forthwith.

Quotations were submitted for the purchase of a further 12 ballot boxes, and 24 cancelling presses of alternatively percussion and perforation design.

No provision has been made for such expenditure in the estimates for 1948/49.

The Committee recommend that subject to the comments of the Finance Committee, the quotation of Messrs. Shaw & Sons for the supply of 12 ballot boxes and 24 perforation cancelling presses at a total cost of £75 be accepted.

18. MIDDLESEX GENERAL POWERS BILL. The Clerk reported that a copy of the Bill has been received, and submitted a preliminary report on the provisions contained therein. Certain Clauses referred to are the subject of considerable discussion at the present time, and the Committee will be kept informed of developments.

19. HOUSING ESTATES - ARREARS OF RENT - TENANT No.363. With reference to Minute No.5 (b) (ii) of the Report of the Housing Committee on 11th November, 1948, the arrears now amount to £5 14s. 3d., £1 5s. 0d. having been paid on account recently. The tenant undertakes to pay 10s. 0d. per week in addition to the normal rental until the arrears are cleared.

The Committee recommend that the offer be accepted, and in the event of such instalments not being maintained the Treasurer be authorised to institute proceedings.

20. FUEL ECONOMY - LOAD SHEDDING DURING WINTER MONTHS. Notification has been received from the Eastern Electricity Board that in the event of load shedding being unavoidable during the peak load period on Mondays to Fridays inclusive, between 7.0 a.m. and 7.0 p.m. or between such hours as may be essential due to changed conditions, the supply so far as the Town Hall is concerned will be interrupted on Fridays, and other days are allocated to various other areas in the District.

Unless the weather is unusually severe or there are serious plant dreakdowns, there should be no restriction of demands on Saturdays or Sundays, or on other days of the week between 7.0 p.m. and 7.0 a.m., or such hours as may be essential due to changed conditions.

Apart from deliberate load shedding, supplies are at times interrupted over a relatively large or relatively small area due to the operation of automatic devices which interrupt supply when the load becomes excessive, or defects develop.

21. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES - GOLDSMITH ROAD. A complaint has been received of the defective lighting to these Conveniences.

The Committee recommend that a new light be fixed on the wall of the Ladies Convenience facing the entrance from Goldsmith Road, which would light both the approach path from Goldsmith Road, and also the path at right angles thereto leading to the actual entrance to the Conveniences. The estimated cost of this work is £6.

The Committee further recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to erect a double-faced direction sign on the verge at the road junction.

22. STAFF - ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT. With reference to Minute No.18 of the Report of the Highways Committee dated 4th November, 1948, a report was submitted by the Engineer and Surveyor giving details of the staffing situation in his Department as compared with the authorised establishment, and also giving particulars of the major works outstanding and in progress.

The authorised Technical Establishment consists of the Deputy Engineer, a Chief Assistant, two Senior Assistants and three Junior Assistants.

At the present time both the Senior Assistant posts and two of the Junior Assistant posts are vacant, and the post of Chief Engineering Assistant will shortly become vacant owing to the recent resignation of Mr. Gentle.

In addition the post of Temporary Architectural Assistant is vacant.

Some of these vacancies have already been advertised on several occasions and no suitable applications have been received for any of the senior posts, but it may be possible to fill one of the Junior posts by the appointment of an applicant who is to be interviewed by the authorised Sub-Committee.

If the work of the Department is to proceed at all it is essential to obtain the services of experienced staff. The Committee believe that one of the reasons why suitable applications are not being received is the difficult housing situation, and this question has repeatedly been raised by candidates who have been interviewed by Sub-Committees.

The Committee, after giving this matter careful consideration, recommend that the following vacancies be re-advertised; the advertisements to indicate that the Council will render assistance in respect of housing accommodation if required:-

2 - Senior Engineering Assistants Grade V.
Salary £530 to £570 plus appropriate London Weighting.

1 - Temporary Architectural Assistant Grade Va.
Salary £550 to £610 plus appropriate London Weighting;
Subject to the vacancy not being filled from the present applicants.

The Committee further recommend that the Sub-Committee previously appointed be authorised to interview selected applicants, and make the appointments.

In order to relieve the technical staff of some of the lesser skilled work, the Committee further recommend that a Tracer (Male or Female) be engaged for the tracing of plans of both engineering and architectural work, plan printing etc., at a salary in accordance with the General Division of the Scheme of Conditions of Service, according to age, plus London Weighting allowance; the Sub-Committee referred to above being authorised to interview selected candidates, and to make the appointment. In this case the offer of assistance in finding housing accommodation will not appear in the advertisement.

The under-mentioned vacancies will remain to be filled, the appointments to be left in abeyance for the time being:-

Chief Engineering Assistant.
Junion Engineering Assistant.

23. TOWN HALL.

(a) Decoration of Council Chamber. The Committee have authorised the Chairman of the Committee, and the Clerk to fix a suitable date upon which the decorations to the Council Chamber may be commenced.

(b) Installation of Improved Lighting. The existing lighting to the main staircase, Committee Rooms, and Committee Ante-Room is by means of Tungsten Cnadles, a number of which now require replacement, but it is impossible to obtain such replacements since they are not of a standard pattern, and the original makers are not in production.

The only suitable type available at present is a 12" Candle (the existing Candles are 18" and 24") of a larger diameter, a set of which have been installed for inspection on the top tier of the main staircase fitting, and in the Ante-Room to Committee Room No.1.

The Committee recommend that the arrangement at present in operation, so far as the staircase fitting is concerned (the 12" Candles in the top tier, and 24" Candles in the bottom tier, of which there is a small supply in stock) be approved, the 24" Candles being only put into lighting for special occasions when brighter lighting is desirable.

The Committee further recommend that the substitution of the 12" Candles in the Committee Ante-Room be approved. The Engineer and Surveyor will arrange for a similar conversion to be made to one of the fittings in the Committee Rooms, in order that a further inspection may be made to consider whether such lighting is adequate.

24. LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL STORES DEPOT, PINKHAM WAY - AGREEMENT FOR TRADE REFUSE COLLECTION. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that upon the completion of this building arrangements were made for weekly collection of trade refuse on the basis of the cost of labour and haulage. The County Council have now requested that a formal Trade Refuse Agreement be entered into.

The Committee recommend that a formal Agreement be entered into with the County Council at a fixed payment of £91 per annum, which is based on the actual cost over the past few months.

25. APPEARANCE OF GRIT BINS. Reference was made to the unsightly condition of the Grit Bins throughout the District as a result of constant posting of bills which subsequently became defaced, and the Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to arrange for the Bins to be cleaned and generally tidied up.

26. ADDITIONAL SITES FOR BILL POSTING. The Committee have requested the Engineer and Surveyor to submit to the Committee in due course, proposals as to suitable sites which might be used for bill posting.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.10 p.m. and terminated at 9.10 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Buildings Lettings Committee

18th November, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. E. Draper ... Chairman.

Crs. McClane, Martin, Matthews, Sparks and Richardson.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, Meynell and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 21st October, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. LETTINGS BOOK. The Lettings Book for the Town Hall was submitted, and each booking to date approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. COMMITTEE ROOMS 1 and 2.

(a) Fees for Double Bookings. The Committee recommend that in respect of future double bookings no reduction be made in the normal charges for the hire of these rooms except in cases where special circumstances prevail, when such applications be considered on their merits by this Committee.

(b) Non-Residents.

(i) Wedding Reception. It was reported that as a matter of urgency the Chairman had authorised that an application received from Mr. G. Boston of 52, Clifton Road, Finchley, for the hire of this accommodation on Saturday, the 18th December, 1948, be granted subject to the payment of the normal fee of £5 5s. 0d. plus 10s. 6d. for the Piano.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

(ii) Twenty-First Birthday Party. An application has been received from Miss B. Harveyson of 2, Derwent Cottages, Finchley, for the use of this accommodation on Saturday, the 2nd April, 1949, for the purpose of a 21st Birthday Party, with a request that she be granted the use until twelve o'clock midnight.

The Committee have decided to defer consideration of this application until their next Meeting, in order that should an application be received from a resident of the District, for the use of this accommodation on the date in question, it might receive preferential consideration.

The Committee recommend, however, that Miss B. Harveyson be informed that, in the event of her application for the use of this accommodation being granted, the function must terminate at 11.0 p.m., (the normal time).

5. REDUCED LETTING FEES. At the present time the Workers' Educational Association, the Ratepayers' Association, and the Allotments' Associations are authorised to have the use of Rooms 19 and/or 39/40 at a fee of 2s.6d. for each Meeting.

In addition the Workers' Educational Association have in the past been granted Committee Rooms 1 and 2 for their Annual Branch Rally at a reduced fee of £2 12s. 6d. (half the normal fee), and the Allotments' Associations and the Friern Barnet Ratepayers' Association the use of the Council Chamber for their General Meetings, as required, at a nominal charge of 10s.6d.

The Committee recommend that such reduced fees be continued during 1949.

E. Draper

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.15 p.m. and terminated at 6.40 p.m.

Meeting of the Council held in the Town Hall, N.11

25th November, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman

Cr. A. Richardson ... Vice-Chairman

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. McClane and Pickering.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 28th October, 1948, were submitted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. ILLNESS OF HIS MAJESTY THE KING. The Council desire to record their sympathy with His Majesty the King in his illness, together with their hopes for his restoration to good health in the very near future.

4. DEATH OF EX-COUNCILLOR A. BRICE. With reference to Minute No.11 of the Report of the Town Planning Committee dated 11th November, 1948, the Chairman referred to the recent death of ex-Councillor A.Brice, who had served as a Member of the Council for a period of nine years from April 1926, and reported that a letter expressing the sympathy of the Council had been sent to his daughters.

5. REPORT OF ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Tarlton seconded by Cr. Draper that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, be received and adopted.

6. REPORT OF PARKS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Tarlton that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, be received and adopted, subject to the substitution in Minute No.4 of "The Roads Beautification Sub-Committee" in place of "The Ornamental Gardens Sub-Committee".

7. REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Henry seconded by Cr. Foley that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 4th November, 1948, be received and adopted.

8. REPORT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Foley seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 4th November, 1948, be received and adopted.

9. REPORT OF RATING AND VALUATION COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Meynell seconded by Cr. Matthews that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, be received and adopted.

10. REPORT OF HOUSING COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Draper seconded by Cr. Henry that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, be received and adopted.

11. REPORT OF TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, be received and adopted.

12. REPORT OF SPECIAL MEETING OF ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Draper that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 13th November, 1948, be received and adopted.

13. REPORT OF ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 16th November, 1948, be received and adopted.

14. REPORT OF ENTERTAINMENTS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Matthews that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 16th November, 1948, be received and adopted subject to:-

(a) The inclusion of Cr. Meynell in the list of those present at the Meeting.

(b) The substitution in Minute No.4 (Summer Show 1948) of the word "October" in place of "August" in lines 3 and 5 hereof.

(c) The deletion of Minute No.9 (Membership of Committee).

(d) The re-numbering of Minutes 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 and 15.

(e) The deletion in Minute No.13 (Proposals for 1949 Programme) of "Miss Richards", and the inclusion after the name of Cr. Matthews in the fourth line of this Minute "With the co-option of Cr. Miss Richards".

15. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Matthews seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 18th November, 1948, be received and adopted.

16. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Foley that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 18th November, 1948, be received and adopted.

17. SEALING OF DOCUMENTS. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Sparks seconded by Cr. Matthews that the Seal of the Council be affixed to the following documents:-

(a) Order made under Section 18 of the Public Health Act, 1925, assigning the name "Queen's Parade Close" to the street at the rear of Queen's Parade, Friern Barnet Road between Colney Hatch Lane and Hollyfield Avenue.

(b) Tenant Purchase Conveyance and duplicate - 235, Oakleigh Road North.

Seal affixed accordingly.

The Council approve the sealing of the following documents out of Meeting:-

(a) Mortgage with the Public Works Loan Board for the sum of £4,216 in respect of the acquisition of "The Hollies", Oakleigh Park North, N.20.

(b) Order made under Section 7 (2) of the Shops (Hours of Closing) Act, 1928, extending the hours of opening preceding Christmas.

18. GIFT OF SWISS FURNITURE. With reference to Minute No.13 of the Report of the Housing Lettings Committee dated 29th October, 1948, the Chairman of the Council made a token presentation of the Swiss furniture to Mr. Stevens of 145, Alexandra Road, N.10., and Mr. Stevens expressed thanks for the gift.

Chairman.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Health Committee

2nd December, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. A.C. Henry ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin and Mason.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Foley.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 4th November, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES. The following notifications of infectious diseases have been received since the date of the last Meeting:-

Disease	WARDS					Total for District only	Friern Hospital
	North	South	Central	East	West		
Scarlet Fever	3	2	-	-	2	7	-
Tuberculoses	1	3	1	-	1	6	-
Pneumonia	-	-	-	-	-	-	1

4. DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATIONS. The Medical Officer of Health reported as to the present position in the District in respect of the above, stating that 2,518 immunisations had been carried out to date.

5. COMPLAINTS. Since the last Meeting of this Committee 50 complaints, including 11 cases of rat infestation, have been received and investigated, and the necessary action taken to secure a remedy.

6. UNSOUND FOOD. The Sanitary Inspector reported as to the various types of food which have been condemned as unfit for human consumption since the date of the last Meeting of the Committee.

7. THE MILK (SPECIAL DESIGNATIONS) REGULATIONS 1936/1946.

(a) Renewal of Licences. Applications for the renewal of licences have been received, and the Committee recommend that licences be issued for the year ending 31st December, 1949, as follows:-

Hardy & Giblett Ltd.	Principal Licence in respect of Pasteurising Establishment at 181, Woodhouse Road, N.12.
Hardy & Giblett Ltd.	Principal Licence to bottle Tuberculin Tested milk at 181, Woodhouse Road, N.12.
Express Dairy Co.Ltd.	Dealer's Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk from shop premises at 31, Queen's Parade, N.11.

Express Dairy Co. Ltd.	Dealer's Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk from shop premises at 99, Colney Hatch Lane, N.10.
United Dairies (London)Ltd.	Dealer's Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk from shop premises at 1360, High Road, N.20.
United Dairies (London) Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk within the district from 2, Frederick's Place, N.12.
United Dairies (London) Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Tuberculin Tested Milk within the district from 2, Frederick's Place, N.12.
United Dairies (London) Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk within the district from 33, High Road, N.12.
United Dairies. (London) Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Tuberculin Tested Milk within the district from 33, High Road, N.12.
A.1 & Dollis Dairies Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk within the district from 1411, High Road, N.20.
A.1 & Dollis Dairies Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Tuberculin Tested Milk within the district from 1411, High Road, N.20.
Nestle's Milk Products Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk within the district from 154a, Tredegar Road, Bow, E.3.
Home Counties Dairies Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk within the district from 35, Church Lane, N.2.
Home Counties Dairies Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Tuberculin Tested Milk within the district from 35, Church Lane, N.2.
London Co-operative Society Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk within the district from 353, Fore Street, N.9.
London Co-operative Society Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk within the district from Dudden Hill Lane, N.W.10.

(b) Application for Supplementary Licence. An application has been received from Messrs. Nestle's Milk Products Limited for a Supplementary Licence to sell Tuberculin Tested Milk within the District from 154a, Tredegar Road, E.3.

The Committee recommend that a Licence be issued for the year ending 31st December, 1949.

8. THE PETROLEUM (CONSOLIDATION) ACT, 1928 - RENEWAL OF LECENCES. Applications for renewal of licences under the above-mentioned Act have been received, and the Committee recommend that licences be issued for the year ending 31st December, 1949, as follows:-

G.V. Fort & Sons Ltd.	105, Sydney Road, N.10.	500 Gallons
Mr. A.C. Crick.	Hartland Garage, Friern Barnet Road, N.11.	2000 Gallons

Palmsville Garage Ltd.	202/204, Colney Hatch Lane, N.10.	3500 Gallons
Alexandra Motors Ltd.	Oakleigh Road, N.11.	4000 Gallons
Eastern Electricity Board.	Stores, Carlisle Place, N.11.	500 Gallons
Eastern Electricity Board.	Showrooms, Colney Hatch Lane, N.11.	500 Gallons
Direct Dry Cleaners Ltd.	Athenaeum Road, N.20.	1300 Gallons
C.J. Hunt & Co. Ltd.	Station Wharf, Station Road, N.11.	500 Gallons
London Transport Executive.	Sydney Road, N.10.	6000 Gallons
J. Hutchinson.	50, Oakleigh Crescent, N.20.	500 Gallons
H. Potter.	Friern Barnet Garage, Colney Hatch Lane, N.11.	500 Gallons
R. L. Anderson.	50/70, Sutton Road, N.10.	1000 Gallons
T.P. Breen Ltd.	"The Black Bull", High Road, N.20.	3000 Gallons
G.T. Fletcher, Clerk of the Council.	Depot, Town Hall, N.11.	1500 Gallons
Thos. Barnes (Finchley) Ltd.	115, Woodhouse Road, N.12.	40 Gallons
L. Gould.	Railway Hotel Yard, Friern Barnet Road, N.11.	1000 Gallons
Motorspray Repairs Ltd.	Walker's Garage, Oakleigh Road, N.20.	250 Gallons
G.D. Vine.	Beaconsfield Mews, N.11.	50 Gallons

9. SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS ACT, 1933 - LICENCE. An application for the granting of a licence to slaughter animals under the above-mentioned Act has been received from Mr. Harry Ryall of 404, Oakleigh Road, N.20., and the Committee recommend that a licence be granted for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1949.

10. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936, SECTION 93 - STATUTORY NUISANCES. The Sanitary Inspector reported the existence of Statutory nuisances at the under-mentioned premises:-

9, St. Paul's Road, N.11.	Defective and broken floors to ground floor front room, kitchen and passage.
60, Holly Park Road, N.11.	Defective flooring to basement back room, front room and passage. Defective window sash and frame to first floor back room.
190, Sydney Road, N.10.	Defective and leaking rainwater downspouting.
258, Sydney Road, N.10.	Defective and leaking rainwater downspouting, and dampness in the walls of the ground floor back room.
24, Wilton Road, N.10.	Defective and leaking roofs, rainwater guttering and downspouting. Defective and broken floor to ground floor back additional room.

5, Newton Avenue, N.10.	Defective and leaking roof. Broken condition of brickwork to external staircase.

Intimation notices having been served and not complied with, the Committee recommend the service of Abatement Notices under Section 93 of the Public Health Act, 1936, and failing compliance therewith that the Clerk be authorised to take appropriate proceedings.

11. SECTION 279, MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL ACT, 1944. An application has been received from Mrs. Margaret Jones of 32, Cardrew Avenue, N.12, for registration as a hawker of fruit and vegetables in this District. In this instance the applicant proposes to obtain her supplies from a hawker who has been registered by this Council in respect of himself and of his storage premises. Certain works have, however, been required in respect of these storage premises, and in the event of non-compliance with these requirements it may be necessary for the Committee to take action in connection therewith.

The Committee have, therefore, deferred consideration of this application until their next Meeting.

12. NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 - BURIAL OR CREMATION OF THE DEAD. A letter has been received from the Friern Hospital Management Committee stating that they are negotiating new arrangements with a cemetery authority for the burial and cremation of deceased persons, and having regard to the duty placed on Local Authorities under the above Act they enquire whether the Council desire to give consideration to this matter.

The Committee assume from the letter that the Management Committee consider it is the duty of the Local Authority to dispose of the bodies of persons dying in the Hospital where arrangements for burial or cremation are not undertaken by relatives.

It is understood that other Local Authorities have been similarly approached by Management Committees, and the opinion has been expressed that the duty of disposing of the bodies of persons dying in Hospitals rests with the Hospital Boards under the National Health Service Act. The question has already been referred to the Minister of Health, who has stated that it raises important legal and administrative questions, and the position is being reviewed.

The Committee recommend, therefore, that consideration of this matter be deferred until the position has been clarified by the Minister.

In the meantime the Committee recommend that the Public Health Department be authorised to carry out the duty placed on Local Authorities by the National Assistance Act of burial or cremation, where necessary, of deceased persons other than those dying in the Hospital, making arrangements through local undertakers.

13. MORTUARY ACCOMMODATION. A letter has been received from the Potters Bar Urban District Council enquiring whether this Council would be interested in a joint Mortuary Scheme, and, if so, to send a representative to a meeting to be held at Potters Bar in order to discuss the matter.

At the present time the Council have an informal arrangement with the Finchley Borough Council for the use of the Mortuary provided by the Borough Council on the North Circular Road. This arrangement has proved satisfactory.

The Committee recommend that the existing arrangement with the Finchley Borough Council be continued, and that Potters Bar Urban District Council be informed this Council is quite satisfied with the arrangements which at present exist in the District.

14. DAY NURSERIES. No further official information has been received from the County Council, but a Member of the County Valuer's Department has called at the Clerk's Office and been supplied with plans of the various sites available, and a plan has also been supplied to the Area Medical Officer.

The following are extracts from the Minutes of the County Council Meeting held on 27th October, 1948:-

"Day Nursery Provision in Friern Barnet

The County Council at its meeting in November, 1947 agreed that it was desirable that a day nursery should be provided in the Urban District of Friern Barnet, and since that time efforts have been made to find a suitable site which would meet the need of the northern and eastern parts of the Urban District. Upon the Urban District Council's suggestion the acquisition of a site in Oakleigh Road, Friern Barnet, was first considered and the late Health Services Development Committee agreed at its meeting in February last, to ask the Estates and Housing Committee to arrange for the acquisition of this site. However, the County Valuer experienced certain difficulties in his negotiations and suggested, as being suitable for acquisition for day nursery purposes an alternative site adjoining the Bethune Park Recreation Ground. The Local Area Committee No.4 has now considered the relative merits of the proposed site in Oakleigh Road and that near Bethune Recreation Ground and form the opinion that the former site ought to be acquired by the County Council. The Estates and Housing Committee has been informed accordingly.

Proposed Day Nursery in South Ward of Friern Barnet Urban District

The Friern Barnet Urban District Council in June last raised the question of the need for a Day Nursery in the South Ward of the Urban District in addition to the proposed new Day Nursery in Oakleigh Road. The Urban District Council urged the County Council to give consideration to the establishment of a Day Nursery in this part of the Urban District and its representations were supported by the Hornsey Borough Council on the grounds that many enquiries from Friern Barnet residents have been received regarding the entry of their children into Hornsey Nurseries.

Your Committee understands that the County Medical Officer of Health considers that there is considerable justification for the provision of a Day Nursery in this area and has approved the necessary steps being taken with a view to the finding of a suitable site for a day nursery to serve the area."

15. SHOPS (HOURS OF CLOSING) ACT, 1928 - CHRISTMAS 1948. With reference to Minute No.11 of the Report of this Committee dated 4th November, 1948, an Order has been made under Section 7 (2) of the above Act extending the hours of closing of shops in the Whetstone N.20. area and district to 7.0 p.m., and 8.30 p.m. on the evening of the late day, from the 17th to 24th December, 1948, both dates inclusive.

This is similar to an Order made by the Borough of Finchley.

16. HEALTH CONGRESS. An invitation has been received from the Royal Sanitary Institute for the Council to appoint delegates to the Health Congress to be held at Brighton from 23rd to 27th May, 1949.

The Committee recommend that no action be taken.

17. ROYAL SANITARY INSTITUTE. An invitation was submitted from the Royal Sanitary Institute for this Council to appoint representatives to the London Sessional Meetings to be held at 19, Buckingham Palace Road, as follows:-

12th January, 1949 - 2.30 p.m.		"The Design & Selection of Sanitary Fittings".
9th February, 1949 - 2.30 p.m.		"The Purification and Control of Swimming Bath Water".
9th March, 1949 - 2.30 p.m.		"The Continuity of the Medical & Social Services in Home and in Hospital".
6th April, 1949 - 2.30 p.m.		"The Disinfection of Ice-Cream Serving Equipment".

Members desiring to avail themselves of this invitation should make application at least one week before the date of the Meeting.

18. MEETING OF COMMITTEE IN APRIL 1949. The April Meeting of this Committee, and the Highways Committee, is fixed for 7th April, which is the day of the election of a County Councillor. In the circumstances the Committee recommend that the date for the April Meeting of this Committee be transferred to Tuesday, the 12th April.

19. NATIONAL HEALTH SERVICE ACT, 1946 - JOINT HOSPITAL BOARD. The Joint Hospital Committee have appointed a Sub-Committee to deal with matters affecting the winding-up of the Hospital administration, and this Sub-Committee, together with Cr. Henry, have considered the question of the compensation which it is recommended be paid to the two officers of the Joint Committee who are affected by the transfer of the Hospital to the Regional Hospital Board, namely Mr. C.H. Pannell, the Clerk and Accountant, and Dr. Garrow, the Consultant Physician. The recommended compensation payments are as follows:-

Mr. Pannell - £125 6s. 8d. per annum until 65 years of age, and thereafter £133 6s. 8d. per annum.

Dr. Garrow - £125 6s. 8d. per annum until 65 years of age, and thereafter £100 per annum.

The Constituent Authorities have already agreed that the normal continuing superannuation liabilities to Officers and Staff should continue to be borne by each Authority on the basis of population of each District, and it is recommended that this additional liability should be divided in the same way.

On this basis the approximate estimate of the distribution of cost for the period to 31st March next and the following two years is as follows:-

Population (say)	Period 1.12.48 to 31.3.49	Year 1949/50	Year 1950/51
	£	£	£
72,000 Finchley	24	68	64
99,000 Hornsey	33	93	88
53,000 Wood Green	17	50	47
29,000 Friern Barnet	10	27	26
	84	238	225

The Committee recommend that no objection be raised to the recommendations of the Joint Hospital Committee provided the other Authorities concerned raise no objections.

R.C. Henry

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 7.0 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Highways and Public Works Committee

2nd December, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. A.C.S. Meynell ... Vice-Chairman in the Chair.

Crs. Draper, Henry, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Richardson, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attandance:

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy and Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Foley.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on the 4th November, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Vice-Chairman.

3. ROAD SAFETY - ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURE FOR THE YEAR 1948/49. With reference to Minute No.8 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 5th February, 1948, a formal grant has now been issued from the Ministry of Transport to the estimated expenditure of £400 in connection with Road Safety activities during the year 1948/49.

4. COLNEY HATCH LANE- PROPOSED RENAMING. With reference to Minute No. 6 of the Meeting of the Council held on the 28th October, 1948, the Committee recommend that consideration of this matter be referred to the next Meeting of the General Purposes Committee when all Members of the Council will be present.

5. MEETING OF COMMITTEE IN APRIL 1949. The April Meeting of this Committee and the Public Health Committee is fixed for the 7th April, 1949, which is the day of the election of a County Councillor.

The Committee recommend that the April Meeting of this Committee be transferred to Tuesday, the 12th April, 1949.

6. HIGHWAYS - GENERAL MAINTENANCE. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on maintenance work carried out during November.

7. STREET SIGNS.

(a) Advance Traffic Direction Signs. With reference to Minute No.20 of the Report of this Committee dated 4th November, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor submitted a reference sheet of the proposed advance traffic direction signs.

The Committee recommend that these signs be fixed in the following positions and that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to obtain the necessary approval of the County Engineer to their erection.

In accordance with the recommendation of the Report of the Departmental Committee on Traffic Signs, these signs will, where indicated, be fixed at motorists' eye level, i.e. 3 ft. 6 ins. above carriageway level. In other cases it will be necessary to give a clearance of 6 ft. 9 ins. above ground level in order to avoid obstruction.

The Sketch Number refers to the plan which accompanied the report of the Engineer and Surveyor.

(i) Friern Barnet Lane - South side of Goldsmith Road junction. Sketch No.1.

(ii) Woodhouse Road - On island footpath west of Horsham Avenue junction - fix at eye-level. Similar to Sketch No.1.

(iii) Friern Barnet Road - West side of Hollyfield Avenue junction. Similar to Sketch No.1.

(iv) Colney Hatch Lane - On tarmac verge to footpath opposite No.307, Colney Hatch Lane. Fix at eye-level. Similar to Sketch No.1.

(v) Friern Barnet Road - On Western end of Railway Bridge. Sketch No.3.

(vi) Oakleigh Road South - On south side of Park View Crescent junction. Sketch No.2.

(vii) Oakleigh Road North - On northern approach to Railway Bridge - combine proposed sign with existing "Double Bend" and "Road Narrows" sign to form one single sign similar to that in the East Barnet District on the southern approach to the Bridge. Sketch No.4.

(viii) Russell Lane. - On grass verge at approach to Oakleigh Road North (opposite No.16, Russell Lane) Fix at eye-level. Sketch No.5.

(ix) Oakleigh Road North - On southern approach to Russell Lane. Similar to Sketch No.5.

(x) Oakleigh Road North - On northern approach to Russell Lane. Similar to Sketch No.5.

(xi) Oakleigh Road North - At approach to Great North Road (where tarmac footpath ends and slab paved footpath begins). Sketch No.6.

(xii) Great North Road - South side of Athenaeum Road junction. Similar to Sketch No.6.

In the case of signs (viii), (ix) and (x), the Committee recommend that Pollard Road be indicated as an approach road to Friern Barnet, in which case additional signs will be necessary at the Pollard Road/Myddelton Park and Myddelton Park/Friern Barnet Lane junctions.

The Committee further recommend that to avoid traffic proceeding along Oakleigh Road North from the Great North Road continuing into Oakleigh Park North, an advance traffic direction sign clearly indicating the direction of the main road be placed in advance of this junction.

(b) "Friern Barnet" Notices. Delivery is now awaited of the supporting posts and fixing clips for these signs, and as soon as these are received the signs will be erected.

8. BEACONS FOR PEDESTRIAN CROSSINGS. With reference to Minute No.12 of the Report of this Committee dated 7th October, 1948, the Ministry of Transport have now advised that beacons having clear side panels should not be installed, as the present regulations require that the whole area of each beacon shall be painted traffic yellow.

The Committee being of the opinion that the installation of these beacons, which when illumination is authorised, will throw a light on the pedestrian crossing, would be advantageous to both motorists and pedestrians, recommend that a detailed report be submitted to the Member of Parliament for the Division with the request that he contacts the Minister of Transport personally in an endeavour to obtain the approval of the Minister to their installation.

9. REPAIR OF WAR DAMAGE TO ROADS - OAKLEIGH AVENUE. Further subsidence of the refilled bomb crater in Oakleigh Avenue opposite No. 71 now constitutes a danger to vehicular traffic using this road and the County Engineer has authorised the Engineer and Surveyor to carry out the appropriate work which will be admitted as a war damage claim. The estimated cost of making good this settlement is £186.

10. WAR DAMAGE "COST OF WORKS" HOUSE, BRAMBER ROAD. With reference to Minute No.10 of the Report of this Committee dated 4th November, 1948, the Chairman of the Committee and the Engineer and Surveyor have interviewed Mr. Lovell, one of the partners, and another representative of the firm, and after some discussion, Mr. Lovell has agreed to the following terms:-

An allowance of 50% to be made for 24 slabs which were broken prior to the commencement of the building works and a further 50% allowance for 24 slabs broken due to settlement of the bomb crater. This in effect means the whole allowance for 24 slabs size 2 ft. 6 ins. by 2 ft., making a superficial area of 13-1/3 sq.yds. at 10s.0d. per yard, which, inclusive of labour and haulage, amounts to approximately £7 10s. 0d.

The Committee recommend that this allowance be approved and that the account be reduced accordingly.

11. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES.

(a) Friern Barnet Road - Hospital Site. With reference to Minute No.11 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 4th November, 1948, the Friern Hospital Management Committee report that ample conveniences for visitors are available on the Hospital estate within the vicinity of the main entrance and that in their opinion it does not appear necessary to provide additional facilities for visitors to the Hospital. The Management Committee have, however, suggested an alternative site on the north-east corner of the Hospital estate, on the west side of the entrance to Station Approach where there is a break in the brick boundary wall following the demolition of an A.R.P. shelter. The Hospital Management Committee point out, however, that they cannot contribute towards the cost of a public convenience should the Council favour this alternative site.

The Committee recommend that this alternative site be approved in principle, that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to prepare plans and estimates for the erection of conveniences thereon, and that enquiries be made of the Hospital Board as to the terms under which they would be prepared to convey the site to the Council.

When the conveniences are erected the Committee will bear in mind the necessity of erecting direction signs outside the Hospital gates.

(b) Railway Hotel. With reference to Minute No.11 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 4th November, 1948, the reparation of the damage at this convenience has now been completed. The Engineer and Surveyor reports that investigations as to the possibility of fixing the flush pipes in chases cut in the wall have been made, but it was noted that under the byelaws of the Barnet Water Company all pipes should be so fixed as to be easily accessible and available for inspection. In these circumstances it was arranged for the pipes to be fixed to the

walls by means of rag bolts set in cement mortar and as the replacement pipes are in iron and have not the same monetary value as the original copper tubing, it is anticipated that no difficulty will arise in the future.

12. ROAD SAFETY - ACCIDENT RETURNS. Road Safety returns for the month of November, 1948, were submitted. During this period four accidents all of which were slight, occurred in Friern Barnet.

13. SEWAGE DISPOSAL WORKS. Owing to lack of labour the Sewage Disposal Works are in a rather neglected condition, and in order to remedy matters as soon as possible it is proposedto allocate six men for a period of two to three months prior to the end of the present financial year, an allowance for which has been made in the revised estimate for maintenance to the County Council. In order that the condition may be further improved and maintained in the next financial year provision has also been made for an increased labour allowance in the estimates to the County Council.

A large amount of surplus stock is at present stored at the Sewage Works and the Committee recommend that subject to a list of the surplus stock being submitted to the Committee the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to make arrangements for its disposal.

14. SEWERS.

(a) Surface Water Sewer - Finchley Park. Work has now been commenced on the relaying of the existing defective surface water sewer at Finchley Park for which a sum of £600 has been provided in the current year's estimates.

(b) Surface Water Sewer - Hillside Avenue. Following complaints of flooding at Nos. 10 and 12, Hillside Avenue, an investigation was made of the surface water sewer serving these properties, and it was found that the sewer was choked with tree roots. In view of the urgency of the matter and the possibility of more serious flooding at these premises, the necessary work was carried out at an estimated cost of £20, for which no provision has been made in the current year's estimates.

The Committee recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

(c) Factory Acts 1937 and 1948 - Breathing Apparatus for Use in Sewers. Under Section 11 of the Factory Act, 1948, further amendments of the Act of 1937 require that were work is to be done inside any pipe, chamber, etc. or similar confined space in which dangerous fumes are liable to be present to such an extent as to involve risks of persons being overcome thereby, the confined space shall have a supply of air adequate for respiration and to render harmless any fumes, or that the person entering shall wear a suitable breathing apparatus.

The Council have a safety belt with rope attachment, but in the past when a breathing apparatus has been required it has been necessary to borrow this from the Fire Brigade. Since this arrangement is no longer possible enquiries have been made regarding the cost of suitable apparatus and the Committee are advised that this would be £30. The cost of an apparatus for testing for the presence of dangerous fumes is £7 7s. 0d.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to purchase the necessary apparatus at a cost of £37 7s. 0d.

15. FOULING OF FOOTPATHS BY DOGS. With reference to Minute No.22 of the Report of this Committee dated 4th November, 1948, quotations have been received from two firms for the supply of the requisite plates in (a) duralumin and (b) aluminium.

The Committee recommend that consideration of this matter be deferred in order that the Engineer and Surveyor may obtain samples of the plates quoted.

16. PAPER BALING MACHINE. With reference to Minute No.19 of the Report of this Committee dated 4th November, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had fully investigated the proposal to the installation of a larger baling machine which would entail additional labour. The Committee recommend that the smaller machine, at first proposed, be purchased at a cost of £38 10s. 0d.

17. CONTROLLED TIPPING - ARRANGEMENTS FOR STORAGE OF CLAY. Large quantities of clay for use at the controlled tip are now obtainable and this has been stored in heaps on the area tipped since the early spring. As it is anticipated that tipping facilities will be available on this site until approximately next October it is considered that the best course to adopt will be to leave the restoration to one operation on completion. Contractors now engaged on tipping on this site are paying 2s. 0d. per lorry load for these facilities.

18. PRIVATE STREETS.

(a) Making up Raleigh Drive. A commencement has now been made on the work of making up this street.

(b) Making up Alexandra Road. The whole of the work in the section to be made up under the Public Health Act, 1875, has now been completed. There is a certain amount of work, e.g. re-alignment of kerb etc., necessary to join up from the old to the new works, and arrangements are being made for this work to be executed by direct labour commencing on Monday, 29th November, 1948.

(c) Making up Temple Avenue. Notification has been received from the Ministry of Health that the making up of this street will be approved and that it is possible the starting date authorised will be the 3rd January, 1949.

19. OAKLEIGH PARK SOUTH - FOOTPATH LEADING TO RAILWAY BRIDGE. A complaint has been received from a resident in the East Barnet Urban District regarding the surface water running off Oakleigh Park South down the steps serving this footpath, together with a request that a light be provided at the junction of the footpath with Oakleigh Park South and also at the entrance to the railway footpath. In connection with the complaint regarding the surface water, this will no longer arise when Oakleigh Park South is made up in accordance with the present proposals and in view of the fact that the second position indicated in connection with the lighting, i.e. at the entrance to the railway footbridge, is within the East Barnet Urban District, the East Barnet Urban District Council have been notified of this complaint.

The Committee recommend that consideration of this matter be deferred pending a reply from the East Barnet Urban District Council.

20. STREET LIGHTING.

(a) Pollard Road. With reference to Minute No.3 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 4th November, 1948, the existing lighting in this road has been inspected and it is considered that conditions existing are due to the excessive spacing of the street lamps, the distance between lamps varying from 60 to 100 yards.

The worst part is from the lamp opposite No.9 to the lamp opposite No.42, Pollard Road, a distance of 100 yards, and in view of the urgent need for improving this dark stretch of road, the Chairman of the Committee authorised the Engineer and Surveyor to place an order with the Eastern Electricity Board for the installation of an additional lamp in this length at an estimated cost of £17.

To obtain a reasonable standard of lighting throughout the length of this road it is necessary to resite the existing standards and to provide two further additional lamps so as to give an average spacing between standards of 50 yards. The estimated cost is £80.

The Committee recommend:-

(i) that the action of the Chairman of the Committee be approved and confirmed, and

(ii) that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to submit a report on all street lighting in the District, with the exception of main roads, early in 1949.

(b) Friern Mount Drive. The six additional lamps for which a deposit of £128 had been made by the frontagers have now been installed and are in operation.

(c) Housing Site No.5. The Eastern Electricity Board have completed the installation of six lamps on the length of carriageway between Colney Hatch Lane and the occupied properties and these are now in operation.

(d) Albion Road/The Vale. A complaint has been made as to the very poor lighting in these two roads and a Sub-Committee consisting of the Members of the South Ward has been formed together with the Engineer and Surveyor to investigate the lighting in these roads, and a further report will be submitted at a later date.

(e) Town Planning Road No.6 - Bethune Recreation Ground. The existing lighting of this road is very bad, lamp standards being spaced at approximately 100 yards intervals, and it is considered that two additional lamps should be provided to bring the lighting of this road up to normal requirements.

The Committee recommend that consideration of this matter be deferred pending the report of the Engineer and Surveyor as referred to in Minute No.20 (a) above.

21. SALVAGE.

(a) Returns. The returns for salvage for the month of November, 1948, are as follows, shown in comparison with the same period in 1947:-

1948	32 tons 19¾ cwts.	value £178 0s. 0d.
1947	32 tons 6 cwts.	value £106 0s. 0d.

(b) Bonus. With reference to Minute No.6 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 9th September, 1948, the Committee recommend that the scheme for payment to the workmen of an increased bonus for waste paper collections be continued to the end of March 1949, subject to the approval of the Establishment Committee.

22. GRIT BINS. With reference to Minute No.25 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated 18th November, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that with modern road transport it is found more economical to load material at the Central Depot for the purpose of road gritting, and the Committee recommend that when the question of the provision of notice boards has been reported and acted upon, the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to remove all grit bins throughout the District.

23. FOOTPATH VERGES - PROGRAMME FOR REPAIRS, AND PRESENT POSITION. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the roads in which the verges have been re-made since the date of the last Meeting, together with a report on those in which work is proceeding at the present time. The Engineer and Surveyor further reported that work on all verges requiring attention will be completed by the end of the week commencing 6th December, 1948.

24. STATUTORY OPENINGS. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the Statutory Openings being carried out by and on behalf of the Statutory Companies.

25. CALLING OUT OF MEN DURING EMERGENCY. Under normal circumstances, in the event of manual workers of the Highways Department being required outside working hours in connection with grit laying in icy weather etc., Mr. Penn, a lorry driver living near the Central Depot, was invariably called first. The Committee feel that it is desirable to have another man on call should Mr. Penn not be available in an emergency.

The Committee recommend that the Post Office Engineering Department be asked, as a matter of urgency, to instal a telephone at the house of Mr. Cowley, a lorry driver living on the North Ward Housing Estate, who is quite prepared to answer calls of this nature.

26. 'BUS SHELTER - FRIERN BARNET LANE, JUNCTION WITH RIDGEWAY. Complaints were received as to the lack of shelter at the 'bus stop in Friern Barnet Lane at the junction of The Ridgeway, and the Committee have given instructions for representations to be made to the London Transport Executive and the Central Committee for the provision of a 'bus shelter at this stop.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.15 p.m. and terminated at 8.15 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Allotments Committee.

7th December, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. M.R. Tarlton ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Martin, Pickering, Richardson and Simmonds.
Messrs. Harris, Harman and Ovenden representing the North, Central and Halliwick Park Allotments Associations respectively.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Mason, Matthews and Miss Richards.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 2nd November, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. NORTH ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 16 outstanding applications for permanent plots.

(b) War-time Allotments at Junction of High Road and Buckingham Avenue. With reference to Minute No.5 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th September, 1948, a letter has now been received from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries authorising an increase in compensation from £1 18s. 8d. to £3 10s. 0d. per annum as from the 19th February, 1948, together with a contribution of £2 2s. 0d. in respect of Surveyor's fees.

The Committee recommend that in view of the increased compensation payable the Allotment Association be asked to approach the two persons at present cultivating plots on this land with a view to the small rent now paid by them being doubled from the 1st April, 1949.

(c) Rathbone Allotments - Complaint re Washdown of Piggeries. With reference to Minute No.3 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had investigated the report of the Allotment Association's representative that some clearing up is still to be done in connection with this work and whilst the ground is still in a very water-logged condition there appeared to be no excessive deposit of material now requiring removal.

The Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to investigate the practicability of some work being carried out by Mr. Ryall which would prevent the existing liquid draining on to the allotments.

The Allotment Association's representative reported that the tenants of the plots concerned had received compensation from the owner of the piggeries.

(d) Rathbone Allotments - Extension of Water Supply. With reference to Minute No.3 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, it was reported that Messrs. J. Hendon & Sons have now completed this work.

The Committee recommend that if sufficient surplus tanks are available at the Sewage Disposal Works the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to make some available for the use of the Allotment Holders to avoid the ground in the vicinity of the stand pipes getting in a very wet and muddy condition. The tanks will be treated internally before issue.

The Association's representative referred to the fact that the supply pipe had been laid down the side of the Allotments and the Committee instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to investigate and ensure that the work had been satisfactorily carried out.

(e) Allotments - Oakleigh Park South. With reference to Minute No.3 (f) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, the material which had been tipped by unauthorised persons on this site has now been removed; a notice board erected and the water-logged area of ground has been under-drained with land drains connected to the adjoining surface water sewer.

(f) Glebe Fields Allotments. With reference to Minute No.3 (e) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, it would appear that only one plot is affected and the hedge adjoining this plot is for half its width in the ownership of the Rector and for the remaining half in the ownership of the adjoining householder.

The Committee recommend that the adjoining owner be asked if he has any objection to the hedge being cut to a height of 5 ft. and in the event of no objection being raised the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to carry out the work.

3. CENTRAL ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association has approximately 16 applications outstanding for permanent plots.

(b) Extension of Water Supply. With reference to Minute No.4 (e) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, it was reported that Messrs. J. Hendon & Sons have now completed this work.

The Committee recommend that if sufficient surplus tanks are available at the Sewage Disposal Works the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to place some at the disposal of the Allotment Holders to avoid the ground in the vicinity of the stand pipes getting in a very wet and muddy condition. The tanks will receive internal treatment before issue.

The Allotment Association's representative requested that an access be provided from the temporary allotments to the water supply on the permanent site, and the Engineer and Surveyor was instructed to investigate.

(c) Temporary Allotments Friary Park. With reference to Minute No.4 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, the Allotment Association's representative reported that he had inspected the temporary allotments in Friary Park and whilst a number of the plots were at present overgrown he was of the opinion that this was due to the non-cultivation of the plots since the lifting of the potato crop and would therefore be remedied as and when the plots are "roughed-up" in preparation for next year's cultivation.

Two plots, Nos. 64 and 77, are, however, unfit for cultivation and are so situate that to incorporate them into the Park would entail expense in moving the fencing.

The Committee decided that no further action is necessary.

(d) Allotments Generally. The Clerk submitted a letter from Mr. Jones, the Secretary of the Central Allotment Holders' Association, informing the Committee of the expression of thanks and appreciation for the kindly interest shown by the Council in all matters concerning the well-being of allotment holders in the District which was recorded in the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Association held on 29th November, 1948.

(e) Trees - Bethune Avenue. The Allotment Association's representative asked if it would be possible for the trees inside the boundary fence of Bethune Avenue to be pruned, as had been carried out in the streets of the District.

The Committee have instructed the Park Superintendent to carry out the necessary pruning.

4. ALLOTMENT PLOT AT LIBRARY SITE. With reference to Minute No.5 of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had inspected this plot and although it appeared that the central portion has been cultivated during the summer months the tenant does not appear to be making any effort to keep the whole of the plot in a proper state of cultivation.

The Committee recommend that a letter be forwarded to the tenant urging him to keep the plot fully cultivated and in a tidy condition.

5. HALLIWICK PARK ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 11 outstanding applications for permanent plots and two vacant plots for which it is impossible to find tenants.

The Committee recommend that the Parks Superintendent inspect the two plots for which tenants cannot be found and submit a report thereon to the next Meeting of the Committee.

(b) Access to Allotments from Housing Site No.5. With reference to Minute No.6 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, no reply has yet been received from the Ministry of Health regarding the application for a grant in connection with the proposed new access road to the permanent allotments.

(c) Fencing. The Allotment Association's representative reported that lorries of the Hornsey Borough Council used in connection with certain works at present being carried out in the vicinity of the nursery in the South Ward were continually backing into the fences of the allotments.

The Committee have instructed the Clerk to write to the Hornsey Borough Council pointing out the damage being caused and asking for every care to be taken in the future.

(d) Water Supply. The Allotment Association's representative reported that he was experiencing difficulty in obtaining a supply of piping and the Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to investigate possible sources of supply.

A.W. Harlin.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.15 p.m. and terminated at 8.15 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Parks Committee

7th December, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Mason, Matthews, Pickering, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin and Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. McClane.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 2nd November, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. FOOTBALL PITCH - HALLIWICK RECREATION GROUND. With reference to Minute No.3 (a) (ii) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, on the authority of the Chairman of the Committee, Albion Rovers Football Club were granted the use of the above football pitch on alternative Sundays throughout the remainder of the season, subject to the payment of the fee of £9 2s. 0d., which is proportionate to the season fee.

The Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

4. VERANDAH TYPE SHELTER AND ORNAMENTAL GARDEN - FRIERN HOSPITAL ENTRANCE, FRIERN BARNET ROAD. With reference to Minute No.2 of the Report of the Roads Beautification Sub-Committee dated 16th October, 1948, a letter has now been received from the North West Metropolitan Regional Hospital Board suggesting that this site should be leased to the Council for a period of 7, 14 or 21 years at a nominal rental of 1s. 0d. per annum, the Council to pay the cost of the Lease and to covenant to lay out and keep the plot in order.

An application for grant towards the installation of shelter and seating has been forwarded to the Hospital Management Committee but no reply has yet been received.

The Committee recommend that the suggested terms of the Lease as set out above be approved in principle.

5. SITING OF NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT. With reference to Minute No.10 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, an endeavour has been made to hasten consideration of the acquisition of this land and the Rev. D.G. Barker, Director of Religious Education, Dioceses of London and Southwark, has now stated that his agents are still unable to deal with the matter as the Ministry of Education Scheme for the Educational Foundations of the area has not been finally approved and until this is done they are not technically the Trustees of the property. An assurance was given that they would act as soon as possible.

6. ORNAMENTAL GARDEN - JUNCTION OF KENNARD ROAD WITH FRIERN BARNET ROAD. With reference to Minute No.5 of the Report of this Committee dated 4th May, 1948, Messrs. Chas. Sparrow & Son, agents for the executors of the late owner of this land, have intimated their willingness to (a) granting a lease of the site for a period of seven or more years at a suggested rental of £20 perannum, or (b) contacting the District Valuer in conjunction with the Council in an endeavour to agree a price for the sale of the site to the Council.

The Committee have instructed the Clerk to obtain further information and a report will be submitted in due course.

7. OAKLEIGH PARK AND CHANDOS LAWN TENNIS CLUB. With reference to Minute No.11 of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, the Committee again considered the suggested purchase of this property by the Council and its lease to the Club, but having regard to all the circumstances recommend that no further action be taken.

8. FOOTBALL PITCH, BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND - APPLICATION OF TUFNELL PARK FOOTBALL CLUB. With reference to Minute No.3 (c) of the Report of the Committee dated 5th October, 1948, the Committee received a report by Crs. Richardson and Draper on their meetings with representatives of the above-mentioned Club. The report which sets out in detail the requirements of the Club has been circulated to all Members of the Council.

The Club would require the almost exclusive use of the football ground during the football season, would require a lease, were prepared to offer a rental of £250 per season, and the Council would be required to provide the necessary dressing and other accommodation, a small stand, and the necessary fencing and hedges, the total cost of which has been estimated at £2,800.

The Committee understand that there might be legal difficulties having regard to the purpose for which the ground was acquired, and it would be necessary to obtain the approval of the Minister of Health and the Middlesex County Council should it be decided to proceed with the proposal.

Objections to the proposal have been received from the Friern Barnet Youth Committee, the Friern Barnet Progressive Tenants' Association, Mr. L.J. Inman of 38, Bethune Avenue, Mr. J. Williams of 63, Park Way, and a protest containing the signatures of Mr. A.F.N. Tyler of 25, Macdonald Road and representatives of the Friern Barnet Church Boys' Club, the Progressive Youth Club and the Freehold Football Club and accompanied by a petition containing some 378 signatures has also been received.

The Committee having given the matter full and careful consideration feel that having regard to all the points involved they cannot recommend the Council to proceed any further with the proposal and recommend that the Tufnell Park Football Club be informed accordingly.

9. CATERING RIGHTS - FRIARY PARK AND BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND. With reference to Minute No.21 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated 21st October, 1948, tenders were invited for the catering rights in Friary Park and Bethune Recreation Ground for the year ending 31st March, 1950. The closing date for these tenders being 30th November, 1948, the tenders were opened and initialled by the Chairman and submitted to the Committee.

The Committee have requested certain information with regard to the tenders and a further report will be submitted in due course.

10. FRIARY PARK.

(a) Construction of One Cold Frame. With reference to Minute No.6 (d) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, it was reported that the construction of one cold frame on the side of the existing greenhouse has now been completed.

(b) Master Plan. With reference to Minute No.6 (e) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, the two suggested layouts for the future development of Friary Park have been available for inspection by Members of the Council during the past month and the Committee have given instructions that each Member of the Council be supplied with a small scale copy of each plan.

The Committee consider that the planting of the trees in the main entrance drive from Friary Road to the House should be proceeded with. It will be remembered that the Curator of Kew Gardens recommended the planting of Hornbeam.

The Committee have deferred consideration of future development for the time being.

(c) Extension of Greenhouse. With reference to Minute No.4 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 5th October, 1948, work has now been commenced on the extension to the existing greenhouse and the concrete foundations for the walls have been laid in position. The assembly of the timber framing is now well advanced and it is anticipated that the work will be completed early in the New Year.

(d) Application for Hire of Marquee by North London Inter-Group Youth Hostels Association. With reference to Minute No.6 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, the above-mentioned Association have been invited to submit an offer for the purchase of the marquee or an offer for the hire.

In their reply the Association state that they do not desire to purchase, and have suggested that the fee for hire be determined by this Committee. No further details have been given as to the period for which the marquee will be required.

A letter has also been received from the South West Metropolitan Regional Hospitals' Board enquiring as to the purchase of the marquee for use at patients' fetes etc., and the Board has been invited to submit an offer.

11. BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND.

(a) 9-Hole Golf Course.

(i) Maintenance. A report was submitted on work carried out to the 9-hole Golf Course since the last Meeting of the Committee.

(ii) Receipts. Receipts for the month of November, 1948, were £38 4s. 9d. compared with £58 10s. 0d. for November 1947.

The total receipts from 1st April, 1948, to 20th November, 1948, were £994 10s. 0d. compared with £908 3s.0d. for the same period in 1947.

(iii) Competitions. Entries for a "Four-ball" competition are now being received.

(iv) Christmas Holidays. The Committee recommend that the Golf Course be closed on Christmas Day as in previous years.

(b) Direction Signs - 9-Hole Golf Course. With reference to Minute No.25 of the Report of the Highways Committee dated 4th November, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that instructions have been given for the existing signs to be replaced by metal plates.

(c) Gresham Avenue Car Park. With reference to Minute No.7 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, the existing car park surface has now been removed and sufficient quantities of top spit obtained for the completion of the work proposed. The work of spreading and levelling the soil will be put in hand as soon as the weather is favourable.

(d) Renewal of Fencing to 9-Hole Golf Course. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had been in communication with the Peerless Fencing Company and was advised that they proposed to commence this work during the coming week. Provision was made in the annual estimates for the carrying out of this work at an estimated cost of £250.

12. ORNAMENTAL GARDENS - LIBRARY SITE - ADDITIONAL SEATING. With reference to Minute No.5 of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had inspected this site with a view to the provision of additional seating, from which it appeared that to retain a balanced layout of the planted margins the most suitable place for additional seating is in the north-east corner of the site. In order to enable the planting of the borders to be completed whilst the weather has been favourable and to have the existing soil available for use in connection with urgent tree and shrub planting on other sites this corner of the site has been cleared. The estimated cost of altering the existing dwarf wall and providing new paving and two additional seats is £25.

The Committee recommend:-

(a) That the action of the Engineer and Surveyor be approved and confirmed;

(b) That the work of altering the existing dwarf wall and providing new paving and two additional seats at a cost of £25 be proceeded with; and

(c) That the Chairman of the Committee be authorised to inspect the types of seats which are now assembled in the central depot and decide upon the type of seat to be installed on this site.

13. CROMWELL RECREATION GROUND IMPROVEMENT WORKS. With reference to Minute No.9 of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had submitted an estimate to the Home Office for the restoration of the site formerly occupied by underground trench shelters and had subsequently met the Regional Technical Adviser of the Home Office on the site, who had indicated that he was prepared favourably to consider the following works:-

100 cu.yds.	clinker filling at 4s.6d.	£22	10s. 0d.
250 cu.yds.	soil for surface restoration at 18s.0d.....	225	0s. 0d.
1½ cwts.	grass seed	20	0s. 0d.
Labour -	allow 6 men two weeks	75	8s. 0d.
	Total	£342	18s. 0d.

The Committee recommend, subject to authorisation being received, the work be proceeded with, but as it will not be possible to sow grass seeds until the spring of next year, every endeavour be made to obtain the necessary soil for surface restoration at a cheaper price provided this does not unduly delay the completion of the work.

14. PARKS GENERALLY.

(a) Playground Equipment. With reference to Minute No.10 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, having regard to the fact that only two items of equipment can be sited at present, viz. the Plane Swing at Friary Park and the Pendulum See-Saw at Halliwick Recreation Ground, and the probable deterioration of this equipment during the winter months if erected in the open, the Committee recommend that this work be deferred until the early spring when it is hoped that a suitable site will be available at Cromwell Recreation Ground and all items of equipment can then be erected more economically in one operation.

(b) Mowing Machines - Overhaul and Repair. With reference to Minute No.6 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 5th October, 1948, quotations were received from Messrs. James McIntosh Ltd., C.S. Moor & Son, and Kleen-Kut Engineering Co. Ltd.

The Committee recommend that the tender of Messrs. James McIntosh Ltd., being the lowest in the aggregate, be accepted in the sum of £64.10s.0d.

15. REPORT OF PARKS SUPERINTENDENT. The Parks Superintendent submitted a report on the works carried out by the Parks Staff since the last Meeting of this Committee.

16. GROUNDSMAN, HALLIWICK RECREATION GROUND. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a medical certificate in respect of the above-mentioned employee, requesting that he be not employed on heavy work. In view of the duties normally undertaken by this employee, the Committee have instructed the Parks Superintendent to give him light work only.

17. HOUSING SITE No.5. COLNEY HATCH LANE - LAYOUT OF FRONT GARDENS. The Committee feel that the laying out of the gardens in the front of houses on this estate cannot be satisfactorily undertaken until sections of the estate are more fully completed, and recommend that the garden work be delayed until complete areas can be undertaken.

18. TREE AND CIRCULAR SEAT AT JUNCTION OF MILES WAY AND BARFIELD AVENUE. A tree which was planted inside the above circular seat on Saturday was almost immediately broken down.

The Committee recommend that the tree be replaced by a flowering thorn.

19. TOWN HALL FORECOURT. The Committee have instructed the Parks Superintendent to report on the suitability of the soil where the ornamental trees are planted.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 8.20 p.m. and terminated at 9.40 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Rating and Valuation Committee

9th December, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. A.C.S. Meynell ... Chairman

Crs. Henry, Martin, McClane, Matthews, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds and Sparks.

Also in attandance:

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, Mason and Tarlton.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 11th November, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. NEW PROPERTIES. Having received a report from the Valuation Officer as to new properties erected in the District the Committee recommend assessments as follows:-

	Recommendation
Nos.58 and 58a, Wilton Road. Flats replacing war-destroyed house.	
Ground and first floor flat - No.58	- £43/33.
Second floor flat - No.58a	- £29/22.

3. ALTERATIONS. Having received a report by the Valuation Officer as to alterations to the following properties, the Committee recommend amended assessments as indicated:-

		Recommendation
(a)	No.121, Pembroke Road. Addition of bathroom.	Increase from £24/17 to £26/19.
(b)	No.56, Buckingham Avenue. Addition of brick garage. (no doors)	Increase from £45/35 to £49/39 until such time as doors are fitted.
(c)	No.8, Chandos Avenue. Addition of brick garage.	Increase from £46/36 to £52/42.
(d)	No.50, Finchley Park. Addition of temporary garage.	Increase from £35/26 to £40/30.

4. PROPERTY ASSESSED IN PARTS - No.31, FRIERN BARNET ROAD. An outbuilding at the rear of these premises was made the subject of a separate assessment by reason of it being separately let. The whole of the premises is now in single occupation and the Committee recommend that the existing assessments of £62/50 and £12/7 revert to the single assessment of £66/53.

5. No.72, THE AVENUE - WAR DAMAGE REPAIRS. This property is now undergoing extensive War Damage Repairs, the only usable part being the shop.

The Committee recommend that until the repairs are completed the assessment be reduced from £48/38 to £24/17.

6. NORTHMET POWER COMPANY. A letter has been received from the County Valuer giving the provisionally agreed values for the Company's undertaking as follows and enquiring whether this Council are prepared to accept the figures:-

Year 1st April, 1945, to 31st March, 1946 - No change.

Year 1st April, 1946, to 31st March, 1947 - Reduction from £2,761 to £2,008.

The Committee recommend that the foregoing figures be accepted.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 6.50 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Housing Committee.

9th December, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. J.E. Pickering ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 11th November, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. HOUSING LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The Report of the Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee held on 20th November, 1948, a copy of which is attached, was submitted and approved.

3. REQUISITIONED PROPERTY.

(a) 26, Parkhurst Road. With reference to Minute No.4 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 16th September, 1948, a further application has been received from the owner of this property for de-requisitioning. Repeated applications have been received from him owing to the unsuitability of his present accommodation as he has an invalid wife who must have accommodation on the ground floor.

The Committee have referred consideration of the application to the General Purposes Committee at their next Meeting, and in the meantime the Housing Officer will make certain further investigations.

(b) 9, Bellevue Road. A renewed application has been received from the owner of this property for its release from requisition.

The Committee recommend that the owner be informed that in view of the present housing position in the District the Council are unable to accede to her request.

(c) Arrears of Contribution.

(i) Occupier No.669. With reference to Minute No.4 (d) (iii) of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, this occupier was served with a notice terminating the licence on the 13th November, 1948, and has since paid £13 10s. 1d. off the arrears. The balance now outstanding is £3 17s. 2d., and the Committee recommend that instructions be given for execution by the Council's bailiff.

(ii) Former Occupier No.700. With reference to Minute No.4 (d) (iv) of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, this former occupier has now paid the one week's contribution of £1 13s. 4d. which was outstanding.

(d) General Maintenance. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the general maintenance work carried out to requisitioned properties since the last Meeting.

(e) External Painting. With reference to Minute No.4 (f) of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, the contractors have been advised to postpone this work on the four remaining properties until the Spring of 1949, owing to the present adverse weather conditions.

(f) 145, Friern Park - Demolition of Old Coach House. With reference to Minute No.4 (g) of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, it was reported that the total cost of the work involved in the demolition of the Coach House and adaptation of part of the building as fuel stores was £78 1s. 6d., the amount of £78 5. 0d. being authorised for this work by the Ministry of Health. The value of the salvaged material which the contractor was permitted to remove fromthe site was £10 2s. 6d.

(g) "Eversley", Oakleigh Park South. Certain extensive structural repairs are required to be carried out to this property and the Engineer and Surveyor submitted a proposal for the conversion of the property into two flats which it was thought might be carried out concurrently.

The Chairman of the Committee together with the Engineer and Surveyor will make an inspection of the property in question and the Committee have, therefore, deferred consideration of the matter until their next Meeting.

(h) "Highclere", Oakleigh Park South. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that arrangements had been made for repairing the floors to the ground floor flat and for the cellar at these premises to be filled, in combination with the work of demolition at "The Hollies", in order to complete the work at a much reduced cost as hardcore from "The Hollies" is being disposed of directly into the basement.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Engineer and Surveyor be approved and confirmed and that he be authorised to proceed forthwith with the repairs by direct labour.

4. HOUSING ESTATES.

(a) Arrears of Rent. The Treasurer reported on the present position regarding arrears of rent. The following arise out of the report:-

(i) Tenant No.57. The arrears are £6 7s. 5d., and the weekly rent is £1 5s. 11d. The tenant has recommenced work after a period of illness and has promised to reduce the arrears by weekly instalments.

(ii) Tenant No.135. The arrears are £2 9s. 4d., and the weekly rent is £1 4s. 8d. Immediate payment has been requested in this case.

(iii) Tenant No.136. The arrears are £3 0s.11d., and the weekly rent is £1 4s. 8d. The tenant having now returned to work after a period of sickness has promised additional weekly payments until the arrears are cleared.

(iv) Tenant No.176. The arrears are £3 9s. 2d., and the weekly rent is £1 2s. 9d. There is apparently financial hardship but the arrears are being gradually reduced by periodical payments.

(v) Former Tenant No.321. The amount owing is £3 6s. 1d. There is apparently financial hardship, but the former tenant has promised to pay 2s.6d. per month until the amount is cleared.

(vi) Tenant No.363. The arrears are £4 14s.2d., and the weekly rent is £1 3s. 8d. A promise has now been made to pay 10s.0d. per week until the arrears are cleared.

(b) General Maintenance. The report of the Engineer and Surveyor on the general maintenance of Housing Estates was submitted for information.

(c) Installation of New Stoves and Hot Water Systems. With reference to Minute No.5 (d) of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, twelve new stoves and hot water systems have been installed since the last Meeting of the Committee.

(d) External Painting. The external painting programme for the current year has now been completed.

(e) War Damage Repairs. With reference to Minute No.6 (e) of the Report of this Committee dated 14th October, 1948, the painters were transferred from external decoration to the winter programme of interior decoration at the end of October and, since the beginning of November, 21 houses have had complete re-instatement of war damage repairs and either partial or full interior decoration in accordance with the scheme previously approved.

(f) Nos. 2 and 4, East Road - Installation of Electric Lighting. With reference to Minute No.5 (g) of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, this work has now been completed.

(g) 19, Barfield Avenue - Application for Electric Lighting. An enquiry has been received from the tenant of this property as to whether the Council would permit the installation of electricity and in such event enquiring the cost involved and the period over which payment could be made.

The Committee recommend that in the event of the tenant deciding to proceed with the proposal upon being furnished with an estimate of the cost of installation, the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the necessary work to be carried out, subject to the tenant undertaking to repay the cost by instalments to be fixed by the Chairman of this Committee and the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

(h) Properties in Miles Way and Barfield Avenue - Replacement of Casement Windows. The steel casement windows to the kitchens of 32 houses in Miles Way and 48 houses in Barfield Avenue are in a defective condition owing to severe rusting due to condensation etc. An inspection has been made by the manufacturers, Messrs. Crittall Manufacturing Co.Ltd., who are of the opinion that the casements in question require complete renewal.

A quotation was submitted for replacements by rust proof casements in the sum of £243 13s. 4d. for the 80 properties involved.

The Committee recommend that this work be deferred for the time being and provision made for such expenditure in the extimates for the year 1949/50.

5. REVIEW OF LOCAL AUTHORITIES' WAITING LISTS. Ministry of Health Circular No.171/48 dated 10th November, 1948, has been received stating that consideration has been given to the procedure for sifting waiting lists of applicants for houses, the object of which is to ascertain the existing live demand, to secure that the lists are not inflated by the retention on them of those persons not now requiring to be considered, and the central determination of the extent of duplicated applications (names on the lists of more than one Local Authority). For this purpose a simple form of enquiry has been prepared by the Ministry and an order has been placed for sufficient copies to be circulated to each applicant on the Council's housing list.

6. MALVERN LODGE, 58, TORRINGTON PARK. A letter dated 20th November, 1948, has been received from the owner of these premises offering them for sale to the Council for housing purposes.

The property, at present housing five families, is in a bad state of repair. It is considered that the top floor accommodating two families is unsatisfactory as permanent accommodation, but might well be used as a future half-way house. The site occupied by the property would provide sufficient area for the ultimate erection of six flats.

In connection therwith it was reported that the owner had been approached regarding the dilapidated appearance of the fencing and grounds and had given an assurance that the remainder of the fencing will be removed, the shrubs trimmed and the grounds generally tidied up.

Having received reports from the Clerk, Engineer and Surveyor and Sanitary Inspector on the matter, the Committee recommend that:-

(a) The District Valuer be requested to negotiate a price for the acquisition of the property.

(b) Upon receipt of such information from the District Valuer application be made to the Minister of Health for consent to purchase the property.

(c) The Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to submit a report on the necessary repairs required to be carried out to the property, and an estimate of the cost.

7. HOUSING SCHEMES.

(a) "The Hollies", Oakleigh Park North. As reported in Minute No. 3 (g) above, demolition work has been commenced on this property by direct labour with a view to salvaging certain materials.

It is anticipated that the value of material salvaged will exceed the expenditure involved in the demolition and no financial liability is likely to be incurred.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Engineer and Surveyor be approved and confirmed and that he be authorised to proceed with the work.

(b) Permanent Housing Sites No.3 and 4. Alexandra Road - Bulk All-in Rate Supply of Electricity. Letters dated 24th November, 1948, have been received from the Eastern Electricity Board stating that the charge for the supply of electricity consumed after the first normal meter reading following the 30th June, 1948, will be increased to $\frac{3}{4}$d. per unit. In addition the annual charges will be increased as follows:-

Site No.3. From £75 12s. 8d. to £100 16s. 4d. per annum as from the September 1948 quarterly meter reading.

Site No.4. From £112 16s. 4d. for the flats and £7 15s. 8d. for the external lighting to £150 8s. 0d. per annum for the flats and £10 7s. 4d. per annum for the external lighting as from the September 1948 quarterly meter reading.

The terms and conditions of the Agreements dated 11th October, 1947, and 1st June, 1948, will be varied accordingly.

(c) Housing Site No.4. Alexandra Road - Progress. In spite of very difficult weather conditions which have tended to delay interior decorations, it is anticipated that a further 12 flats will be available for occupation on the 18th December, and the remaining 12 flats should be ready during the latter part of January.

(d) Permanent Housing Site No.5. Colney Hatch Lane.

(i) Progress. In spite of adverse weather conditions considerable progress has been made on the erection of houses during the last month. It is anticipated that the remaining six houses on the two original contracts will be available at the end of this month, and the first 12 houses of the more recent contracts are nearing completion. The Contractors for 24 flats (Contract 5B/4) have completed the footings and brickwork is now in progress. Work has also commenced on the Contract for 30 flats (Contract 5B/3).

(ii) Fencing. Quotations were submitted for the supply and fixing of chain-link fencing 5 ft. in height between the houses and flats on this site.

The Committee recommend that the quotation of Fencing (Shepperton) Ltd. in the sum of £237 14s. 1d. be accepted, subject to contract.

The suppliers state that a delay of between four and five months will occur before the work can be carried out.

The Committee have, therefore, instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to ascertain from the suppliers whether part of the order might be executed earlier in order that the properties at present occupied may be fenced without undue delay. The Committee further recommend that in the event of the suppliers not being able to assist in this manner the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the erection of temporary chestnut fencing during the intervening period.

(iii) Installation of Lighting. Six lamps have been installed by the Eastern Electricity Board and arrangements are being made to proceed with an installation of a further seven lamps which will complete the lighting from Colney Hatch Lane opposite Cromwell Road through to The Vale.

Having regard to the manufacturers intimating that there will be some delay in delivery of the original cast iron lanterns, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that instructions had been given for cast alloy lanterns to be substituted for the first 13 at an extra cost of 8s. 8d. per lantern in order to obtain the benefit of lighting on that part of the estate where the houses are occupied. It is hoped that the balance of 13 lanterns can be supplied in accordance with the original quotation.

SHOULD HAVE HEAD 9. SEE ENGINEER + SURVEYORS MEMO. DATED 7/11/49.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Engineer and Surveyor be approved and confirmed.

(iv) Cleaning of Roads. As instructed, arrangements have been made for three or four men and a lorry to be detailed for this work on each Saturday morning. This practice will continue as circumstances require.

(v) Tree Planting, Layout of Gardens and Path Works. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that work on the preparation of the front gardens for turfing for approximately 14 houses and construction of temporary clinker paths to give access to those houses already occupied had been commenced. Only part of the order for the trees had been executed but owing to the fact that certain sites were required to be cleared up by the contractors it would not be possible for the necessary work of tree planting to be carried out in these cases at the present time.

It will be observed that the Parks Committee at their last Meeting have suggested that the question of tree planting and the layout of the front gardens should be deferred until sections of the estate are more fully completed, and this Committee concurs.

8. SOCIETY OF HOUSING MANAGERS - CONFERENCE. With reference to Minute No.8 of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, the Committee recommend that the Housing Estates Manager and the Housing Officer be appointed the Council's representatives to attend the Conference on 'Municipal Housing - Urgent Problems of Management in a Growing Service' to be held on Friday and Saturday, the 28th and 29th January, 1949, at Friends' House, Euston Road, London, N.W.1.

9. SUGGESTED PURCHASE OF HOUSES BY COUNCIL TENANTS - FRIERN BARNET RATEPAYERS' ASSOCIATION. A letter dated 11th November, 1948, has been received from the Chairman of this Association stating that a resolution had been passed by the Association as follows:-

> "That in view of the cost to the ratepayers of subsidising the rents of Council houses and the probability of ever recurring cost of maintenance, tenants should be encouraged to purchase their houses as far as possible out of local loans."

At the Meeting of this Committee in June last it was decided to defer consideration of a Tenant Purchase Scheme on the lines of the former schemes until January next. It will be recalled that in July last when application was made for consent to the sale of a Council property to the tenant, the Minister of Health's policy then was not to encourage the sale of Council houses, but reference has recently been made in the daily press to some possibility of a change in this attitude.

The Committee recommend that the Friern Barnet Ratepayers' Association be informed of the position now outlined.

10. HOUSING SUMMARY. The Ministry of Health Housing Summary to the 31st October, 1948, was submitted for the information of the Committee.

11. DISTRICT HOUSING PROGRESS. The following is a summary of the position within the Urban District as at the 30th November, 1948:-

	Completed.		Families Accommodated.	
	Oct.	Nov.	Oct.	Nov.
War Damaged Rebuilt Houses ..	10	10	10	10
Post-War Houses	16	16	16	16
Post-War Flats	72	72	72	72
Temporary Bungalows	86	86	86	86
	184	184	184	184
In Requisitioned Properties			181	181
			365	365
Applicants on Waiting List			1760	1782

12. TENDERS FOR BUILDING WORK. It will be remembered that reference was made to a letter received from the Finchley & Whetstone Chamber of Commerce concerning the delay between the submission of tenders and the acceptance of the selected tender and complaining that unsuccessful tenderers were not notified to that effect.

The Chamber of Commerce was subsequently informed that every endeavour was made to notify the unsuccessful tenderers and to refund the deposit fee as expeditiously as possible and instructions had been given for tenderers not likely to be successful to be notified accordingly.

A letter dated 30th November, 1948, has now been received from the Organisation expressing appreciation of the kind consideration which has been given to their representations and enquiring whether it is not possible for unsuccessful tenderers to be informed of the

amount of the accepted tender. It is further felt that the Ministry of Health might be asked to speed up the consideration of the building tenders and they requested the Council to submit such a recommendation to the Ministry.

The Committee recommend that the Finchley & Whetstone Chamber of Commerce be informed that it is not considered practicable to accede to their requests at the present time.

13. FRIERN BARNET WOMEN'S ADVISORY PANEL ON HOUSING. A letter dated 6th December, 1948, was submitted from this Organisation

(a) enquiring whether the Council make a practice of moving old people to smaller accommodation when their existing accommodation becomes too large for them, and whether in such circumstances the occupiers are generally willing to move to the alternative accommodation offered to them;

(b) requesting a copy of the conditions of tenancy of Council houses and flats;

(c) enquiring whether there are any plans for additional playgrounds in the South Ward;

(d) requesting the Council to reconsider its decision concerning the Panel's suggestion made some time ago that a Woman Welfare Officer should be appointed.

The Committee recommend that the Panel be informed that:-

(i) every effort is made to arrange for transfers on the lines suggested by the Panel and to further this object the Housing Officer has been requested to supply to the next Meeting of this Committee a list of further tenants who are prepared to be transferred;

(ii) no proposals have been formulated for providing additional playgrounds on the housing sites in the South Ward, but the Preliminary Outline Plan of the Middlesex County Council, made under the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, provides for an extension of such facilities.

(iii) a Housing Welfare Officer (Woman) was appointed by the Council on the 13th November, 1948, and will be taking up her duties on the 1st January, 1949.

14. DEFENCE (GENERAL) REGULATIONS - REQUISITIONING OF PROPERTY. The Clerk reported that attention had been drawn to a certain vacant property in the District and the Committee have authorised the Clerk to apply to the Principal Housing Officer of the Ministry of Health for an authorisation to requisition the property in question for housing purposes.

15. LAND IN SYDNEY ROAD AND HAMPDEN ROAD. The Clerk reported a possible development in connection with this land, which is subject to Friern Barnet (No.1) Compulsory Purchase Order, 1947, and was given instructions as to action tobe taken.

16. BUILDING LICENCES.

(a) Progress re Cost of Works Houses. During November four flats erected under licence were completed, making a total of 24 houses and 4 flats completed to date.

(b) Progress re Private Enterprise Houses. Of the licences for 42 houses and 29 flats issued to date the number of properties completed is 40 houses and 29 flats.

(c) Contravention. With reference to Minute No.13 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, the Clerk reported that the summons issued on behalf of the Council against the owner of the premises, the hearing of which was

adjourned on the 10th November, 1948, was heard on the 24th November, 1948, when the information was dismissed on a point of law.

Application has been made to the Justices to State a Case and the necessary application has been made through the Regional Licensing Officer of the Ministry of Works for the authority of the Director of Public Prosecutions to proceed with the submission of the case for decision by the Divisional Court.

17. BUILDING CONTRACTORS INTERIM PAYMENTS. The Committee have authorised and ordered Barclays Bank Limited to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed on page 39 of the Treasurer's Order amounting to £15,189, being interim payments to building contractors.

The accounts have been inspected and initialled by the Chairman.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.50 p.m. and terminated at 7.50 p.m.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee

20th November, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. J.E. Pickering ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Richardson, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 29th October, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. APPLICANTS Nos. B.778 and C.558. A report was submitted as to extensive repairs required to be carried out to the flats occupied by these applicants, but it was decided that no action could be taken at the present time.

4. "EVERSLEY", OAKLEIGH PARK SOUTH. Certain repairs will have to be carried out to this requisitioned property and during the period when works arein progress it is essential that part of the accommodation should be unoccupied.

The Committee recommend that Occupier No.652 be transferred to the upper part of No.115, Friern Barnet Road, which is also under requisition.

5. No.60, COPPETTS ROAD. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report in connection with War Damage reinstatement work and the Committee recommend that Applicant No.B.566 be rehoused in a two-bedroom type flat to facilitate the execution of the repairs.

6. SELECTION OF TENANTS - PERMANENT HOUSING SITE No.4. The Committee have selected the following applicants for the tenancy of properties on this Site which are nearing completion:-

Six 3-bedroom Council flats.

Applicants No. D.111, D.133, D.167, D.309, D.219 and C.71.

7. APPLICANT No.D.261. The Housing Officer submitted certain information in regard to this Applicant and it was decided to accept him as a tenant.

The Committee further decided that the furniture in his possession be removed and treated by Messrs. Cimexat at an estimated cost of £11, such expenditure to be borne by the Council.

8. APPLICANT No.B.717. It was reported that the housing conditions of this selected Applicant have subsequently changed and it was decided that the rehousing of the family be deferred.

9. No.58, FRIERN WATCH AVENUE. The ground floor of this requisitioned property is likely to be vacated in the near future and the Committee decided to offer the accommodation to Applicant No.B.742.

10. PRIVATE LETTINGS - No. 21, ALMA ROAD. With reference to Minute No.8 (a) of the Report of this Committee held on the 29th October, 1948, Applicant No.F.16 has refused nomination for this accommodation and it was decided to nominate in substitution Applicant No.E.56 for the ground floor accommodation.

11. No.7, GLENHURST ROAD. It is anticipated that this requisitioned flat will be vacated by the present occupier in the near future. It was decided to offer this accommodation to Applicant No.B.779, subject to satisfactory arrangements being made to nominate a suitable applicant for the tenancy of the accommodation in private ownership at present occupied by this applicant.

12. Nos. 228 and 228a, SYDNEY ROAD. The agents acting on behalf of the owner of these two 2-bedroom war-damage rebuilt flats are prepared to consider tenants nominated by the Council.

The Committee decided to nominate Applicants Nos. B.48 and C.483 for the occupation of these properties.

13. PERMANENT HOUSING SITE No.5, COLNEY HATCH LANE - MAINTENANCE OF COMPOSITION FLOORS. It is anticipated that difficulty may be experienced in the future maintenance of the composition floors in these dwellings, and the matter has been referred to the Engineer and Surveyor for his observations.

14. REVIEW OF WAITING LISTS. The Chairman referred to the receipt of a communication dated 10th November, 1948, from the Ministry of Health on this matter, which will formally be submitted to the Housing Committee at the next Meeting.

15. TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION FOR PERSONS RENDERED HOMELESS BY EVICTION. With reference to Minute No.6 of the Report of the Housing Committee dated 11th November, 1948, a report was submitted upon the Meeting convened by the Middlesex County Council and held on the 17th November, 1948.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 9.0 a.m. and terminated at 11.0 a.m.

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FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

No. 39

To BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED,
233, WOODHOUSE ROAD, FRIERN BARNET, N.12.

PURSUANT to a Resolution adopted this 9TH day of DECEMBER, 1943
WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 39 to of this Order, amounting to the sum of FIFTEEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND EIGHTY NINE pounds ---- shillings and ---------- pence, ~~also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of pounds and in any one week a maximum of pounds~~ signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

Chairman.

Members of the Council.

Countersigned :

Clerk of the Council.

S. & S. LTD. G61924

Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
1558	R.BOWLAND & SON LTD.--	1,365 - -
1559	CHAS.DENTON.--	715 - -
1560	DURABLE ASPHALTE CO LTD.--	103 8 -
1561	GRAHAM (BUILDERS & CONTRACTORS) LTD.--	5,405 - -
1562	V.A.HOWARD LTD.--	410 - -
1563	HUBERT C.LEACH.--	2,770 - -
1564	MOWLEM & CO LTD.--	3,750 - -
1565	MYTON LTD.--	500 - -
1566	R.W.POPE & REVELL LTD.--	170 12 -
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Report and Recommendations of the Town Planning Committee

9th December, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. L.W. McClane ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry,
Mrs. McCarthy, Martin, Mason,
Matthews, Meynell, Pickering,
Miss Richards, Richardson,
Simmonds, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 11th November, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947.

(a) Enforcement of Planning Control, Section 23. A letter dated 17th November, 1948, has been received from the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association stating that there appears to be no precedent for a form of notice of enforcement under the above Act and Section, suitable for the particular case of Middlesex, and arrangements are being made for Counsel to draft a form, copies of which will be circulated as soon as possible.

(b) Planning Schemes Remaining in Operation. A letter dated 17th November, 1948, has been received from the Middlesex County Council stating that the Minister of Town and Country Planning advises that it is intended that all provisions of schemes still in existence by virtue of the 7th paragraph of the Tenth Schedule of the Act, should be determined as soon as possible.

So far as Scheme No.1 is concerned, the only provisions still operative are those relating to the protection of trees and the designation of two small areas of lands as private streets to form entrance roads to the Owens' Sports Ground in Chandos Avenue should this area ever be developed.

The County Council have been informed that it might be advisable to keep alive the provisions of the Scheme relating to the trees until such time as Tree Preservation Orders are made.

So far as the two access roads areconcerned, it is impossible to say if or when any development of the sports ground is likely to take place.

(c) Control of Forecourts. A letter dated 26th November, 1948, has been received from the Middlesex County Council stating that the County Planning Committee has had under consideration the question of the control of trading on forecourts abutting on to public highways.

So far as existing authorised use of forecourts for this purpose is concerned, it was suggested that if planning powers were used on a wide scale for the discontinuance of such users, the compensation liability in the County might be considerable, and it was accordingly submitted that these powers should only be used where there is serious injury to amenity or serious obstruction to pedestrians and vehicular traffic.

The County Planning Committee also considered the desirability of action being taken in respect of the use of forecourts of new shops for trading, and after careful consideration of the matter ,resolutions in the following terms were adopted:-

(i) That it be left to the normal system of development control to prevent, by the imposition of a condition, the use of forecourts for trading in front of new shops in those cases where there are objections on amenity or traffic grounds.

(ii) That it be left to the Local Authorities to exercise the powers of the Act to secure the discontinuance of existing forecourt trading in bad cases where it is felt that the compensation payment would be justifiable.

(d) Development by Local Authorities and Statutory Undertakers. With reference to Minute No.3 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, a letter dated 2nd December, 1948, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council giving information, with a view to reducing to a minimum the duplication of administration, as to the procedure to be adopted when making application for permission to develop within the purview of Part III of the Act where such development is to be undertaken by Local Authorities or Statutory Undertakers, in accordance with the principle contained in Circular No.61 of the Ministry of Town and Country Planning.

(e) General Development Order, 1948 - Pig Keeping and Land for the Purpose of Dog Racing. Further to Minute No.3 (e) of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, a letter dated 26th November, 1948, has been received from the Middlesex County Council stating that consideration has been given to the suggestion that a direction shall be made under Article 4 of the Town and Country Planning (General Development) Order, 1948, to provide that the permission granted by Article 3 of the Order shall not apply to development permitted by:-

(i) Class VI of the Order in respect of the erection, construction and maintenance, improvement or other alteration of buildings used for pig keeping;

(ii) Class IV of the Order in respect of the use of the land for the purpose of dog racing.

It was requested that information as to whether this Council would desire the area of the Urban District to be included within the scope of any direction which the County Council might make requiring permission tobe obtained for the carrying out of this development should be received by the 6th December, 1948, in order that the matter may be further considered by the County Planning Committee at its Meeting on the 10th December, and as a matter of urgency, the views of the Chairman of this Committee and the Engineer and Surveyor were obtained and the County Council were duly notified that it was the desire that the whole of the Urban District should be included within the scope of any such Direction.

3. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947 - APPEALS - EXCEPTED APPLICATIONS.

(a) Plan No.F.B.28 - Builders' Workshop and Registered Office, Hampden Road, N.10., for Messrs. H. Odone, Ltd. With reference to Minute No.7 (e) of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, a letter dated 24th November, 1948, has been received from Messrs. Sturt & Tivendale acting on behalf of Mr. H. Odone, enclosing for information a copy of a letter sent to the Minister of Town and Country Planning appealing against the decision of the Area Planning Committee to refuse permission for such development.

(b) Plan No.F.B.29 - Advertisement Hoarding, Jacques Cottages, High Road, Whetstone, N.20. With reference to Minute No.7 (f) of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, a letter dated 2nd December, 1948, was submitted from the Ministry of Town and Country Planning enclosing a copy of an appeal made by Messrs. Willings Poster Advertising Limited against the

decision of the Area Planning Committee refusing consent to such development, and stating that the appeal had been accepted and a local Inquiry will be held at the Town Hall on Tuesday 4th January, 1949, at 10.0 a.m.

4. DECISION OF AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE. With reference to Minute No.8 of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, the following decision on an "excepted" application was made by the North Middlesex Area Planning Committee at its Meeting on 22nd November, 1948:-

Plan No.F.B.36 - Use of end stable, Bellevue Mews, Friern Barnet Road, for light industrial purposes - Mr. F.D.Young. Permission REFUSED for the reason that the introduction of industry into such close proximity to residential premises is undesirable.

This decision is in accordance with the Council's recommendation.

5. PLANS. The Committee have considered the following applications for permission to the under-mentioned development, and for approval to plans under the Public Health Act, 1936, and the building byelaws and other statutory enactments, and in accordance with their delegated powers have taken the action noted against each application.

Where planning permission has been granted or refused, action has been taken as agents for the Middlesex County Council under the delegation agreement.

Where plans have been "excepted" by the Area Planning Officer, the Committee's recommendations will be forwarded to him.

Where conditions have been imposed, these are recorded against each application.

(a) Plan No.F.B.46 - No.5, The Avenue, N.11. Use of First floor as Fish Restaurant - Mr. C.E. Collins.

Planning: Permission granted for a period of three years expiring on the 31st December, 1951, for the reason that the site is within an area proposed to be re-developed by the Council. Subject to the requirements of the Sanitary Inspector being complied with.

Byelaws: Approval not required.

This application is also subject to Defence Regulation No.68.C.A. under which the consent of the Council must in certain circumstances be obtained to the use for business purposes of premises formerly used as dwelling accommodation. The Committee have granted this permission.

(b) Plan No.F.B.47 - 1416, High Road, Whetstone, N.20. Installation of petrol pump and underground storage tank - Messrs. T.P. Breen Ltd.,

Planning: Permission granted subject to -

(i) The petrol pump and tank being used solely in connection with the existing motor repair workshop and motor vehicle storage, and not for the general sale of petroleum spirit.

(ii) To the requirements of the Petroleum Inspector under the Petroleum Regulation Acts being satisfied.

Byelaws: Approval not required.

(c) Plan No.F.B.48 - 33, Wetherill Road, N.10. Continuation of user of premises and yard, and buildings at the rear, for offices and carton collection and sorting station - The Express Dairy Co. Ltd., on behalf of Messrs. Manuel Lloyd Ltd.

Planning: Permission granted for a period of three years expiring on 31st December, 1951, for the following reasons:-

(i) To protect the amenities of the neighbourhood.

(ii) In order that the development plan in course of preparation by the Middlesex County Council shall in no way be prejudiced.

Byelaws: Approval not required.

(d) Plan No.F.B.49 - 38, Buckingham Avenue, N.20. Detached house - Messrs. E.C. Dawes and E.R. Pusey.

Planning: Permission granted.

Byelaws: Plans previously approved.

(e) Plan No.3892/F.B.50 - 30, Athenaeum Road, Whetstone, N.20. Private garage - Mr. N.V. Eslick.

Planning: Permission granted.

Byelaws: Approved.

(f) Plan No.3893/F.B.51 - Land adjoining "Kingsfold", Temple Avenue, N.20. Portable garage - Mrs. E. Grey.

Planning: Permission granted subject to the building being painted and its appearance being maintained to the satisfaction of the Engineer and Surveyor.

Byelaws: Approved subject to a temporary licence pursuant to the provisions of Section 53 of the Public Health Act, 1936, for a period expiring on 31st December, 1953, and to the condition that the building shall be used as a garage for private vehicles only.

(g) Plan No.F.B.52 - 44, Buckingham Avenue, N.20. Detached bungalow - Mr. N.G. Wolfe.

Planning: Permission granted.

Byelaws: Plans previously approved.

(h) Plan No.F.B.53 - Junction of Friern Mount Drive and Buckingham Avenue, N.20. Detached bungalow - Mr. N.G. Wolfe.

Planning: Permission granted.

Byelaws: Plans previously approved.

(i) Plan No.F.B.54 - Nos.40 and 42, Buckingham Avenue, N.20, and South side of Friern Mount Drive, N.20. Two semi-detached houses, and four semi-detached houses respectively - Mr. N.G. Wolfe.

Planning: Permission granted.

Byelaws: Plans previously approved.

(j) Plan No.F.B.55 - South side of Friern Mount Drive, N.20. Detached bungalow - Mr. N.G. Wolfe.

Planning: Permission granted.

Byelaws: Plans previously approved.

(k) Plan No.F.B.56 - No.73, Oakleigh Avenue, N.20. Rebuilding war destroyed house - Mr. W.M. Lewis.

Planning: Permission granted.

Byelaws: Plans previously approved.

(l) Plan No.F.B.57 - Land at junction of Temple Avenue and Netherlands Road, N.20. Amended layout for eight blocks of flats (total 36 flats) and 36 garages - Messrs. Temple Lodge Ltd.

Planning: Passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be refused for the following reasons:-

(i) The layout and siting of the proposed flats and garages are not in conformity with good planning, having regard to possible development of adjoining areas and are likely to prejudice the development of adjoining land.

(ii) Inadequate width of proposed access.

Byelaws: Plans not submitted.

(m) Plan No.F.B.58 - No.252, Sydney Road, N.10. Addition at rear - Mr. H.E. Rowley.

Planning: Permission granted.

Byelaws: Approved.

(n) Plan No.F.B.59 - Garage and Workshop at rear of Halliwick Court Parade. Continuation of user for laboratory and manufactory - Messrs. Cramb Bros. Ltd.

Planning: Passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be granted for the continuation of the user for a period of one year expiring on 31st December, 1949, for the following reasons:-

(i) To protect the amenities of the neighbourhood.

(ii) In order that the development plan in course of preparation by the County Council shall not in any way be prejudiced.

Byelaws: Approval not required.

(o) Plan No.F.B.60 - Dry Cleaning Works, Athenaeum Road, N.20. Extension to Receiving Depot - Continued user - Direct Dry Cleaners Ltd.

Planning: Permission granted for the continued user for a period of three years expiring on 31st December, 1951, for the following reasons:-

(i) To protect the amenities of the neighbourhood.

(ii) In order that the development plan in course of preparation by the County Council shall not in any way be prejudiced.

Byelaws: Approved, subject to a temporary licence pursuant to the provisions of Section 53 of the Public Health Act, 1936, for a further period of three years expiring on 31st December, 1951.

(p) Plan No.F.B.61 - No.12, Oakleigh Road North, N.20. Continuation of user for light industrial purposes - Messrs. C. & C. Marshall Ltd.

Planning: Passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be granted for the continued user of these premises for a further period of one year, expiring on 31st December, 1949.

Byelaws: Application not required.

(q) Plan No.F.B.62 - "The Hermitage", 272, Colney Hatch Lane, N.11. Use of Laundry building for light industry - Messrs. British Engraving & Nameplate Manufacturing Co.Ltd.

Planning: Passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be granted for a period of three years expiring on 31st December, 1951, subject to:-

(i) The applicant or persons carrying on the proposed business arranging that no work shall be carried on at the premises and land between the hours of 8.0 p.m. and 8.0 a.m. on Mondays to Saturdays, and that no work shall be undertaken on Sundays.

(ii) The work to be of such a character which would not permit of any noise being audible from outside the premises and land.

Byelaws: Approval not required.

(r) Plan No.F.B.63 - 39, Friern Barnet Road, N.11. Advertisement display board - Messrs. The Red Board Co.

Planning: Permission granted subject to the Town and Country Planning (Control of Advertisements) Regulations, 1948, and to the following:-

(i) Due compliance with the standard conditions set out in Part I of the First Schedule of the Regulations.

(ii) The consent being limited to a period of three years, such term to run from the subsequent inception of the display or from a subsequent date not later than six months after the date of this consent, whichever is the earlier.

Byelaws: Approval not required.

(s) Plan No.F.B.64 - Alexandra Filling Station, Oakleigh Road South N.11. Continuation of user of building as Office - Messrs. Giblin Bros.

Planning: Permission granted for continued temporary user for a period expiring on 31st December, 1951.

Byelaws: Temporary licence pursuant to the provisions of Section 53 of the Public Health Act, 1936, renewed for a period expiring 31st December, 1951.

(t) Plan No.F.B.65 - No.54, Oakleigh Park South, N.20. Continuation of user in connection with the manufacture of Ties and Scarves - Messrs. Rix & Co.Ltd.

Planning: Permission granted for the continued user for a further period expiring 30th June, 1949.

Byelaws: Application not required.

6. DIRECT DRY CLEANERS LIMITED, ATHENAEUM ROAD, WHETSTONE, N.20. With reference to Minute No.7 (f) of the Report of the Housing and Town Planning Committee dated 11th September, 1947, The Direct Dry Cleaners Ltd., did not proceed with the plan for increasing the height of the chimney stack from 6 ft. to 10 ft. for which a temporary licence was granted expiring on the 31st December, 1948, and they do not desire to renew their application.

7. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ASSOCIATION - CONFERENCE. An invitation has been received from the Town and Country Planning Association, to appoint representatives to attend a Conference on 20th and 21st January, 1949, being held jointly with the British Social Hygiene Council on "The New Social Legislation and the Family", but having regard to the subject under discussion being the concern, in the main, of the County Council, the Committee recommend that no action be taken.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.50 p.m. and terminated at 8.20 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Finance Committee

16th December, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. R.P. Matthews ... Chairman

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Mason, Meynell, Richardson, Simmonds and Sparks.

Also in attendance:

Cr. Miss Richards.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 18th November, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. RATE COLLECTION. The collection of rates from the 1st October to date is 51.5% as compared with 49% for the corresponding period during 1947.

3. CASH POSITION. The Treasurer submitted a financial statement for the period from 13th November, 1948, to the 10th December, 1948.

4. LOANS - PERMANENT BORROWING. With reference to Minute No.8 of the Report of this Committee dated 18th November, 1948, the first advance of £30,000 was received on 11th December, 1948, the sum of £15,000 having been placed on deposit temporarily with Barclays Bank Limited at ½% interest, subject to 14 days notice of withdrawal.

In order to meet housing contract instalments etc., which will become payable in the near future, arrangements have been made to borrow a further sum of £30,000 from the Public Works Loan Board.

5. EXPENDITURE CLAIMS. Following the completion of the audit of accounts for 1947/8, final payments of expenditure claims in respect of balances owing for that year are now being received from Government Departments and the County Council.

The balance for 1947/8 in respect of County Roads has been agreed at £770 5s. 5d. and payment of this together with the claim for working costs on the Sewage Disposal Service, which has been agreed with the County Council at £700 4s. 8d. is expected before the end of the month.

In connection with the Sewage Disposal Service, the apportionment of Income Tax set-off afforded by the provisions of the Finance Act No.2, 1945, has been dealt with during the years 1944/45 to date in accordance with the Agreed Rules of the Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants. The set-off arising from the Schedule A & B tax liability on the Works and Cottages, after deducting the tax retained on loan interest, is retained for the benefit of this Council's General Rate Fund under the Agreed Rules previously referred to, and for the four years ended 31st March, 1948, the net amount involved is £2,237 19s. 0d.

6. STORES ACCOUNTS. Owing to the large amount of direct labour works on hand, particularly so far as housing repairs, maintenance, and building are concerned, the Treasurer reported that the volume of stores accounting work had considerably increased, and has resulted in insufficient time being allowed for proper control and recording of stores.

Messrs. Alan A. Trapp, who run a mechanised accounting service agency, are prepared to undertake the monthly sorting and tabulating of stores under commodity and expenditure heads, by machine tabulations, in accordance with the following charges:-

Punching and verifying cards £2 per 1,000.
Tabulation (including sorting) 10/6d per 1,000 per tabulation.
Plus current cost of cards and stationery.

It is estimated that current stores work would entail the punching, tabulation etc., of 14,000 cards per annum, and on this basis the annual cost is approximately £60.

The tabulations would then be used for posting to the stores and expenditure ledgers, and thereby the following advantages would be gained:-

(a) The Stores Assistant is relieved of the monotonous work of sorting and analysing stores, and is able to devote time to Stores Control where his abilities are much more effectively used.

(b) Greater accuracy in analysing is obtained by machine preparation.

(c) The work is done at less cost than by hand methods.

The Committee recommend that the Treasurer be authorised to make the necessary arrangements on the lines now indicated.

7. SUNDRY ACCOUNTS. The Treasurer reported as to the circumstances in connection with sundry debtors account No.8192 amounting to £1 5s.0d. of which 10s.0d. had been paid on account.

The Committee recommend that the balance of 15s.0d. be written off as irrecoverable.

8. ESTIMATES 1948/49 - ADDITIONAL EXPENDITURE. A statement was submitted by the Treasurer showing the additional commitments to date, which have arisen since the rate estimates for 1948/49 were approved.

The item approved by the General Purposes Committee, subject to the observations of this Committee, is as follows:-

Minute No.	Nature of Expenditure.	Estimated Cost.
17 (b) November Meeting.	Purchase of ballot boxes and cancelling presses for election purposes.	£75.

The Committee have no comments to make on such expenditure.

9. EXPENDITURE AND ESTIMATES - REFUSE DISPOSAL. With reference to Minute No.11 of the Report of this Committee dated 18th November, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report showing that the actual expenditure for the six months to 30th September, 1948, was £2,806 as against the approved estimate of £2,504. The cost for the whole year is now estimated to be £4,160.

The main reasons for the expenditure exceeding the estimate may be summarised as follows:-

Sick pay; increase in wages and overtime; acquiring the necessary materials - clinker, clay and top spit for the restoration of land after tipping; preparation of Sewage Works tip; increase due to haulage and publicity in house to house collections for salvage campaigns.

10. ACCOUNTS. The Committee recommend that the Council authorise and order Barclays Bank Limited to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed on Pages 40 to 44 of the Treasurer's Order, amounting to the sum of £39,161 3s. 7d. also weekly cheques for wages and Postmaster General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of £3,800, and in any one week a maximum of £950, signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

A A Matthews.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.35 p.m. and terminated at 8.50 p.m.

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

No. 40

To BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED,
233, WOODHOUSE ROAD, FRIERN BARNET, N.12.

PURSUANT to a Resolution adopted this 30TH day of DECEMBER, 19 48
WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 40 to 44 of this Order, amounting to the sum of ----------THIRTY NINE THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND SIXTY ONE----------pounds --THREE-- shillings and -------SEVEN-------- pence, also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster-General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of ---------- THREE THOUSAND AND EIGHT HUNDRED----------pounds and in any one week a maximum of ----------NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY----------pounds signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

Chairman.

Members of the Council.

Countersigned :

Deputy
Clerk of the Council.

S. & S. LTD. G61924

Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment		
1570	EMERGENCY IMPREST ACCOUNT.--	153	17	7
1571	ABBEY NATIONAL BUILDING SOCIETY.--	12	10	-
1572	ADAMS-HYDRAULICS LTD.--	128	10	-
1573	ADDRESSOGRAPH MULTIGRAPH LTD.--	1	13	-
1574	ALEXANDRA PARK TRUSTEES.--	20	-	-
1575	E.J.ALLWORTHY.--	28	-	-
1576	ANGLO-AMERICAN OIL CO LTD.--	4	15	10
1577	ARCHITECTURAL PRESS LTD.--	3	17	-
1578	ATLAS STONE CO LTD.--	46	-	-
1579	AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE & ELECTRIC CO LTD.--	15	16	5
1580	AVERY, W.& T.LTD.--	3	15	-
1581	DAVID BAKER & CO.--	35	2	-
1582	P.W.K.BARKER.--	1	8	3
1583	BARNET DISTRICT GAS & WATER CO.--	59	8	2
1584	GEO BELL & SONS LTD.--	2	2	-
1585	BERSEL MANUFACTURING CO LTD.--	6	6	-
1586	S.F.N.BOULTING.--	13	-	-
1587	H.N.BOUSTRED.--	11	5	-
1588	SYDNEY BOWYER & CO.--	27	4	6
1589	BRADFORD PROPERTY TRUST LTD.--	12	2	6
1590	BRITISH BYE-PRODUCTS LTD.--	17	10	-
1591	BRITISH OXYGEN CO LTD.--	-	4	-
1592	BRITISH STANDARDS INSTITUTION.--	5	17	-
1593	D.MELVILLE BROWN.--	12	10	-
1594	BUCKLAND & SONS.--	21	5	-
1595	BUILDER LTD.--	4	6	-
1596	W.J.F.BURNETT.--	13	-	-
1597	BURROUGHS ADDING MACHINE LTD.--	1	10	-
1598	CEMENT MARKETING CO LTD.--	23	16	10
1599	CHAPPELL PIANO CO LTD.--	2	11	-
1600	B.CLIFFORD LTD.--	4	4	-
1601	COGGAN & PEARSON LTD.--	3	12	6
1602	COLYER & SOUTHEY LTD.--	2	2	6
1603	COMMERCIAL (STEWART & ARDEN) PROPERTIES LTD.--	15	5	-
1604	COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE.--	184	9	-

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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
1605	J.B.CONNELLY LTD.--	2 2 -
1606	P.A.CORDELL.--	13 5 -
1607	COURTNEY POPE (ELECTRICAL) LTD.--	843 7 11
1608	CRAMB BROS LTD.--	100 9 5
1609	W.CREIGHTON & CO LTD.--	49 15 6
1610	CROSBY ESTATES LTD.--	10 - -
1611	CROM. CATCHPOLE & CO LTD.--	127 14 5
1612	GABRIELLA DUNLIFFE.--	17 - -
1613	W.N.DULLEN.--	35 13 2
1614	JOHN DAVIS.--	- 15 -
1615	J.A.DEAN.--	22 - -
1616	DENTON HALL & BURGIN.--	13 - -
1617	DERBY TRUSTEE SAVINGS BANK.--	294 2 8
1618	DICKINSON & CLARKE LTD.--	2 2 -
1619	F.DUEL.--	16 5 -
1620	M.F.DUNPHY & SON.--	134 1 8
1621	EASTERN ELECTRICITY BOARD.--	116 10 3
1622	HORACE ECKERT.--	228 8 9
1623	A.E.ELLIOTT.--	12 10 -
1624	ELSWORTH BROS LTD.--	22 2 -
1625	FAIRWAYS LTD.--	40 2 6
1626	H.FAIRWEATHER & CO LTD.--	2 2 -
1627	FALKIRK IRON CO LTD.--	129 8 2
1628	FENCING (SHEPPERTON) LTD.--	35 1 10
1629	E.FENSOME.--	4 1 11
1630	FIELD-DAVIS LTD.--	2 2 -
1631	FINCHLEY & FRIERN BURIAL HOUSING ASSOC.--	100 - -
1632	FINCHLEY CORPORATION.--	38 8 4
1633	FINCHLEY PRESS LTD.--	1 - -
1634	FINE ART & GENERAL INSURANCE CO LTD.--	106 12 8
1635	E.FISHER (RECEIVER).--	17 15 -
1636	M.H.E.FRAMPTON.--	34 - -
1637	FRIERN BARNET U.D.C.--	6,632 13 9
1638	FURNACK LTD.--	9 3 3
1639	GENERAL ELECTRIC CO LTD.--	- 12 -
1640	ALBERT GILBERT & SONS LTD.--	4 12 3
1641	U.B.GILBERT.--	27 - -
1642	H.GINN & SON LTD.--	130 6 8
1643	GLODMAN BROS (BUTCHERS) LTD.--	35 11 3
1644	GORDON LODGE INVESTMENT CO LTD.--	8 - -
1645	GORHAM (CONTRACTORS) LTD.--	2 2 -
1646	WM.GREASBY & CO LTD.--	175 5 5
1647	J.HALDEN & CO LTD.--	7 2 10
1648	HALES CLINKERS LTD.--	49 14 -
1649	HALL HARDING LTD.--	14 7 11
1650	HEATH ESTATES LTD.--	4 4 -
1651	J.HENDON & SONS.--	91 3 6
1652	JOSEPH HIBBERD & SONS.--	18 15 -
1653	JOHN HILL & SONS.--	100 6 6
1654	JAMES HULLER LTD.--	10 3 9
1655	B.HIRST & SONS LTD.--	84 8 8
1656	H.M.STATIONERY OFFICE.--	- 18 5
1657	HOAD & SON LTD.--	2 2 -
1658	FRED HODGE LTD.--	40 - 4
1659	J.HOLLAND & SON.--	393 12 9
1660	DUUGLAS HOLT LTD.--	- 17 2
1661	HOOPER & JACKSON L.--	27 15 -
1662	HORNSEY JOURNAL LTD.--	2 6 6
1663	HOSPITAL SAVING ASSOCIATION.--	3 14 -
1664	V.A.HOWARD LTD.--	236 16 10
1665	H.HOWES & CO LTD.--	60 7 9
1666	ROBERT HUDSON LTD.--	49 14 -
1667	C.J.HUNT & CO LTD.--	76 15 3
1668	E.G. & A.E.JONES.--	14 10 -
1669	R.T.JONES.--	12 10 -
1670	W.N.JOYCE & SONS LTD.--	75 13 6
1671	WALTER JUDD LTD.--	35 8 5
1672	KALAMAZOO LTD.--	29 15 2
1673	KERRYS (GT.BRITAIN) LTD.--	- 6 -
1674	E.M.KINGSTON.--	125 9 2

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1675	E.KNIFTON LTD.--	672 - -
1676	CHAS.KNIGHT & CO LTD.--	3 5 -
1677	P.E.KNIGHT.--	7 5 -
1678	KNIGHT FRANK & RUTLEY.--	18 - -
1679	H.KONYN.--	13 - -
1680	LANGREY LONDON LTD.--	6 15 7
1681	LARKIN FORGE LTD.--	3 9 4
1682	W.E.& G.LAWRANCE LTD.--	3 9 5
1683	TRUSTEES OF THE LAWRENCE CAMPE'S ALMSHOUSES.--	1 5 -
1684	HUBERT C LEACH LTD.--	4 4 -
1685	LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL.--	- 10 -
1686	LONDON TRANSPORT EXECUTIVE.--	- 1 -
1687	LORD & GARRETT LTD.--	23 2 9
1688	M.V.MARKHAM.--	5 15 -
1689	MARSHALL.--	13 9 11
1690	J.MARSHALL.--	4 3 8
1691	MARTYN BUILDERS LTD.--	39 10 -
1692	H.E.McLEOD.--	5 5 -
1693	McMANUS & CO LTD.--	2 2 -
1694	MIDDLESEX BOROUGH & DISTRICT COUNCILS ASSOCIATION.--	3 3 -
1695	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	19,993 - -
1696	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	411 5 -
1697	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	29 12 10
1698	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	1 2 -
1699	MIDLAND BANK LTD.--	12 10 -
1700	J.W.MILTON.--	14 - -
1701	C.S.MOORE & SON.--	6 5 6
1702	E.S.MOSS LTD.--	4 4 -
1703	MUNICIPAL MUTUAL INSURANCE LTD.--	322 11 7
1704	J.MURPHY & SONS.--	4 4 -
1705	MUSWELL HILL RECORD & PRINTING CO LTD.--	3 15 6
1706	H.A.NASH.--	- 8 6
1707	S.A.NAYLOR.--	52 - -
1708	EDWARD NEVOLS.--	12 10 -
1709	NEW SOUTHGATE JOINT RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE.--	150 - -
1710	NEWTON CHAMBERS & CO LD.--	4 16 -
1711	NORMANS.--	11 10 -
1712	NORTH MIDDLESEX ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE.--	97 10 -
1713	H.G.OAKLEY.--	6 5 -
1714	OFFICIAL SOLICITOR TO SUPREME COURT.--	17 5 -
1715	WILLIAM PAGE & CO LTD.--	- 11 3
1716	PANNELL (MERCHANTS) LTD.--	7 9 6
1717	THOS.PARSONS & SONS LTD.--	58 10 -
1718	PEARCE & SONS.--	40 - -
1719	PENLEE QUARRIES LTD.--	296 11 10
1720	PERRY (REPAIRS & SERVICE) LTD.--	9 14 1
1721	A.PITT.--	13 7 -
1722	POSTMASTER GENERAL (FOR NATIONAL INSURANCE STAMPS).--	81 1 1
1723	POSTMASTER GENERAL (FOR NATIONAL SAVINGS).--	9 15 -
1724	R.H.POWIS LTD.--	2 2 -
1725	L.PRIESACK.--	13 10 -
1726	RANSOMES, SIMS & JEFFERIES LTD.--	- 2 11
1727	P.RAY.--	9 15 -
1728	GEO.REED & SONS LTD.--	4 4 -
1729	REFLECTING ROADSTUDS LTD.--	2 1 8
1730	REGENT OIL CO LTD.--	62 14 2
1731	REMINGTON RAND LTD.--	32 - -
1732	ADMINISTRATORS OF E.J.REYNOLDS.--	15 - -
1733	R.S.ROBINSON.--	23 10 -
1734	ROGERSON & CO (BUILDERS) LTD.--	2 2 -
1735	ROMAC INDUSTRIES LTD.--	- 3 8
1736	RONEO LTD.--	51 12 11
1737	RONUK LTD.--	4 4 -
1738	A.T.ROWLEY (LONDON) LTD.--	4 4 -
1739	ROYAL LIVER FRIENDLY SOC.--	87 11 1

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1740	ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF ACCIDENTS.--	2 - -
1741	RUBBERINE LTD.--	- 9 5
1742	E.J.RUDD.--	1 10 11
1743	RUSTON & HORNSBY LTD.--	2 16 11
1744	SALTER REX & CO.--	12 10 -
1745	A.SAMUEL.--	24 6 4
1746	A.G.SCOTT (BUILDERS) LTD.--	2 2 -
1747	V.E.SCOTT.--	13 18 2
1748	F.H.SHARP.--	20 - -
1749	SHAW & SONS LTD.--	- 10 4
1750	C.F.SIMMONDS.--	62 10 -
1751	C.W.B.SIMMONDS LTD.--	8 2 3
1752	SIMPSON & SONS.--	103 5 6
1753	CYRIL SLINN.--	10 - -
1754	SMITH & SONS (STOKE NEWINGTON) LTD.--	16 12 -
1755	W.E.SMITH & SONS.--	66 6 1
1756	H.C.D.SMYTH.--	15 - -
1757	CHARLES SPARTON & SON.--	63 4 9
1758	J.C.SPURGEON LTD.--	2 2 -
1759	P.STEEDS.--	30 - -
1760	S.STEVENS.--	13 - -
1761	STEVENS & ADAMS LTD.--	5 14 6
1762	STURT & TIVENDALE.--	367 - 9
1763	ST.ALBANS SAND & GRAVEL CO LTD.--	23 19 6
1764	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	1,150 3 6
1765	M.ELLIOTT.--	28 11 8
1766	M.KING.--	25 12 8
1767	D.M.PHILLIPS.--	20 8 -
1768	V.G.GEORGE.--	22 5 11
1769	B.WATERHOUSE.--	9 7 4
1770	J.NEWLING.--	18 8 -
1771	H.FAWCETT.--	20 19 6
1772	K.R.SMITH.--	51 12 -
1773	F.H.GENTLE.--	36 3 4
1774	I.A.HAYWARD.--	29 8 3
1775	C.WALKER.--	19 4 6
1776	D.F.BARKER.--	28 13 8
1777	C.TAYLOR.--	25 15 10
1778	H.A.PHILLIPS.--	27 4 4
1779	J.F.WARD.--	27 2 4
1780	E.I.MARTIN.--	26 5 -
1781	R.J.GANN.--	21 1 1
1782	J.LAUDER.--	10 15 2
1783	P.MARSHALL.--	12 6 10
1784	L.MANNING.--	29 17 7
1785	L.TIBBENHAM.--	20 12 7
1786	I.CIDRAI.--	20 6 -
1787	W.J.CLARKE.--	14 17 11
1788	A.C.BRUMWELL.--	8 - -
1789	C.G.BAINBRIDGE.--	15 11 1
1790	W.L.THACKRAH.--	30 - -
1791	F.FERRIOR TOMLIN.--	92 12 6
1792	TOTTENHAM & DISTRICT GAS CO.--	118 6 5
1793	TRISTRAM & POWER.--	12 - -
1794	J.H.TURNER.--	3 15 7
1795	EXECUTORS OF H.J.TYLER.--	10 - -
1796	UNDERWOOD ELLIOTT FISHER LTD.--	- 18 7
1797	UNIVERSAL MAT CO LTD.--	39 15 -
1798	VISIBLE WRITING MACHINE CO LTD.--	64 10 -
1799	A.H.WADDLING.--	15 - -
1800	WATERLOW & SONS LTD.--	10 13 -
1801	WATERTIGHT STRUCTURES LTD.--	4 4 -
1802	WATKINS & McCOMBIE LTD.--	19 10 1
1803	WITKIN REYNOLDS & CO LTD.--	3 5 -
1804	S.E.WOOD.--	15 10 -
1805	W.G.WOOD (BRUSHES) LTD.--	13 3 6
1806	WOOD GREEN CORPORATION.--	1,115 14 3
1807	F.WOODING & SON.--	55 1 7
1808	A.A.WRIGHT.--	45 11 3

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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
1809	G.YATES	12 - -
1810	A.J.YU	11 9 4
		£ 39,161 3 7

Report and Recommendations of the General Purposes Committee

16th December, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs.McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on the 18th November, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. PUBLIC BUILDINGS LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The report and recommendations of the above-mentioned Committee held this day, a copy of which is attached, was submitted and the Committee recommend that the report and recommendations be approved and confirmed, subject to the substitution of the amount £2 2s. 0d. for £3 3s. 0d. in Minute No.6 thereof.

3. REQUISITIONED PROPERTY - No.26, PARKHURST ROAD - SUGGESTED RELEASE. With reference to Minute No.3 (a) of the Report of the Housing Committee dated 9th December, 1948, the Committee gave further consideration to the application made by the owner of this property for its release from requisition, in order to enable him to take up occupation therein.

The Committee recommend that the owner be informed that the Council regret they are unable to accede to his request at the present time, in view of the housing position in the District.

4. FIRE BRIGADE.

(a) Fire Calls. During the month of November, 1948, the Fire Service attended one fire at a lock-up garage in Oakleigh Road on 23rd November, 1948, in which 4 cars sustained damage.

(b) Fire Alarm - Junction of Friern Barnet Lane and Myddelton Park. With reference to Minute No.4 (e) of the Report of this Committee on 18th November, 1948, a letter dated 30th November, 1948, was submitted from the Chief Officer, Middlesex County Council Fire Service stating that some little time may elapse before the fire alarm mechanism is returned from the makers, but the Council may rest assured that in due course it will be restored for public use.

5. PRIORY CIVIC RESTAURANT. The Treasurer reported that the Quarter ended 30th September, 1948, resulted in a trading loss of £40 as compared with a profit of £4 for the previous Quarter before charging the cost of the layout of the ornamental garden - £40.

6. COLNEY HATCH LANE - PROPOSED RENAMING. With reference to Minute No.4 of the Report of the Meeting of the Highways and Public Works Committee held on 2nd December, 1948, the Committee gave further consideration to the question of renaming Colney Hatch Lane.

In connection therewith correspondence was submitted from the Secretary of the Hospital Management Committee, the Physician Superintendent, the Secretary of Medical Staff Committee, and the Transport and General Workers Union supporting the proposal, it being contended that the retention of the name "Colney Hatch" to a lane bordering the Hospital estate does harm to the potential patients entering the Hospital, and detracts from the effort made to break away from old associations by changing the name of the Hospital some years ago. A letter was submitted from Mr. J.L. Barr in

opposition stating that the District can pride itself on its linkage through very many local names with many great events of the past, the name 'Colney Hatch' taking one back very much farther than the name "Friern Barnet".

Having given the matter further careful consideration, the Committee does not consider that there is sufficient justification to accede to the request, and therefore recommend that no action be taken.

7. LOCAL RECORDS. The Clerk reported that a communication dated 24th November, 1948, had been received from Mr. C.O. Banks of 63, Friern Park, N.12., stating that he had collected a great deal of historical information and documents and, in view of the fact that it was possible he might leave the District, he was desirous that such historical records should be preserved.

The Clerk further reported that he had interviewed Mr. Banks on the 1st December, when he produced a number of records that he had made, commencing with copies of the Court Rolls of the Manor of "Freren Barnet" commencing in the reign of King Henry VII, and claims to have copied all these right up to and including the year 1850. They are contained in several volumes of manuscript with quite a number of interesting copy documents relating to the District. Mr. Banks enquires whether the Council are interested in these copies and, if so, whether they would be prepared to make some payment in respect thereof, as over many years past he has incurred considerable expenditure in the compilation of these works, particularly in paying for translation of some early documents which were written in Latin or Old English script.

The Council have never adopted the Public Libraries Act 1892, and it would appear that they have no power under the Public Libraries Acts 1892 - 1919 to provide Public Libraries, Museums and Art Galeries, and therefore no power to make a payment for such documents. The Public Libraries Acts having been adopted by the County Council they continue to be the Library Authority for the area.

The Committee recommend that Mr. Banks be informed of the position outlined in the foregoing paragraph and advised to refer his offer to the Middlesex County Council.

The Committee further recommend that the Middlesex County Council be informed of this Council's interest in the matter and requesting notification as to any action proposed to be taken.

8. 246, FRIERN BARNET LANE. With reference to Minute No.5 of the Report of this Committee dated 18th November, 1948, a further letter dated 28th November, 1948, was submitted from Mr. Boggis stating that the Band practice held by the Friern Barnet Unit Sea Cadet Corps on the day of his letter, appeared to have been an orderly affair and gave no cause for complaint. It was, however, expressed that the use of the house by the Cadets is a potent source of annoyance.

Certain further investigations will be made, but the Committee are satisfied that allpossible steps are being taken to reduce to a minimum any annoyance caused to residents, and therefore recommend that no further action be taken in the matter at the present time.

9. TRAVELLING FACILITIES - 'BUS SERVICES. Representations have been made by the Council's representative Cr. Meynell, on the Middlesex County Council Traffic Sub-Committee, to the London Transport Executive on certain matters relating to 'bus services operating in the locality. Cr. Meynell reported that a letter dated 2nd December, 1948, had been received from the Public Relations Officer offering the following comments on the matters raised:-

" (a) Routes 43 and 134; departures from Friern Barnet Town Hall terminus. During the morning peak period six buses per hour leave this point on route 43 and twelve on route 134, in addition to short journeys between

there and the Archway, and a through service on route 134 from Potters Bar. You will appreciate that in providing this frequency it is difficult for us to avoid some departures coinciding on these routes. Every endeavour is made, however, to secure as even a distribution as possible.

(b) Route 134; terminations at Muswell Hill. During the evening peak period the schedule on this route is for six buses to turn here on Mondays to Fridays, compared with seventeen which continue to Friern Barnet and beyond. The occasions to which you refer when consecutive buses were turned must have arisen from some disturbance in the running due to traffic conditions towards central London, or some such cause. I am afraid that it would not be practicable for us to introduce transfer facilities on this route.

(c) Route 112; North Circular Road. As to your request for a shelter at the bus stop where Colney Hatch Lane and Pinkham Way adjoin, our own observations do not bear out your statement that many people change to or from route 112 buses there. We are very short of shelters and have, in fact, over 800 outstanding applications, many of which we realise have very strong claims. The best I can do on this score is to add your application to our long waiting list."

10. CIVIL DEFENCE.

(a) Civil Defence Bill. A copy of the Civil Defence Bill now before Parliament, which provides a new statutory basis for Civil Defence preparation by Ministers, Local Authorities, Police Authorities, public utility undertakings and industrial and commercial employers, making wide provision for future administration by regulations, was submitted for information.

(b) Future Civil Defence Policy. With reference to Minute No.9 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 18th November, 1948, a letter dated 1st December, 1948, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that consideration has been given to Civil Defence Circular No.8/48 having already in its possession information concerning instructors employed at the Group Training School. It is, however, requested that information as to instructors who previously assisted within the Urban District, and who are again willing to serve in that capacity, should be supplied, pointing out that Civil Defence Liaison Officers would be prepared to assist in obtaining such information.

A copy of the Circular referred to has been passed to the Civil Defence Association from whom the information required is awaited.

11. GAS ACT, 1948 - NOMINATIONS FOR CONSULTATIVE COUNCILS. A letter dated 18th November, 1948, was submitted from the Urban District Councils' Association stating that under Section 9 of the Gas Act, 1948, Consultative Councils are to be set up for the area of each Area Gas Board. Between one-half and three-quarters of each Council are to be appointed by the Ministry of Fuel and Power from a panel of persons nominated from amongst members of Local Authorities for this purpose. The Urban District Councils' Association has been invited to nominate the representatives for each area.

The County of Middlesex is partly included in the Eastern Area Board, for which six nominees may be submitted, and partly in the North Thames Area Board, for which four nominees may be submitted.

The Committee recommend that the Urban District Councils' Association be informed that this Council do not desire to submit nominations for representation on such Councils.

12. SUNDAY ENTERTAINMENTS ACT 1932 - APPROVED CHARITIES. With reference to Minute No.8 of the Report of this Committee on 15th July, 1948, a letter dated 18th November, 1948, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that the appropriate Committee of the County Council had now considered the nominations, and has decided to place the Social Service Guild on the list of charities. Consideration has, however, been adjourned until the next Meeting in respect of application made by the Finchley and Friern Barnet Housing Association.

13. URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILS' ASSOCIATION - ANNUAL CONFERENCE. An invitation was submitted from the Urban District Councils' Association to appoint representatives to attend the Annual Conference to be held at the Winter Gardens, Bournemouth, on the 22nd, 23rd, and 24th June, 1949. The Minister of Health has sanctioned the payment of reasonable expenses of not more than three members of the Council and the Clerk.

The Committee recommend that the Chairman of the Council at that time, and the Clerk, be appointed the Council's representatives to attend the Conference.

14. FINCHLEY AND FRIERN BARNET COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE. A summary of the work carried out during the months of October and November, 1948, together with a report of the first meeting of the Old Peoples' Welfare Committee, copies of which have already been supplied to each Member of the Council, was submitted for information.

15. OUTER LONDON STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE. A letter dated 9th December, 1948, was submitted giving notice of the Annual Meeting to be held at the Livingstone Hall, 42, Broadway, London, S.W.1., on Wednesday the 16th February, 1949, at 3.0 p.m. and enquiring whether the Council desires to apply for election to the Executive Committee, and if so, requesting the name of the representative nominated. The Council are also invited to submit matters for consideration at that Meeting.

The Committee recommend that the Joint Committee be informed that this Council does not desire to seek nomination for representation on the Executive Committee, or to submit any matter for consideration at the Annual Meeting.

16. LAND IN THE VICINITY OF THE AVENUE. With reference to Minute No.12 of the Report of this Committee dated 18th November, 1948, a report by the Sub-Committee appointed to make an inspection of the site was submitted.

The Committee agree in principle to the land in question being utilised as a small open space, to be left as far as possible in its present natural state. It is suggested that it would be necessary to remove some of the hawthorn bushes where existing growth is congested, some informal paths laid to facilitate access to the top of the slope, and a number of seats provided.

The Committee recommend that the Sub-Committee previously appointed be authorised to negotiate with British Railways for the lease of the land in question for a reasonable term, and in addition a small area to the South to obtain the maximum depth of land possible, where abutting on the Avenue, and to submit a report on such negotiations at a later date.

17. LEE CONSERVANCY CATCHMENT BOARD - ELECTION OF MEMBERS. A letter dated 15th December, 1948, was submitted from the Lee Conservancy Catchment Board inviting the Council to nominate representatives to serve on the Board, and also persons appointed to vote on behalf of Local Authorities, under the provisions of the Lee Conservancy Act, 1900.

The election is to be held on 11th March, 1949, but by Rule 2 candidates for election must be nominated on the prescribed form bearing the seal of the Council, not later than eight clear weeks before the date fixed for the election.

The Committee recommend that no action be taken to nominate a representative to serve on the Board, but the Chairman of the Council be appointed to vote on behalf of the Council at the election.

18. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES - GOLDSMITH ROAD. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that following a recent inspection of the cistern type Thermal Storage Water Heater in the Gentlemen's Public Convenience, which has become defective, the manufacturers report that it appears to be beyond repair, and the estimated cost of this replacement is £75.

Although, in view of the fact that a large quantity of hot water is not required at any one time, a Non-Pressure type Water Heater is considered to be sufficient, it would then be necessary to instal a Cold Water Storage Cistern of a minimum capacity of 20 gallons on the roof of the Conveniences. The estimated cost of this installation complete with cistern is £25.

No provision has been made in the current annual estimates for this expenditure.

The Committee recommend that as a cold water supply is available for use, consideration of this matter be deferred until June, 1949.

19. TOWN HALL - MAINTENANCE. The doors to the Main Entrance, Food Office, and at either end of the Ground Floor Corridor are operated by Double Action Check Floor Springs, none of which have received special attention since they were first installed.

The Engineer and Surveyor reported that a quotation had been obtained from a specialist firm for the overhaul and adjustment of the mechanism, the replacement of the necessary oil, and minor repairs as may be required, in the sum of £15 5s. 0d.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to proceed with arrangements for the necessary work to be carried out, and to include, at a comparable price, the overhaul and adjustment of such fittings to the doors of the Committee Rooms.

20. LIGHTING - ALBION AVENUE. With reference to Minute No.20 (d) of the Report of the Highways and Public Works Committee on 2nd November, 1948, the representatives duly appointed, submitted a report on an inspection of the lighting in this vicinity.

The Committee consider that the under-mentioned improvements should be effected:-

(a) A new lamp with an improved sodium fitting to be installed on the North-East side of The Vale/Albion Avenue junction. Estimated cost £30.

(b) The existing lamp on the South side of Albion Avenue near the junction with The Vale to be moved to a point opposite the boundary between Nos. 14 and 16, Albion Avenue. Estimated cost £38.

(c) A new lamp to be fixed on the North side of Albion Avenue to light the elliptical turning space. Estimated cost £22.

No provision has been made in the current annual estimates for this expenditure, but the Committee recommend that subject to the comments of the Finance Committee the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to proceed with the work, the total estimated cost of which is £90.

DELETE "SUBJECT TO THE COMMENTS OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE & E MINUTE 2 OF THE COMMEN. 30.12.48

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.50 p.m. and terminated at 9.10 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Buildings Lettings Committee

16th December, 1948.

PRESENT:

Cr. E. Draper ... Chairman

Crs. McClane, Martin, Matthews, Richardson and Sparks.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 18th November, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. LETTINGS BOOK. The Lettings Book for the Town Hall was submitted, and each booking to date approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. COMMITTEE ROOMS 1 and 2.

(a) 21st Birthday Party - Non-Resident. With reference to Minute No.4 (b) (ii) of the Report of this Committee dated 18th November, 1948, the Committee gave further consideration to the application received from Miss B. Harveyson of 2, Derwent Cottages, Finchley, for the use of this accommodation on Saturday the 2nd April, 1949.

Having regard to the fact that no further application has been received for the use of the accommodation on the date in question, the Committee recommend that the application be granted subject to the payment of the normal fee of £5 5s. 0d. plus 10s.6d. for the use of the piano, such user to terminate at the normal time, namely 11.0 p.m.

(b) New Southgate and Friern Barnet Chamber of Commerce. This organisation hasbooked Committee Room 1 on 28th February, 28th March, 30th May, 27th June, 25th September, and 28th November, 1949, for the purpose of Meetings, incorporating Lectures and Debates, open to all those who are self employed, and also Committee Room No.2 on 1st February, 25th April, 25th July and 31st October, 1949, for General Meetings of the Branch.

In connection therewith a letter dated 2nd December, 1948, was submitted requesting consideration to a reduction in the fee payable, in view of the public service which will be afforded, a programme of subjects having been arranged at which specialists on each particular subject will be in attendance.

Further, the Board of Management state that they will be pleased to co-operate with any suggestions that may originate from the Council whereby information of interest to traders can be publicised.

The Committee recommend that no reduction be made in the fee payable in this case.

(c) United Nations Association. This organisation has booked Committee Room No.1 on 18th February, 1949, for the purpose of a Meeting.

On previous occasions they were granted such facilities at a reduced charge of 10s.0d. and an application for a similar concession has been received.

The Committee recommend that the Association be granted the use of this accommodation on the date in question, at the reduced charge of 10s.0d.

4. ANNUAL STAFF PARTY. It was reported that the Chairman of the Council, having received a letter from the Hon. Secretary of the local branch of N.A.L.G.O. requesting that they may be again afforded the facilities as last year, namely the use of the Council Chamber and Committee Rooms No.1 and 2 until 12.0 midnight for this purpose on Saturday, 8th January, 1949, the staff arranging for the carpet in the Council Chamber to be taken up and re-laid after the event, had, as a matter of urgency, granted the application free of charge.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Chairman of the Council be approved and confirmed.

The Committee further recommend that the staff be authorised to have the use of plants and other decorations from the parks, as on previous occasions.

5. FRIERN BARNET COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION. It was reported that the Chairman of the Council has authorised that the Friern Barnet Community Association be granted the use of accommodation in the Town Hall for Meeting purposes, free of charge, and the Committee recommend that the action taken by the Chairman of the Council be approved and confirmed.

6. SOCIAL FUNCTIONS - LOCAL ORGANISATIONS. The Committee recommend that the charge for the hire of Committee Rooms 1 and 2 for evening social functions sponsored by local organisations be reduced to £3 3s. 0d., the charge for private social functions i.e. Wedding Receptions and 21st Birthday Parties and other similar functions to remain unchanged.

E. Drake.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.15 p.m. and terminated at 6.35 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Establishment Committee

21st December, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards and Richardson.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin and Tarlton.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 16th November, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. REPORTS OF JOINT COMMITTEES. The Committee received reports of the Joint Committee Meetings held this day, copies of which have been circulated to all Members of the Council, and arising therefrom the Committee recommend as follows:-

(a) Office Hours. That as from 3rd January, 1949, the normal office hours on Mondays to Fridays be amended from 9.0 a.m. to 5.15 p.m. with 1½ hours for lunch to 9.0 a.m. to 5.0 p.m. with 1 hour for lunch, the hours of work on Saturday mornings remaining unchanged.

(b) Female Staff Rest Room. That a Settee be acquired for use by the female staff during periods of illness, and placed in the Lady Members' Room as a temporary measure until the 31st March, 1949, during which time consideration be given to the allocation of a special room for the purpose.

(c) Refuse Collection Foremen. That the decision of the Provincial Joint Industrial Council be implemented, namely that Refuse Collection Loader Drivers not required to perform any loading duties be regarded as members of the refuse collection team for the purpose of calculating the Foreman's wages, and accordingly that as from 5th January, 1949, the pay of Mr. R. Corker be increased from £6 1s. 3d. per week to £6 5s. 9d. per week.

(d) Christmas Holidays. That those manual workers who are required to work on the afternoon of Friday the 24th December, 1948, be paid at the normal plain time rates in respect of the time worked, and allowed equivalent time off with pay at a later date.

3. CAR ALLOWANCES. With reference to Minute No.9 of the Report of this Committee dated 21st September, 1948, the Committee recommend that in addition to the car allowance authorised in respect of the Housing Estates Manager, and the continuation of such allowance to the Clerk of Works, the allowances payable to the under-mentioned officers be continued in accordance with the scale referred to in Minute No.10 of the Report of this Committee dated 15th December, 1947, for a further period of three months to the 31st March, 1949:-

Clerk of the Council
Engineer and Surveyor
Deputy Engineer and Surveyor
Senior Building Inspector
Assistant Architect
Sanitary Inspector
Housing Officer
Highways Foreman
Housing Foreman

4. ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT.

(a) Appointment of Junior Engineering Assistant - Grade II. With reference to Minute No.7 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 16th November, 1948, Mr. D.J. Fuggle has been appointed to this position at a salary in accordance with Grade II of the A.P.T. Division, namely £420 per annum rising by annual increments of £15 to a maximum of £465 per annum, plus appropriate London Weighting allowance; the first increment to operate as from 1st April, 1950.

Mr. Fuggle is at present occupying a designated post under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Mr. Fuggle will take up his appointment on the 1st January, 1949.

(b) Appointment of Engineering Assistants (2) - Grade V. With reference to Minute No.22 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated 18th November, 1948, it was reported that Mr. R.E. Mills and Mr. E.D. Tulett had been appointed to these positions at salaries in accordance with Grade V of the A.P.T. Division, namely £520 per annum rising by two increments of £15 and one of £20 to a maximum of £570 per annum, plus appropriate London Weighting allowance; the first increment to operate as from the 1st April, 1950.

The persons appointed are at present occupying designated posts under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Mr. Mills, who will not require accommodation, will commence duties on the 10th January, 1949.

Mr. Tulett, who will require accommodation, stated, at first, that he was not prepared to take up the appointment until accommodation became available. He has since indicated that he would be prepared to travel to and from Crayford for the time being, if the Council are prepared to make some additional payment to cover part of his expenses.

The Committee recommend that Mr. Tulett be paid £1 per week towards the additional expenditure he incurs until such time as local accommodation is available, provided he commences duty not later than the 1st February, 1949.

Having regard to the fact that four hours travelling time daily will be involved, the Committee further recommend that Mr. Tulett be not required to work on Saturday mornings during that period.

(c) Appointment of Temporary Architectural Assistant - Grade Va. With reference to Minute No.22 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated 19th October, 1948, Mr. S. Gidlowe has been appointed to this position at a salary in accordance with Grade Va of the A.P.T. Division, namely £550 per annum rising by annual increments of £20 to a maximum of £610 per annum, plus appropriate London Weighting allowance.

Mr. Gidlowe is at present occupying a designated post under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Mr. Gidlow will take up his duties on the 3rd January, 1949.

In view of the fact that his former appointment was at a salary very little lower than that for this appointment, Mr. Gidlowe enquires whether the first increment might operate from the 1st April, 1949, in lieu of the 1st April, 1950, as prescribed by the Scheme of Conditions of Service.

The Committee recommend that consideration of the question of the operative date of the first increment be deferred until the March Meeting of this Committee.

(d) Appointment of Tracer. With reference to Minute No.82 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated 18th November, 1948, application has been made to the Ministry of Labour and National Service for authority to advertise this appointment. In the first instance the Regional Director is not prepared to grant this request, and arrangements are being made to circulate all the local offices of the Ministry of Labour in the London and South-Eastern area, and if this action proves unsuccessful by the 1st January, 1949, further consideration will be given to the application for authority to advertise the position.

5. SALVAGE - PAPER SALVAGE BONUS. With reference to Minute No.21 (b) of the Report of the Highways and Public Works Committee dated 2nd December, 1948, the Committee recommend that the present bonus paid to the 10 refuse collectors, 4 freighter drivers, 3 men employed at the refuse tip, and one paper baler, at a minimum of 2s.0d. per week rising on a scale as follows, be continued to the end of March 1949:-

Quantity of Waste Paper.	Bonus per week.
16 tons per month	3s. 0d.
18 " " "	4s. 0d.
20 " " "	5s. 0d.
25 " " " & over	7s. 6d.

6. MANUAL WORKERS - SICKNESS, ACCIDENTS, RESIGNATIONS AND ENGAGEMENTS. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted details of sickness, accidents, resignations and engagements with regard to the manual workers since the date of the last Meeting.

Arising from consideration of the report the Committee recommend that when Mr. W.E. Harrison, driver of the trade refuse collection vehicle, returns to duty he be transferred to the lighter work of driving one of the vehicles on house refuse collection.

7. TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT.

(a) Payment of Overtime. The Committee approved payment of overtime as follows:-

Mr. J.F. Ward	24 hours
Mr. J. Lowry	12 "

(b) Appointment of Accountancy Assistant - Grade I. With reference to Minute No.9 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 15th November, 1948, Mr. G.W. Wingfield has been appointed to this position at a salary in accordance with Grade I of the A.P.T. Division, namely £390 per annum rising by annual increments of £15 to a maximum of £435 per annum, plus appropriate London Weighting allowance; the first increment to operate as from the 1st April, 1950.

Mr. Wingfield is at present occupying a designated post under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

Mr. Wingfield anticipates taking up his appointment on the 17th January, 1949.

8. PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT - MR. J.J. WISDOM - EXAMINATION SUCCESS. It was reported that Mr. J.J. Wisdom, Additional Sanitary Inspector, had recently passed the Examination for the Diploma of Sanitary Science as applied to Buildings and Public Works.

The Committee recommend that the Council's congratulations be conveyed to Mr. Wisdom on his success, and that in pursuance of paragraph 29 of the National Scheme of Conditions of Service a grant of £30 be paid to Mr. Wisdom.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.0 p.m. and terminated at 7.30 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Entertainments Committee

21st December, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Pickering, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin, Meynell and Miss Richards.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 16th November, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. FESTIVAL OF ARTS, Etc. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Report of this Committee dated 16th November, 1948, a letter dated 17th November, was submitted from the Entertainments Manager of the Borough of Edmonton enclosing a Programme of that Council's Celebrity and Orchestral Concerts for the Season 1948/49, which had been arranged for the wide and varying demand for classical and light music, together with a booklet showing the other entertainments sponsored by the Edmonton Borough Council. All such activities were arranged, managed, and financed by the Council, and no "outside" organisation assisted in their promotion in any way.

Particulars were also sent of the Edmonton Drama Festival, which was also sponsored entirely by the Council, no assistance being given by "outside" organisations or Societies other than as entrants to the Contest.

The letter further stated that the response by the public in support of municipal entertainments is now, after two years, fairly well established.

Although the programme and estimate is framed so that income shall cover expenditure, fluctuations and losses are incurred with inclement weather, higher costs of living, and counter entertainment attractions.

3. NORTH LONDON THEATRE GUILD. With reference to Minute No.6 of the Report of this Committee dated 16th November, 1948, a letter dated 26th November, 1948, was submitted from the North London Theatre Guild enclosing notes of the Annual Meeting held on 2nd November, 1948, and stating that an endeavour is being made to form the local societies in Friern Barnet into a Group which can represent the amateur dramatic movement in any discussions with the Council, the initial steps in this matter being taken by Miss Gladys Hooker of the Priory Club.

The Committee recommend that Miss Hooker be informed of the Council's interest in the matter and requested to furnish information as to future developments in this direction.

4. LONDON COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE - CONFERENCE OF ARTS COUNCILS. A letter dated 19th November, 1948, was submitted from the London Council of Social Service enclosing for information a copy of the programme of a Conference of Local Arts Councils held on 17th December, 1948, to consider the question of setting up a Standing Conference which will meet at regular intervals and provide a means for pooling information and experience in this field of work.

Information was also requested as to whether steps are being taken to exercise the power conferred by Section 132 of the Local Government Act, 1948, and if so the details of such activities.

The Committee recommend that the London Council of Social Service be informed that this Council are taking steps to exercise their power for the provision of entertainments, and details of the programme will be supplied to them as soon as it has been formulated.

5. MIDDLESEX COUNTY DRAMA COMMITTEE. A copy of pamphlet No.7 entitled "Playtime" issued by this Committee of the Middlesex County Council embodying editorial articles on amateur theatrical work, together with a programme of past and future events was submitted for information. The Committee have instructed the Clerk to arrange for the pamphlet to be placed in the Members' Room for inspection.

6. OFFERS TO PROVIDE ENTERTAINMENTS. The Clerk reported that since the last Meeting of the Committee further offers to provide entertainments have been received, which are being retained for consideration when a programme of proposed events has been formulated.

7. SUMMER SHOW 1949. With reference to Minute No.4 of the Report of the Meeting of the 1948 Summer Show Sub-Committee held on 25th October, 1948, consideration was given to the recommendation contained therein that favourable consideration be given to the organisation of a similar Show in 1949.

The Committee recommend that a Summer Show be held in 1949 and that the Chairman of the Council be requested to call a Meeting to which all interested persons and organisations be invited with a view to a Committee being appointed to organise the event.

The Committee endorse the views of the 1948 Summer Show Sub-Committee that children's entertainments be provided throughout the period of the Show.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.30 p.m. and terminated at 7.45 p.m.

Meeting of the Council held in the Town Hall, N.11

30th December, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman.

Cr. A. Richardson ... Vice-Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. DEATH OF MRS. McDADE. The Chairman referred to the death of Mrs. McDade, the wife of the former Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade, and reported that a letter expressing the sympathy of the Council had been sent to Mr. McDade.

2. DEATH OF MRS. A.S. WOOD. The Chairman referred to the death of Mrs. A.S. Wood, the wife of ex-Councillor A.S. Wood, and reported that a letter expressing the sympathy of the Council had been sent to Mr. Wood.

3. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 25th November, 1948, were submitted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Henry seconded by Cr. Tarlton that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 2nd December, 1948, be received and adopted.

5. REPORT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Meynell seconded by Cr. Matthews that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 2nd December, 1948, be received and adopted subject to the deletion of the words "are being" in line 5 of Minute No.18 (b) of this report and the substitution therefor of the words "have been".

6. REPORT OF ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Tarlton seconded by Cr. Sparks that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, be received and adopted.

7. REPORT OF PARKS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr.Richardson seconded by Cr. Draper that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, be received and adopted.

8. REPORT OF RATING AND VALUATION COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Meynell seconded by Cr. Henry that the report and recommendations of this Committeedated 9th December, 1948, be received and adopted.

9. REPORT OF HOUSING COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Pickering seconded by Cr. Foley that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 9th December, 1948, be received and adopted.

10. REPORT OF TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. McClane seconded by Cr. Sparks that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 9th December, 1948, be received and adopted.

11. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Matthews seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 16th December, 1948, be received and adopted.

12. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Simmonds seconded by Cr. Richardson that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 16th December, 1948, be received and adopted subject to the deletion of the words "subject to the comments of the Finance Committee" in the last paragraph of Minute No.20.

Colney Hatch Lane - Proposed Renaming. With reference to Minute No.6 of this report, a letter has since been received from the Borough of Hornsey that the Borough Council are of opinion that no change of name of Colney Hatch Lane is necessary or desirable so far as that Borough is concerned and the Borough Council have notified the Friern Hospital accordingly.

13. REPORT OF ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Simmonds seconded by Cr. Richardson that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 21st December, 1948, be received and adopted.

14. REPORT OF ENTERTAINMENTS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Foley that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 21st December, 1948, be received and adopted.

15. SEALING OF DOCUMENTS. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Pickering seconded by Cr. Henry that the Seal of the Council be affixed to the following documents:-

(a) Appointment of the Chairman of the Council to vote on behalf of the Council at the Election of the Lee Conservancy Catchment Board.

(b) Milk Licences.

Hardy & Giblett Ltd.	Principal Licence in respect of Pasteurising Establishment at 181, Woodhouse Road, N.12.
Hardy & Giblett Ltd.	Principal Licence to bottle Tuberculin Tested milk at 181, Woodhouse Road, N.12.
Express Dairy Co. Ltd.	Dealer's Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk from shop premises at 31, Queen's Parade, N.11.
Express Dairy Co. Ltd.	Dealer's Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk from shop premises at 99, Colney Hatch Lane, N.10.
United Dairies (London) Ltd.	Dealer's Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk from shop premises at 1360, High Road, N.20.
United Dairies (London) Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk within the district from 2, Frederick's Place, N.12.
United Dairies, (London) Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Tuberculin Tested Milk within the district from 2, Frederick's Place, N.12.
United Dairies, (London) Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk within the district from 33, High Road, N.12.
United Dairies, (London) Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Tuberculin Tested Milk within the district from 33, High Road, N.12.
A.1 & Dollis Dairies Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk within the district from 1411, High Road, N.20.

A.1 & Dollis Dairies Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Tuberculin Tested Milk within the district from 1411, High Road, N.20.
Nestle's Milk Products Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk within the district from 154a, Tredegar Road, Bow, E.3.
Home Counties Dairies Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk within the district from 35, Church Lane, N.2.
Home Counties Dairies Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Tuberculin Tested Milk within the district from 35, Church Lane, N.2.
London Co-operative Society Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk within the district from 353, Fore Street, N.9.
London Co-operative Society Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Pasteurised Milk within the district from Dudden Hill Lane, N.W.10.
Nestle's Milk Products Ltd.	Supplementary Licence to sell Tuberculin Tested Milk within the district from 154(a), Tredegar Road, Bow, E.3.

(c) Petroleum Spirit Licences.

G.V. Fort & Sons Ltd.	105, Sydney Road, N.10.	500 gallons
Mr. A.C. Crick.	Hartland Garage, Friern Barnet Road, N.11.	2000 gallons
Palmsville Garage Ltd.	202/204, Colney Hatch Lane, N.10.	3500 gallons
Alexandra Motors Ltd.	Oakleigh Road, N.11.	4000 gallons
Eastern Electricity Board.	Stores, Carlisle Place, N.11.	500 gallons
Eastern Electricity Board.	Showrooms, Colney Hatch Lane, N.11.	500 gallons
Direct Dry Cleaners Ltd.	Athenaeum Road, N.20.	1300 gallons
C.J. Hunt & Co.Ltd.	Station Wharf, Station Road, N.11.	500 gallons
London Transport Executive.	Sydney Road, N.10.	6000 gallons
J. Hutchinson.	50, Oakleigh Crescent, N.20.	500 gallons
H. Potter.	Friern Barnet Garage, Colney Hatch Lane, N.11.	500 gallons
R.L. Anderson.	50/70, Sutton Road, N.10.	1000 gallons
T.P. Breen Ltd.	"The Black Bull", High Road, N.20.	3000 gallons

G.T. Fletcher, Clerk of the Council.	Depot, Town Hall, N.11.	1500 gallons
Thos. Barnes (Finchley) Ltd.	115, Woodhouse Road, N.12.	40 gallons
L. Gould.	Railway Hotel Yard, Friern Barnet Road, N.11.	1000 gallons
Motorspray Repairs Ltd.	Walker's Garage, Oakleigh Road, N.20.	250 gallons
G.D. Vine.	Beaconsfield Mews, N.11.	50 gallons

(d) Licence to Slaughter Animals.

Mr. Harry Ryall, 404, Oakleigh Road, N.20.

Seal affixed accordingly.

Chairman.

Report and Recommendations of the Allotments Committee

4th January, 1949.

PRESENT:

Cr. M.R. Tarlton ... Chairman.

Crs. Martin, Pickering and Richardson.
Messrs. Harris and Ovenden representing the North and Halliwick Park Allotment Associations respectively.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mason and Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the meeting were submitted from Cr. Simmonds, and Mr. Harman.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 7th December, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. NORTH ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 22 outstanding applications for permanent plots.

(b) Wartime Allotments Junction of High Road and Buckingham Avenue. The Association's representative reported that he had approached both tenants cultivating plots on the above site who had intimated their willingness to pay double their present rental as from 31st March, 1949, and that since the date of the last Meeting he had also let another plot and a half on these allotments.

(c) Rathbone Allotments - Complaint re Washdown of Piggeries. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that Mr. Ryall, the pig keeper, has cut additional drainage channels and dug over his land on the site adjoining the allotments, It is hoped that this will prevent further drainage of liquid on the allotments but the matter will be kept under observation.

(d) Extension of Water Supply. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that this work has been carried out in a satisfactory manner and in accordance with the specification.

With reference to Minute No.2 (d) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, the water tanks required under the stand pipe have been sorted out at the Sewage Disposal Works, delivered to the site and fixed in position.

(e) Glebe Field Allotments. With reference to Minute No.2 (f) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, negotiations are in hand with the adjoining owners who are affected by the cutting back of the hedge and two of these owners have already agreed to the proposal provided the hedge is not cut lower than seven feet.

(f) Barfield Avenue Allotments. The Association's representative drew the attention of the Committee to the fact that provision had been made in last year's estimates for the surfacing of the remainder of the main road in the above allotments but that so far no action had been taken in this matter.

The Engineer and Surveyor has been instructed to investigate and submit a report to the next Meeting.

4. CENTRAL ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. In view of the absence of the Association's representative the Committee have no information as to the applications outstanding.

(b) Extension of Water Supply. With reference to Minute No.3 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had investigated the question of the provision of access from the temporary allotments to the permanent site. In order to provide the required access to the temporary plots the chain link fencing on the eastern boundary of the permanent site would need to be cut at about the centre of its length and as this type of fencing is strained by continuous straining wires, cutting at the centre of the length would affect the rigidity of the whole length of fencing and in addition there would be further difficulty in making good this gap when the access is no longer required.

The Allotment Association's representative has agreed that the provision of this access would be inadvisable and has suggested, as an alternative, that the water supply be extended to serve the temporary plots, the work to be carried out by the Association if the Council can supply the necessary secondhand $\frac{3}{4}$" or $\frac{1}{2}$" piping as and when this becomes available. About 140 ft. of secondhand piping would be required.

No piping is available at present but the Committee agree with the suggestion in principle and will be prepared to provide the necessary piping as and when it becomes available.

With reference to Minute No.3 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, the secondhand water tanks required have been sorted out at the Sewage Disposal Works and have been delivered to the site.

(c) Widening of Access Road Western Section. The Allotment Association have asked whether consideration can be given to the widening and improvement of the main access road running in a westerly direction from the Crescent Road entrance. Similar widening of the further end of this road was carried out during the war period and the outstanding work is from Crescent Road to the water point.

The estimated cost of carrying out this work is approximately £150 and no provision for such work has been made in the current year's estimates.

The Committee have deferred consideration of this matter to the next Meeting of the Committee when it is hoped that the Association's representative will be present.

(d) Chain Link Fencing Permanent Site. With reference to Minute No.4 (c) (iii) of the Report of this Committee dated 4th May, 1948, the work on the chain link fencing to the northern boundary of these allotments has now been completed.

5. ALLOTMENT PLOT AT LIBRARY SITE. With reference to Minute No.4 of the Report of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, the Clerk reported that he had interviewed the wife of the tenant of the above plot, who had stated that her husband was prepared to relinquish his tenancy of this plot of land forthwith.

He had been informed some time ago that the Council desired to use this land as an ornamental garden and had agreed to relinquish his tenancy and that was the reason for the land being in its present untidy state.

The Committee recommend that the termination of the tenancy be confirmed and that the question of the future use of the site be referred to the Parks Committee.

6. HALLIWICK PARK ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 13 outstanding applications for permanent plots.

(b) Plots Nos. 44, 183 and 184. With reference to Minute No.5 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, the Parks Superintendent reported that he had inspected these vacant plots and was of the opinion that plots Nos. 183 and 184 which are situated on an area of land with elm trees and a thorn hedge covering most of the area of approximately 20 poles are definitely unfit for cultivation.

It was also reported that iron railings crossed the centre of these plots.

Plot No.44 is also in a very poor condition, the area being made up of clay and shingle and is considered to be unsuitable for cultivation.

The Committee recommend:-

(i) that no reduction be made in the rent payable by the Allotment Association.

(ii) that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to remove the railings across plots Nos. 183 and 184 and thorn hedge.

(iii) that no action be taken with regard to the removal of the elm trees in view of the fact that in the event of their being removed the plots would still be unfit for cultivation.

(c) Water Supply. With reference to Minute No.5 (d) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, sufficient second-hand piping has been salvaged from hot water tanks removed from Council houses to meet the requirements of the Association in repairing existing supply but the Association's representative pointed out that this does not meet their requirements for the extension of the water supply.

(d) South Ward Allotments Pinkham Way Area. With reference to Minute No.2 (1) of the Report of the Special Meeting of the Town Planning Committee held on 30th September, 1948, the Association's representative reported that his Association had not received any official intimation of this matter, and requested that in future any item in the Minutes of the Council concerning the Allotments should be passed to the Association for their information.

The Committee recommend that complete copies of the Minutes of the Council be forwarded each month to the Allotment Associations.

7. ESTIMATES FOR 1949/50. The Chairman of the Committee pointed out that special items for inclusion in the rate estimates would be considered by the Committee at their next Meeting and if any Member had any scheme to bring forward he should be informed as early as possible to enable the appropriate Officer to prepare an estimate of cost for submission at the next Meeting.

M.M. Carlton

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.15 p.m. and terminated at 8.5 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Parks Committee

4th January, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mason, Matthews, Pickering and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin and Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 7th December, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. SPORTS LETTINGS.

(a) Summer Season 1949. The Report of the Meeting of the Sports Lettings Committee held on 11th December, 1948, a copy of which is attached, was submitted. In connection with Minute No.6 of this Report, the Committee recommend as follows:-

(i) That the question of the fixing of the charge for facilities granted to the Education Sub-Committee be left to the Chairman of the Committee and the Chairman of the Finance Committee.

(ii) That no charge be made for the facilities granted to the Friern Barnet Grammar School.

(iii) That a charge of 2s.6d. per evening be made for the use of the Running Track on Friday evenings by the 182nd London Company Boys Brigade.

(iv) That a charge of 2s.6d. per evening be made for the use of the Running Track on Thursday evenings by the Church Boys Club.

(v) That a charge of 5s.0d. per Saturday be made for the use of the Hockey Pitch Area at Bethune Recreation Ground by the 1st Friern Barnet Company Boys Brigade on alternate Saturdays throughout the season.

Note. With reference to Minute No.2 of the Report the Education Sub-Committee have since stated that they will not require the two Rounders Pitches on Friday afternoons.

(b) Cricket Season 1949.

(i) North Bank Sports Club. With reference to the Report of the Lettings Sub-Committee a letter has been received from the Hon. Secretary of the North Bank Sports Club to the effect that, as they will lose a fixture on the 18th June, 1949, the date on which the Friern Barnet Youth Council have been granted the use of the Running Track for the purpose of holding their Annual Sports, it is assumed that as their use of the pitch on Whit Monday only brings their fixtures up to ten games, the additional fee of £1 1s. 0d. normally charged will be waived.

The Committee recommend that the normal fee of £1.1s.0d. charged in respect of the use of the pitch on Whit Monday be waived in this instance.

(ii) Friern Manor Cricket Club. With reference to the Report of the Lettings Sub-Committee at letter has been received from the Hon. Secretary of the Friern Manor Cricket Club requesting an extension of one day to the season in order that a match may be played on September 18th. A game has already been arranged for this day the the Club have intimated their willingness to pay an additional £1 1s. 0d. for this privilege.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted subject to the payment of an additional £1 1s. 0d.

(c) Football - Bethune Recreation Ground.

(i) Friern Barnet Progressive Tenants' Association Youth Organisation. On the authority of the Chairman of the Committee the above Youth Organisation has been granted the use of the Football Pitch on the Hockey Pitch Area in Bethune Recreation Ground on Sundays the 19th December, 1948 and 2nd January, 1949, at a fee of 5s.0d. on each occasion.

The Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

(ii) Cromwell Football Club. With reference to Minute No.3 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, upon investigation it was found that whilst the above Club had been offered the use of the football pitch in Bethune Recreation Ground on alternate Sunday mornings they had not been using the pitch. The Club were accordingly asked for their observations and a reply has been received apologising for the inconvenience which may have arisen and stating the error appears to have been made due to the change of Secretary of the Club.

The Committee recommend that in the circumstances the letting and the charge be cancelled.

4. NEW SOUTHGATE RECREATION GROUND. With reference to Minute No.2 of the Report of this Committee dated 5th October, 1948, further consideration has been given to this matter and the Committee recommend that provision be made in the estimates for 1949-50 for a contribution in respect of the above Recreation Ground.

5. PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT. With reference to Minute No.6 (d) of the Report of this Committee dated 5th October, 1948, further consideration has been given to the question of the supervision of playground apparatus during the summer and the provision of exercise apparatus for youths, and the Committee recommend:-

(a) that provision be made in the estimates for 1949-50 for the engagement of a person to supervise the use of playground apparatus in Friary Park and in Cromwell Recreation Ground (if the playground apparatus is fixed) during the whole of the summer months; and

(b) that the Youth Council be asked for their observations with regard to the provision of exercise apparatus for the use of older youths in the District.

6. CATERING RIGHTS - FRIARY PARK AND BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND. With reference to Minute No.9 of the Report of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, the further information asked for by the Committee has been obtained and the Committee recommend:-

(a) That the tender of Kiosk Caterers of 9, Bishops Court, East Finchley, N.2., amounting to £65 be accepted for the catering rights in Friary Park for the year 1st April, 1949 to 31st March, 1950, subject to the tenderers entering into an Agreement to be prepared by the Clerk of the Council.

(b) That the Agreement with Mr. W.J. Bradshaw of 44, Ashurst Road, N.12, for the catering rights in Bethune Recreation Ground for the current year be extended for a further period of 12 months to the 31st March, 1950, subject to the payment of a fee of £52.

The Friary Park Caterers will now be contacted to ascertain what (if any) alterations or improvements to the premises they will require.

7. FRIARY PARK.

(a) Master Plan. Small scale copies of the plan are being prepared and will be sent to all members of the Council.

The Committee understand that if the trees to form the avenue from Friary Road to the house are planted at the spacing proposed on either side of the existing main drive it will mean doing away with one of the grass tennis courts and the raised flower border east of the bowling green. The estimated cost of the trees is £21 10s. 0d.

The Committee have deferred consideration of this matter to the next Meeting of the General Purposes Committee by which date it is anticipated that the small scale plans will have been distributed to each member of the Council.

(b) Entrance Drive. In view of the narrowness of the drive round the centre garden in front of Friary House, cars find if difficult to turn without causing some damage.

The Committee recommend that 3' 0" of the grass verge on the Friern Barnet Lane side of the turn be incorporated into the drive in order to give sufficient room for cars to turn round.

(c) Extension of Greenhouse. It is hoped that the work in connection with the extension of the greenhouse will be completed by the end of January.

(d) Purchase of Marquee. With reference to Minute No.10 (d) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, following an inspection by representatives of the South West Metropolitan Regional Hospitals Board on December 15th, an offer of £50 for the purchase of this marquee has been received.

The Chairman, in consultation with the Chairman of the Council, has accepted the offer, and arrangements have been made for the marquee to be collected on Wednesday the 5th January, 1949.

The Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman of the Committee and the Chairman of the Council be approved and confirmed.

8. BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND.

(a) 9-Hole Golf Course.

(i) Maintenance. A report was submitted on work carried out to the 9-hole Golf Course since the last report to the Committee.

(ii) Receipts. Receipts for the month of December, 1948, were £27 14s. 6d. compared with £29 6s. 6d. for December, 1947. The total receipts for the period 1st April to 31st December, 1948, were £1,022 4s. 6d. compared with £957 9s. 6d. for the same period in 1947.

(iii) Competitions. Names of entrants for the "Four-Ball" Competition are still being received.

(iv) Renewal of Fence. Work on the renewal of the fence to the 9-hole Golf Course has now been completed, and staff of the Golf Course have repaired weak places in the fence around the other sides of the Course.

(v) Direction Signs. With reference to Minute No.11 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, these signs have now been renewed and erected.

(b) Gresham Avenue Car Park. With reference to Minute No.11 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, the old fencing between the car park and the present entrance gardens has been removed, clay dug from the South Eastern and South Western boundaries to form the border, and soil provided and levelled thereon. The remaining area, which is to form the lawn, has been covered and levelled with 6" to 9" of soil, which will be rolled and seeded in March when conditions will be better for such work.

Shrubs, which have been obtained locally free of charge, have been planted in the border and the planting of the border with flowers will be undertaken in the early Spring.

It should be pointed out that the soil for this work has been obtained free of charge, excluding, of course, the cost of haulage.

(c) Attempted Entry into Cafe. An attempt was made during the night of 19th December, 1948, to obtain unlawful entry to the Cafe by an unknown person breaking two panes of glass in the windows. The police were informed, but no further information has been received.

9. CROMWELL RECREATION GROUND - IMPROVEMENT WORKS. With reference to Minute No.13 of the Report of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, the Home Office approval to this work has now been received.

10. ORNAMENTAL GARDENS.

(a) Friern Hospital Entrance. With reference to Minute No.4 of the Report of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, arising from correspondence between the Clerk and the Secretary of the Friern Hospital Management Committee, a request has been received that consideration be given to the possibility of the provision of some protection against inclement weather in the front of the shelter, as it will face approximately North East.

The Committee had before them for consideration a scheme for the provision of removable glass screens along the front of the shelter. The cost of this screen is estimated to be £95 additional to the cost of the shelter, already estimated at £350.

The Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to contact the appropriate Officer of the Hospital Management Committee with regard to this matter, and submit a further report to the Committee.

The Committee have also instructed the Clerk to ask the Hospital Management Committee if they are prepared to indicate what percentage of the whole of the cost of this work they will be prepared to contribute.

(b) Library Site, - Junction of Friern Barnet Road and Macdonald Road. With reference to Minute No.5 of the Report of the Allotments Committee dated 4th January, 1949, in view of the willingness of the present tenant of the allotment on this site to relinquish his tenancy, the Committee recommend that the Roads Beautification Sub-Committee be asked to consider the lay-out of this site as an ornamental garden, subject to the consent of the Middlesex County Council.

(c) Library Site - Junction of Ramsden Road and Friern Barnet Road. The Chairman of the Committee reported dissatisfaction with the type of seat available, and the Engineer and Surveyor has been instructed to make a new type for test.

11. TREE AND CIRCULAR SEAT - JUNCTION OF MILES WAY AND BARFIELD AVENUE. A flowering Thorn has now been planted to replace the tree previously destroyed.

12. PARKS SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT. The report of the Parks Superintendent on work carried out since the date of the last Meeting, was submitted.

13. TOWN HALL FORECOURT. The Parks Superintendent reports that the soil in which the Irish Yews are planted is in reasonably good condition and it is proposed to feed these trees with dried blood during the coming year to improve both the growth and the colour. Irish Yews are very slow in growth and take many years to develop into good specimens.

The Magnolias have made very little root action and the soil is poor. It is suggested that new shrubs be planted, and the soil replaced with new.

The grass areas are also in poor condition, and there is very little soil. The Parks Superintendent suggests that 3" of soil, and new turf, should be placed on top of the existing grass areas, but in view of the probable cost the Committee have deferred consideration with a view to making provision in next year's estimates.

14. MANOR DRIVE, FRIARY PARK END. A complaint was received that during periods of heavy rain surplus water drains off the Friary Park into Manor Drive, carrying with it a large amount of soil.

The Engineer and Surveyor has been instructed to investigate this matter, and a further report will be submitted in due course.

15. ESTIMATES FOR 1949/50. The Chairman of the Committee pointed out that special items for inclusion in the Rate Estimates would be considered by the Committee at their next Meeting, and if any Member had any scheme to bring forward he should be informed as early as possible to enable the appropriate officer to prepare an estimate of cost for submission at the next Meeting.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 8.5 p.m. and terminated at 9.20 p.m.

Report of the Sports Lettings Committee

11th December, 1948

1. APPLICATIONS FOR CRICKET PITCHES - SEASON 1949. With reference to Minute No.3 (c) of the Report of the Parks Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, sports facilities at Bethune Recreation Ground and Halliwick Park for the 1949 Season have been allocated as follows:-

(a) Bethune Recreation Ground - Cricket Pitch.

	Fees
(i) Alternate Sundays	
Friern Manor Cricket Club.	£10 10s.0d.
Priory Athletic Club.	£10 10s.0d.
(ii) Alternate Saturdays (Excluding Saturday the 18th June, 1949 - running track granted to Friern Barnet Youth Council for Annual Sports Meeting).	
Baygreen Cricket Club	£10 10s.0d.
Friern Barnet Cricket Club (formerly North Bank Sports Club).	£10 10s.0d.
(iii) Cricket Week 20th-24th June, 1949.	
Friern Manor Cricket Club.	£5 5s.0d.
(iv) August Bank Holiday Monday.	
Friern Manor Cricket Club.	£1 1s.0d.
(v) Whit Monday.	
Friern Barnet Cricket Club (formerly North Bank Sports Club).	£1 1s.0d.

(b) Bethune Recreation Ground - Hockey Pitch Area.

(i) Alternate Saturdays

1st Friern Barnet Company Boys Brigade.

(c) Halliwick Recreation Ground.

(i) Alternate Sundays	
Highwood Athletic	£3 15s.0d.
Coldfall Residents Athletic Association	£3 15s.0d.
(ii) Alternate Saturdays	
Friern Barnet Church Boys Club	£3 15s.0d.
Northmet O.D. Sports Club.	£3 15s.0d.

(d) New Southgate Recreation Ground. The New Southgate Recreation Ground Committee have agreed to this Council nominating a Club for Pitch No.3 at the above Recreation Ground on alternate Sundays at a fee of £10 10s.0d. and the Sub-Committee have nominated the Astra Cricket Club for this pitch.

NOTES -

BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND. The Season commences on the 1st May, and terminates on 17th September, 1949.

Number of Saturdays in Season	20
" " Sundays " "	20
" " weeks " "	20

In the case of Priory Athletic Club their last game of the Season will be played on Sunday the 25th September, 1949.

HALLIWICK RECREATION GROUND. The Season commences on the 8th May, and terminates on 10th September, 1949.

Number of Saturdays in Season	... ...	18
" " Sundays " "	... ...	18

2. SCHOOLS.

(a) Bethune Recreation Ground.

	* Cricket Area	Hockey Area	* Running Track
Monday			
10.45 - 12.0	2 Netball (Outfield)	1 Cricket 2 Rounders	Running
2.0 - 6.0 Grammar School.	Senior Cricket (1 Pitch)	Junior Cricket (2 Pitches)	-
Tuesday			
10.45 - 12.0	2 Netball (Outfield)	1 Cricket 2 Rounders	Running
2.45 - 4.0	2 Netball (Outfield)	1 Cricket 2 Rounders	Running
Wednesday			
10.45 - 12.0	2 Netball (Outfield)	1 Cricket 2 Rounders	Running
2.0 - 6.0 Grammar School.	Senior Cricket (1 Pitch)	Junior Cricket (2 Pitches)	-
ø Thursday			
10.45 - 12.0	2 Netball (Outfield)	1 Cricket 2 Rounders	Running
1.30 - 2.45	2 Netball (Outfield)	1 Cricket 2 Rounders	-
2.45 - 4.0	2 Netball (Outfield)	1 Cricket 2 Rounders	Running
Evening Church Boys Club.	-	-	Running
Friday			
10.45 - 12.0	2 Netball (Outfield)	1 Cricket 2 Rounders	Running
1.30 - 4.0	-	2 Rounders	-
Evening 182nd London Company Boys Brigade	-	-	Running
7.0 - 9.0 Church Boys Club	-	Cricket practice - free of charge.	

Notes: Unless otherwise stated the lettings are to the Education Sub-Committee.

* Excluding Friern Manor C.C. Cricket Week 20th-24th June (both dates inclusive).

ø Excluding Thursday afternoon 30th June, 1949 - Watcombe School Sports.

The Education Sub-Committee wanted Rounders on Wednesdays from 1.30 to 4.0 p.m. but as this clashes with the Grammar

School application, the Education Sub-Committee have been asked to transfer to Friday. This has been accounted for in the above table of lettings.

(b) Halliwick Recreation Ground.

		Cricket	Rounders	Netball
Tuesday				
2.45 - 4.0	Education Committee	1 Pitch	2 Pitches	1 Pitch
7.30 - 9.30	182nd London Company Boys Brigade.	1 Pitch	usual charge 2/6 per evening.	

3. WATCOMBE SCHOOL. Thursday, 30th June, 1949, 2.30 - 4.0 Annual Sports - Bethune Recreation Ground - free.

4. RUNNING TRACK. - BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND. The Friern Barnet Youth Council were granted the use of the running track in Bethune Recreation Ground for the purpose of holding their Annual Sports, on Saturday the 18th June, free of charge.

5. NON-ACCEPTED APPLICATIONS. The following applications could not be granted for the reasons stated:-

(a) Leavale Cricket Club, alternate Sundays, Bethune Recreation Ground - owing to other lettings to Clubs.

(b) British Legion, Muswell Hill Branch, alternate Saturdays or Sundays, Bethune Recreation Ground - owing to other lettings to Clubs.

(c) British Legion, Friern Barnet Branch, alternate Sundays, Bethune Recreation Ground - already accommodated on New Southgate Recreation Ground.

(d) Simms Social Club, alternate Saturdays or Sundays, Bethune Recreation Ground - owing to other lettings to Clubs.

(e) Park Rovers Football Club, alternate Saturdays, Halliwick Recreation Ground - owing to other lettings to Clubs.

(f) Friern Manor Cricket Club wanted both Bank Holidays but have been granted August Bank Holiday, the Friern Barnet Cricket Club having made application for and been granted Whit Monday. (See 1 (a) (iv) and (v)).

(g) Baygreen Cricket Club wanted one Bank Holiday, but cannot be accommodated.

(h) Highwood Athletic wanted the cricket pitch in Halliwick Recreation Ground on alternate Saturdays and Sundays, but have been granted Sundays only.

(i) Friern Barnet Football Club (Cricket Section), alternate Saturdays and Sundays, Bethune Recreation Ground - application received after date of Meeting.

6. FEES TO BE CHARGED IN RESPECT OF SCHOOLS ETC. The directions of the Committee are required as to the fees to be charged in respect of:-

(a) Facilities granted to Education Sub-Committee.

(b) Facilities granted to Friern Barnet Grammar School.

(c) The use of the Running Track on Friday evenings by the 182nd London Company Boys Brigade.

(d) The use of the Running Track on Thursday evenings by the Church Boys Club.

(e) The use of the Hockey Pitch Area at Bethune Recreation Ground by the 1st Friern Barnet Company Boys Brigade on alternate Saturdays throughout the Season.

7. NORTHBANK SPORTS CLUB. This Club propose to change their name to Friern Barnet Cricket Club, and have asked for the Council's observations. The Sub-Committee see no objection, but it has been pointed out to the Club that the Friern Barnet Football Club have a Cricket Section.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Health Committee

6th January, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A.C. Henry ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Foley, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin, Mason and Pickering.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Richardson.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 2nd December, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES. The following notifications of of infectious diseases have been received since the date of the last Meeting:-

Disease	WARDS					Total for District only
	North	South	Central	East	West	
Scarlet Fever	2	-	1	-	-	3
Whooping Cough	6	-	-	-	-	6
Pneumonia	1	-	-	-	-	1
Tuberculosis	1	2	1	-	1	5
Measles	1	-	-	-	-	1

4. DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION. The Medical Officer of Health reported as to the present position in the District in respect of the above, stating that 2,520 immunisations had been carried out to date.

5. COMPLAINTS. Since the last Meeting of this Committee 48 complaints, including 13 cases of rat infestation, have been received and investigated and the necessary action taken to secure a remedy.

6. ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES. The works necessary to comply with the notices served requiring abatement of nuisances at 28 properties throughout the District have been completed.

7. UNSOUND FOOD. The Sanitary Inspector reported as to the various types of food which had been condemned as unfit for human consumption since the last Meeting of the Committee.

8. REGISTRATION OF PREMISES FOR THE SALE OF ICE-CREAM - FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1938, SECTION 14. Mrs. E.F. Jagels makes application for registration of her shop premises at No.49, Friern Barnet Road, N.11, for the sale of ice-cream, in accordance with the Food and Drugs Act, 1938. The ice-cream is obtained from the manufacturers in tubs and cartons and is retailed in the same condition. It is stored in a refrigerator capable of retaining the ice-cream at the temperature prescribed in the Ice-Cream (Heat Treatment &c.) Regulations, 1947.

The Committee recommend that the premises be registered for the sale of ice-cream.

9. SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS ACT, 1933 - LICENCES. Applications for the granting of licences to slaughter animals under the above-mentioned Act have been received from Mr. H. Canham of East Lodge, Friern Hospital, farm bailiff, and Mr. R. Bond of 51, Swan Lane, N.20, butcher to the Hospital.

The Committee recommend that licences be granted for the period ending 31st December, 1949.

10. PETROLEUM (CONSOLIDATION) ACT, 1928. Applications for renewal of licences under the above-mentioned Act have been received and the Committee recommend that licences be issued for the period ending 31st December, 1949, as follows:-

Mr. E. Walker, 18, Oakleigh Road, N.20.	500 gallons
Mr. E. Coulon, 1316, High Road, N.20.	50 gallons
The Railway Executive, New Southgate Goods Yard, N.11. (Eastern Region)	500 gallons
The Cambridge Instrument Co., Sydney Road, N.10.	400 gallons

11. RODENT CONTROL.

(a) Destruction of Rats in Sewers. A further examination and treatment of the district sewers was carried out during the month of December, and the results suggest that the rat population is now low. Eight manholes only, confined to two areas, showed evidence of use by rats.

When these bi-annual treatments were started in 1947, a survey showed that fifty-five manholes were affected, and each subsequent treatment has found this number steadily dropping to the present figure.

(b) Destruction of Rats on the Surface. The treatment of infestations on private and business premises continued during 1948, and the various undertakings of the Council were also inspected periodically.

The following figures summarise this aspect of the work:-

Number of visits	1375
Number of infestations found and dealt with	209
Number of pre-baits laid	1448
Number of poison-baits laid	1156
Number of bodies recovered	257
Estimated killed	2761

12. MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL ACT, 1944, SECTION 279. With reference to Minute No.11 of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd December, 1948 it was reported that the required works to the storage premises in connection with this application are now in hand and that no further action will be necessary in connection therewith.

The Committee therefore recommend that the application of Mrs. Margaret Jones of 32, Cardrew Avenue, N.12, for registration as a hawker of fruit and vegetables in this District be granted.

13. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936, SECTION 75 - 110, CROMWELL ROAD, N.10. This house, which is let off in two flats, was found to be without a dustbin and the agents were approached and requested to provide a proper covered dustbin in respect of each flat.

In a letter dated 28th December, 1948, the agents express the view that in this instance the owner should not replace the worn-out bin for the following reasons:-

(a) He is under no contractual obligation to supply a bin.

(b) He has no power to increase the rent, which is exceedingly low.

(c) The cost of repairs has doubled since the war.

Subsequent to the receipt of this letter it was found that the tenants had themselves provided part-worn dustbins, but these cannot be considered satisfactory.

The Committee, bearing in mind the decision of the Justices at Highgate on the 3rd November, 1948, as reported in Minute No.9 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 4th November, 1948, have instructed the Clerk to approach the Minister of Health and the Urban District Councils' Association with a view to getting the existing unsatisfactory position remedied and the Sanitary Inspector to contact the tenants with regard to the provision of dustbins, and report thereon to the next Meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

14. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936, SECTION 93.

(a) Nos. 381 and 383, Alexandra Road. These two flats form part of a block of eight formerly known as Fairview Court. In 1943 there was a considerable settlement in the flank wall, which was then taken down and rebuilt. There has subsequently been movement in the main front and rear walls, resulting in fracturing of the brickwork, damage to internal wall and ceiling plaster, and distortion of door and window openings.

Whilst the building is not considered to be in a dangerous state, it is in such a condition as to be a nuisance within the meaning of the Public Health Act. Intimation notices have been served upon the owner requiring him to carry out the works necessary to remedy these conditions and the Committee recommend that in the event of the owner being unwilling to carry out all the works required, Abatement Notices under Section 93 of the Public Health Act, 1936, be served requiring the execution of such works as may be necessary, and failing compliance therewith the Clerk be authorised to take appropriate proceedings.

(b) No.1304b, High Road. This accommodation is a requisitioned flat over shop premises at No.1304, High Road, N.20. The roof is defective and leaks during heavy rainfall and these conditions are considered to constitute a statutory nuisance under the Public Health Act.

Intimation notices having been served and not complied with, the Committee recommend the service of abatement notices under Section 93 of the Public Health Act, 1936, and failing compliance therewith the Clerk be authorised to take appropriate proceedings.

15. NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948, SECTIONS 29 and 30. The Clerk submitted a letter from the Middlesex County Council enclosing the County Council's proposed Scheme for the provision of welfare services under the above Sections, and reported that arrangements had been made for a further sixteen copies of this Scheme to be provided.

The Committee recommend that copies of the Scheme be circulated to all Members of the Council with the Agenda for the General Purposes Committee and that consideration of this matter be deferred to that Committee.

16. RATE ESTIMATES 1949/50. The Chairman of the Committee pointed out that special items for inclusion in the rate estimates would be considered by the Committee at their next Meeting, and if any Member had any scheme to bring forward he should be informed as early as possible to enable the appropriate officer to prepare an estimate of cost for submission at the next Meeting.

A. C. Hamer

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 7.05 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Highways and Public Works Committee

6th January, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. J. Foley ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Henry, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, Pickering and Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Richardson.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 2nd December, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. TRAFFIC CONDITIONS - CHANDOS AVENUE. A letter has been received by the Chairman of the Council from a resident in Chandos Avenue stressing the danger to traffic at the Chandos Avenue and Oakleigh Park North junction. This resident suggests the erection of a red painted wooden post with "Cross Roads" or some similar wording.

The Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to arrange a meeting with the Police on the site, and a further report will be submitted in due course. The resident will be notified accordingly.

4. ROAD SAFETY.

(a) Proposed Exhibition at Alexandra Palace. A letter has been received from the Town Clerk of the Borough of Wood Green inviting this Council to appoint representatives to a Meeting to be held at the Town Hall, Wood Green, on Thursday the 27th January, 1949, at 8.0 p.m. when consideration will be given to a proposal that Local Authorities in the North London Area might join together in staging an Exhibition at Alexandra Palace with particular emphasis on Road Safety.

The proposal has, up to the present, received only initial discussion, but the Wood Green Road Safety Committee have in mind an Exhibition incorporating the standard type of Exhibition sponsored by the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents, together with Displays by the Mobile Police Squad from the Hendon Police College, and the National Canine Defence League. It is also suggested that such Organisations as the Automobile Association, the Royal Automobile Club, the Cyclists' Touring Club, and the Pedestrians' Association might be invited to participate.

The invitation has also been extended to the Edmonton, Finchley, Islington, Southgate, Stoke Newington and Tottenham Borough Councils.

The Friern Barnet Road Safety Committee at its Meeting held on 3rd January, 1949, considered this matter and bearing in mind that the 27th January, 1949, is the date of the January Meeting of the Council, have made certain nominations, but this Committee consider that one Member of the Council should be present. The representation is limited to three persons.

The Committee have accordingly appointed the Chairman, or Vice-Chairman, of this Committee, together with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Road Safety Committee to represent this Council.

(b) Accident Returns. Road Safety returns for the month of December, 1948, were submitted. During this period six accidents, one fatal and five slight, occurred in Friern Barnet.

(c) Accident Reports. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted Ministry of Transport Circular No.625 pointing out that as and from 1st Janurary, 1949, a revised form F.S.98 is to be introduced for use by the Police in reporting to the Highway Authority concerned particulars of road accidents, where road conditions are alleged to be the cause or a contributory cause.

It was pointed out that whilst this form contained information as to the road conditions and reference to the fact that the Highway Authority are responsible for rectifying defects in road layout, or road conditions, as early as possible, it is impossible to obtain sanction for road improvements from the Ministry of Transport, and the Chairman of the Committee undertook to arrange for the London Council of the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents to give consideration to this matter.

5. FRIERN BARNET NOTICES. With reference to Minute No.7 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd December, 1948, permission has now been received from the London Transport Executive to the above signs being fixed on their columns, and the signs have now been fixed.

6. PEDESTRIAN BEACONS. Ministry of Transport Circular No.626 was submitted requesting all Local Authorities to get all pedestrian crossings furnished up to full standard in time for "Pedestrian Crossing Week", which it is proposed shall be held in the week commencing the 3rd April, 1949.

With reference to Minute No.8 of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd December, 1948, it was reported that a reply had been received from the Member of Parliament for the Division, to the effect that whilst he is unable at the moment to contact the Minister of Transport personally on this matter, he would write to the Ministry and would endeavour during the course of the next few weeks to carry out the request of the Committee.

The firm whose tender was recommended for acceptance could supply any type of beacon, but they did not quote a delivery period. However, judging by the delivery period quoted by competitors, it is anticipated they could be supplied more or less from stock.

It was further reported that the Road Safety Committee, at their Meeting held on 3rd January, 1949, gave consideration to Circular No.626, and were of the opinion that all steps should be taken in an endeavour to bring about the abolition of pedestrian crossings which, in the opinion of the Road Safety Committee, are considered to be a potential source of danger and not an aid to road safety.

The Committee are not in agreement with the Road Safety Committee on this matter, and consider that greater use should be made of pedestrian crossings and, if possible, definite regulations for the compulsory use of pedestrian crossings should be the aim for the future.

The Committee have deferred consideration of the provision of these beacons to the next Meeting of the Committee.

7. REPAIR OF WAR DAMAGE TO ROADS - OAKLEIGH AVENUE. With reference to Minute No.9 of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd December, 1948, the site investigations show that following the incident a length of soil sewer was relaid and the trench was refilled with hardcore, which acts as a collecting sump for ground water. Before the permanent reinstatement of the carriageway, kerb and channel is carried out, it will be necessary to consolidate the hardcore filling by pressure grouting with cement, and the County Engineer has agreed

that minor patching, sufficient to safeguard traffic, be carried out at the present time, and that the major works of permanent reinstatement be deferred until it has been possible to effect consolidation of the trench by pressure grouting. An estimate of the additional cost of the work has been submitted to the County Engineer for approval.

8. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES.

(a) Friern Barnet Road - Hospital Site. With reference to Minute No.11 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd December, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that owing to extreme shortage of staff and the fact that three new Assistants will not commence duties until varying dates in January, he has not been able to prepare detailed plans and estimates for this Meeting.

The Committee have deferred consideration of the matter to the February Meeting.

(b) Junction of Friern Barnet Lane and Goldsmith Road. A "Public Convenience" sign has been fixed on the verge, a light fixed to the entrance of the Ladies' Lavatories and a further sign "Ladies" is to be fixed immediately outside the entrance to the Ladies' Lavatories on the above site.

9. SEWAGE DISPOSAL WORKS STORES. With reference to Minute No.13 of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd December, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that owing to other more urgent works for the outdoor staff he had not yet been able to allocate staff for this work, but would do so in the next few weeks, and anticipates that a detailed report on those items of stores which could advantageously be sold will be submitted to the next Meeting.

10. SURFACE WATER SEWER - FINCHLEY PARK. With reference to Minute No. 14 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd December, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that a length of 45 yds. 1 in. of the existing surface water sewer West of Lynton Avenue junction, has been taken up and relaid by direct labour. The work was closed down for the Christmas Holiday, and also to enable additional labour to be provided for a special house to house waste paper collection. The balance of the work on the sewer will be re-commenced within the next week or two.

Arising from preliminary investigations made of the outfall of the sewer on the North Middlesex Golf Course, it appears that it may be necessary to relay a defective length of this sewer on the Golf Course.

The Committee recommend that this latter work be deferred until the next financial year, and that provision therfor be made in the Annual Estimates of 1949/50.

11. FOULING OF FOOTPATHS BY DOGS. With reference to Minute No.15 of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd December, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor submitted specimen metal plates which have been obtained from the two firms who quoted for the supply of these notices.

The Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to provide a specimen drawing of the notice, and have deferred consideration of this matter to the next Meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

12. PRIVATE STREET WORKS.

(a) Raleigh Drive. Good progress has been made by the Contractors, and it is anticipated that this work will be completed by the end of January, 1949.

(b) Temple Avenue. Arrangements have been made with the Contractor to commence the work of making up Temple Avenue during next week.

(c) Alexandra Road. The re-alignment of the kerb on the existing public section of the road has been carried out to link up with the private street works, together with the incidental works to the carriageway and footpaths on each side. A considerable length of kerb is required to be relaid on the Eastern side, and also the paving requires relaying on the Southern boundary of the flats to the private street works. Fairly extensive repairs are also required to the carriageway. Arrangements are being made for this work to be carried out as soon as possible.

13. STREET LIGHTING.

(a) Oakleigh Park South - Footpath Leading to Railway Bridge. With reference to Minute No.19 of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd December, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had now heard from the East Barnet Council to the effect that they did not propose to provide any additional lighting to that portion which comes within their jurisdiction.

The Committee, being of the opinion that the provision of additional lighting in the section of the footpath coming within this Urban District would only serve to intensify the darkness in the East Barnet section, recommend that no further action be taken in this matter.

(b) Friary Close. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the Eastern Electricity Board had now given an estimate in the sum of £40 for the two lamps in Friary Close, and that he was renewing negotiations with the developer, and with representatives of the owners with a view to obtaining a deposit to carry out the necessary installation.

(c) Improved Street Lighting on Main Roads. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that minor amendments to the original scheme had been suggested by the Ministry of Transport entailing the resiting of the proposed lamps at certain points, but that no decision had yet been received from the Ministry on the main proposals.

14. HIGHWAYS - GENERAL MAINTENANCE. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on maintenance work carried out during December.

15. SALVAGE.

(a) Returns. Returns for salvage for the month of December, 1948, are as follows, shown in comparison with the same period in 1947:-

December 1948	...	33 tons 8 cwt. value £118 6s. 0d.
December 1947	...	27 tons 9 cwt. value £100 12s.6d.

(b) Special Christmas Waste Paper Collection. In order to take advantage of the paper arising from Christmas activities, a special house to house collection was made in advance of the normal refuse collection in the week following Christmas, and prior notice was given in all the streets the previous week by the broadcasting van advising householders of the day of the particular collection for their respective streets. In addition publicity handbills were delivered to each house throughout the District early in December.

16. ROUNDABOUT, PINKHAM WAY, NORTH CIRCULAR ROAD. With reference to Minute No.26 of the Report of this Committee dated 9th September, 1948, shrubs have now been planted in accordance with the plan approved by the Ministry of Transport.

17. STATUTORY OPENINGS. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the statutory openings being carried out for and on behalf of the statutory companies.

18. SMALL ROAD ROLLER. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had been notified that delivery of the new road roller was to be expected in approximately two weeks.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to advertise for sale the small road roller, which will not now be required.

19. FOOTPATH BETWEEN FRIARY ROAD AND VALLEY AVENUE. Some time ago the Committee received a request for the erection of a lamp in this footpath, and notified the frontagers that the Council would arrange for the installation of lighting if they were prepared to pay the cost. No further action was taken, and a further complaint of the inadequate lighting has now been received.

It has always been the Council's policy to require frontagers to instal means of lighting a street in pursuance of the power given by Section 150 of the Public Health Act, 1875.

The Committee on reconsideration feel, however, that this footpath is in a different category to the ordinary private street and recommend the Council to instal one lamp. The estimated cost is £20.

20. LITTER RECEPTACLES. Complaints were received that a number of litter receptacles were without bottoms, and the Engineer and Surveyor has been instructed to investigate this matter, and a further report will be submitted in due course.

21. RATE ESTIMATES 1949-50. The Chairman of the Committee pointed out that special items for inclusion in the rate estimates would be considered by the Committee at their next Meeting and if any Member had any scheme to bring forward he should be informed as early as possible to enable the appropriate Officer to prepare an estimate of cost for submission at the next Meeting.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.5 p.m. and terminated at 7.50 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Rating and Valuation Committee

13th January, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A.C.S. Meynell ... Chairman.

Crs. Henry, Martin, McClane, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson and Simmonds.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Draper and Mrs. McCarthy.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Sparks.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 9th December, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. NEW PROPERTIES. Having received a report from the Valuation Officer as to the new properties erected in the District, the Committee recommend assessments as follows:-

	Recommendation
(a) Houses - Site No.5.	
(i) 215 and 221, Colney Hatch Lane.	£30/22 each
(ii) 217, Colney Hatch Lane.	£31/23
(iii) 219, Colney Hatch Lane.	£34/25
(iv) 14, 16, 18, 20, 25 and 31, George Crescent.	£30/22 each
(v) 27, George Crescent.	£31/23
(vi) 29, George Crescent.	£34/25
(b) 60, 60a, 62, 62a, Wilton Road. Flats replacing war-destroyed Houses.	
Ground and first floor flats 60 and 62.	£43/33 each
Second floor flats 60a and 62a.	£29/22 each

4. ALTERATIONS. Having received a report by the Valuation Officer as to alterations to the following properties, the Committee recommend amended assessments as indicated.

	Recommendation
(a) 96, Oakleigh Road, N.20. Addition of garage.	Increase from £50/40 to £57/46.
(b) Holly Park School.	Increase from £592 to £659.
(c) Oakleigh Road School.	Increase from £151 to £180.

The County Valuer has agreed to the fore-going increases on these schools on the annual revision for the year 1948/9.

Recommendation

(d) Drugs Ltd.
Former Wesleyan Hall, Sydney Road, taken over as Stores. — Increase from N.A.V. £313 R.V.£82 to N.A.V. £360 R.V.£90.

5. "LAVANT", FRIERN BARNET ROAD. The Valuation Officer reported that two timber garages at the rear of this property are derelict and usable only for coal etc., and the Committee recommend that the assessment of £10/6 be deleted.

6. 15, HEMINGTON AVENUE. The Valuation Officer reported that the garage at the rear of this property has been demolished, and the Committee recommend that the assessment of £7/4 be deleted.

7. 71, RALEIGH DRIVE. A garage and sheds were erected within the curtilage of this property but the sheds have now been removed.

The Committee therefore recommend that the assessment be reduced from £16/10 to £10/6.

8. "THE HOLLIES", OAKLEIGH PARK NORTH. This property now having been demolished, the Committee recommend that the assessment of £184/150 be deleted.

9. PROPOSAL LIST No.69. The Committee approved Proposal List No.69 and authorised the Valuation Officer to take the necessary action in connection therewith.

10. ESTIMATES FOR 1949/50. The Chairman of the Committee pointed out that special items for inclusion in the rate estimates would be considered by the Committee at their next Meeting and if any Member had any scheme to bring forward, he should be informed as early as possible to enable the appropriate Officer to prepare an estimate of cost for submission to the next Meeting.

Having regard to the fact that the date of transfer of valuation for rating purposes to the Commissioners of Inland Revenue, under the Local Government Act, 1948, has not yet been determined, the Committee consider that provision should be made in the estimates for expenditure for the whole of the ensuing year.

Harold Hempsell

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 6.45 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Housing Committee

13th January, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. J.E.Pickering ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry,
Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin,
Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards,
Richardson, Simmonds and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Sparks.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 9th December, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. HOUSING LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The Report of the Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee held on 11th December, 1948, a copy of which is attached, was submitted and signed by the Chairman.

4. REQUISITIONED PROPERTY.

(a) Arrears of Contributions. The Treasurer reported on the present position regarding arrears of contributions and the following arise out of the report:-

(i) Occupier No.674. The arrears amount to £1 15s. 4d. and the weekly contribution is 17s. 5d. The occupier promised to pay 7s. 7d. per week off the arrears but this arrangement has not been maintained. There is no financial hardship and the Committee recommend that failing the arrears being cleared during the current week a Notice terminating the licence be issued.

(ii) Occupier No.633. The sum of £2 10s. 0d. has been paid off the arrears of £3 13s. 8d. The weekly contribution is £1 11s. 8d. and the occupier has promised to pay the balance outstanding by Saturday next. A further report on this case will be submitted to the next Meeting.

(iii) Occupier No.636. The arrears are £2 10s. 2d. and the weekly contribution is £1 5s. 1d. The occupier has been continually in arrear since July last. The Treasurer has been instructed to press for payment and a further report on this case will be submitted to the next Meeting.

(iv) Occupier No.669. The arrears amount to £3 17s. 2d. and the weekly contribution is £1 18s. 7d. There is no financial hardship in this case which has been reported on many occasions previously, and the Committee recommend that a Notice terminating the licence be issued.

(v) Occupier No.662. Of the arrears of £2 16s. 10d., £2 10s. 0d. has been paid recently and the occupier has promised to pay the balance on Saturday next. The weekly contribution is £1 8s. 5d. A further report on this case will be submitted to the next Meeting.

(vi) Occupier No.666. The arrears are £5 8s. 9d. and the weekly contribution is £1 1s. 9d. There are certain circumstances prevailing and the Committee have deferred consideration of the case until their next Meeting.

(vii) Late Occupier No.804. This former occupier vacated the premises without giving notice and the weekly contribution of 16s. 10d. in lieu of notice is outstanding.

There is no financial hardship and the Committee authorise the Treasurer to institute proceedings for recovery.

(b) General Maintenance. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the general maintenance work carried out to requisitioned properties since the last Meeting.

(c) "Eversley", Oakleigh Park South, N.20. With reference to Minute No.3 (g) of the Report of this Committee dated 9th December, 1948, the Chairman of the Committee reported that he, together with the Vice-Chairman of the Council and the Engineer and Surveyor, had made an inspection of this property which it was considered was eminently suitable for conversion into flats.

The Engineer and Surveyor submitted plans for the conversion of the property by providing two, or, alternatively, four flats.

The Committee recommend that the scheme for the conversion into two flats be approved and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for authority to invite tenders for carrying out the necessary work.

(d) Occupier No.529. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Report of the Housing Lettings Committee dated 29th October, 1948, the Housing Officer reported that it had been found impracticable to transfer this occupier to requisitioned property No.7, Oak Avenue, but he had been required to transfer to the requisitioned self-contained flat at 248, Sydney Road, N.10, having regard to certain difficulties arising as a result of his residing at No. 7, Glenhurst Road, Objections have been raised by the occupier to the effect that the flat offered lacks space for his furniture and the district is unsuitable.

Having carefully considered the full facts of the case, the Committee recommend that failing his arranging to effect the transfer forthwith, a Notice terminating the licence be issued.

(e) Requisitioning of Unoccupied Properties. The Clerk reported that two properties in the District had been requisitioned but subsequent thereto information had been received that the properties were the subject of negotiation for acquisition and occupation by the purchasers. In accordance with instructions of the Ministry of Health in their authorisations to requisition the premises, the requisitions have been withdrawn as it was not considered that a serious under-occupation of the premises in question would result.

5. HOUSING ACT 1936 - SECTION 91 - 16, BELLEVUE ROAD. The Tottenham & District Gas Company have recently converted the above-mentioned premises into two flats resulting in the aggregate assessments thereon being higher than the original assessment on the house. The Company have therefore made application under Section 91 of the Housing Act 1936 for a refund of the increase of rates payable as a result of the increased assessments.

The Committee recommend that the application be refused.

6. HOUSING ESTATES.

(a) Arrears of Rent. The Treasurer reported on the present position regarding arrears of rent and the following arise out of this report:-

(i) Tenant No.37. The arrears are £2 12s. 5d. and the weekly rent is £1 4s. 1d. The tenant has been absent from work owing to illness, but has now recovered and the Treasurer has been instructed to make arrangements for reasonable instalments to be paid off the arrears. A further report on this matter will be submitted at the next Meeting.

(ii) Tenant No.57. With reference to Minute No.4 (a) (i) of the Report of this Committee dated 9th December, 1948, the arrears are now £6 2s. 6d. and the weekly rent is £1 5s.11d. The tenant is reducing the arrears in accordance with an arrangement made.

(iii) Tenant No.176. With reference to Minute No.4 (a) (iv) of the Report of this Committee dated 9th December, 1948, the arrears have increased from £3 9s. 2d. to £5 4s. 5d. and the weekly rent is £1 2s. 9d. The tenant promised to pay £1 10s. 0d. per week, but this has not been maintained. There is apparently financial hardship in this case, but the Committee recommend that the tenant be pressed for the payment of £1 6s. 0d. per week until the arrears are cleared.

The Committee further recommend that the tenant be granted permission to accommodate a further lodger if necessary.

(iv) Tenant No.363. With reference to Minute No.4 (a) (vi) of the Report of this Committee dated 9th December, 1948, the arrears are now £4 4s. 1d. and the weekly rent is £1 3s.11d. The tenant promised payment of 10s. 0d. per week off the arrears, but this has not been maintained.

The Committee recommend that this case be referred to the Housing Welfare Officer for investigation.

(v) Tenant No.437. £2 2s. 8d. has now been paid off the arrears of £3 3s. 9d. and the balance has been promised during the next two weeks.

(vi) Former Tenant No.321. With reference to Minute No.4 (a) (v) of the Report of this Committee dated 9th December, 1948, the arrears of £3 6s. 1d. have not been reduced since the last Meeting, and the Treasurer has been instructed to continue to press for payment.

(vii) Tenant No.1021. The arrears in this case are £2 0s. 0d. and the weekly rent £1 0s. 0d. There are financial difficulties but payment is promised by the 15th January.

The Committee have deferred consideration to their next Meeting.

(b) General Maintenance. The report of the Engineer and Surveyor on the general maintenance of housing estates was submitted for information.

(c) Installation of New Stoves and Hot Water Systems. With reference to Minute No.4 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 9th December, 1948, a total of 10 new stoves and hot water systems have been installed since the last Meeting, making a total of 76 new installations to date.

(d) War-damage Repairs. With reference to Minute No.4 (e) of the Report of this Committee dated 9th December, 1948, to date 62 houses have received complete re-instatement of war-damage and interior decoration and 58 properties complete re-instatement of war-damage repairs and partial interior decoration.

(e) No.59, East Crescent - Application for Erection of Cycle Shed. An application was submitted from the tenant of this property for permission to erect a cycle shed, 4 ft. in width and 6 ft. in length, adjoining the existing coal shed at the rear of the premises.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted.

7. FURNISHED HOUSES (RENT CONTROL) ACT, 1946. With reference to Minute No.11 of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, the Clerk to the Rent Tribunal was requested to supply information as to the rent being charged for the accommodation before being fixed by the Tribunal, and a letter dated the 10th December, 1948, was submitted from the Clerk to the Tribunal stating that it is proposed in future to attach to each notification of a decision a copy of the statement of particulars as given by lessees and lessors which will disclose the required information. Such particulars in respect of past cases accompanied the communication.

8. HOUSING SUMMARY. The Ministry of Health Housing Summary for November, 1948, was submitted for the information of the Committee.

9. DISTRICT HOUSING PROGRESS. The following is a summary of the position within the Urban District as at the 31st December, 1948:-

	COMPLETED to 31.10.48.	COMPLETED November 1948	COMPLETED December 1948	TOTAL	FAMILIES ACCOMMODATED at 31st Dec. 1948
War Damaged Rebuilt Houses	10	-	-	10	10
Post-War Houses	16	-	2	18	18
Post-War Flats	72	-	12	84	84
Temporary Bungalows	86	-	-	86	86
				198	198

Accommodated in Requisitioned Properties 183

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Applicants on Waiting List .....Nov. - 1782

Applicants on Waiting List .....Dec. - 1779

10. HOUSING SCHEMES.

(a) Temporary Housing Site No.2 - Roman Road. The Clerk reported that an account has been received from the Ministry of Works through the Ministry of Health claiming a sum of £2,414 9s. 8d. purporting to be the total cost of the preparation work carried out by the Ministry of Works and recoverable from the Council. Upon consultation with the Engineer and Surveyor, the Ministry of Works were requested to supply a statement to disclose how the sum was arrived at.

With the exception of the £1 3s. 8d. for attendance of items paid for by the Council, and another sum under the heading "Fencing and Gates" the work for which the claim is made appears to be additional work on foundations, out-buildings, pavings and site clearance consequent upon the nature and levels of the site.

In a Memorandum issued in November, 1944, it is clearly stated that the Ministry of Works shall be responsible for the "construction of foundation slabs, erection of superstructure with all fittings, construction of paths and fencing, laying of drains, water, gas and electricity services..... The Ministry of Works accepts full responsibility for providing adequate foundations and for the structure of the house."

Furthermore, it is stated that the "Ministry of Works, on behalf of the Ministry of Health, will provide and pay the cost of a sub-structure for the temporary house and will erect the house thereon."

At no time during construction of the houses did any officer of this Council give instructions for any additional work in connection with the sub-structure of the houses or out-buildings, to the Ministry of Works or their Contractors, and at no time did the Ministry of Works ask for additional works to be measured or agreed, and furthermore no previous intimation had been received from the Ministry of Works indicating that such a claim was contemplated.

It therefore appears that with the exception of the sum of £1 3s. 8d. referred to previously and for a small amount of additional work and work to common access paths, which no doubt can be agreed without difficulty, the remaining items referred to have been rendered to this Authority in error.

The matter was raised at a Meeting of the Middlesex Surveyors recently, when it was understood that a number of Authorities had received similar claims which were being repudiated by the Local Authorities concerned. It is also understood that the matter is due for discussion at a Meeting of the Middlesex Financial Officers to be held in the near future.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Clerk be approved and confirmed and that every effort be made to resist the claim.

(b) Housing Site No.4 - Alexandra Road. Progress on this site is very satisfactory and the remaining 12 flats should be available for occupation at the end of the month.

(c) Permanent Housing Site No.5 - Colney Hatch Lane.

(i) Progress. The progress in the construction of the houses is generally satisfactory. Of the 82 houses for which contracts have been entered into during the past eight months 52 have been roofed, 36 plastered and the brick-work on the remainder is in various stages of progress.

Progress on Contracts 5B/3 and 5B/4 for the erection of flats is fairly satisfactory and the second block of 24 flats should be at damp-proof course level this week.

In connection therewith the Engineer and Surveyor referred to the fact that the Ministry of Health in approving the tender of Messrs. Graham, Builders and Contractors, did so on condition that the bathrooms, kitchens and W.Cs. should be distempered and not painted.

In view of the desirability of having a washable finish in these rooms and the very greatly improved appearance, the Ministry of Health were requested to reconsider the decision and it is now stated the Minister would raise no objection if the Council decided that paint should be used in substitution for distemper.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the painting in substitution for distemper at an additional cost of £203 18s. 10d. for the 80 flats.

(ii) Fencing - Flats. With reference to Minute No.7 (d) (ii) of the Report of this Committee dated 9th December, 1948, the suppliers of the chain-link fencing anticipate they will be able to make delivery in three months from the date of placing the order, and the order has accordingly been

placed subject to contract. In the circumstances it will not be necessary to erect any considerable quantity of temporary fencing.

(iii) Installation of Immersion Heaters. With reference to Minute No.12 (b) (iv) of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, a communication has now been received from the Ministry of Health, as a result of the Engineer and Surveyor's enquiry as to whether immersion heaters should be installed subject to their being wired from the cooker panel with change over switch having regard to the recommendation in the report of the Committee set up by the Ministry of Fuel and Power, stating that the Minister now raises no objection to the provision of immersion heaters without the installation of two-way switches.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the installation of the immersion heaters and the necessary wiring from the main fuse board in the houses at present under construction on the site.

(iv) Naming of Blocks of Flats. Further consideration was given to the naming of the seven blocks of flats on this site, and the Committee recommend that the following names be approved:-

Moss Well House.
Pymmes Brook House.
Kingsfield House.
Betstyle House.
Campe House.
Tudor House.
Cavendish House.

11. CAST IRON GOODS - RELAXATION OF CONTROL OF DISTRIBUTION. The Government have decided that the control over the distribution of cast iron goods should be terminated as from the 1st January, 1949. It is not anticipated that the Industry will be in a position to meet any appreciable increase in demand; it will still be necessary to limit orders for goods required for essential new work and such maintenance and repair as cannot be deferred.

12. BUILDING LICENCES.

(a) Private Building Licences. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that at a recent Meeting of the Middlesex Surveyors Association the position regarding private building licences was reviewed and it appears that in most districts a very small percentage have, so far, been taken up. The main difficulties of the applicants appear to be negotiating the purchase of land, agreement to the assessment of the development charge and possibly some degree of difficulty in obtaining a builder to carry out the work within the controlled price.

So far as this District is concerned, of the 27 licences authorised, 11 have been issued, 3 withdrawn and 1 will possibly be withdrawn.

(b) Progress re Cost of Works Houses. During December, 1948, one licence was issued and of the 53 licences for houses and 10 licences for flats issued to date, the number of properties completed is 27 houses and 6 flats.

(c) Progress re Private Enterprise Houses. 4 Licences were issued in December, 1948, and of the total licences issued for 46 houses and 29 flats, 40 houses and 29 flats have been completed to date.

(d) Allocation. A letter dated the 5th January, 1949, has been received from Mr. N.G. Wolfe of 52, Buckingham Avenue, complaining of the fact that he and his friends have again been refused building licences and enquiring whether the names of those applicants who have been granted licences could be disclosed.

The Committee recommend that Mr. Wolfe be informed that the Council are not prepared to accede to his request.

13. HOUSING PROGRAMME 1949. It will be remembered that when the Housing Programme for this District was last reviewed by the Ministry of Health an allocation was made, subject to review in January, 1949, for the twelve month period ending June, 1949, of 130 further dwellings for which contracts could be let and licences issued, which, on the 1 to 4 ratio, gave 104 dwellings for erection by the Council and 26 by licence for private enterprise. Of the 104 allocated for Council dwellings contracts have already been let for 72 dwellings on Site No.5, covering 54 flats and 18 houses.

This programme was reviewed during an interview at the Ministry of Health on the 10th January, and, in view of what the Ministry regarded as extremely satisfactory progress on all sites during the past year, the allocation has been increased from 130 to 240 dwellings for the period ending June, 1949, the figure being made up as follows:-

Contracts already let.		
	Houses Site 5.	18
	Flats Site 5.	54
For immediate Tender.		
	Flats Site 5.	60
For Tender before June, 1949.		
	Houses Site 5.	10
	Aged Persons' dwellings Site 5.	6
	Flats Site 6. "The Hollies".	48
	Total Council dwellings:	196
	Licences for private enterprise:	44
	Total dwellings:	240

If the satisfactory progress is continued the Ministry anticipate being able to approve a scheme for Site No.7. (No246, Friern Barnet Lane) later in the year.

The Committee recommend the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to invite tenders for the 60 flats on Housing Site No.5 immediately and tenders be invited for the erection of the remaining houses on this Site as soon as the land becomes available from its present temporary user as allotments.

The Engineer and Surveyor is at present arranging for the preparation of the plans for the flats at "The Hollies" which it is anticipated will be available for consideration by the Committee at their next Meeting.

14. BUNGALOWS FOR OLD PEOPLE. A letter dated 11th January, 1949, was submitted from the Friern Barnet Women's Advisory Panel on Housing stating that the Panel has given considerable consideration in recent months to old people's housing problems and, in view of the growing importance of this aspect, the Panel is glad to learn that the Council has decided to build six bungalows for old people on Housing Site No.5. Colney Hatch Lane. Suggestions were submitted in connection with the layout and construction of such dwellings.

The Committee recommend that the Advisory Panel be thanked for their suggestions which will be borne in mind by the Engineer and Surveyor when planning these dwellings.

15. BUILDING CONTRACTORS INTERIM PAYMENTS. The Committee have authorised and ordered Barclays Bank Limited to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed on page 45 of the Treasurer's Order amounting to £17,030, being interim payments to building contractors.

The accounts have been inspected and initialled by the Chairman.

16. ESTIMATES FOR 1949/50. The Chairman of the Committee pointed out that special items for inclusion in the rate estimates would be considered by the Committee at their next meeting and if any Member had any scheme to bring forward he should be informed as early as possible to enable the appropriate Officer to prepare an estimate of cost for submission to the next Meeting.

E. Drake

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.45 p.m. and terminated at 8.15 p.m.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee

11th December, 1948

PRESENT:

Cr. J.E. Pickering ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Richardson and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Simmonds, Henry and Sparks.

2. BUILDING LICENCES - ALLOCATION. The Committee, having considered the applications received, have allocated licences to applicants Nos. 4, 6, 7, 17, 24, 26, 29, 30, 31, 35, 36, 40, 43, 44 and 45.

3. No.25, BEECH LAWNS. It was decided that Occupier No.686 be transferred to this requisitioned flat when vacated by the present Occupier.

4. "BURRINGTON", OAKLEIGH AVENUE. It was decided to offer flat No.4 in this requisitioned property to Applicant No.D.318 when vacated by the present occupier.

5. No.169, OAKLEIGH ROAD NORTH - TENANT No.85. The Committee have agreed to the transfer of the tenancy of this Council house to the tenant's wife.

6. APPLICANT No.A.767. It was decided to offer accommodation to this applicant as soon as a suitable vacancy occurs.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 9.30 a.m. and terminated at 10.20 a.m.

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FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

No. 45

To Barclays Bank Limited,
233, Woodhouse Road, Friern Barnet, N.12.

Pursuant to a Resolution adopted this 13TH day of JANUARY 1949
WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 45 ~~to~~ of this Order, amounting to the sum of ----------SEVENTEEN THOUSAND AND THIRTY---------- pounds ------ shillings and ---------- pence, ~~also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster-General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of pounds and in any one week a maximum of pounds~~
signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

Chairman.

Members of the Council.

Countersigned :

Clerk of the Council.

S. & S. Ltd. G61921

Consective Numbr		NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
	1820	R. BORLAND & SON LTD.--	1,025 - -
	1821	CHARLES DENTON.--	935 - -
	1822	GRAHAM (BUILDERS & CONTRACTORS) LTD.--	5,355 - -
	1823	V.A.HOWARD LTD.--	420 - -
	1824	HUBERT C.LEACH LTD.--	5,100 - -
	1825	McMANUS & CO LTD.--	2,175 - -
	1826	MYTON LTD.--	1,620 - -
	1827	STANDARD RANGE & FOUNDRY LTD.--	400 - -
			£17,030 - -

Report and Recommendations of the Town Planning Committee

13th January, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. L. W. McClane ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs.McCarthy, Martin, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Sparks.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 9th December, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947.

(a) Control of Mineral Working. A letter dated 13th December, 1948, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that the County Planning Committee has given preliminary consideration to the report of the Advisory Committee on Sand and Gravel (The Waters Committee) and pending further consideration of the report, and the receipt of Government transmissions thereon, the County Planning Committee decided, except in exceptional cases, that its present policy of refusing permission for new gravel workings in the County be continued until the survey and development plans are sufficiently advanced to enable land requirements for purposes other than gravel workings to be determined. Also, having regard to the provisions of paragraph 1 of Clause XIX of the Town and Country Planning (General Development) Order, 1948, it has been agreed to concur in the continuation of all mining operations in the County within the scope of the Clause, in accordance with the terms of the Order, for a period not exceeding six months from 1st July, 1948.

It is thought that the details of the provisions of the Order are still not fully known throughout the industry, and mineral undertakers may be unaware that their operations are subject to planning control. The Ministry of Town and Country Planning has therefore suggested that such undertakers who have not yet applied for permission should be notified that the period of grace will be extended to the 31st December, 1949, and advised that it is in their own interest to make an application if they wish to continue working after that date.

The County Council accordingly request that mineral undertakers carrying out such operations within the Urban District should be advised accordingly.

There are no mineral workings being carried out in the Urban District at the present time.

(b) Town and Country Planning (General Development) Order, 1948. With reference to Minute No.3 (e) of the Report of the Meeting of this Committee in November, 1948, when a letter dated 26th October, 1948, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that it had been decided to made an Order subject to the approval of the Ministry of Town and Country Planning providing that -

(i) development referred to in Class I of the First Schedule of the Order comprising the erection, construction and maintenance, improvement or other alteration within the curtilage of any dwelling-

house of a shelter or kennel for breeding dogs, or pigeon or dove lofts or cotes or aviaries shall not be undertaken in the County of Middlesex unless permission is granted on an application in that behalf;

(ii) the use of land as provided in Class IV of the First Schedule of the Order for trading, marketing, holding offairs, or the parking of caravans in the County of Middlesex shall not be undertaken unless permission is granted on an application in that behalf.

a further letter dated 17th December, 1948, was submitted stating that the Minister of Town and Country Planning has intimated that he is unable to accept proposals for the issue of the directions in question, and in conveying such decision states:-

"The permitted development specified in the First Schedule of the Order, which your Council would propose to vary within the County of Middlesex, represents the Minister's views, after exhaustive consultation, of what ought to be allowed to citizens generally throughout the country. The system has not yet been tried out, and I am to state the Minister, before approving any Direction under Article 4, would need to be convinced that it was designed to remedy some specific abuse of which evidence exists. He would need to be convinced further that the Direction was limited strictly to the area in which the abuse, or abuses, existed, and that it was capable of remedying those abuses."

In these circumstances the County Planning Committee has decided that no further action shall be taken in connection with the Directionsreferred to, but consideration will be given to the making of Directions restricting permitted development for specific areas of the County upon receipt of evidence that such Directions are necessary to remedy some specific abuse in that area. Accordingly this Council are invited to submit the necessary evidence if they desire Directions restricting permitted development to be made in respect of any part of the Urban District.

There do not appear to be any prevailing circumstances justifying the making of such representations and the Committee recommend that no action be taken therein at the present time.

(c) Reservation of Land for Burial Grounds. A letter dated 4th January, 1949, was submitted from the Ministry of Health stating that the Minister, together with the Minister of Town and Country Planning, has had under consideration the reservation of land for burial grounds in the Greater London area, and because the Local Planning Authorities are preparing their development plans it appears that this matter should be dealt with immediately, even if, as in many cases, actual provision of further space is not yet needed.

In their appreciation of the situation, the Ministers consider that there is an obvious need to disturb the agricultural interests as little as possible, and the shortage of suitable land within easy reach of London is realised. Therefore the strictest economy must be practised in the use of land for this purpose.

The solution appears to lie in the use of a burial ground by more than one Authority, and accordingly a list of suggested groups of Authorities who might share burial grounds and so enable them to each have the use of a burial ground not too far from their area has been prepared. So far as the Urban District is concerned, it is proposed that a burial ground

should be provided within the Urban District of Enfield, to be shared by Edmonton Borough, the Friern Barnet Urban District Council, Hornsey Borough and Southgate Borough.

The estimated joint acreage required is 40 acres. The Ministries request the Council to give the proposal their careful and sympathetic consideration without delay, and in particular the Ministry of Health desires the Council's observations on the following questions which arise:-

(i) If this Authority does not at present provide a cemetery or burial ground whether it is intended to alter that policy.

(ii) Whether this Authority consider that the grouping suggested will be satisfactory.

(iii) Whether the suggested locality for the burial ground is suitable.

(iv) What arrangements would best serve for joint provision and operation by the group.

(v) If this Authority has ground in excess of the needs of the next 30 years, whether we would agree to its use by other Authorities, and if so on what terms.

It is appreciated that the precise location will need to be determined by consultation with the Local Authorities concerned, and it is suggested that the first named Authority inthe group should undertake the arrangement of the necessary consultations (in this case Edmonton Borough Council).

The Ministry of Town and Country Planning has written to the Local Planning Authorities in the matter.

The Committee recommend that the following observations be forwarded to the Ministry of Health:-

(i) This Council does not at present provide a cemetery or burial ground, but it is intended that the present policy should be altered.

(ii) It is considered that the proposed grouping of Local Authorities, so far as this District is concerned, will be satisfactory.

(iii) The suggested locality for the burial ground would appear to be suitable.

(iv) It is considered that arrangements would best be served by the formation of a Joint Burial Board.

The Committee further recommend that in the event of a Conference being convened by Edmonton Borough Council to discuss the matter, the Chairman of the Council and the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of this Committee be appointed the Council's representatives to attend.

(d) Land at Junction of Sydney Road and Colney Hatch Lane. With reference to Minute No.4 of the Report of this Committee dated 14th October, 1948, a letter dated 11th December, 1948, has been received from the Ministry of Town and Country Planning (a copy of which has previously been supplied to each Member of the Council), following the local Inquiry into the appeal by Messrs. Huggins & Co.Ltd. against the Council's refusal to permit the erection of licensed premises. The Minister has, on balance, come to the conclusion that a suitable building could be so designed and placed as to allow an improvement in the shape and means of access to the car park with a consequent increase in the number of cars to be accommodated and the development could then be permitted without detriment to the surroundings. Accordingly it has been decided to allow the appeal subject to the following conditions:-

(i) that the plans, siting and elevation of the building shall be to the approval of the Local Planning Authority or the Minister on appeal; and

(ii) that parking space for a minimum of 10 cars and access thereto from Sydney Road shall be provided to the satisfaction of the Local Planning Authority or the Minister on appeal.

A revised plan has been received and is dealt with under Minute No.6 (h) of this Report.

4. 97, FRIERN BARNET ROAD - OVERHANGING SIGN. With reference to Minute No.10 of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, Messrs. Mac Signs Ltd., have refixed the sign outside their premises, which now overhangs the footpath to within 2' 6" of the kerb line, and the support to which the sign is attached overhangs to within 2' 0". The requirements are, therefore, now complied with.

5. DECISIONS OF AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE. With reference to Minute No.8 of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, and Minute No.5 (n) of the Report of this Committee dated 9th December, 1948, the following decisions on "excepted" applications were made by the North Middlesex Area Planning Committee at their Meeting held on 22nd December, 1948:-

(a) FB.37 - Layout of land for 10 building plots, North side Friern Mount Drive, N.20., for Messrs. E.J. & P. Bower, Ltd.

Permission GRANTED, subject to the following conditions:-

(i) That detailed plans be submitted to and approved by the County Council before any work is commenced, such plans to show satisfactory siting of the houses in relation to the existing surface water sewer under the land, and that the development be carried out in accordance with the plans so approved.

(ii) That this permission shall become void unless the condition is complied with within a period of three years from the date of this permission.

(b) FB.38 - Amended block plan - Six semi-detached houses, Nos.46-56, Friern Mount Drive, N.20., for Messrs. F. & H. Joyce, Ltd.

Permission GRANTED.

(c) FB.39 - Conversion of outbuildings into foundry at rear of No.69, Oakleigh Road South, N.11, for Messrs. Victoria Foundries.

Permission REFUSED for the following reasons:-

(i) To introduce an industry in such close proximity to residential premises is undesirable.

(ii) The development of industry in the area would be prejudicial to the development plan.

(d) FB.43 - Erection of garage for business purposes at rear of No.197, Woodhouse Road, N.12, for Mr. J.E. Flesher.

Permission GRANTED, subject to the following conditions:-

(i) That the roof be painted (or otherwise coloured) to the satisfaction of the Engineer to the Friern Barnet Urban District Council.

(ii) That this permission shall become void unless the condition is complied with within a period of three years from the date of this permission.

(e) FB.59 - Continuation of user of garage and workshop at rear of Halliwick Court Parade, Woodhouse Road, for industrial purposes for Messrs. Cramb Bros, Ltd.

Permission GRANTED for a limited period only, expiring on the 31st December, 1949.

6. PLANS. The Committee have considered the following applications for permission to the under-mentioned development, and for approval to plans under the Public Health Act, 1936, and the building byelaws and other enactments, and in accordance with their delegated powers have taken the action noted against each application.

Where planning permission has been granted or refused action has been taken as Agents for the Middlesex County Council under the delegation agreement.

Where plans have been "excepted" by the Area Planning Officer, the Committee's recommendations will be forwarded to him.

Where conditions have been imposed these are recorded against each application.

(a) Plan No.3895/FB.66 - 41, Macdonald Road, N.11. Mr. G. Rivaldi - portable all-steel garage at rear.

Planning: Permission granted subject to:-

(i) the building being painted or otherwise coloured to the satisfaction of the Engineer and Surveyor immediately after erection, and

(ii) that this permission shall become void unless the building is erected within a period of three years from the date of this permission and the condition complied with.

Byelaws: Approved subject to a temporary licence pursuant to the provisions of Section 53 of the Public Health Act, 1936, for a period expiring on 31st December, 1953, and to the building being used as a garage for a private vehicle only.

(b) Plan No.FB.67 - Site adjoining Buckingham Avenue, High Road, N.20 16 Flats, caretaker's quarters, 6 garages, refuse store and fuel store - Messrs. C.W. Simmonds Ltd.

Planning: Passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be granted subject to:-

(i) the owners conveying to the Friern Barnet U.D.C. at the time of erection of the proposed flats and garages, that portion of the land which will eventually be included in the highway, provided that the Council pay all legal costs and form and make up the surface of this land; and

(ii) the garages being used for the purpose of housing non-commercial vehicles only.

Byelaws: Plans previously approved.

(c) Plan No.FB.68 - House at junction of Torrington Park and Friern Barnet Lane - pedestrian access and vehicular crossing over footway and verge - Mr. J. Johnston.

Planning: Passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be granted.

Byelaws: Approval not required.

(d) Plan No.FB.69 - 7, Halliwick Court Parade - New Shop front - Mr. J.G. Martin.

Planning: Permission refused for the reason that the external appearance would not be in keeping with adjoining development.

Byelaws: Approval not required.

(e) Plan No.F.B.70 - Bellevue Mews, Friern Barnet Road. Use of stable as receiving and despatching depot in connection with repair of domestic appliances - Mr. F.D. Young.

Planning: Passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be granted subject to the building being used as a receiving and despatching depot only and not for industrial purposes.

Byelaws: Approval not required.

(f) Plan No.FB.71 - Land north side of Simmons Way, N.20. Three pairs of semi-detached houses - Mr. J.K. Allan.

Planning: Permission granted.

Byelaws: Plans previously approved.

(g) Plan No.FB.72 - Land east side of Oakleigh Park South. Detached house - Mr. T.L. Cheshire.

Planning: Permission granted.

Byelaws: Plan previously approved.

(h) Plan No.FB.73 - Erection of licensed premises, junction of Colney Hatch Lane and Sydney Road, N.10. Messrs. Watney, Coombe Reid & Co.Ltd.

Planning: Passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be granted subject to a suitable sign being provided at the exit from the car park warning drivers to proceed with care on leaving the car park.

Byelaws: Plans not yet received.

(i) Plan No.FB.74 - 94, Torrington Park - Change of user from private house to Moral Welfare Hostel, and adaptation of garage as wash-house - London Diocesan Council for Moral Welfare Work.

Planning: Permission granted subject to no part of the premises being used for any trade or business.

Byelaws: Plans not yet received.

(j) Plan No.FB.75 - 12, Halliwick Court Parade, N.11. - Use as builders' office and stores for small materials - Messrs. Yeomans & Partners Ltd.

Planning: Permission granted subject to:-

(i) the installation of a shop front, detailed plans of which are to be submitted to and approved by the Council, and

(ii) the loading and unloading of vehicles being confined to the accommodation road at the rear of the premises.

Byelaws: Approval not required.

(k) Plan No.3896 - Messrs. Drugs Ltd. - Factory, Sydney Road and Roman Road, N.10. Construction of first floor within existing stores building and alterations and additions to upper storey over office block.

Planning: The applicants have been advised to apply to the Board of Trade for a certificate under Section 14 (5).

Byelaws: Approved.

7. LAND ADJOINING 40, MYDDELTON PARK, N.20. It was reported that a vacant plot of land adjoining No.40, Myddelton Park is being used by the owner for the purpose of storing and dumping a considerable quantity of builders' material and rubbish, and for the parking of a business vehicle thereon.

Building Licences have been granted for the erection of two detached bungalows on the site in question, but the work has not yet been commenced.

The Committee recommend that in the event of the owner not intending to commence building operations on the site in the immediate future, he be required within the next 14 days to arrange for the clearance of the site.

8. PLAN No.FB.29 - ADVERTISEMENT HOARDING, JACQUES COTTAGES, HIGH ROAD, N.20. With reference to Minute No.3 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 9th December, 1948, the Area Planning Officer suggested that an alternative proposal as to the siting of the proposed hoarding should be conveyed to the applicants and the Ministry of Town and Country Planning. The applicants and the Ministry were, upon the consent of the Chairman of this Committee, advised accordingly, and Messrs. Willings subsequently requested that the hearing of the Appeal should be postponed.

A meeting was held on the site on 7th January, 1949, between a representative of Messrs. Willings, the Assistant Area Planning Officer, and a representative of the Council. The representative of Messrs. Willings did not feel that his Company would be prepared to agree to a proposal to set back the hoarding in line with the building line of the proposed new shops and flats adjoining the site, but as a compromise it was suggested that a proposal to set back the southern half of the hoarding to a line 15' 0" from the present highway boundary and the northern half at an angle to the new building line, should be submitted for consideration.

An application in accordance with the revised scheme has now been received and is submitted, and action thereon has been taken as follows:-

Planning: Passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that permission be granted for a period of three years.

Byelaws: Approval not required.

9. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936 - SECTION 53 - TEMPORARY LICENCE. The Committee recommend that the following Licence be renewed for a further period expiring on 31st December, 1951 :-

Plan No.	Owner.	Description.	Location.
E.28	Mr. G.W. Cox.	Galvanised iron garage.	102 Sydney Road, N.10.

10. DELEGATION OF PLANNING FUNCTIONS. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that at a Meeting of the Middlesex Surveyors' Association held on Friday the 7th January, 1949, the County Planning Officer requested that the recommendations of the Council should be forwarded with the applications when they are initially despatched to the Area Planning Officer. The original arrangement made in August, 1948, was that in forwarding applications the observations of the Engineer and Surveyor would be submitted in respect of the less important applications, but the recommendations of the more important applications should be dealt with by the Committee.

In order to meet the wishes of the County Planning Officer, the Committee recommend that in consultation with the Chairman of the Committee special Meetings of the Committee be convened as and when necessary.

11. RATE ESTIMATES FOR 1949/50. The Chairman of the Committee pointed out that special items for inclusion in the rate estimates would be considered by the Committee at their next Meeting, and if any Member had any scheme to bring forward he should be informed as early as possible, to enable the appropriate officer to prepare an estimate of cost for submission at the next Meeting.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 8.15 p.m. and terminated at 9.0 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of a Special Meeting of the General Purposes Committee

13th January, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Martin, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Sparks.

2. LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL BILL. The Clerk submitted a report on the provisions of this Bill, which seeks inter alia:-

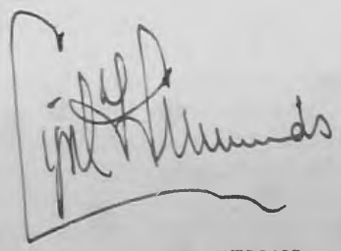
(a) District Heating. Authority to provide heating undertakings and to supply heat and hot water to any houses or other buildings within the heating limits provided by the County Council either alone or jointly with any other person in pursuance of the powers to provide housing accommodation conferred by Part 5 of the Housing Act, 1936, and to any other premises within the heating limits whether belonging to or occupied by the Authority or any other persons and to enter into Agreements with other Authorities for similar purposes and to lay mains etc., break up streets etc.

(b) Refuse Disposal. Authority for any Metropolitan Borough Council to acquire lands for the purpose of refuse disposal.

The Committee have authorised the Clerk to:-

(i) Take all necessary steps to oppose the above provisions of the Bill, jointly with other Middlesex Local Authorities.

(ii) To convene a Meeting of the Council to be held on the 10th February, 1949, at 6.30 p.m. (of which due notice will be given in accordance with Section 254 of the Local Government Act, 1933) for the purpose of passing the necessary resolution to oppose the Bill.



CHAIRMAN.

The Meeting commenced at 9.0 p.m. and terminated at 9.15 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Establishment Committee

18th January, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards and Richardson.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Foley, Henry, Martin and Tarlton.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 21st December, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. REPORTS OF JOINT COMMITTEES. The Committee received reports of the Joint Committee Meetings held this day, copies of which have been circulated to all Members of the Council, and arising therefrom the Committee recommend as follows:-

> Mess Room Accommodation. That when the report of the Housing Estates Manager upon this matter is considered by the Housing Committee, the observations of the Manual Workers' representatives on the Joint Committee receive due consideration.

3. TERRITORIAL AND AUXILIARY FORCES - RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN. A letter dated 22nd December, 1948, was submitted from the Territorial and Auxiliary Forces Association of the County of Middlesex expressing appreciation for the assistance recently given by Local Authorities in completing a questionnaire and stating that every possible means of ensuring maximum publicity for the present campaign is being sought. With this in view, and it being considered that everyone should be conscious of the urgency of the matter, the Association have visited a large number of factories since the inception of the campaign and short addresses have been given to employees. They now enquire whether facilities could be granted for such a visit to be paid to the employees of the Council.

The Committee recommend that the Association be afforded the necessary facilities, subject to the proposal meeting with the wishes of the employees at a date and time to be arranged.

4. NATIONAL JOINT COUNCIL AND MIDDLESEX DISTRICT WHITLEY COUNCIL - ADMINISTRATION EXPENSES. A letter dated the 21st December, 1948, was submitted from the National Joint Council applying for the payment of the sum of £50, being this Council's proportion of the estimated administration expenses of the National Joint Council and the Middlesex District Whitley Council during the current year. The total estimated expenditure is £1,500 which has been divided amongst the 27 employing Authorities represented on the Council in proportion to their representation.

The Committee recommend that the apportionment be approved and the Treasurer be authorised to arrange for the payment of the Council's contribution.

5. HOUSING DEPARTMENT.

(a) Staff Establishment. The observations of the Housing Estates Manager upon the question of general office staff in the light of future requirements was submitted.

The Committee have deferred consideration of this matter pending the submission by the Housing Estates Manager of a comprehensive report on the working of the Department as a whole.

(b) Ministry of Health Grant. In the past the Minister of Health has made a grant towards salaries of the Housing Officer and the general clerk.

The Committee recommend that in the light of the re-organisation of the Department a fresh application be made to the Minister for grant in due course.

6. TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT - PAYMENT OF OVERTIME. The Committee approved the payment of overtime as follows:-

Mr. J.F. Ward	...	7 hours
Mr. J. Lowry	...	11 hours

7. ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT.

(a) Junior Engineering Assistant, Grade II. With reference to Minute No.4 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 21st December, 1948, Mr. D. Fuggle commenced duties on the 1st January, 1949, as arranged.

(b) Engineering Assistants (2), Grade V. With reference to Minute No.4 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 21st December, 1948, Mr. R.E. Mills commenced duties on the 10th January, 1949, and information has now been received that Mr. E.D. Tulett will commence duties on the 1st February, 1949.

(c) Temporary Architectural Assistant, Grade Va. With reference to Minute No.4 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 21st December, 1948, Mr. S. Gidlowe commenced duties, as arranged, on the 3rd January, 1949.

8. MANUAL WORKERS.

(a) Sickness, Accidents, Resignations and Engagements. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted details of sickness, accidents, resignations and engagements with regard to manual workers since the date of the last Meeting.

(b) Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937. The Committee considered a report by the Engineer and Surveyor as to the workmen who had not, for various reasons, been admitted to the Superannuation Scheme and recommend that as from the 1st April, 1949, the following workmen be transferred to Class "A" (established for Superannuation purposes) subject in each case to passing the necessary medical examination.

Mr. R. Crossen	Propagating Gardener.
Mr. A. Duncombe	Labourer.
Mr. J. Fordham	Painter's Improver.
Mr. J. Casey	Plumber's Mate.
Mr. H. Rendell	Paper Baler.

The Committee agree in principle to the admission of further manual workers to the Scheme and have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor, in consultation with the Chairman of this Committee, to submit further information for consideration by the General Purposes Committee at their next Meeting.

9. ANNUAL REPORTS ON STAFF. The Clerk submitted for the information of the Committee the annual reports on the individual members of the Staff.

10. ANNUAL REVIEW OF SALARIES. The Committee considered the salaries of all the Staff, together with applications for increase or re-grading from various members of the staff and observations thereon by the Chief Officers of the respective Departments and, excepting the Chief Officers and their Deputies, the observations of the Joint Committee (Officers and Staff) thereon, and recommend as follows:-

(a) Chief Officers and Deputies.

(i) Clerk of the Council. That the salary of this Officer be increased by £90 per annum.

(ii) Chief Sanitary Inspector. That this Officer be regraded A.P.T. VI and that application for approval to grant based on this increase be made to the Minister of Health.

(iii) Valuation Officer. That no variation be made in the existing grading of this Officer.

(iv) Housing Officer. That this Officer be regraded A.P.T.IV.

(b) Officers and Staff.

(i) Engineer and Surveyor's Department.

(A) Junior Architectural Assistant. That no variation be made in the existing grading of this Officer.

(B) Clerk of Works. That the salary of this Officer be increased by 10s. 0d. per week.

(C) Store Keeper. That the salary of this Officer be advanced by two increments to the maximum of the existing grade for the post.

(ii) Treasurer's Department - Wages and Stores Clerk. That the salary of this Officer be advanced by two increments to the maximum of the existing grade for the post.

(iii) Public Health Department.

(A) Additional Sanitary Inspector - Mr. J.J. Wisdom. That the first increment be paid to this Officer as from the 1st April, 1949, and not 1st April, 1950, as would normally be the case having regard to the date he commenced duties.

(B) Rodent Operative. That the salary of this Officer be increased by 10s. 0d. per week.

(iv) Valuation Department - Valuation Assistant. That no variation be made in the existing grading of this Officer.

(v) Housing Department - General Clerk. That this Officer be paid a special merit payment of £20 per annum in addition to her salary, under Clause 23 (d) of the Scheme of Conditions of Service.

(vi) Priory Civic Restaurant - Cook Supervisor. That the salary of this Officer be increased by £26 per annum.

(vii) Manual Workers not covered by Joint Industrial Council or Middlesex District Whitley Council. The Committee having reviewed the wages of the above-mentioned employees recommend that the wage of the Foreman Mechanic be increased by 9s. 0d. per week.

Where regrading or increase in salary has been recommended, all such variation be operative from the 1st April, 1949.

In the case of all other Officers and Staff the normal increments provided by Scales or the various Grades where applicable be approved.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.05 p.m. and terminated at 9.40 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Entertainments Committee

18th January, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Martin, Miss Richards, Simmonds and Tarlton.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 21st December, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. REPORT OF MEETING OF ENTERTAINMENTS SUB-COMMITTEE. The Report of the Meeting of the Entertainments Sub-Committee held on 21st December, 1948, a copy of which is attached, was submitted and approved.

3. OFFER OF AMUSEMENT FAIR AND FIREWORK DISPLAY. A letter dated 4th January, 1949, was submitted from Mr. John Biddall, Amusement Caterer, enquiring whether it is proposed to arrange for a Fair to form part of the Summer Show and, in the event of his being asked to provide such an entertainment, offering to present as an added attraction a Grand Firework Display.

The Committee recommend that a Fair be not organised in connection with the Entertainments Programme for 1949.

4. PROPOSED AMATEUR DRAMATIC GROUP. With reference to Minute No.3 of the Report of this Committee held on 21st December, 1948, a letter dated 3rd January, 1949, has been received from Miss G. Hooker, stating that the local Societies are being invited to attend a Meeting in connection with the proposed formation of an Amateur Dramatic Group in the District at which addresses will be given by the Chairman and Secretary of the North London Theatre Guild, and future developments in the matter will be notified in due course.

5. PARKS ENTERTAINMENTS. With reference to Minute No.2 (g) of the Report of the Meeting of the Entertainments Sub-Committee held on 21st December, 1948, the Committee considered the question of forms of entertainment to be provided in the Parks, and recommend as follows:-

(a) Pageant and Tableaux. That the Drama Group, when formed, be asked whether, if the Council afforded them the necessary facilities, they would be prepared to organise such an event in the Band Stand in Friary Park.

(b) National Brains Trust. That consideration be given to a National Brains Trust being held later in the year.

The Clerk and certain Members of the Council will make investigations into this matter, and report thereon to the next Meeting.

(c) Children's Entertainments. It was decided to defer consideration of the question of the provision of Children's entertainments until the next Meeting.

6. RATE ESTIMATES 1949/50. The Committee recommend that provision be made in the estimates for the ensuing year for expenditure for the provision of all forms of entertainment, to the extent of a penny rate.

A. Richardson

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 9.40 p.m. and terminated at 10.15 p.m.

Report of the Entertainments Sub-Committee

21st December, 1948

PRESENT:

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Richardson and Simmonds.

Co-opted Member:

Cr. Miss Richards.

Also in attendance:

Cr. Martin.

1. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN. Cr. A. Richardson was appointed Chairman of the Sub-Committee.

Cr. Richardson ... In the Chair.

2. PROPOSALS FOR 1949 PROGRAMME. With reference to Minute No.15 of the Report of the Entertainments Committee dated 16th November, 1948, the Sub-Committee considered the various suggestions made for the provision of entertainments during 1949 including suggestions put forward by the Entertainments Committee and the following observations are submitted:-

(a) Conference of Drama. The Sub-Committee consider that this event, which is intended to precede the Festival of Drama, might be referred to the Festival of Drama Sub-Committee to organise in conjunction with the Festival of Drama.

(b) Theatrical Repertory Season. The Sub-Committee consider that the group of local societies in the Urban District, referred to in Minute No.3 of the Entertainments Committee held on the 21st December, 1948, which is at present in course of formation should be informed of the proposal to organise a Festival of Drama preceded by a Conference of Drama and asked whether they are in favour of a Theatrical Repertory Season being organised and, if so, whether they consider it should take place in 1949 or 1950.

It is felt that the local organisations interested in such activities would have already formulated their programme for a considerable period ahead.

Should, however, such an event be held, it is suggested that consideration should be given to the use of All Saints Church Hall as well as Friern Barnet Church Hall for the purpose.

(c) Exhibition of Photography, Films and Pictures. The Sub-Committee suggest that enquiry might be made of the Friern Barnet Community Association to ascertain whether that Organisation would be prepared to organise such events if the Council afforded them the necessary facilities.

The Sub-Committee are of the opinion that an exhibition of pictures by schoolchildren should also be held and the Chairman of the Council undertook to investigate this matter with the Education Authority.

(d) Church Choir Festival. It is suggested that an enquiry might be made of the Committee of the Churches as to whether they would be prepared to organise such an event if the Council afforded them the necessary facilities.

(e) Exhibition of Good and Bad Design in the Home. The Sub-Committee consider that the Women's Advisory Panel might be asked to organise such an Exhibition if the Council afforded them the necessary facilities.

(f) Orchestral Concerts, Classical Concerts and Vocal Concerts. The Sub-Committee suggest that the Community Association also be invited to organise such events if the Council afforded them the necessary facilities.

(g) Parks Entertainments. The Sub-Committee feel that various forms of children's entertainments should be provided throughout the period of the Summer Show and during the summer vacation of the schools.

Members of the Sub-Committee undertook to supply the Clerk with any proposals for the provision of suitable entertainments in the parks for consideration at the Meeting of the Entertainments Committee to be held in January, 1949.

Richardson

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.45 p.m. and terminated at 8.10 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Finance Committee

20th January, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. R.P. Matthews ... Chairman

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Mason, Meynell, Pickering, Richardson, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Draper and Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Sparks.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 16th December, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. RATE COLLECTION. The amount of rates collected from the 1st October, 1948, to date is 87.8% of the amount collectable as compared with 86.5% for the corresponding period during the previous year.

4. RATE ARREARS. The Treasurer submitted a report on a case of rate and arrears amounting to £46 17s. 8d. where proceedings have been instituted for recovery and subsequently a court order was issued for the payment of 5s. 0d. per week in respect of arrears.

5. EXPENDITURE CLAIMS. With reference to Minute No.5 of the Report of this Committee dated 16th December, 1948, the following amounts have been received in settlement of claims for the year 1947/48:-

(a) Middlesex County Council.

(i) County Roads	£770 5s. 5d.
(ii) East Middlesex Drainage Scheme	£700 4s. 8d.

(b) Home Office.

Fire Service	£102 1s. 6d.

6. TOWN HALL - OFFICE ACCOMMODATION. A scheme was submitted for the construction of a partition between doors Nos.1 and 2 which both give access to the Cashier's Office, thus providing a small room for the purpose of interviewing ratepayers privately when personal circumstances were discussed. The estimated cost of carrying out such alterations is £23 10s. 0d.

The Committee have deferred consideration of this matter until their next Meeting and have instructed the Treasurer to ascertain the extent of the likely demand for the interviewing room.

7. SUNDRY ACCOUNTS. The Treasurer reported on the present position in respect of several sundry debtors' accounts outstanding. In connection with Accounts Nos. 7873, 8251, 8115, 8195, 8122 and 8171, the Committee have instructed the Treasurer to take certain action and report to the next Meeting of the Committee.

The Committee recommend that

(a) the following accounts be written off as irrecoverable:-

Account Number	Amount
6093	10s. 0d.
6720	10s. 0d.
7805	3s. 9d.
7841	10s. 0d.

(b) proceedings be instituted for recovery in respect of the following:-

Account Number	Amount
6744	£1 8s. 0d.
8381	£1 5s. 0d.
8454	13s. 0d.
7947) 7974)	£2 4s. 0d.

(c) Account No.7882. That the offer of 5s. 6d. in settlement of this account be accepted and the balance of 4s. 11d. be written off as irrecoverable.

8. CASH POSITION. The Treasurer submitted a financial statement for the period from 11th December, 1948, to 14th January, 1949.

9. MRS. EVANS' COMPENSATION FUND. The Treasurer reported that it was necessary to realise the £250 Investment in 3% Savings Bonds 1955/65, and the Committee recommend that the necessary action be taken to realise the investment.

10. ACCOUNTS. The Committee recommend that the Council authorise and order Barclays Bank Limited to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed on pages 46 to 49 of the Treasurer's Order amounting to the sum of £60,740 2s. 1d., also weekly cheques for wages and Post-Master General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of £3,800 and in any one week a maximum of £950 signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

H. Matthews.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.50 p.m. and terminated at 7.10 p.m.

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

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No.....

To BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED,
233, WOODHOUSE ROAD, FRIERN BARNET, N.12.

PURSUANT to a Resolution adopted this 27TH day of JANUARY 19 49

WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 46 to 49 of this Order, amounting to the sum of ----------SIXTY THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND FORTY---------- pounds ---TWO--- shillings and ---------ONE--------- pence, also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster-General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of ----------THREE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED---------- pounds and in any one week a maximum of ----------NINE HUNDRED & FIFTY---------- pounds signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

.....*Chairman.*

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Members of the Council.

Countersigned :

.....
Clerk of the Council.

S. & S. LTD. G61924

Consecutive Number		NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment		
	1832	EMERGENCY IMPREST ACCOUNT.--	964	1	6
	1833	ABBEY NATIONAL BUILDING SOC.--	11	-	7
	1834	ADDRESSOGRAPH-MULTIGRAPH LTD.--	3	1	1
	1835	ANGLO-AMERICAN OIL CO LTD.--	4	15	10
	1836	W.& F.ARCHER LTD.--	3	18	-
	1837	ASSOCIATION OF MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS.--	-	14	-
	1838	ATLAS STONE CO LTD.--	104	-	-
	1839	AUTOMATIC TELEPHONES& ELECTRIC CO LTD.--	19	7	10
	1840	BANK OF ENGLAND.--	9,120	-	-
	1841	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	3	13	2
	1842	BARNET DISTRICT GAS & WATER CO.--	950	16	9
	1843	J.H.BEATTIE & CO LTD.--	30	12	11
	1844	PERCY BILTON LTD.--	375	7	8
	1845	BRITISH OXYGEN CO LTD.--	1	-	8
	1846	BURLINGTON PRESS.--	3	1	-
	1847	BUTTERWORTH & CO (PUBLISHERS) LTD.--	9	13	1
	1848	CHAS.B.BUXTON LTD.--	7	10	-
	1849	J.A.CABLE & CO LTD.--	75	14	1
	1850	F.T.CARTER.--	2	1	-
	1851	CITY ASPHALTE CO LTD.--	14	15	2
	1852	CLARE & CLARE.--	6	17	-
	1853	CONTRACT GULLY CLEANSING LTD.--	75	14	-
	1854	COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE.--	1,264	3	3
	1855	COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE.--	848	7	3
	1856	COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE.--	196	14	-
	1857	E.CONING & SON LTD.--	7	16	3
	1858	W.CREIGHTON & CO LTD.--	93	14	10
	1859	CROW, CATCHPOLE & CO LTD.--	122	18	11
	1860	W.H.CULLEN.--	47	14	2
	1861	DIRECT DRY CLEANERS LTD.--	3	19	10
	1862	EASTERN ELECTRICITY BOARD.--	294	17	2
	1863	A.C.ELKIN.--	-	2	6
	1864	FAIRWAYS LTD.--	53	9	-
	1865	FINCHLEY CORPORATION.--	2	2	-
	1866	FINCHLEY PRESS LTD.--	2	10	-
	1867	G.T.FLETCHER.--	42	8	11
	1868	J.C.FLETCHER.--	-	12	6

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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
1869	FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.--	24 17 1
1870	FUMIGATIONS (CINEX) LTD.--	11 - -
1871	FURNACK LTD.--	9 19 6
1872	ALFRED GILBERT & SONS LTD.--	5 8 11
1873	GOODMAN BROS.--	36 4 9
1874	GORSHALL LTD.--	10 3 11
1875	W.GREASBY & CO LTD.--	171 1 5
1876	GREEN & SMITH.--	3 - -
1877	HALES CLEANERS LTD.--	53 14 6
1878	J.B.HALLEY & CO LTD.--	6 13 6
1879	HALL HARDING LTD.--	3 3 11
1880	H.R.HERMANS.--	31 14 5
1881	H.M.PAYMASTER GENERAL.--	7 4 6
1882	H.M.STATIONERY OFFICE.--	- 6 3
1883	FRED HUDGE LTD.--	39 2 1
1884	J.HOLLAND & SON.--	117 10 3
1885	PHILLIP HOPKINS.--	- 1 -
1886	HOSPITAL SAVING ASSOCIATION.--	3 15 8
1887	HUNT BROS.--	- 18 11
1888	C.J.HUNT & CO LTD.--	54 16 -
1889	IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES LTD.--	- 13 1
1890	INITIAL TOWEL SUPPLY CO.--	1 9 6
1891	INSTITUTION OF CIVIL ENGINEERS.--	1 10 -
1892	W.JACKMAN.--	32 15 -
1893	WALTER JUDD LTD.--	3 3 9
1894	FRANK KELP LTD.--	12 7 -
1895	B.KELTON.--	- 5 -
1896	ERNEST KNIFTON LTD.--	1,716 14 6
1897	CHAS KNIGHT & CO LTD.--	4 12 6
1898	A.LANDSTEIN.--	- 7 6
1899	HENRY V.LEE & SONS (LONDON) LTD.--	5 9 3
1900	W.LEVINSON.--	- 5 -
1901	LIVERPOOL VICTORIA FRIENDLY SOC.--	23 12 3
1902	T.E.LLOYD.--	25 - 9
1903	MARSHALL.--	10 5 4
1904	J.MARSHALL.--	33 1 -
1905	W.MARSHALL.--	5 - -
1906	N.McLEOD LTD.--	1 14 6
1907	MEDICAL SUPERINTENDENT,-FRIERN HOSPITAL.--	- 2 -
1908	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	19,993 - -
1909	MIDDLESEX DISTRICT WHITLEY COUNCIL.--	50 - -
1910	C.S.MOORE & SON.--	15 8 6
1911	W.H.MOUNTSDALE.--	28 19 2
1912	MUNICIPAL MUTUAL INSURANCE LTD.--	15 12 5
1913	NETTLEFOLD & SONS LTD.--	6 - -
1914	M.P.O'DRISCOLL.--	- 5 -
1915	OLDACRES & CO LTD.--	98 6 1
1916	OUTER LONDON STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE.--	2 2 -
1917	J.PALLOT.--	- 5 -
1918	PANNELL (MERCHANTS) LTD.--	2 12 -
1919	PEERLESS FENCE & PRODUCTS LTD.--	102 18 -
1920	A.PITT.--	23 10 -
1921	J.W.POOLE.--	- 15 -
1922	POSTMASTER GENERAL (FOR NATIONAL SAVINGS).--	8 - -
1923	POSTMASTER GENERAL (FOR NATIONAL INSURANCE STAMPS).--	111 3 -
1924	PRIORS (TALLY HO) LTD.--	5 2 8
1925	PRIORY AMATEUR DRAMATIC SOC.--	10 - -
1926	RECKITT & COLMAN LTD.--	8 5 9
1927	REGENT OIL CO LTD.--	125 0 4
1928	D.W.REID.--	- 2 6
1929	REMINGTON RAND LTD.--	- 9 10
1930	RESMAT SALES LTD.--	19 4 3

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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
1931	ROBERTS & NEWTON LTD.--	3 5 -
1932	RONEO LTD.--	2 11 -
1933	A.N.ROOKE.--	- 2 6
1934	E.M.ROOKE.--	- 5 -
1935	J.ROUSE.--	- 2 6
1936	ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF ACCIDENTS.--	4 19 6
1937	E.H.SANDEY.--	24 - -
1938	THE SANITAS CO LTD.--	1 8 9
1939	H.SCOTT & SONS.--	16 - -
1940	SHAW & SONS LTD.--	81 12 3
1941	SHELVOKE & DREWRY LTD.--	13 6 9
1942	SITUSEC LTD.--	60 14 5
1943	K.R.SMITH.--	31 9 6
1944	THOMAS SMITH & SON LTD.--	19 19 -
1945	SMITH & SONS (STOKE NEWINGTON) LTD.--	5 13 -
1946	ST.ALBANS SAND & GRAVEL CO LTD.--	18 2 6
1947	STANTON PAINTS.--	35 - -
1948	E.H.START.--	37 9 3
1949	JAMES STEWART (SHOPFITTERS) LTD.--	73 3 -
1950	STURT & TIVENDALE.--	123 6 10
1951	M.ELLIOTT.--	28 7 9
1952	D.W.PHILLIPS.--	18 8 -
1953	V.G.GEORGE.--	22 5 8
1954	B.WATERHOUSE.--	9 5 -
1955	J.NEWLING.--	18 4 2
1956	H.FAWCETT.--	20 14 8
1957	E.H.SANDEY.--	42 11 7
1958	K.R.SMITH.--	51 8 1
1959	I.A.HAYWARD.--	27 12 3
1960	C.WALKER.--	18 19 8
1961	D.F.BARKER.--	26 9 9
1962	C.TAYLOR.--	25 11 7
1963	W.A.PHILLIPS.--	26 19 5
1964	F.J.BARKER.--	30 14 5
1965	E.T.MARTIN.--	25 18 10
1966	R.J.GANN.--	20 15 3
1967	J.LAUDER.--	10 15 7
1968	P.MARSHALL.--	11 15 7
1969	L.MANNING.--	29 16 4
1970	L.TIBBENHAM.--	20 12 4
1971	I.CODRAI.--	20 4 9
1972	W.J.CLARKE.--	14 17 11
1973	A.C.BRUMWELL.--	8 - -
1974	F.BENTALL.--	2 15 6
1975	C.TAYLOR.--	32 8 2
1976	TEUTEN & CO LTD.--	3 12 1
1977	THAMES BANK PUBLISHING CO LTD.--	1 4 -
1978	STUART THOMPSON & CO.--	- 14 11
1979	M.TIMPSON.--	1 1 -
1980	TOTTENHAM & DISTRICT GAS CO.--	218 11 9
1981	TWICKENHAM GRAVEL CO LTD.--	18 - 5
1982	THE URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILS ASSOCIATION.--	10 10 -
1983	G.D.VINE.--	4 6 3
1984	WATERLOW & SONS LTD.--	10 13 -
1985	WATKINS & McCOMBIE LTD.--	21 7 8
1986	WATFORD PAPER MERCHANTS LTD.--	5 10 6
1987	F.W.WHITE.--	15 - -
1988	WILKINSONS (LONDON) LTD.--	2 7 9
1989	J.J.WISDOM.--	30 - -

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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
1990	F.WOODING & SON.--	43 19 4
1991	BANK OF CHINA.-	20,071 12 2
1992	BARCLAYS BABK LTD.--	1,292 6 4
		60,740 2 1

Report and Recommendations of the General Purposes Committee

20th January, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. C. F. Simmonds ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs.McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Sparks.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 16th December, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. PUBLIC BUILDINGS LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The Report and Recommendations of the above-mentioned Committee held this day, a copy of which is attached, was submitted, and the Committee recommend that the Report and Recommendations be approved and confirmed.

4. FIRE BRIGADE.

(a) Fire Calls. During the month of December 1948, the Fire Service was summoned on six occasions, which may be summarised as follows:-

2 small house fires
2 chimney fires
2 miscellaneous calls

One false alarm was received.

(b) Friern Barnet Fire Station.

(i) Garages. A letter dated 30th December, 1948, was submitted from the County Valuer referring to this Council's continued user of the garages and stating that as it is understood there are no loan charges on the property, he has been instructed to negotiate an appropriate rent charge. The County Valuer has been advised that these garages are in the sole occupation of the Friern Barnet Council and it would appear that if the County Council erect a new Fire Station they are never likely to require the use of these garages, and in the circumstances the County Council might be prepared to permit this Council to take them over at an agreed valuation in accordance with National Fire Service Circular 1/47 and Civil Defence Circular 35/46, subject to any financial adjustments between this Council, the Home Office and/or the Middlesex County Council, in the same way as the building now housing the Civic Restaurant was taken over. It is possible that no financial adjustment would be necessary having regard to the usual procedure that in the case of Civil Defence properties no such adjustment is made where the value is less than £500.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Clerk be approved and confirmed.

(ii) Recreation Room. With reference to Minute No.4(c) of the Report of this Committee dated 18th November, 1948, a letter dated the 17th January, 1949, was submitted from the County Council stating that works of adaptation

are to commence within a few days. The County Council after further consideration have now decided to make no charge by way of rent for the period when the staff had the use of the room.

A letter expressing appreciation for the County Council's decision has been sent.

5. NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948.

(a) Sections 29 and 30 - Provision of Welfare Services. With reference to Minute No.15 of the Report of the Public Health Committee dated 6th January, 1949, further consideration was given to the Middlesex County Council Scheme for the provision of a Welfare Service under the above Sections, copies of the Scheme having been supplied to each Member of the Council.

The Committee recommend that no objection be raised to the proposals contained in the Scheme.

(b) Section 31 - Grant for the Provision of Recreation or Meals for Old People. A letter dated the 17th December, 1948, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that applications had been received from the British Red Cross Society (Middlesex County Branch) and the Women's Voluntary Service for a Grant under this Section for providing a "Meals on Wheels" Service within the County, which in the case of the British Red Cross Society is proposed to be extended.

Under the Section a Local Authority may make contributions to the funds of any voluntary organisation whose activities consist of or include the provision or preparation of meals for old people and enables a contribution to be made to an organisation which organises the taking of meals to old people in their homes or establishes old people's clubs, but the Local Authority itself has no power to provide such a Service. For the prupose of this Section a Local Authority means either (so far as Middlesex is concerned) the County Council or the County District Council, and a contribution may, therefore, be made by one or other such Authority or by both.

The Welfare Committee of the County Council has deferred consideration of this matter in order to ascertain the views of the County District Councils as to whether such a contribution should be made by the County Council or the County District Council. The County Council could make arrangements for the British Red Cross Society to extend the Service over the whole County.

The views of the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association are that such a Service should remain of a local nature and the making of a grant should be a duty of the County District Council.

The Committee concur in the views of the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association and recommend that the County Council be informed accordingly.

6. ELECTION OF URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILLORS 1949. With reference to Minute No.17 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 18th November, 1948, a letter dated the 13th January, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that the County Council has decided to make an Order fixing Wednesday, the 11th May, 1949, as the date for the ordinary election of Councillors for the Urban District.

This action is in accordance with the Council's request.

7. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936, SECTION 75 - PROVISION OF DUSTBINS. With reference to Minute No.13 of the Report of the Public Health Committee dated 6th January, 1949, it was reported that the Sanitary Inspector has now made satisfactory arrangements with regard to the provision of a dustbin at No.110, Cromwell Road.

The Clerk submitted a detailed report on the provisions of the Section of the Act which has received consideration by the Urban District Councils' Association who have taken up the question of the maximum annual charge for the supply of dustbins by the Local Authority (at present fixed at 2s. 6d.). The Minister of Health has intimated that he is aware of the difficulty in which certain Local Authorities have been placed and is considering the making of an Order under Defence Regulation 56 whereby the annual charge might be raised.

The Committee recommend that furhter consideration be deferred until such time as an Order is made by the Minister of Health. It is, however, considered that the Treasurer, in consultation with other appropriate Officers, might prepare a report as to the probable expenditure and income which might result if such a scheme were put into operation in order that, if necessary, provision might be made in the estimates of expenditure for the ensuing year.

The Committee further recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to ascertain from certain suppliers whether they would be prepared to enter into a contract on the basis of an annual payment for supply of the necessary dustbins.

8. CIVIL DEFENCE.

(a) Development of Permanent Civil Defence Organisation. With reference to Minute No.9 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 18th November, 1948, the Clerk reported that as a result of forwarding a copy of Home Office Circular No.CD.8/48 concerning the training of instructors to the Civil Defence Association, a letter dated 8th December, 1948, had been received stating that they desire to support the project but feel that an appeal for prospective instructors should be made officially by the Local Authority and that they will be prepared to distribute to their members any direct communication on the subject which may be issued. In connection therewith Mr. J.J. Kitts, who was at various times during the War Deputy Chief Warden, Fire Guard Staff Officer, and later Deputy Fire Guard Officer, was asked whether he would be prepared for his name to be submitted to the County Council as an available instructor, and Mr. Kitts has intimated that he has no objection to such action.

The Committee recommend that the County Council be informed of Mr. Kitt's willingness to be included in the list of available instructors.

(b) Japanese Civil Defence. Civil Defence pamphlet No.9 issued by the Home Office on this subject has been received and was submitted for information.

9. PUBLICITY FOR LOCAL GOVERNMENT. A letter on this subject has been received from the Ministry of Health referring to an Interim Report issued by a Consultative Committee formed as a result of discussions between representatives of the Ministry and the local authorities' associations on the development of Information Centres which accompanied a Ministry of Health Circular and upon which the Chairman submitted a report.

The following observations are submitted:-

(a) Programme of Film Shows. The question of producing suitable films is receiving attention and the question of arranging such film shows might be explored.

(b) The Local Press. The Committee does not concur in the suggestion that Press comments in advance of Council Meetings should be encouraged and that where possible the Press should be admitted to Meetings of Council Committees.

The Chairman of the Council makes a practice of holding a Press Conference on each Saturday morning, but in normal circumstances only one local paper takes advantage of this facility.

(c) Public Meetings. The Chairman of the Council proposes to call a Towns Meeting in the month of March for discussion of matters of a municipal nature at which it could be ascertained whether periodical meetings of this nature would be favoured.

(d) Brains Trust. The question of the presentation of a National Brains Trust might be pursued. The Clerk and certain Members of the Committee will make further investigations upon the proposal.

(e) Civic News Sheets. It is suggested that no action be taken in this direction, and the Committee agrees with the Consultative Committee that where there is adequate Press coverage a Civic News Sheet is rendered unnecessary.

(f) Two-way Publicity. It is felt that through Members of the Council and the close contact with local organisations which exists there is adequate means for the flow of information to the Council from the public as well as from the Council to the public.

(g) Public Relations. It is considered that for the urban district a Public Relations Committee and Public Relations Officer are unnecessary.

10. METROPOLITAN WATER BOARD.

(a) Knockholt Reservoir. A letter dated 4th January, 1949, was submitted from Messrs. Dyson, Bell & Co. enclosing a copy of the Notice of Advertisement in respect of an application by the Metropolitan Water Board for an Order under Section 23 of the Water Act, 1945, to authorise the Board to make and maintain a service reservoir on lands in the Urban District of Orpington in substitution for the "service reservoir (Work No.5)" authorised by the Metropolitan Water Board Act, 1939, such project being abandoned.

(b) Term of Office. A further letter dated the 20th December, 1948 was submitted from Messrs. Dyson, Bell & Co. enclosing a copy of notice which it is intended to advertise with regard to a proposed Order to amend, consequent upon the passing of the Representation of the People Act, 1948, certain provisions in the Metropolis Water Act, 1902, relating to the dates for the appointment and terms of office of the members of the Board and of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman thereof.

11. MIDDLESEX DISTRICT WHITLEY COUNCIL AND PROVINCIAL JOINT INDUSTRIAL COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE. Cr. Pickering, this Council's representative on the Middlesex District Whitley Council and the Provincial Joint Industrial Council, has intimated that he is unable to attend the Meetings of these Bodies.

The Committee recommend that Cr. Meynell be appointed the Council's representative to succeed Cr. Pickering, Cr. Matthews continuing to serve as a Deputy representative on the Middlesex District Whitley Council, and in view of the fact the the constitution of the Provincial Joint Industrial Council allows substitutes to attend in the event of the appointed representative being unable to do so, Cr. Matthews be appointed the Council's substitute for Cr. Meynell on such occasions.

12. FINCHLEY AND FRIERN BARNET COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE.

(a) Grant. With reference to Minute No.9(b) of the Report of this Committee dated 21st October, 1948, the Chairman submitted a report on negotiations which had taken place between this Council's representatives and the representatives of the Finchley

Borough Council, and the Committee recommend that this Council's representatives be authorised to negotiate further.

(b) Statistics. Statistics of the work carried out during the month of December, 1948, a copy of which has already been supplied to each Member of the Council, was submitted for information.

13. ANNUAL CONTRACTS. The Clerk reported that the annual contracts which have been renewed from year to year will expire on the 31st March, 1949.

The Committee recommend that the existing suppliers be requested to continue to supply on the present basis for a further period of one year expiring 31st March, 1950.

14. LOCAL RECORDS. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Report of this Committee dated 16th December, 1948, a communication has now been received from the County Archivist stating that Mr. Banks has been asked to send sufficient samples of his work and to state the price he is asking for the complete collection in order that a report may be submitted to the Records Sub-Committee of the Standing Joint Committee.

15. NATIONAL FEDERATION OF OLD AGE PENSIONS ASSOCIATIONS. A letter dated the 5th January, 1949, was submitted from the North London Organiser of this Organisation stating that in response to a large number of requests from elderly people in the Friern Barnet area, efforts are being made to form a Branch of the Federation in the Urban District. It is proposed to hold weekly afternoon meetings for Federation business, socials, and lectures, and the Council's support in providing the necessary accommodation in order to enable the establishment of a Branch is requested.

The Committee recommend that the Council support the proposal.

The Chairman has undertaken to investigate with the Education Committee the possibilities of offering the Federation the use of the Goldsmith Road Youth Centre for the purpose.

16. TOWN HALL BOOKINGS - FRIERN BARNET RATEPAYERS' ASSOCIATION. It was reported that the Chairman of the Council had received a letter from the Association asking the Council to consider the introduction of a Notice Board advertising the more important Meetings for which the rooms at the Town Hall are booked.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to submit proposals for the construction of a suitable notice board for erection on the side wall of the kiosk immediately adjoining the Town Hall, the cost of which it is estimated will not exceed £7 10s. 0d.

17. OUTER LONDON STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE - ELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES ON EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE. With reference to Minute No.15 of the Report of this Committee dated 16th December, 1948, a letter dated the 19th January, 1949, was submitted from the Outer London Standing Joint Committee enclosing a ballot paper for the election of representatives on the Executive Committee for the County. There are seven nominees for four vacancies, and the Committee recommend the Council to support the nominations of the under-mentioned Authorities:-

Enfield U.D.C.
Hornsey Borough Council
Potters Bar U.D.C.
Sunbury U.D.C.

18. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPERANNUATION ACT, 1937. With reference to Minute No.8 (b) of the Report of the Establishment Committee dated 18th January, 1949, the Committee considered the question of the admission of further manual workers to the Scheme, and recommend that as from

1st April, 1949, the following workmen, in addition, be transferred to Class "A" (established for Superannuation purposes) subject in each case to passing the necessary medical examination:-

F.S. Kirby	Labourer
J. Burnham	Painter
F. Cutler	Plasterer
S.A. Richardson	Painter
W. Sears	Carpenter
H. Stanbrook	Painter
A. Stower	Plumber
H. Sullivan	Plasterer
S.J. Wills	Carpenter
M. Wodcke	Painter

19. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947 - PLAN No.FB.74 - 94, TORRINGTON PARK. With reference to Minute No.6(i) of the Report of the Town Planning Committee dated 13th January, 1949, the Committee gave further consideration to the application for the change of user of these premises from a private house to a Moral Welfare Hostel in the light of further information as to the proposed user, and having taken all the circumstances into consideration, recommend that no variation be made in the decision of the Town Planning Committee thereon.

20. FOULING OF FOOTPATHS BY DOGS. With reference to Minute No.11 of the Report of the Highways and Public Works Committee dated 6th January, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor submitted a specimen plate measuring 9" x 7" with yellow background and appropriate black lettering.

The Committee recommend that the size of the plate as submitted be approved, subject to allowance being made for spacing the lettering on the lines indicated.

The Committee further recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to invite quotations for the supply of such plates, to the approved specification.

21. FREIGHTER KMV.103 - OVERHAUL AND REPAIR. This vehicle was involved in an accident during foggy weather and suffered damage, the estimated cost of repair being £60, and with the approval of the Insurance Company the vehicle has been sent to the makers for repair. It is considered that whilst the machine is under repair it should also receive an overhaul and be repainted, the total estimated cost of which is £110, such expenditure being provided for in the vehicular repair and replacement fund.

As a matter of urgency the Chairman authorised the Engineer and Surveyor to make the necessary arrangements on the lines now indicated, and the Committee recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

22. SENIOR BUILDING INSPECTOR - REMOVAL EXPENSES. An application was submitted from this officer for consideration to the question of reimbursing part of his removal expenses from Chertsey to Friern Barnet, amounting to £4, and the Committee recommend that the amount be reimbursed by the Council.

23. FRIARY PARK - MASTER PLAN. With reference to Minute No.7 (a) of the Report of the Parks Committee dated 4th January, 1949, further consideration was given to the proposed planting of an avenue of trees to flank the existing main access road leading from Friary Road to Friary House, having regard to the Master Plan previously submitted, copies of which have since been supplied to each Member of the Council.

In view of the fact that it may be necessary to divert the existing main access road, the Committee recommend that the planting of the avenue of trees be deferred until the Master Plan for the Park as a whole has received full consideration.

24. TOWN HALL - MAINTENANCE. With reference to Minute No.19 of the Report of this Committee dated 16th December, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor submitted a revised quotation for the overhaul and adjustment of the mechanism, and the replacement of the necessary oil, and minor repairs as may be required, to the double action check floor springs where fitted to doors in the Town Hall, in the total sum of £21 12s. 6d.

The Committee recommend that the quotation be accepted, and the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the necessary work to be carried out.

25. RATE ESTIMATES 1949/50. The Committee recommend that provision be made in the estimates of expenditure for the ensuing year for the illumination of the Town Hall Clock, and the provision of a Clock in the Entrance Vestibule.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.10 p.m. and terminated at 8.45 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Buildings Lettings Committee

20th January, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. E.Draper ... Chairman.

Crs. McClane, Matthews and Simmonds.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Foley, Mrs. McCarthy, Meynell, Pickering and Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Sparks.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 16th December, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. LETTINGS BOOK. The Lettings Book for the Town Hall was submitted, and each booking to date approved and signed by the Chairman.

4. SOCIAL FUNCTIONS - LOCAL ORGANISATIONS. With reference to Minute No.6 of the Report of this Committee dated 16th December, 1948, the Committee recommend that the under-mentioned bookings, which had been made but had not taken place before the charge was reduced to £2 2s.0d. be subject to the reduced charge:-

(a) Committee Rooms 1 and 2 - Saturday, 12th February, 1949, Dance and Social - West Ward Conservative Association.

(b) Committee Rooms 1 and 2 - Wednesday, 23rd February, 1949, Annual General Meeting and Social - East Ward Conservative Association.

The Committee further recommend that in similar cases where only Committee Room 1, or alternatively, Committee Room 2, is booked for evening social functions sponsored by local organisations the following charges be made:-

Committee Room No.1 - £1 11s. 6d.
Committee Room No.2 - £1 1s. 0d.

5. TOWN HALL BASEMENT - TOC H. The Clerk reported that an application had been received from the Secretary of Toc H for the use of the accommodation in the Town Hall Basement, previously known as "The Control Room", for the purpose of Whist Drives in aid of the funds of the organisation, on Saturdays the 29th January, 26th February and 26th March, 1949, and in view of the fact that no other user of this accommodation would be affected thereby the application was granted, subject to the payment of the usual fee of 5s. 0d. for each occasion; the organisation being responsible for the necessary cleaning of the room in conjunction with the other users.

The Committee recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

6. USE OF COMMITTEE ROOM 1 - St. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE. It was reported that the Chairman of the Committee had authorised the St. John Ambulance Brigade being granted the use of Committee Room 1 on 19th January, 1949, free of charge, for the purpose of holding their Annual General Meeting.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

The Committee further recommend that on occasions when there is a large attendance the use of Committee Rooms, if available, be granted, free of charge, in lieu of the room in the basement normally used by them.

7. COMMITTEE ROOMS 1 and 2.

(a) Friern Barnet Appeals Committee. It was reported that the applications received from the Friern Barnet Appeals Committee for the use of Committee Rooms 1 and 2, on Friday the 14th January, and Saturdays the 12th and 26th March, 1949, for the purpose of Whist Drives in aid of various charities which had been sponsored by the Chairman of the Council, had been granted subject to the charge, if any, to be fixed.

The Committee recommend that the Friern Barnet Appeals Committee be granted the use of Committee Rooms 1 and 2 on the occasions in question, free of charge.

(b) 21st Birthday Party - Mr. R.J. Short. It was reported that Mr. R.J. Short had been granted the use of Committee Rooms 1 and 2 on 15th January, 1949, but did not use the accommodation and gave no notice of cancellation.

Mr. Short was approached on the matter, and a letter dated 19th January, 1949, was submitted from him apologising for any inconvenience caused, and stating that after making the application it was found that the expenses in running the event would prove too costly, and due to certain domestic reasons the question of cancellation had been overlooked.

The Committee recommend that a fee of £2 12s. 6d. be charged having regard to the work involved in preparing the rooms.

E L Draper

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 6.50 p.m.

Meeting of the Council held in the Town Hall, N.11.

27th January, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman

Cr. A. Richardson ... Vice-Chairman

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Draper.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 30th December, 1948, were submitted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. REPORT OF ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr.Tarlton seconded by Cr. Sparks that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 4th January, 1949, be received and adopted.

4. REPORT OF PARKS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr.Richardson seconded by Cr. McClane that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 4th January, 1949, be received and adopted.

5. REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Henry seconded by Cr. Tarlton that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 6th January, 1949, be received and adopted.

6. REPORT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Foley seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 6th January, 1949, be received and adopted.

7. REPORT OF RATING AND VALUATION COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Meynell seconded by Cr. McClane that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 13th January, 1949, be received and adopted.

8. REPORT OF HOUSING COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr.Pickering seconded by Cr. Foley that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 13th January, 1949, be received and adopted subject to the reference back to the Committee for further consideration of Minute No.4 (c) "Eversley", Oakleigh Park South.

Minute No.13 Housing Programme 1949. The Chairman of the Council in co-operation with the Chairman of the Committee and the concurrence of all Members of the Council undertook to make further efforts to obtain the consent of the War Office to the whole or some portion of Sweets Nurseries being acquired by the Council for Housing purposes.

9. REPORT OF TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. McClane seconded by Cr. Matthews that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 13th January, 1949, be received and adopted.

10. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE (SPECIAL MEETING). Resolved on the motion of Cr. Simmonds seconded by Cr. Richardson that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 13th January, 1949, be received and adopted.

11. REPORT OF ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Simmonds seconded by Cr. Richardson that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 18th January, 1949, be received and adopted.

12. REPORT OF ENTERTAINMENTS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Tarlton that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 18th January, 1949, be received and adopted.

13. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Matthews seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 20th January, 1949, be received and adopted.

14. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Simmonds seconded by Cr. Richardson that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 20th January, 1949, be received and adopted.

15. SEALING OF DOCUMENTS. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Matthews seconded by Cr. Meynell that the Seal of the Council be affixed to the following documents:-

(a) Transfer of land to Wood Green Borough Council - Adjustment of Boundary, Permanent Housing Site No.3 - Alexandra Road.

(b) Licences to Slaughter Animals:-

Mr. H. Canham, East Lodge, Friern Hospital.
Mr. R. Bond, 51, Swan Lane, N.20.

(c) Licences to store Petroleum Spirit:-

Mr. E. Walker, 18, Oakleigh Road, N.20.
Mr. E. Coulon, 1316, High Road, N.20.
The Railway Executive (Eastern Region), New Southgate Goods Yard, N.11.
The Cambridge Instrument Co., Sydney Road, N.10.

Seal affixed accordingly.

The Council approved the sealing of the following documents out of Meeting:-

(i) Receipt and Payable Order in respect of second advance of £30,000 on loan of £87,758 - Erection of Houses Site No.5.

(ii) Petition against The London County Council (General Powers) Bill.

Richardson

Chairman.

Report and Recommendations of the Allotments Committee.

1st February, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. M.R. Tarlton ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Martin, Pickering, Richardson and Simmonds.
Messrs. Harris, Harman and Ovenden representing the North, Central and Halliwick Park Allotment Associations respectively.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mason, Matthews and Miss Richards.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 4th January, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. NORTH ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 29 outstanding applications for permanent plots but it is hoped that this number will be reduced to 21 during the course of the next two or three weeks.

(b) Barfield Avenue Allotments. With reference to Minute No.3 (f) of the Report of this Committee dated 4th January, 1949, a sum of £10 was included in the 1948/49 estimates for the renewal of main roads on all the allotments in the North Ward. No details can, however, be found of any special provision for the re-surfacing of the approach road to the hut on the Barfield Avenue Allotments. It is estimated that to re-surface this length with road metal as and when available would cost £25, and this sum has been recommended by the Committee for inclusion in the estimates for 1949/50.

It is felt that the practice of allotment holders of dumping weeds, cabbage stumps, etc. on the adjoining hard roads is causing some damage to the roads and the Committee recommend that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman of the Committee, Cr. Richardson and the representative of the Allotment Association concerned be appointed to consider this matter and to inspect all allotment sites with a view to recommending future policy as to the construction and maintenance of hard roads.

3. CENTRAL ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have between 15 and 20 outstanding applications for permanent plots.

(b) Widening of Access Road - Western Section. With reference to Minute No.4 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 4th January, 1949, the Association's representative reported upon the application of the Association for the widening and improvement of the main access road running in a westerly direction from the Crescent Road entrance, and the Committee have included this in the items for consideration in connection with the estimates for 1949/50 in the sum of £150.

(c) Trees - Bethune Avenue. With reference to Minute No.3 (e) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the trees inside the boundary fence of Bethune Avenue have now been pruned.

4. HALLIWICK PARK ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 9 outstanding applications for permanent plots.

(b) Fencing. With reference to Minute No.5 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, a letter was sent to the Hornsey Borough Council pointing out the damage which had been caused and asking for every care to be taken in the future. A reply has now been received from the Town Clerk of Hornsey to the effect that the Hornsey Council are not carrying out any works in the vicinity of the Friern Barnet Allotments and that upon an examination having been made the fence does not appear to be damaged in the manner described.

The Association's representative reported that no further damage had been caused and the Committee recommend that no further action be taken.

5. USE OF SPORTS GROUNDS FOR TEMPORARY ALLOTMENTS. A letter dated 21st January, 1949, has been received from the Ministry of Agriculture & Fisheries pointing out the need for an increase in home food production during the next four years and requesting that Local Authorities will carefully weigh each case where it is desired to terminate the tenancies of plot holders in parks and recreation grounds to ensure that there is the fullest justification before a decision affecting the allotment holders is made.

In February, 1948, the Committee considered the question of the continued use of war-time allotments, following the receipt of a letter from the Middlesex County Council, and the Committee then notified the County Council that having regard to the existing need for food production there was no intention of determining the tenancies of temporary allotment holders in Friary Park and Bethune Recreation Ground, as far as could then be foreseen, prior to December, 1950.

6. RATE ESTIMATES 1949/50. The Committee considered the question of the inclusion of special items of expenditure in the Rate Estimates for the year 1949/50 and recommend:-

(a) that the following items, which have previously received consideration, be recommended for inclusion:-

(i) Barfield Allotments.

(A) Re-surfacing of approach road to hut ... £25.

(B) Fixing barbed wire inside the boundary of the allotments on the Denham Road side (in lieu of new fencing on revised boundary owing to damage caused by vehicles and estimated to cost £220). ... ... £50.

(ii) Central Allotments.

(A) Western Section - widening of access road. ... ... £150.

(B) Western Section - replacement of chestnut pale fence on boundary to Hatley Close with chain link fence and trim back hedge. ... ... £80.

(C) Repair of existing chain link boundary fencing. ... ... £50.

MWS.

(b) that the following items be recommended for inclusion:-

(i) South Ward Allotments.

(A) Cleaning down and painting with one coat of bitumastic paint the existing wrought iron boundary fence ... ... £220.

(B) Replacing defective bottom rails to existing wrought iron fence ... ... £30.

(C) Removing redundant wrought iron division fencing (original northern boundary) ... ... £20.

(ii) War-time Allotments.

Repairs to existing boundary fences ... £20.

(c) that the following special item approved during the year 1948/49 but not expended during the year be recommended for inclusion:-

South Ward.

Extension of water supply... ... ... £25.

(It is possible that this amount will be expended in the present financial year in which case no carry forward will be necessary.)

(d) The following items were considered but it was decided not to recommend these for inclusion:-

Central Ward Allotments.

(i) Replacing defective chestnut pale fence along the north-western boundary of the eastern section with chain link fence ... £200.

(ii) Removing hard road along western boundary of temporary allotments and replacing with soil. (This was originally laid to form an access for controlled tipping of refuse but only one additional plot would be provided.) ... ... £160.

(e) South Ward Allotments. Arising out of the change over from Housing Site No.5, application has been made to the Ministry of Health for approval to the construction of a new access road from George Crescent to the permanent allotments. The estimated cost is £470. No reply has yet been received from the Ministry, but the Committee recommend that no provision be made in the estimates at the present time.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.15 p.m. and terminated at 8.10 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Parks Committee

1st February, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mason, Matthews, Pickering, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin and Miss Richards.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 4th January, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. SPORTS LETTINGS.

(a) Football Pitch, Bethune Recreation Ground.

(i) New Southgate and Friern Barnet Athletic and Amateur Boxing Club. On the authority of the Chairman of the Committee, the New Southgate and Friern Barnet Athletic and Amateur Boxing Club has been granted the use of the football pitch in Bethune Recreation Ground on Good Friday and Easter Monday, subject to the payment of the fee of £1 1s. 0d. on each occasion.

The Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

(ii) Holly Park Secondary Modern School. On the authority of the Chairman of the Committee the Holly Park Secondary Modern School has been granted the use of the football pitch in Bethune Recreation Ground from 10.0 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturday, 5th February, 1949, free of charge, for the purpose of a football match against a Twickenham school's eleven in the Dewar Shield Competition. The School has also been granted permission to sell programmes at the above match.

The Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

(b) Football Pitch, Hockey Pitch Area, Bethune Recreation Ground. On Saturday, the 8th January, 1949, the above pitch was prepared for use by the 1st Friern Barnet Company Boys' Brigade, and whilst the Club had no fixture two other teams attached to the Battalion from Barnet and Finchley respectively turned up to play on the pitch, permission for this apparently having been granted by the 1st Friern Barnet Company Boys' Brigade.

On the authority of the Chairman of the Committee a letter was written to the 1st Friern Barnet Company Boys' Brigade informing them that in the event of their not desiring to use the pitch in the future, notification should be forwarded to the Groundsman, and to the Clerk, when any decision as to the letting of these facilities to any other interested Clubs would be considered by the appropriate Committee of the Council.

A reply has now been received from the 1st Friern Barnet Company Boys' Brigade apologising for their error in not informing the Council of the use of the football pitch in Bethune Recreation Ground by two other Companies of their Battalion, and assuring the Committee that the appropriate procedure will be followed in the event of their not requiring the use of the pitch in future.

(c) Cricket Season 1949. Notification has been received that the Friern Barnet Cricket Club (formerly the North Bank Sports Club) and the Friern Manor Cricket Club have agreed to exchange their use of the cricket pitch in Bethune Recreation Ground on August Bank Holiday and Whit Monday. The Friern Barnet Cricket Club will now be using the pitch on August Bank Holiday, and the Friern Manor Cricket Club on Whit Monday.

The Committee recommend that approval be given to the exchange of user of the pitch on these occasions.

(d) Charges for Summer Sports Facilities for Schools, 1949. With reference to Minute No.3 (a) (i) of the Report of this Committee dated 4th January, 1949, the following fees have now been fixed:-

(i) Bethune Recreation Ground.

(A) Hockey Pitch Area. The Whole of this area is required for cricket and rounders every day of the week except Saturdays and Sundays. The Sub-Committee have fixed a fee of £30, which is proportionate to that charged to the Education Sub-Committee for football etc, on this area.

(B) Cricket Outfield for Netball. Last year the Council agreed a fee for this facility of £1 1s. 0d. per week. Weekly charges cause more administrative work and the Sub-Committee have agreed a charge of £10, representing approximately the same fee for the actual playing weeks after allowing for summer holidays.

(C) Running Track. The charge made to the Boys' Brigade is 2s.6d. per evening or per session. The Sub-Committee have fixed a charge of £10, calculated on a similar basis.

(ii) Halliwick Recreation Ground. The Schools want the use on Tuesday afternoons for cricket (1 pitch), rounders (2 pitches) and netball (1 pitch). The Sub-Committee consider that a reasonable charge would be £10 for the summer season, based on the normal charges made for the use of this ground.

The charges will, therefore, be:-

Bethune	Netball)		£10 0s. 0d.
	Cricket)	5 days)	30 0s. 0d.
	Rounders)	a week)	
	Running)		10 0s. 0d.
Halliwick	Cricket)		
	Rounders)	1 day a week	10 0s. 0d.
	Netball)		
			£60 0s. 0d.

(e) Running Track. On the authority of the Chairman of the Committee an application from the Hampstead Harriers for permission to store six or eight hurdles at the Bethune Recreation Ground, for use during the 1949 season, has been granted free of charge.

The Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

(f) Friary Park, Use by Watcombe School. On the authority of the Chairman of the Committee, Watcombe School has been granted the use of a portion of Friary Park for organised games on Thursdays from 2.0 p.m. to 3.0 p.m. during the term 20th January to 6th April, 1949, subject to the payment of a fee of £1 1s. 0d.

The Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

3. OPEN SPACES - LAND BETWEEN FRIERN MOUNT DRIVE AND NETHERLANDS ROAD. The Chairman of the Council has received a resolution from the Friern Barnet Ratepayers' Association, in which they note the several references to open spaces and playing fields in the South Ward, and suggest that attention should be given to the North Ward where there is no common playing ground, They further state that it has been suggested that the vacant land between Netherlands Road and the junction of Temple and Buckingham Avenues could be preserved as an open space.

This area of land is approximately 5.18 acres, of which roughly 1.55 acres is in the Urban District of East Barnet, and layout plans have been approved for the whole of the area and building licences granted for a portion.

The general layout does not permit the provision of full size football and other similar pitches, and the contours are such that tennis courts and similar schemes would require extensive preparation to obtain level sites.

The Committee consider that in the circumstances the Council are unable to take any steps for the preservation of this land as an open space.

4. ALEXANDRA PARK - RENEWAL OF MAINTENANCE CONTRIBUTION. With reference to Minute No.13 of the Report of this Committee dated 4th May, 1948, an application has now been received from the Alexandra Park Trustees requesting the renewal of this Council's contribution of £40 per annum towards the maintenance of Alexandra Park, for a further period of two years from the 1st April next, which will bring the period into line with the contributions made by the other authorities.

The Committee recommend that the Council contribute £40 per annum for a further period of two years as from 1st April next.

5. BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND - DAMAGE TO FENCES AND GARDENS OF ADJOINING PROPERTY. With reference to Minute No.4 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th September, 1948, a letter has now been received from the occupier of 59, Park Way, complaining of the children, youths, and even young men, playing football on the lower end of Bethune Recreation Ground, and the balls going into his garden. He further requests that definite steps be taken to prevent the recurrence of this type of annoyance, and gives notice that he will hold the Council responsible for any damage to the fence or garden caused by these individuals.

The Committee have already taken such steps as are reasonable to alleviate complaints by controlling play and erecting notice boards.

The Committee recommend that this complainant be informed that the Council cannot accept any liability, and that he be informed of the action which the Council have already taken.

6. PLAY CENTRE - HALLIWICK RECREATION GROUND. The Friern Barnet District Education Sub-Committee request permission to use a portion of Halliwick Recreation Ground for the purpose of a Play Centre on three days per week during the summer vacation, approximately from 25th July to 2nd September, 1949. The Education Sub-Committee propose to appoint a Play Leader for this purpose.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted.

7. FRIARY PARK.

(a) Master Plan. With reference to Minute No.23 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee on 20th January, 1949, further consideration was given to the provisional layout plans of Friary Park, and the Committee have decided to hold a Special Meeting to which all Members of the Council are invited, on Monday, the 14th February, 1949, at 6.0 p.m. to consider this matter.

(b) Extension of Greenhouse. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that all of the structural work has now been completed, and the only outstanding items are the fixing of rainwater gutters, and the provision of benches.

8. BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND - 9-HOLE GOLF COURSE.

(a) Maintenance. A report was submitted on work carried out to the 9-hole Golf Course since the last report to the Committee.

(b) Receipts. Receipts for the month of January, 1949, were £40 3s. 0d. as compared with £42 19s. 6d. for January, 1948. The total receipts for the period 1st April, 1948, to 31st January, 1949, were £1,062 7s. 6d., as compared with £980 9s.0d. for the corresponding period in 1947/48.

(c) Competitions. Sixteen entries have been received for the "four ball" competition.

9. ORNAMENTAL GARDEN AND PROVISION OF SHELTER - FRIERN HOSPITAL ENTRANCE. With reference to Minute No.10 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 4th January, 1949, the Friern Hospital Management Committee have confirmed that they are prepared to meet part of the cost of the provision of this shelter, up to approximately 50%. They point out, however, that this would be towards the cost of the erection of the verandah type shelter only, and not the laying out of the surrounding garden.

Plans showing the proposed siting of the shelter, and the amended layout of the garden, which meet with the approval of the Management Committee, were submitted to the Meeting.

Very careful consideration was given to this matter, and the Committee now recommend that the proposal to erect covered seating accommodation as requested by the Hospital Management Committee be not proceeded with and that the area be laid out as an ornamental garden with seats on lines similar to the Library garden. The lay-out has been referred to the Roads Beautification Committee to settle details.

The Committee further recommend that the Hospital Management Committee be notified accordingly.

10. MANOR DRIVE, FRIARY PARK END. With reference to Minute No.14 of the Report of this Committee dated 4th January, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the slope of the ground at this section of Friary Park is towards a valley terminating at the boundary fence opposite Manor Drive, and in heavy storms it is possible that the run-off is at a greater rate than can be absorbed by the soil. The estimated cost of providing a rubble cut off drain along the border just inside the fence to be connected to the nearest gulley is £50.

The Committee recommend that no action be taken.

11. TOWN HALL FORECOURT. With reference to Minute No.13 of the Report of this Committee dated 4th January, 1949, arrangements will be made for an estimate of the cost to be submitted to the General Purposes Committee in connection with the 1949/50 estimates for the Town Hall.

12. RATE ESTIMATES. The Committee considered the question of the inclusion of special items of expenditure in the rate estimates for the year 1949/50 and recommend:-

(a) That the following special items approved during 1948/49 but not expended during the year be included:-

(i) New Machinery.

Two gang mower units (ordered for delivery in 1949/50) ... ... £109.

Auto-scythe and hedge trimmer (ordered for delivery in 1949/50)... ... ... £106.

(ii) Cromwell Recreation Ground.

Complete clearance of site previously occupied by school ... ... £50.

(iii) Friary Park.

Painting of Bandstand (carry forward approval for work in 1948/49 estimates) ... £20.

(iv) Bethune Recreation Ground.

The drinking fountain for this site is still to be delivered and it will possibly be necessary to carry forward the approved expenditure in 1948/49 ... ... £20.

In the 1948/49 estimates £25 was allowed for new site screens to the cricket pitch. Various materials have been investigated for this use but it is considered that the screens should be constructed in wood, and action has been deferred pending the availability of second-hand material. The estimate should be increased to ... ... £50.

(v) Miscellaneous.

Seats - Provision was made in the 1948/49 estimates for the fixing of seats in Friary Park, Cromwell Recreation Ground and Halliwick Recreation Ground. It will be necessary to carry forward this amount. The Committee have increased the estimate from £90 to £180 to provide more comfortable wooden seats ... ... £180.

Playground Equipment - Provision was made in the 1948/49 estimates for the necessary fixing and surrounds to new playground equipment recently delivered. The Committee decided that this work be deferred until the Spring and it will be necessary to carry forward the sum allowed ... ... £250.

(b) That the following items which have already received consideration be recommended for inclusion:-

(i) Friary Park.

Re-decoration of hall and accommodation occupied by Bowling Club at Friary House ... £35

Improved catering facilities at Friary House... £50

Adult supervision of children's playground. Provision to be made for summer evenings from 4 - 6 p.m., and summer holidays and weekends from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. £85

(ii) Halliwick Recreation Ground.

Adult supervision of children's playground. Provision to be made for summer evenings from 4 - 6 p.m., and summer holidays and weekends from 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. ... ... £85.

(iii) General.

Provision of exercise equipment for youths ... ... £100.

(iv) Roadside gardens - General.

A sum not exceeding £500 ... ... £500.

The gardens under consideration are:-

Friern Barnet Road - junction with Kennard Road.
" " " - Friern Hospital entrance.
Oakleigh Road North- junction with Russell Lane.
" " " - " " Barfield Avenue.
" " " - " " Marlborough Gardens.
" " " - Island site south of York Way.
Junction of St. James' Avenue and Church Crescent.
Ely Pumping Station site.
Friern Barnet Road - Library site at junction of Macdonald Road.

(v) Railway Land - The Avenue. ... ... £1000.
(the Railway Executive are being asked to make a contribution towards this cost)

(c) That the following new items be recommended for inclusion:-

(i) General Labour.

Additional to 1948/49 estimate ... ... £600.

(ii) Repairs and Replacements to Fences, Seats and Notice Boards.

Halliwick Recreation Ground:-

(A) Repair and paint all seats... ... ... £20.

(B) Provide tarmacadam or other hard surfaces in front of existing seats... ... ... £5.

Friary Park:-

(A) Reinstate boundary fence to Friern Barnet Lane frontage and general repairs to wooden fencing ... ... £50.

(B) Repair and paint all seats... ... ... £20.

(C) Remove fencing around culvert outlet and replace with metal bars across culvert mouth ... ... £10.

(iii) Repairs and Maintenance of Footways.

Surface dress all footpaths not similarly treated in 1948/49.

(A) Halliwick Recreation Ground ... ... £60.

(B) Bethune Recreation Ground ... ... £90.

(C) Friary Park ... ... £150.

(D) Cromwell Recreation Ground ... ... £20.

(iv) Maintenance of Courts and Playing Pitches.

Halliwick Recreation Ground - making good goal area ... ... £20.

Bethune Recreation Ground - making good goal area ... ... £20.

(v) Halliwick Recreation Ground.

Paint wrought iron boundary fence with one coat of bitumastic paint ... ... £100.

Allow for replacement of defective bottom rails to wrought iron fencing ... ... £30.

Tool Store ... ... £25.

(vi) Friary Park.

Paint wrought iron fencing to western boundary with one coat of bitumastic paint ... ... £50.

Internal and external decorations to Public Conveniences ... ... £25.

External painting of Pavilion - Hard Tennis Courts ... ... £25.

Decorations to Mess Room and Putting Green Shed ... ... £18.

Repairs and decorations to shelter adjoining Children's Playground ... ... £25.

Provision of heating to greenhouse extension ... ... £50.

Extend existing cold frames ... ... £75.

Provide new paved paths around greenhouse extension, cold frames, etc.... £15.

Remove existing paved paths around statue and replace with soil and turf ... £40.

Fill in existing filter bed and remove fencing surround ... ... £25.

Treat wooden boundary fences with one coat of creosote ... ... £50.

(vii) 9-Hole Golf Course.

Provision of new hand mower ... ... £25.

Provision of mat tees ... ... £50.

Fencing to eastern and northern boundaries.
(The Committee recommend that in view of the cost of £320 for this work, provision be made for a quick growing thorn hedge at an estimated cost of £20 in lieu of the fencing) ... ... £20.

(viii) Provision of Tree Nursery at Sewage Disposal Works.

From a survey of all roads in the district it is estimated that 1,000 trees are required in roads not yet dealt with in this manner. In addition approximately 100 trees are required each year as replacements on highways. The average cost of a tree 5 - 6 years old ready for planting is 12s.6d., but saplings 3 years old can be purchased for approximately 4s.0d. The provision of a tree nursery at the Sewage Disposal Works would effect a considerable saving as saplings could be purchased at the lower price and brought forward ready for planting out. The estimated cost of initially laying out a nursery is £40 and annual maintenance costs are estimated at £50. Provision should, therefore, be made in the 1949/50 estimates as follows:-

Preparations of site for tree nursery... ...	£40.
Maintenance costs	£50.
Purchase of 500 saplings and planting... ...	£125.

(d) The following item was considered, but it was decided not to recommend this for inclusion:-

Repairs and surface dressing to car park, Bethune Recreation Ground	£50.

(e) Friary Park. The following items were deferred for consideration in connection with the development of the Park:-

Avenue of Trees	£120.
Culverting brook	£3000.

13. PARK SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT. The Parks Superintendent submitted a report of work carried out by the Parks Staff since the date of the last Meeting.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 8.10 p.m. and terminated at 10.25 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Health Committee.

3rd February, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A. C. Henry ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:-

Crs. Martin and Pickering.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 6th January, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES. The following notifications of infectious diseases have been received since the date of the last Meeting:-

Disease	WARDS					Total for District only
	North	South	Central	East	West	
Scarlet Fever	1	1	3	1	4	10
Measles	-	4	2	-	-	6
Whooping Cough	3	-	-	-	-	3
Pneumonia	2	1	1	-	-	4
Erysipelas	1	-	-	-	1	2
Tuberculosis	2	-	1	2	1	6

3. DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION. The Medical Officer of Health reported as to the present position in the District in respect of the above, stating that 2,538 immunisations had been carried out to date.

4. COMPLAINTS. Since the last Meeting of this Committee 45 complaints, including 8 cases of rat infestation, have been received and investigated and the necessary action taken to secure a remedy.

5. ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES. Works necessary to comply with Notices served requiring abatement of nuisances at 16 properties throughout the District have been completed.

6. UNSOUND FOOD. The Sanitary Inspector reported as to the various types of food which had been condemned as unfit for human consumption since the last Meeting of the Committee.

7. REGISTRATION OF PREMISES FOR THE SALE OF ICE-CREAM - FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1938, SECTION 14. Messrs. A.J. Wills & Son, Grocers and Provision Merchants, make application for the registration of their shop premises at No.1, Oakleigh Road, N.20, for the sale of ice-cream in accordance with the Food and Drugs Act, 1938. The ice-cream is obtained from Messrs. Carla's, Walthamstow, E.17, in wrapped blocks and will be retailed in the same condition. It is stored in a refrigerator capable of retaining the ice-cream at the temperature prescribed in the Ice-Cream (Heat Treatment &c.) Regulations 1947.

The Committee recommend that the premises be registered for the sale of ice-cream.

8. PETROLEUM (CONSOLIDATION) ACT, 1928. With reference to Minute No.8 of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd December, 1948, an application has been received from the Eastern Electricity Board for a licence to store 1,000 gallons of petroleum spirit. The installation was originally designed and licenced for 1,000 gallons but the existing licence is for 500 gallons. The mode of storage is by means of an underground tank supplying by means of a pump.

The Committee recommend that the licence be amended to cover the increased quantity.

9. RODENT CONTROL - RATE ESTIMATES 1949/50. Mr. E.T. Crawshaw was engaged as a rodent operative to assist in rodent control work in February 1948, for a period ending the 31st March, 1949. Under the terms of Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries Circular N.S.19/1948 one-half of the Council's approved expenditure (wages of operative, materials etc.) for the present financial year will be reimbursed by the Ministry. No official intimation has been received from the Ministry that this grant will be continued during the year 1949/50, but it is understood that this may be expected.

In connection with Rodent Control generally, new legislation (The Prevention of Damage by Pests Bill) is being laid before Parliament, the effect of which will be to impose on local authorities an affirmative duty to cause their districts to be inspected and to take steps for preventing or remedying infestations. Provision is made for payments of grants up to one-half of expenditure, subject to such conditions as the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries may impose.

The Committee recommend the continuance of Mr. Crawshaw's services to the 31st March, 1950, and the inclusion of the following expenditure in the Department's estimates for the year 1949/50:-

Wages of operative, insurance etc.	£323.
Additional labour for sewer treatments	20.
Materials	17
	£360.

10. SLAUGHTER OF ANIMALS ACT, 1933 - LICENCES. An application for the granting of a licence to slaughter animals under the above-mentioned Act has been received from Mr. T. Faulkner of 51, Holly Park Road, N.11., who until recently held a licence whilst employed at the Friern Hospital.

The Committee recommend that a licence be granted for a period of 12 months from 1st March, 1949.

11. HOUSING. The Sanitary Inspector reported that a survey of housing conditions in the District has been commenced.

The survey, which is taking the form of a house-to-house inspection, has the following objects in view:-

(a) To secure the repair of unfit houses.

(b) To reveal those properties unfit for human habitation and incapable of being rendered fit.

(c) To collect and record information with regard to properties included in those areas defined in the Post-War Programme as areas which, when circumstances allow, should be dealt with by way of clearance or improvement under the Housing Act.

(d) To determine the extent of overcrowding.

Opportunity is being taken to measure up the standard of accommodation provided by the older type of dwelling against the standard of a fit house recommended by the Housing Advisory Committee

in 1946, and to record those houses which although falling short of that standard are suitable for, and capable of, improvement to that standard.

The survey will, of necessity, take a considerable time to complete, but in the light of knowledge already obtained regarding housing conditions, there are certain properties which can no longer be repaired, where deterioration is rapid, and which will require to be dealt with by way of demolition in the near future.

A further report will be submitted on these properties and the suggested procedure for dealing with them at the next Meeting of the Committee.

12. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936, SECTION 93 - STATUTORY NUISANCES. The Sanitary Inspector reported the existence of statutory nuisances at the under-mentioned premises:-

(a) 99, Friern Park, N.11 - defective and leaking main roof.

(b) 99, Pembroke Road, N.10. - defective and leaking main roof.

Intimation notices having been served and not complied with, the Committee recommend the service of abatement notices under Section 93 of the Public Health Act, 1936, and failing compliance therewith the Clerk be authorised to take appropriate proceedings.

13. SANITARY INSPECTORS' ASSOCIATION. An invitation has been received from the Sanitary Inspectors' Association inviting delegates to attend the Annual Conference of the Association to be held at Eastbourne from the 12th to the 16th September, 1949. The Ministry of Health has sanctioned the payment of expenses which may necessarily be incurred in connection with the attendance of not more than two delegates at the Conference, on the understanding that one should be the Sanitary Inspector.

The Committee recommend that the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the time being and the Sanitary Inspector be appointed as the delegates of the Council to attend the above-mentioned Conference.

14. CENTRAL COUNCIL FOR HEALTH EDUCATION. A letter has been received from the Central Council for Health Education pointing out the difficulties under which the Central Council will be working in view of the reduction of their grant from the Ministry of Health by £5,000 as from 1st April, 1948, and requesting that in the circumstances the Council will decide to make an appropriate contribution for the year 1949/50 as authorised by the Public Health Act, 1936.

It will be remembered that at the Meeting of this Committee held on 6th May, 1948, a letter was submitted from the Urban District Councils' Association referring to a minute of the Meeting of the General Purposes Committee of the Executive Council held on 27th February, 1948, containing a report on the Conference between the Central Council and representatives of Local Authorities, when the view was expressed that as Urban District Councils would not be the Health Authorities after 5th July, 1948, they should not be asked to contribute to the funds of the Central Council, or, alternatively, they would not wish to do so.

The Committee recommend that a contribution be not made for the year 1949/50.

15. DAY NURSERIES. Enquiries are being made as to the present position, and a report will be submitted by the Chairman at the next Meeting of the Committee.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 6.50 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Highways and Public Works Committee

3rd February, 1949.

PRESENT:

Cr. J. Foley ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Henry, Martin, Matthews, Meynell, Richardson, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, Pickering, and Miss Richards.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 6th January, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. LITTER BINS. With reference to Minute No.20 of the Report of this Committee dated 6th January, 1949, it was reported that under the Agreement with Messrs. Hervey & Goodman Ltd. the exclusive right had been granted to the Contractors to fix on any lamp post or standard within the Urban District up to 100 bins, The Contractors had, however, fixed only 10 bins, and these had not been satisfactorily maintained.

Messrs. Hervey & Goodman Ltd. had now asked the Council to repaint the bins and charge them with the cost thereof, and had given notice to the Council terminating the Agreement in September 1949.

The Agreement, which was entered into on 31st January, 1946, was for a period of three years from 25th March, 1946, and thereafter subject to three months' notice by either party.

The Committee recommend that in the circumstances Messrs. Hervey & Goodman Ltd. be asked for their approval to the removal of the 10 bins immediately, and be given three months' notice terminating the Agreement in June 1949.

3. WOODHOUSE SCHOOL - DRAINAGE OF CANTEEN. Some time ago permission was granted for the soil and surface water from this new Canteen, situate in the Borough of Finchley, to be drained into the sewers in this District. The Finchley Borough Council have agreed to enter into an Agreement under Section 35 of the Public Health Act, 1936, and to make the usual annual payment to the Council of 1s.3d. in the £ on the rateable value of the building. The approval of the Middlesex County Council has to be obtained, as that Council is responsible for sewage disposal costs, and they have requested that the charge of 1s.3d. in the £ should be apportioned between sewerage and sewage disposal.

It will be remembered that a similar arrangement was made some time ago in the case of the charge to Southgate, and it was then agreed that the proportion applicable for sewerage should be 3¾d. in the £, the Council reserving the right to increase this figure if it was subsequently found that sewerage costs materially increased.

Since then costs have slightly increased, and the Committee recommend that, whilst they are of the opinion that at the moment no increase is warranted in the Southgate charge, in fixing the new apportionment for Finchley the charge for sewerage be increased to 4d. in the £, the remaining 11d. being in respect of disposal.

4. CONFERENCES.

(a) Institute of Public Cleansing. An invitation has been received from the Institute of Public Cleansing for the Council to appoint delegates to attend the 51st Annual conference of the Institute, to be held at Edinburgh from 13th to 17th June, 1949. The Ministry of Health has sanctioned the attendance of two delegates, one of whom should be the Officer responsible for public cleansing work.

The Committee recommend that delegates be not appointed.

(b) Institute of Municipal Engineers. An invitation has been received from the Institute of Municipal Engineers for the Council to appoint delegates to attend the 76th Annual General Meeting and Conference of the Institute, to be held at Douglas, Isle of Man, from 31st May to 4th June, 1949, inclusive. The Ministry of Health has sanctioned the attendance of two delegates one of whom should be the Engineer and Surveyor.

The Committee recommend that the Chairman of the Committee at that time and the Engineer and Surveyor be appointed as the Council's delegates at this Conference.

5. ROAD SAFETY.

(a) Proposed Exhibition at Alexandra Palace. With reference to Minute No.4 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 6th January, 1949, the Chairman of the Committee reported that together with the Vice-Chairman of the Committee (Cr. Meynell), and the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Road Safety Committee (Messrs. Stables and May), he had attended the Meeting at Wood Green on Thursday, the 27th January, 1949.

Representatives were present from Edmonton, Finchley, Friern Barnet, Hornsey, Southgate, Stoke Newington, Wood Green, and the Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents.

Various views and suggestions were put forward and a full discussion took place on such questions as cost, the type of exhibition, the probable lack of public support without other attractions, and whether this was a matter which should be dealt with on a National rather than a local basis.

The Meeting finally decided that the project should not be proceeded with.

(b) Tom Thumb Bollard, Friern Barnet Road, opposite the Library. With reference to Minute No.13 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 4th November, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the Road Safety Committee had again given consideration to this matter, and had referred it back to this Committee for further consideration as they still maintained that the bollard was a potential danger to persons alighting from buses.

The Committee recommend that in the circumstances the tom thumb bollard be removed.

The Committee also gave consideration to the remainder of these bollards throughout the District and decided that they should be retained for the time being, but the Eastern Electricity Board be requested to fit red bulbs should red reflectors be unobtainable.

(c) Accident Returns. The accident returns for the month of December, 1948, were submitted, showing that during this period five accidents occurred in which five persons sustained slight injuries and one person serious injuries.

6. PEDESTRIAN CROSSING BEACONS. With reference to Minute No.6 of the Report of this Committee dated 6th January, 1949, a letter has now been received from the local Member of Parliament enclosing a letter from the Minister of Transport who points out that the present Regulations preclude the erection of beacons with a clear panel, and whilst the Minister appreciates the Council's interest in the illumination of pedestrian crossings he does not wish to amend the Regulations at this stage to provide for a new kind of beacon. The Minister states that much thought is at present being given to the marking of the pedestrian crossings and to the provision of adequate lighting for them at night, and a new system is about to be tried out. In the light of the results of these experiments the Minister will consider what changes are necessary in the marking of pedestrian crossings generally.

In the meantime, until a clear lead can be given to Local Authorities, the Minister desires them to conform generally to the authorised markings, in view of the fact that uniformity in the markings of pedestrian crossings is of great importance if they are to be generally respected. He hopes, therefore, that the Council will not wish to press their proposals for the new beacons at this stage.

The lowest tender for the supply of standard type beacons was submitted by Messrs. Evolite Plastics Ltd. in the sum of 26s.0d. each, but these are not suitable for internal illumination. The lowest tender for a standard type capable of illumination was submitted by Messrs. Splintex Safety Glass Ltd. in the sum of 32s.0d. each.

The Ministry in previous circulars have suggested that when Local Authorities are replacing beacons they should consider obtaining a type capable of illumination, although such illumination is not yet authorised.

In view of the fact that the Minister states experiments are still being carried out and that it may be some time before illumination is authorised, the Committee consider that the additional cost of 6s.0d. for beacons capable of illumination is not justified.

The Committee accordingly recommend that the quotation of Messrs. Evolite Plastics Ltd. be accepted for 40 beacons in the sum of 26s.0d. each.

7. HIGHWAYS - GENERAL MAINTENANCE. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on maintenance work carried out during January 1949.

8. OAKLEIGH AVENUE - REPAIR OF WAR DAMAGE. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Report of this Committee dated 6th January, 1949, authorisation has been received from the County Engineer to expend an additional amount of £90 on the reinstatement of this road.

9. SEWAGE DISPOSAL WORKS - ESTIMATES FOR 1949/50 AND REVISED ESTIMATE 1948/49. In submitting the estimate for 1949/50 for maintenance of the Sewage Disposal Works, the attention of the County Engineer has been drawn to the fact that the Works Manager resigned in September 1948 and that it was not considered necessary to appoint a new Manager for the period that the Works would remain in operation pending the execution of the East Middlesex Main Drainage Scheme. It had, therefore, been suggested that such technical matters as required attention should be dealt with by this Council's technical staff, and the County Engineer has agreed that the under-mentioned amounts may be included in the Drainage Accounts in respect of technical staff supervision:-

1948/49	...	£50
1949/50	...	£100

10. SEWAGE DISPOSAL WORKS STORES. With reference to Minute No.13 of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd December, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor submitted a list of stores at the Sewage Disposal Works which are considered to be surplus to requirements.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to invite tenders and arrange for the disposal of these surplus stores.

11. TRAFFIC CONDITIONS.

(a) Chandos Avenue. In accordance with the instructions of the Committee (Minute No.3 of the Report dated 6th January, 1949), a Meeting was arranged with the Police regarding road safety measures at the junction of Chandos Avenue with Oakleigh Park North. The Police were of the opinion that little advantage would be gained by the fixing of any additional signs and that a satisfactory solution would best be obtained by the improvement of the junction and the sight lines.

A scheme for the improvement of the junction was submitted to the Ministry of Transport before the war, and in December 1938 the Ministry agreed to pay 33.1/3% of the actual approved expenditure as a grant from the Road Fund. Subsequent difficulties regarding the purchase of the necessary land delayed the execution of the works and at the request of the Ministry of Transport in September 1939, commencement of the work was indefinitely postponed.

At their Meeting on 10th February, 1947, this Committee decided to seek the approval of the Ministry of Transport to the erection of a "Halt - Major Road Ahead" sign in Chandos Avenue, but the necessary permission was not obtained. It is understood that when this proposal was referred to the Police for observations they then expressed the opinion that an improvement of the road junction was the desired solution but that approval to this was not forthcoming from the Ministry of Transport owing to the restrictions on the carrying out of works not considered as meriting urgent attention.

In these circumstances the Committee recommend that no further action be taken for the time being on the suggestion submitted by the resident in Chandos Avenue.

(b) Ashurst Road/Buxted Road junction. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Committee further consideration had been given to the proposal that the existing "Slow - Major Road Ahead" signs in Ashurst Road should be removed to Buxted Road.

The Committee recommend that the Minister of Transport be urged to agree to the removal of the signs from Ashurst Road to Buxted Road.

(c) High Road, Whetstone, N.20. With reference to Minute No.9 of the Report of this Committee dated 4th November, 1948, a letter has been received from the Divisional Road Engineer, Ministry of Transport, stating that various suggestions for the improvement of conditions for pedestrians on this section of High Road are receiving consideration. The Town Clerk of Finchley has been informed that if his Council considered traffic conditions warrant the inclusion of High Road, Whetstone, or part of the High Road in a future "No Waiting" Order similar to the London Traffic (Miscellaneous Provisions) (No.2) Order, 1948, the matter will receive careful consideration. With regard to the Council's suggestion that pedestrian operated traffic lights should be installed at this point, it is pointed out that it is only in very exceptional circumstances that installations of this type are considered to be justified. He states, however, that he is in negotiation with the Commissioner of Police for the Metropolis with regard to the suggestion, and will give it consideration in the light of certain further information which he is obtaining.

If the Finchley Borough Council are in favour of a "No Waiting" Order this Committee recommend the Council to support them.

12. STREET LIGHTING.

(a) Improved Street Lighting on Main Roads. Notification has been received from the Minister of Transport that a recommendation has been made to the Minister of Health to issue consent to loan in the sum of £8,800 for the installation of improved lighting, the loan to be repayable over a period of 25 years. The approval was given on the basis of an estimate submitted to the Ministry of Transport in May 1948, the revised firm quotations are now being obtained for the necessary work. On receipt of these quotations they will be presented to the Committee for their approval in order that a Contract may be prepared as soon as authority is received to proceed with the scheme. A further report will be submitted to the Committee at their next Meeting.

(b) Albion Avenue/The Vale. With reference to Minute No.20 (d) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd December, 1948, the authorised improvements to the lighting in Albion Avenue and at the junction of this road with The Vale, have been completed.

(c) Footpath between Friary Road and Valley Avenue. With reference to Minute No.19 of the Report of this Committee dated 6th January, 1949, a new lamp has been installed in this thoroughfare.

(d) Alexandra Road. The Committee had before them a report on the lighting of this road and have deferred consideration pending the general review of the lighting of all District Roads.

13. FLOOD RELIEF SCHEME - MARNE AVENUE/FALKLAND AVENUE. With reference to Minute No.11 of the Report of this Committee dated 9th September, 1948, detailed plans of the proposed works for the extension of the existing culvert from the east side of Oakleigh Road South to join with the culvert recently constructed in the East Barnet Urban District were submitted, the estimated cost of which is £750.

In view of the absence of definite information regarding any proposed widening of Oakleigh Road South, and the use of the vacant land between this road and Marne Avenue, the works proposed are the minimum to meet the requirements for containing the flow of surface water, and additional works would be required if, with future development, the culvert is subjected to traffic or other loads. The estimated cost would, of course, also be increased if additional protection to the pipes is required by the Ministry of Health.

There is some possibility of this land being developed and the Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to proceed with plans and estimates ready for submission to the Minister in due course.

14. FOULING OF FOOTWAYS BY DOGS. With reference to Minute No.20 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated 20th January, 1949, quotations have been received from Messrs. G.P. Chamberlain & Co. Ltd. for the provision of the notice approved by the General Purposes Committee.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to purchase 144 of these notices at a cost of 4s.4½d. each, and that they be fixed in the central portion of residential roads.

15. PRIVATE STREETS.

(a) Making up of Raleigh Drive. With reference to Minute No.12 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 6th January, 1949, there has been a slight delay in the progress of this work owing to difficulties experienced by the Contractors in obtaining adequate supplies of tarmacadam for the carriageway surfacing, but except for accommodation works to property entrances and the turfing of verges, which will be carried out in the Spring, completion is anticipated in the near future.

(b) Temple Avenue. With reference to Minute No.12 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 6th January, 1949, the majority of the kerb and channel has now been laid, and progress is well advanced on the laying of artificial stone paving to the footways.

(c) Grangeview Road. A complaint has been received regarding the dangerous condition of the paving stones in this road. The existing paving is in a very bad condition, and the kerb has sunk at several points and unequal settlement has occurred of the concrete slabs to the carriageway.

This road is the subject of an agreement entered into in September 1938, between the Council and the developers, Messrs. Varley Estates Ltd., under which the Varley Estates Ltd. agreed to lay out the new road and to make it up in accordance with the Council's specification and in compliance with certain conditions laid down in the Agreement, and the Council undertook to take over the road as a highway repairable by the inhabitants at large on completion of the works to their satisfaction and in accordance with the terms of the Agreement.

The work was not carried out to the satisfaction of the Council and although various negotiations have taken place between the Council and the Developers the works have not been satisfactorily completed and the road has not been taken over.

The Committee accordingly recommend that the Developers be informed that they must now complete the works to the satisfaction of the Engineer and Surveyor and in compliance with the terms of the Agreement.

16. SALVAGE.

(a) Waste Paper - Increased Collection Allowance - Salvage Circular No.138. Salvage Circular No.138 was submitted giving details of a new allowance for waste paper collections, which took effect from 1st January, 1949, claims for which are to be submitted within two calendar months of the expiration of the prescribed periods, viz. January to June, and July to December.

(b) Returns. The returns for salvage for the month of January, 1949, are as follows, shown in comparison with the same period in 1948:-

January 1949 - 38 tons 19 cwts. - value £160 6s. 0d.
January 1948 - 34 tons 19 cwts. - value £171 16s. 6d.

17. STATUTORY OPENINGS. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on statutory openings being carried out by and on behalf of statutory companies.

18. RATE ESTIMATES. The Committee considered the question of the inclusion of special items of expenditure in the rate estimates for the year 1949/50, and recommend:-

(a) That the following special items approved during the year 1948/49 but not expended during the year be recommended for inclusion:-

(i) Sewerage.

Repairing and painting vent columns.
The amount to be included is the estimated unspent balance on the 1948/49 estimates ... £110.

Finchley Park - Reconstruction of surface water sewer - carry forward balance from 1948/49 estimates to complete work ... ... £300.

Oakleigh Park South - additional manholes on sewers ... ... £900. *

(ii) Salvage.

Materials, Tools and Equipment - Baling Machine ordered for delivery in 1949/50 ... £40.

(iii) Depots and Stores.

External painting - carry forward approval in 1948/49 estimates ... ... £155.

Maintenance of yard surfacing - carry forward approval in 1948/49 estimates ... £30.

(b) That the following items, some of which have already received consideration but not final approval, be recommended for inclusion:-

(i) Sewerage.

External colour wash and shrub planting at Ely Pumping Station ... ... £20.

(ii) Refuse Collection and Salvage.

Controlled Tip - Bethune Recreation Ground, fencing and drainage. (In compliance with Conveyance, Railway Company) ... ... £2250. ✱

(iii) Highways - District Roads.

Provision of sites for billposting ... ... £120.

(iv) House and Trade Refuse Collection.

Wages of loaders - Additional to 1948/49 estimate ... ... £320.

Haulage charges of vehicles - Additional to 1948/49 estimates ... ... £500.

(v) Refuse Disposal.

Wages of Labourers - Additional to 1948/49 estimate ... ... £175.

Maintenance and restoration of controlled tip at Bethune Recreation Ground - Levelling by Bulldozer (in lieu of the full scheme of additional expenditure of £1,610. It was decided not to make provision for covering with top soil and seeding until consolidation has taken place). ... ... £250.

Preparation of site for controlled tipping at Sewage Disposal Works

Levelling	£250)		
Repairs to access road	£150)	... ...	£500.
New railway sleepers	£100)		

(vi) Salvage.

Wages - additional to 1948/49 estimates ... £290.

Haulage - additional to 1948/49 estimate ... ... £150.

Salvage Bonus ... ... £150.

Salvage Drives - Additional to 1948/49 estimate ... ... £30.

Fencing and Shedding, for paper baling - Additional to 1948/49 estimate ... ... £50.

(vii) Highways - District Roads.

Maintenance of and new street name plates - Additional to 1948/49 estimate ... ... £105.

Maintenance of grass verges - Additional to 1948/49 estimate ... ... £90.

Clearing vacant roadside sites ... ... £25.

(viii) Public Lighting.

Lamp column maintenance, replacements and installation of experimental types of lanterns - Additional to 1948/49 estimates ... ... £400.

Improved lighting to main roads ... ... £880C. *

(ix) Depots and Stores.

Repairs and maintenance of buildings and equipment - Additional to 1948/49 estimate ... ... £25.

Move existing wooden shed from Bethune Recreation Ground to Sewage Disposal Works to provide shelter for workmen on change-over of site for controlled tipping of refuse ... ... £50.

Additional storage accommodation at Sewage Disposal Works ... ... £100.

(x) Public Conveniences.

Goldsmith Road - External and internal painting ... ... £60.

New Conveniences - Oakleigh Road North - provisional estimate ... ... £2000. *

(xi) Sewerage.

Friern Mount Drive - Reconstruction of surface water sewer ... ... £3500. *

South Ward - Surface water relief sewer across L.C.C. Playing Fields (subject to review on completion of Housing Site No.5)... £5000. *

Culverting - Marne Avenue ... ... £750. *

(xii) Private Streets - Making Up.

Provision for the making up of -

Bedford Close
Torrington Avenue
Torrington Grove

(c) The following items were considered, but it was decided not to recommend these for inclusion:-

(i) Sewerage.

Goldsmith Road - Surface water relief sewer.(Carry forward approval in 1948/49 estimates)	£600.
Low level sewer - new manholes	£4500.
Hampden Road - Flood Relief - provisional estimate	£1000.
North Middlesex Golf Course - Reconstruction of surface water sewer	£250.

(ii) Public Conveniences.

Goldsmith Road - Replacement of defective water heater. (At the Meeting of the General Purposes Committee in December 1948 consideration was deferred until June 1949.)	£25.
New Conveniences - Junction of Friern Barnet Road and Station Approach - provisional estimate.	£2000.
Extensions to existing accommodation- Friary Park - provisional estimate	£2000.

(iii) Highways - District Roads.

Purchase of new street trees - Additional to normal replacements. (Tree nursery has been approved.)	£2500.
Woodleigh Avenue - Repairs and re-grading	£500.
Replace existing hoggin and grass margins in Barfield Avenue, Miles Way and Russell Road with tarmacadam... ...	£650.
Road Improvement - Junction of Chandos Avenue and Oakleigh Park North - provisional estimate	£2000.
Road Improvement - Junction of Athenaeum Road and Oakleigh Park North - provisional estimate	£1500.

(iv) Public Lighting.

Improvements to street lighting in District Roads - provisional estimate	£9000.

Items marked "*" will be the subject of applications for loan sanctions and provision will, therefore, be made in the estimates for loan charges.

19. DUSTBINS. The Committee considered the question of making some provision in the estimates in the event of the Council deciding to undertake to supply and they had before them a report by the Treasurer. The Committee decided not to make any such provision.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.0 p.m. and terminated at 8.35 p.m.

Meeting of the Council held in the Town Hall, N.11.

10th February, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A.Richardson ... Vice-Chairman In the Chair.

Crs. Draper, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Pickering and Simmonds.

2. LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL (GENERAL POWERS) BILL. The Clerk reported that the Meeting had been called in accordance with the requirements of the Local Government Act, 1933; that notice of the Meeting had been given by public advertisement appearing in a newspaper circulating within the District, and by individual notice to the Members of the Council in the form now submitted.

Moved by Cr. Henry seconded by Cr. Sparks that the Council do oppose the following Bill which has been deposited in Parliament, namely:-

" A Bill to confer further powers upon the London County Council and other authorities and for other purposes."

An amendment moved by Cr. Miss Richards seconded by Cr. Mrs. McCarthy that the matter lie on the table until such time as a copy of the Bill has been circulated to each Member of the Council was declared to be LOST; Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, Martin and Miss Richards (3) voting in favour and Crs. Draper, Henry, McClane, Matthews, Meynell, Richardson, Sparks and Tarlton (8) voting against.

The original motion as moved by Cr. Henry seconded by Cr. Sparks was then put to the Meeting and declared to be CARRIED; Crs. Draper, Henry, McClane, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Richardson, Sparks and Tarlton (9) voting in favour, and Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, Martin and Miss Richards (3) voting against.

Richardson

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 7.05 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Rating and Valuation Committee

10th February, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A.C.S. Meynell ... Chairman.

Crs. Henry, Martin, McClane, Matthews, Miss Richards, Richardson and Sparks.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy, Mason and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Pickering and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 13th January, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. NEW PROPERTIES. Having received a report from the Valuation Officer as to the new properties erected in the District, the Committee recommend assessments as follows:-

	Recommendation
(a) Houses - Site 5.	
(i) 86, George Crescent.	£30/22.
(ii) 29, 31 and 33, The Vale.	£30/22 each.
(b) 64, 64a, 66 and 66a, Wilton Road. Flats replacing war destroyed houses.	
Ground and first floor flats Nos. 64 and 66, Wilton Road.	£43/33 each.
Second floor flats Nos. 64a and 66a, Wilton Road.	£29/22 each.

4. ALTERATIONS. Having received a report by the Valuation Officer as to alterations to the following properties, the Committee recommend amended assessments as indicated:- .

	Recommendation
(a) No.214, Colney Hatch Lane.	
Addition of garage.	Increase from £41/31 to £46/36.
(b) No.63, Goldsmith Road.	
Converted into two flats for separate occupation.	Existing assessment of £46/36 be divided to £27/20 ground floor and £27/20 first floor.

5. PROPERTIES ASSESSED IN PARTS. The under-mentioned properties which are at present assessed in parts, have now reverted to occupation by the respective owners, and the Committee recommend as follows:-

(a) 7, Parkhurst Road. Original assessment of £37/28 be reinstated is lieu of existing assessments of £23/16 and £24/17.

(b) 67, Holly Park Road. The original assessment of £34/25 be reinstated in lieu of the existing assessments of £22/15 on each of the ground and first floors.

6. 97 and 99, CHANDOS AVENUE. A plot of land at the rear of 97, Chandos Avenue has been conveyed by the owner of that property to the owner of 99, Chandos Avenue.

The Committee recommend that the assessment on 97, Chandos Avenue be reduced by the amount attributable to the value of the land, namely from £95/76 to £91/73, and the assessment of 99 Chandos Avenue increased from £82/66 to £86/69.

7. TOTTENHAM AND DISTRICT GAS COMPANY - GAS UNDERTAKING - 1946/47. The provisionally agreed values for the Tottenham and District Gas Company's undertaking have been received from the County Valuer, showing a reduction from £1,351 to £1,213 and the Committee recommend that this figure be accepted.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.05 p.m. and terminated at 7.10 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Housing Committee.

10th February, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. E. Draper ... Vice-Chairman In the Chair.

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Richardson, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Pickering and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 13th January, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. HOUSING LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The Reports of the Meetings of the Housing Lettings Committee held on 15th and 22nd January, 1949, copies of which are attached, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

4. REQUISITIONED PROPERTIES.

(a) 82, Wilton Road. With reference to Minute No.4 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, the Committee gave further consideration to the application from the owner residing in part of the premises for the release from requisition of the ground floor.

Having regard to the fact that the housing position generally in the District has not materially changed since the matter was first considered, the Committee recommend that no action be taken in connection with the release of the part of the property under requisition.

(b) 26, Parkhurst Road. With reference to Minute No.3 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated 15th December, 1948, the Committee gave further consideration to the release of this property from requisition, the Housing Eastates Manager and Housing Officer having submitted reports in connection therewith.

The Committee have authorised the Housing Officer to re-accommodate the two families housed therein forthwith and that the necessary arrangements be made to release the property from requisition as soon as possible.

The Committee recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

(c) Preparation for Use as Half-Way Houses. Circular No.L.R.L. 1/49 was submitted from the Ministry of Health giving further guidance as to the works which Local Authorities may carry out to make premises suitable for use as half-way houses.

(d) Arrears of Contributions. The Treasurer submitted a report on the arrears of contributions in respect of requisitioned properties. The following matters arise out of the report:-

(i) Occupier No.506. The arrears are £2 12s. 6d. and the weekly contribution is 17s. 7d. The attention of the occupier has been drawn to the arrears and payment is expected during the current week. Failing payment of arrears, a further report on this matter will be submitted to the next Meeting.

(ii) Occupier No.587. The arrears are £2 0s. 8d., and the weekly contribution is £1 0s. 4d. It is anticipated that payment will be made during the current week, but failing clearance of the arrears, a further report upon this matter will be submitted to the next Meeting.

(iii) Occupier No.651. The arrears are £1 9s. 2d., and the weekly contribution is 9s. 7d. The attention of the occupier has been drawn to the arrears and it is anticipated that payment will be made during the current week. Failing the clearance of the arrears, a further report on this matter will be submitted to the next Meeting.

(iv) Occupier No.655. The arrears are £1 15s. 7d., and the weekly contribution is 16s. 8d. The attention of the occupier has been drawn to the arrears and it is anticipated that payment will be made during the current week. Failing the clearance of the arrears, a further report on this matter will be submitted to the next Meeting.

(v) Occupier No.666. With reference to Minute No.4 (a) (vi) of the Report of this Committee dated 18th January, 1949, the arrears in this case have been reduced to £4 7s. 0d., the weekly contribution being £1 1s. 9d. Owing to certain circumstances the Committee decided to defer consideration of this matter until their next Meeting.

(vi) Occupier No.669. The arrears are £3 17s. 2d., and the weekly contribution is £1 18s. 7d. This case has been reported on many occasions and there is no financial hardship.

The Committee recommend that a Notice terminating the licence be issued.

(e) General Maintenance. The Housing Estates Manager submitted a report on the general maintenance work carried out to requisitioned properties since the last Meeting.

(f) External Painting. Owing to the favourable weather conditions it has been possible to carry out the external painting of a further three properties, leaving only one property in the year's programme outstanding.

(g) 7, Oak Avenue.- Water Heater. The Housing Estates Manager reported that a complaint had been received from the occupier of this requisitioned property that the Ascot multi-point water heater was faulty. An inspection was made by the Tottenham and District Gas Company who intimated that the appliance was worn out and accordingly the Gas Company's estimate of £34 2s. 7d. for replacement was accepted.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Housing Estates Manager be approved and confirmed.

(h) "Eversley", Oakleigh Park South, N.20. With reference to Minute No.8 of the Report of the Meeting of the Council held on 27th January, 1949, the Committee gave further consideration to the conversion of this property into flats.

Having regard to the high contributions which would be payable if the property were converted into two self-contained flats, the Committee recommend that the scheme for the conversion into four flats be approved and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for authority to invite tenders for carrying out the necessary work.

(i) "Highclere", Oakleigh Park South. With reference to Minute No.3 (h) of the Report of this Committee dated 9th December, 1948, it is anticipated that the work to the ground floor of this property will be completed by the 14th February next.

5. HOUSING ESTATES.

(a) Arrears of Rent. The Treasurer reported on the present position regarding arrears of rent and the following arise out of this report:-

(i) Tenant No.50. The arrears are £4 12s. 7d., and the weekly rent is £1 4s. 11d. There is no financial hardship in this case and the tenant has promised to clear the arrears within the next fortnight.

The Committee recommend that failing payment within the next two weeks a notice to quit be issued.

(ii) Tenant No.51. The arrears are £3 0s. 8d., and the weekly rent is £1 3s. 5d. These arrears have been existing since October last, but the tenant has promised to clear the amount outstanding by Saturday next. Failing payment of the arrears a further report will be submitted to the next Meeting.

(iii) Tenant No.57. With reference to Minute No.6 (a)(ii) of the Report of this Committee dated 13th January, 1949, the arrears, now £5 6s. 2d., are being reduced in accordance with the arrangement made.

(iv) Tenant No.176. With reference to Minute No.6 (a)(iii) of the Report of this Committee dated 13th January, 1949, the arrears are now £6 5s. 2d. The tenant has not made the payment of £1 6s. 0d. per week as requested but has stated that she would endeavour in future to pay 1s. 0d. a week off the arrears until cleared. In connection with this matter a report was also submitted from the Housing Welfare Officer.

The Committee have instructed the Treasurer to submit a further report on this case to the next Meeting.

(v) Tenant No.363. With reference to Minute No.6 (a)(iv) of the Report of this Committee dated 13th January, 1949, the arrears are now £3 17s. 0d., having been reduced by 17s. 1d. since last reported. The tenant has promised to pay at least 5s. 0d. per week in addition to the normal weekly rental and to clear the arrears by the 31st March.

(vi) Tenant No.1002. The arrears are £2 0s. 0d. and the weekly rent is £1 0s. 0d. The payments in this case recently have been irregular. The tenant's attention has been drawn to the position, and it is anticipated that these arrears will be cleared within the next week, failing which a further report will be submitted to the next Meeting.

(vii) Tenant No.1019. The arrears are £2 0s. 0d. and the weekly rent is £1 0s. 0d. Payments have recently been irregular and the tenant's attention has been drawn to the position. It is anticipated that these arrears will be cleared within the next week, failing which a further report will be submitted to the next Meeting.

(viii) Former Tenant No.321. With reference to Minute No.6 (a)(vi) of the Report of this Committee dated 13th January, 1949, the arrears are now £3 1s.1d., the agreed monthly payment of 5s. 0d. having been maintained.

(b) General Maintenance. The report of the Housing Estates Manager on the general maintenance of housing estates was submitted for information.

(c) Installation of Telephones. The Housing Estates Manager reported that several requests have been made by tenants for permission to have telephones installed for either health or business reasons.

The Committee does not favour the granting of general approval for such installations and recommend that each case be considered on its merits.

(d) Replacement of Broken Glass. The Housing Estates Manager reported that in the past considerable expense has been incurred by the Council in the replacement of glass broken by persons unknown. Occasionally the persons responsible have been traced and the cost of replacement recovered.

The Committee recommend that in cases where the offender cannot be traced, the tenant of the property in question be required before the glass is replaced to pay 2s. 6d. for each pane of glass broken.

(e) Draining Boards. The Housing Estates Manager reported that in most of the pre-war Council houses the draining boards are in need of replacement. The past policy has been to supply boards in beech or hard wood and the cost of replacement varies between £2 0s. 0d. and £2 10s. 0d. each, depending upon whether the wall brackets are sound. The quality of the boards now available leaves a lot to be desired.

It was further reported that in substitution either enamelled steel, stainless steel or aluminium boards constructed to hang on the ends of the sink might be used, the average cost of which is £1 7s. 0d. each. If these boards were provided the cost of labour in fixing them would be considerably reduced.

The Committee recommend that in future stainless steel draining boards be supplied to replace the wooden boards.

(f) Installation of New Stoves and Hot Water Systems. With reference to Minute No.6 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 13th January, 1949, a total of 12 new stoves and hot water systems have been installed since the last Meeting, making a total of 38 new installations to date.

(g) War Damage Repairs and Decorations. With reference to Minute No.6 (d) of the Report of this Committee dated 13th January, 1949, to date 70 houses have received complete re-instatement of war damage and interior decorations, and 63 properties complete re-instatement and partial interior decoration.

(h) 25, Russell Lane. The Housing Estates Manager reported that the back garden of this property is being used for the storage of builders' materials.

The Committee recommend that the attention of the tenant be drawn to the conditions of tenancy prohibiting the use of such dwellings for conducting business and he be required to remove the materials stored forthwith.

(i) Electricity Meters. It was reported that upon investigation of some cases of rent arrears it had been ascertained that the reason was due to the fact that on such occasions it became necessary to pay the account for electricity supplied.

The Committee recommend that in cases where the tenants prefer pre-payment meters, making allowance for the flat rate charge for the supply of electricity, the Eastern Electricity

Board be requested to replace the existing quarterly meters with pre-payment meters.

(j) 233/235, Oakleigh Road North - Structural Repairs. With reference to Minute No.4 (j) of the Report of this Committee dated 16th September, 1948, the final account for structural repairs to these two properties has now been agreed in the sum of £578 9s. 0d., which is £128 9s. 0d. in excess of the amount of the Contract. Of the amount of excess £77 12s. 0d. was incurred for improvements requested by the occupiers and this amount has been recovered from them, reducing the Council's liability to £500 17s. 0d., or £50 17s. 0d. in excess of the Contract.

The additional expenditure mainly arises from the fact that a small spring or underground watercourse was found under the house and special provision had to be made for additional footings and for drainage.

6. REPORT OF HOUSING WELFARE OFFICER. The Housing Welfare Officer submitted a report upon the work carried out since the 1st January, 1949.

7. HOUSING REPAIRS - FINANCE. The Treasurer submitted a report showing that the actual expenditure on housing repairs for the nine months to the 31st December, 1948, was approximately £9,960, an amount of £10,000 being provided for in the estimates of expenditure, £8,000 of which was included as a charge on the rate estimates and the remaining £2,000 to be financed by realising investments in the Housing Repairs Fund. If expenditure in this direction is incurred at the present level it is estimated that the total expenditure for the year to 31st March, 1949, is likely to be £13,250.

The particular attention of the Finance Committee is drawn to this matter.

8. HOUSING ACT 1936, SECTION 91 - 16, BELLEVUE ROAD. With reference to Minute No.5 of the Report of this Committee dated 13th January, 1949, a further letter dated 31st January, 1949, was submitted from the Tottenham and District Gas Company referring to the Council's refusal to grant their application for a refund of the increased rates payable as a result of the increased assessments upon the conversion of the premises into two flats and requesting reconsideration of the matter.

The Committee recommend the Council to adhere to their previous decision.

9. NATIONAL SMOKE ABATEMENT SOCIETY - DOMESTIC FUEL APPLIANCES. A communication was submitted from the National Smoke Abatement Society referring (inter alia) to the following resolutions passed by the Society at a recent conference:-

"1. That the Minister of Health and the Secretary of State for Scotland be requested to make a condition of qualification for their approval of new housing schemes, or for the issue of a licence in respect of houses built by private enterprise, that any solid fuel burning appliances proposed to be installed shall be on the Government list of approved or provisionally approved appliances.

2. That the Government be requested to implement as soon as practicable recommendation 2 (c) of the Domestic Fuel Policy Report regarding the prohibition of the manufacture and sale of new appliances falling below approved standards. "

The matter referred to in the first of such resolutions, in so far as it applies to Local Authority houses, has now been brought into effect by Ministry of Health Circular 170/48, but it respectfully suggested that Local Authorities themselves might actively encourage the attainment of similar standards in privately built new houses.

10. TENDERS FOR BUILDING WORK. With reference to Minute No.12 of the Report of this Committee dated 9th December, 1948, a further letter dated 2nd February, 1949, was submitted from the Finchley and Whetstone Chamber of Commerce requesting the Council to reconsider their refusal to supply unsuccessful tenderers with the amount of the accepted tender.

Having given further consideration to the matter, the Committee see no objection to the unsuccessful tenderers being notified of the amount of the accepted tender as soon as this has been definitely ascertained, and recommend that the Finchley and Whetstone Chamber of Commerce be informed accordingly.

11. FURNISHED HOUSES (RENT CONTROL) ACT, 1946. The Clerk reported receipt of formal notification of the decision of the Rent Tribunal in respect of a reference from the tenant of a property in Friern Barnet Road.

12. HOUSING RETURNS. The Ministry of Health Housing Returns to the 31st December, 1948, were submitted for the information of the Committee.

13. DISTRICT HOUSING PROGRESS. The following is a summary of the position in the Urban District as at the 31st January, 1949:-

	Completed at 30.11.48.	Completed December 1948	Completed January 1949	Total	Families Accommodated at 31.1.49
War Damaged Rebuilt Houses	10	-	-	10	10
Post-War Houses	16	2	1	19	19
Post-War Flats	72	12	-	84	84
Temporary Bungalows	86	-	-	86	86
				199	199

Accommodated in Requisitioned Properties 183

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Applicants on Waiting List - December 1948 1779

Applicants on Waiting List - January 1949 1726

14. HOUSING SCHEMES.

(a) Housing Site No.3 - Alexandra Road. The remainder of the external works are now being carried out. The dwarf wall on the site frontage has been completed and the fence to the new boundary line adjoining the golf course is at present in course of erection. Instructions have been given to the contractor to complete the tarmac on the drying area as soon as the fencing works have been completed.

(b) Housing Site No.4 - Alexandra Road.

(i) Progress. Six further flats on this site have now been handed over, leaving a balance of six flats which should be handed over for occupation on the 14th February. Considerable external works remain to be completed.

(ii) Access to Allotments. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that it has been necessary to provide temporary access to the sewage farm allotments to avoid persons going through the housing site to the allotments, and arrangements have been made for this access to be fenced off, which will reduce the site by a strip of land approximately 8 ft. in width so long as the path is required. It is assumed that when the sewage works site can be redeveloped the path will be redundant and the land then revert back to form part of the housing site.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Engineer and Surveyor be approved and confirmed.

(iii) Flat No.45 - User. A formal application dated the 26th January, 1949, was submitted from the tenant of this flat for permission to arrange for a telephone to be installed owing to the fact that since taking up occupation he has entered into partnership in a business of builders and decorators. Although the premises in question are not being used for the storage of material it would appear that the premises are being used for business purposes.

The Committee recommend that the application for the installation of a telephone be refused and the notice of the tenant drawn to the condition of tenancy prohibiting the use of the premises for business or advertising and he be required to cease the practice forthwith.

(c) Housing Site No.5 - Colney Hatch Lane.

(i) Progress. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the progress being made on this site, which may be summarised as follows:-

Houses.

Contract 5A/4 - 34 Houses. Satisfactory - first four houses ready for occupation, but certain external works require to be completed.

Contract 5A/6 - 34 Houses. Satisfactory.

Contract 5A/5 - 10 Houses. Unsatisfactory - Contractor is being pressed to increase his labour force on the site.

Contract 5A/7 - 10 Houses. Unsatisfactory - Contractor arranging to improve progress. Certain unavoidable delay has occurred owing to difficulty in obtaining supplies of certain materials.

Contract 5A/3 - 4 Houses. Anticipated that the remaining 3 houses will be handed over for occupation immediately.

Flats.

Contract 5B/4 - 84 Flats. A delay of two weeks has occurred owing to weather conditions and difficulty in obtaining certain materials. It is anticipated that the work on the construction of the first floor slab will commence next week.

Contract 5B/3 - 30 Flats. Slight delays have occurred but these have not seriously affected the progress.

(ii) Housing Contracts.

(A) 5A/4. The Clerk submitted a report on certain difficulties which have arisen in the completion of the Contract and Bond and owing to the fact that the work was so far advanced the Contractor now enquires whether the Council will:-

(1) waive Bond in respect of first Contract having regard to the stage reached in the work;

(2) agree to an amendment in the second Bond, releasing the Sureties on the handing over of the houses at the commencement of the maintenance period; and

(3) accept as Sureties in connection with the second Bond two Directors of the firm.

The Committee recommend that the Contractor be informed that the Council are not prepared to accede to the foregoing requests and unless these outstanding matters are settled promptly and to the satisfaction of the Council, the Council will have to consider the question of withholding interim certificates.

(B) 5A/7. In this case the Clerk reported certain difficulties which the Contractors were experiencing in completing the necessary Bond, and the Committee recommend, in the event of the Contract documents not being completed within a reasonable period, the Contractors be informed that the Council will have to consider the question of withholding interim certificates.

(iii) Further 60 Flats. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that tenders have been invited for two Contracts of 30 flats each, the closing date for the receipt of tenders being the 10th March next.

(iv) Further 10 Houses. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the land at present occupied by temporary allotments would revert to use for housing purposes at the end of March and it was desirable that work should commence immediately thereafter.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to negotiate with existing Contractors for the erection of these further dwellings, and failing satisfactory arrangements being made tenders be invited.

(v) Aged Person' Dwellings. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a plan of six aged persons' dwellings to be erected on this site.

The scheme in the main concurs with the recommendations of the Women's Advisory Panel on Housing referred to in Minute No.14 of the Report of this Committee dated 13th January, 1949, subject to the following variations:-

(A) Separate Bedroom in lieu of Bedroom Recess. It is understood that the Women's Advisory Panel were of the opinion that only one room was provided in such dwellings and not two as included in the layout plan.

(B) Partially Sunken Baths. The Engineer and Surveyor does not concur with this suggestion, and he will discuss this matter further with the Women's Advisory Panel.

(C) Gardens. A communal garden is provided at the rear of the dwellings, the front gardens to be allowed to be maintained by the individual tenants if they so desire or included in the general scheme of the site to be maintained by the Council.

(D) Communal Laundry. This is not provided for in the layout as it is considered that it would be more practicable to provide a communal laundry for the whole of the site with a separate section for old people, and this matter is receiving further consideration.

The Committee recommend that:-

(1) the scheme now submitted be approved;

(2) application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to invite tenders for the erection of these dwellings; and

(3) the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to proceed with the preparation of the necessary documents in order that tenders may be invited immediately following the receipt of Ministry of Health sanction.

(vi) Provision of Clothes Posts. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that in view of the rather unsightly array of clothes posts which is likely to develop on the site, it was considered desirable for the Council to provide two clothes posts for each house. Accordingly quotations were submitted for the supply of galvanized steel, or, alternatively, reinforced concrete posts.

The Committee recommend that the quotation of Messrs. Broad & Co.Ltd. for reinforced concrete posts 5" x 5" x 9' 0" long at a cost of 12s. 6d. each be accepted.

(vii) Purchase of Refrigerators. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that one gas and 10 electric refrigerators are in store and 10 gas and 35 electric refrigerators are due to be delivered before the 31st March, making a total of 56 refrigerators in all for allocation to tenants on this site, and in view of the difficult position with regard to delivery, it was considered desirable to place a reservation for a supply of a further 100 refrigerators.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to place a reservation for a further 100 refrigerators for delivery as and when required at a cost of £2,342 10s. 0d., and application be made to the Minister of Health for sanction to loan in the sum of £2,353 made up as follows:-

Cost of refrigerators	£2,342 10s. 0d.
Stamp duty and cost of raising the loan	10 10s. 0d.
	£2,353 0s. 0d.

and that on receipt of loan sanction the money be borrowed from the Public Works Loan Board and that the Chairman of the Council and the Clerk be authorised to seal the Mortgage and any other documents, if necessary out of Meeting.

The Committee further recommend that the tenants of the houses on the site be given the opportunity to have refrigerators installed, subject to their agreeing to the normal charge therefor being included in the rental and in such cases the Housing Estates Manager be authorised to arrange for the necessary alterations to the joinery in the kitchens in order that the refrigerators may be properly accommodated.

(viii) Construction of Roads and Sewers. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had recently been in communication with the Contractors in connection with the construction of roads and sewers requesting them to proceed with the construction of the paved footpaths along the verges of the properties now occupied. The Contractors now enquire whether sympathetic consideration could be given to a claim for extra costs of labour and materials since the tender was submitted in August 1946, when it was not foreseen that a commencement would not be possible on the paving works until 2½ years had elapsed. In the interim period the following increases have occurred in the main items:-

Labour	- basic wage rates	3¼d. per hour.
Materials	- artificial stone paving	1s.5d. per super yard.
Tarmacadam for verges (Sub-contract)		1s.4d. per super yard.

Having considered the terms of the Contract, the Committee authorised the Engineer and Surveyor meeting the Contractors (without prejudice to the Council's position), to discuss details of the claim and to report to the Committee.

(ix) Calculation of Rents - New Houses. With reference to Minute No.2 (e) of the Report of the Housing and Town Planning Committee dated 11th March, 1948, when a provisional rent of 19s. 6d. per week inclusive was fixed for the 3-bedroom type semi-detached house, the Treasurer reported that several blocks of houses will be available for letting shortly, and since each of these blocks contains different types of houses, a comprehensive report on rent calculation was submitted.

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Site preparation, road, and sewer costs are still not ascertained and will ultimately require apportionment over the whole of the 126 houses and 114 flats.

The Committee recommend that:-

(A) provisional inclusive rents as follows be charged for such houses, the word "Temporary" being inserted in the appropriate position on the rent cards issued:-

Small 3-bedroom - £1 9s. 8d. per week
Large 3-bedroom - £1 12s. 1d. " "
4-bedroom - £1 14s.10d. " "

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(B) that until such time as the final costs have been ascertained and a firm rent fixed, no variation be made in the provisional rental of 19s. 6d. charged for the 5-bedroom semi-detached type houses at present let.

15. RENTS OF POST-WAR PERMANENT COUNCIL HOUSES - CORPORATION OF BARKING. A letter dated 2nd February, 1949, was submitted from the Corporation of Barking stating that the rents of post-war permanent houses have recently been reviewed and it is found necessary to increase provisional rents previously charged. It is felt that many Local Authorities are faced with similar difficulties substantially affected by the increase in the rate of interest on loans and the increased capital cost of erection. With the object of urging the Minister of Health to increase the present rate of subsidy under the Housing (Financial and Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1946, and to seek reduction in the rate of interest charged on housing loans, it was proposed to convene a conference of all Local Authorities in the Metropolitan and Outer-Metropolitan areas. An invitation was, therefore, submitted for the Council to appoint representatives to attend such a conference.

The Committee recommend that in the event of such a conference being held the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of this Committee be appointed the Council's representative to attend.

16. "GRANNY FLATS". A letter dated 9th February, 1949, was submitted from the Friern Barnet Women's Advisory Panel on Housing stating that it is understood that consideration will shortly be given to the inclusion of "granny flats" in one or more of the Council's new blocks of flats and giving suggestions as to the construction and layout of such dwellings.

The Committee recommend that the Women's Advisory Panel be thanked for their suggestions, which will be borne in mind when the planning of these dwellings receives consideration.

17. FRIERN BARNET WOMEN'S ADVISORY PANEL ON HOUSING - TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ASSOCIATION - SUBSCRIPTION. A letter dated 24th January, 1949, was submitted from the Friern Barnet Women's Advisory Panel on Housing requesting the Council to pay the Panel's annual subscription for affiliation to the Town and Country Planning Association for the current year, amounting to £2 2s. 0d.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted and the Treasurer be authorised to arrange for the payment of the subscription for the current year.

18. DEVELOPMENT OF VACANT LAND - NETHERLANDS ROAD. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that a communication had been received from Messrs. C.F. Day, Ltd. referring to the fact that the amended layout of the site was recently disapproved by the Council and stating that the reason for the original layout not being proceeded with was that on investigation of the title of the land which it was proposed to acquire, certain restrictive covenants prevented the proposed development. The developers now enquire whether two of the blocks of flats only on the original plan should be erected for the time being, or whether the Council would be interested in the land in question for development either by the developers carrying out the development and upon completion selling the property to the Council at a price to be agreed, or, alternatively, the Council acquiring the site and undertaking the development.

The Committee recommend that the developers be informed that the Council are not interested in the acquisition of the site for housing purposes or the acquisition of any property when erected on the site.

19. PURCHASE OF PLANT. The Housing Estates Manager reported that an opportunity occurred for obtaining a quantity of secondhand planks, steps and ladders in first class condition at a cost of approximately £30, and, as a matter of urgency, the Chairman authorised the purchase.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Chairman of the Committee and the Housing Estates Manager be approved and confirmed.

20. BUILDING LICENCES.

(a) Progress re Cost of Works Houses. During January 1949 one licence was issued, and of the 54 licences for houses and 10 licences for flats issued to date the number of properties completed is 29 houses and 10 flats.

(b) Progress re Private Enterprise. During January 1949, 7 licences were issued, and of the total issued for 53 houses and 29 flats, 40 houses and 29 flats have been completed to date.

21. RATE ESTIMATES. The Committee considered the inclusion of special items of expenditure in the rate estimates for the year 1949/50 and recommend that the following items, some of which have already received consideration but not final approval, be recommended for inclusion:-

(a) Council Properties.

(i) Installation of wash-hand basins to be installed in conjunction with the installation of new hot water systems (1/10th of full programme) ... ... £238.

(ii) New windows - 80 houses ... ... £408.

(iii) Exterior Re-Painting.

32 houses - Miles Way ... ... £640. (subject to reimbursement of £64)

9 rebuilt houses - Russell Gardens ... £162.

2 post-war houses- Russell Gardens ... £36.

86 prefabricated houses ... ... £860.

(iv) Interior Re-Decorations and War Damage Repairs.

100 houses - North Ward ... ... £3500.) subject to
22 prefabricated bungalows ... ... £220.) reimbursement of £2625.

(v) Installation of New Hot Water Systems.

100 houses ... ... £3200.

(vi) New Floors - 1923 Housing Schemes.

20 houses ... ... £360.

(vii) Removal of Old Coppers.

7 houses - Coppetts Road ... ... £49.

(viii) Coal House Scheme.

Repairs to 80 coal houses ... ... £140.

(ix) Repairs to Roofs.

Oakleigh Road and Russell Gardens ... £750.(fully reimbursable)

(x) Provision of New Fencing.

North and South Ward Housing Estates ... ... £1000.

(xi) General Repairs.

556 houses ... ... £2780.

(xii) Provision of Mess Rooms and Sanitary Accommodation.

North Ward ... ... £250.

Sewage Works ... ... £40.

(xiii) Provision of Plant.. ... ... £86.

(b) Requisitioned Properties.

(i) Exterior Painting.

27 houses ... ... £675.)

(ii) General Repairs.

140 houses ... ... £1680.) fully reimbursable.

(iii) "Eversley", Oakleigh Park South.

Conversion ... ... £1600.)

22. BUILDING CONTRACTORS - INTERIM PAYMENTS. The Committee have authorised and ordered Barclays Bank Limited to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed on page 50 of the Treasurer's Order amounting to £15,788 9s. 0d., being interim payments to building contractors.

The accounts have been inspected and initialled by the Vice-Chairman.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.10 p.m. and terminated at 11.05 p.m.

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Minutes of a Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee

15th January, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. J.E. Pickering ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Richardson, Simmonds, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meetings of this Committee held on 20th November, and 11th December, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. ADJOURNMENT. The Chairman adjourned this Meeting until Saturday, the 22nd January, 1949, at 9.30 a.m.

J. Pickering.
Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 9.30 a.m. and terminated at 9.55 a.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Housing Lettings Committee.

22nd January, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. J.E. Pickering ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Richardson, Simmonds, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. SELECTION OF TENANTS. The Committee have selected the following applicants for the tenancy of properties nearing completion on the under-mentioned sites:-

(a) Housing Site No.5.

Four 4-bedroom type Houses - Applicants Nos.D.9, D.108, D.126 and D.275.

(b) Housing Site No.4.

(i) Four 3-bedroom type Flats - Applicants Nos.D.28, D.200, E.59 and F.18.

(ii) Three 2-bedroom type Flats - Applicants Nos.B.34, B.318 and B.800.

2. "BURRINGTON", OAKLEIGH AVENUE. With reference to Minute No.4 of the Report of this Committee dated 11th December, 1948, Applicant D.318 is unable to accept the accommodation.

It was resolved that this accommodation, when vacant, be offered to Applicant D.241.

3. "HIGHCLERE", OAKLEIGH PARK SOUTH. It was resolved that the ground floor flat at this requisitioned property be offered to Occupier No.824.

4. "CHELWOOD", OAKLEIGH ROAD NORTH. It was resolved that Flat No.3 at this requisitioned property be offered to Applicant No.A.767 when vacated by the present occupier.

5. 94, MAYFIELD AVENUE, N.12. It was resolved that the present occupier of this requisitioned property be re-accommodated in a Council house and the accommodation when vacated offered to Applicant No.D.318.

6. APPLICANT No.E.62. The Committee considered the housing difficulties of this Applicant, but it was considered impossible to offer him accommodation in the present circumstances.

7. APPLICATIONS FOR REDUCTION IN CONTRIBUTIONS. Applications were submitted from Occupiers Nos. 673 and 823 for reductions in the contributions payable, but it was decided to defer consideration of these cases pending the submission of further details in connection therewith.

8. ALEXANDRA ROAD FLATS (SITES 3 and 4) - INSTALLATION OF TELEPHONE FOR CARETAKER. It is recommended that arrangements be made for the installation of a telephone for the use of the caretaker for official purposes, the Council to pay for all local business calls.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 9.30 a.m. and terminated at 12.05 p.m.

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

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No.

To BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED,
233, WOODHOUSE ROAD, FRIERN BARNET, N.12.

PURSUANT to a Resolution adopted this 10TH day of FEBRUARY 1949
WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 50 ~~to~~ of this Order, amounting to the sum of ----------FIFTEEN THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED & EIGHTY EIGHT---------- pounds ---NINE---- shillings and ---------- pence, ~~also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster-General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of pounds and in any one week a maximum of pounds~~ signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

Richardson Vice - *Chairman.*

E.B. Draper.
H. Matthews.
Members of the Council.

Countersigned :

Clerk of the Council.

S. & S. LTD. G61924

Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
1998	R.BORLAND & SON LTD.--	1,330 - -
1999	H.C.BUDDINGTON.--	43 9 -
2000	GRAHAM (BUILDERS & CONTRACTORS) LTD.--	6,675 - -
2001	V.A.HOWARD LTD.--	50 - -
2002	HUBERT C.LEACH LTD.--	2,940 - -
2003	McMANUS & CO LTD.--	3,000 - -
2004	MYTON LTD.--	1,750 - -
		15,788 9 -

Report and Recommendations of the Parks Committee

14th February, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Mrs.McCarthy, McClane, Matthews, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin, Meynell and Miss Richards.

1. FRIARY PARK - MASTER PLAN. The Committee met for the specific purpose of considering the future layout of Friary Park. The Committee had the benefit of the two plans which had been prepared and circulated to all Members of the Council and which incorporated suggestions which have been made by Members of the Council from time to time.

The Committee also had the benefit of suggestions made in March 1946 by the Post War Programme Sub-Committee and the additions which have from time to time been made to that programme. These, so far as they affect the matter before the Committee, were as follows:-

An area to be set aside for the planting of memorial trees.

The erection of a permanent band-stand in the lower part of the Park near the brook, the surrounding slope to be used as an amphitheatre.

The playground apparatus to be more spread out.

Additional bowls facilities, outdoor and/or indoor.

The Committee realise that in planning the layout of the Park, they have to regard any major redevelopment as a long term policy, having regard to more urgent needs and the subordination of schemes of this nature to schemes having greater priority. The Committee are, therefore, recommending for inclusion in the estimates for 1949/50 only those works which they feel should be carried out as soon as possible and which have been the subject of discussion by the Council for some time past.

The Committee have borne in mind the ultimate development of the Bethune Recreation Ground as a Sports centre. They have, therefore, framed their proposals in relation to Friary Park on the basis of most of the sports facilities being centralised in the Bethune Recreation Ground, and Friary Park being laid out and maintained, as far as possible, in conformity with, and so as not to mar, its natural beauty, at the same time providing some artificial amentiies for the enjoyment of visitors to the Park.

In consequence of this decision the Committee came to the conclusion that the plans (Scheme 1 and 2) already prepared and circulated to Members of the Council should be abandoned, except to form a basis for discussion, and that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to prepare a plan based upon the following:-

(a) Avenue of Trees. The re-planting of an avenue of trees and the improvement of the entrance drive from Friary Road to Friary House has been the subject of discussion on several occasions since the diseased trees were felled, and the Council have already given approval in principle to a plan which was submitted some months ago and which provided for the widening of the carriageway to 20 ft. with borders 20 ft. wide on either side, and the planting of an avenue of trees

(hornbeams), the avenue to be 80 ft. wide and the trees spaced at intervals of 50 ft. It was later found that the planting of trees on the west side would interfere with the grass tennis court and part of the border between the bowling green and the drive.

The Committee consider that an avenue of trees leading up to the house is a feature which should be re-created as soon as practicable and although it will mean some interference with existing facilities they consider that the avenue of trees should be planted broadly speaking on the lines of the plan already submitted. The improvement of the carriageway and incidental works should also be carried out in due course as part of the long term planning.

The Committee recommend accordingly.

(b) Bowls. The Committee feel there is a need for an additional bowling green and considered various sites and gave consideration to the erection of a pavilion. The most suitable site for an additional green from a constructional point of view is north of the existing green, between it and Friary Road, as shown on Schemes 1 and 2 plans. If, however, a lodge and pavilion is incorporated as shown on Plan 1, it would be necessary owing to the restricted area available to do away with the trees on the northern boundary of the existing green, and the Committee are reluctant to do this.

If the new green were constructed to the west of the existing green on part of the present putting green it would mean considerable filling and banking, which the Committee thought would not be a very desirable feature.

The Committee, therefore, came to the conclusion that the proposal to erect a lodge and pavilion on the Friary Road frontage should be abandoned, and that a pavilion should be placed elsewhere, either where the existing conveniences now are or incorporated in a central administrative block of buildings. This would enable the new green to be constructed to the north of the existing green nearer to Friary Road and would not entail the destruction of the trees etc. surrounding the existing green.

The Committee are not in favour of the provision of indoor bowls.

The Committee recommend accordingly.

(c) Tennis Courts. The Committee do not favour the construction of grass tennis courts in Friary Park, and, having regard to their opinion that sports facilities should be centralised in the Bethune Recreation Ground, consider that the proposed courts shown on the plans fronting Friern Barnet Lane should be eliminated.

The Committee recommend accordingly.

(d) Putting Green. The Committee are not in favour of an additional putting green as shown on plan 2.

(e) Theatre. The Committee agree with the recommendation of the Post War Planning Sub-Committee that the open air theatre should be sited near the brook area, especially as the surrounding slopes would make an ideal amphitheatre without entailing any considerable expense or spoiling the natural beauty of this open part of the Park.

The Committee consider that the amphitheatre should not be fenced in or enclosed in any way and should not be covered. It will in due course be necessary to erect a suitable stage and dressing rooms. The Committee are not in favour of the creation of an artificial lake in front of the stage as shown on the plans.

The Committee recommend accordingly.

(f) Brook. The Committee considered the question of the culverting of the watercourse through the lower part of the Park, but before coming to a decision have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to carry out further investigations and to report to the Committee later in the year after the effect of a dry spell of weather has been ascertained.

(g) Swimming Pool. The Committee do not consider that Friary Park is a suitable place for a swimming pool and recommend that future layout do not incorporate a pool.

(h) Children's Playground Apparatus. The Committee are unable to suggest any site for this playground apparatus more suitable than the existing one. They gave consideration to the suggestion that the children's playground should be sited near the pond on the Friern Barnet Lane side of the Park. The Committee agree that the ideal would be to have a compact playing area for children, but the only suitable site for playground apparatus in proximity to the pool is the site of the two hard tennis courts, and the Committee are reluctant to do away with these courts which have a fairly long life, are revenue producing, and would be costly to construct on another site.

Should it ever be found possible to extend the Park, it might be possible to replan the area in this corner.

The Committee accordingly recommend that for the time being the playground apparatus be retained on its present site, which should be inproved.

(i) Statue. The Committee consider that the statue immediately inside the entrance from Friern Barnet Lane should be removed and that this removal should take place as soon as possible.

The Committee recommend accordingly.

(j) Rose Garden. The Committee have instructed the Parks Superintendent to report on the layout of a formal rose garden.

(k) Administrative Buildings. The Committee does not at this stage make any definite recommendations regarding the type or layout of a central block of administrative buildings.

2. CATERING. When the catering rights in the Friary Park for the year 1949/50 were advertised the Council agreed to carry out decorations and alterations to the reasonable requirements of the successful tenderer.

The successful tenderer has now inspected the accommodation in company with a representative from the Engineer and Surveyor's Department, and would like minor alterations and decorations to be carried out at an estimated cost of £40. It is necessary that this work should be done before the 1st April, when the catering year commences.

It has already been agreed to include the sum of £50 for this work in the 1949/50 estimates.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to proceed with this work forthwith.

3. ESTIMATES 1949/50. On the basis of the recommendations in Minutes No.1 (a) and (i) being approved by the Council, the Committee recommend for inclusion in the Estimates for 1949/50 the following items of expenditure:-

Planting avenue of trees, including levelling flower border and re-fencing tennis court	...	...	£120.
Removal of statue and making good	...	...	Estimate being prepared.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.0 p.m. and terminated at 8.0 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Town Planning Committee

16th February, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. L.W. McClane ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry,
Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews,
Miss Richards, Simmonds and Sparks.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 13th January, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947.

(a) Section 30 - Buildings of Special Architectural or Historical Interest. With reference to Minute No.4 of the Report of this Committee dated 16th September, 1948, a letter dated 31st January, 1949, has been received from the Ministry of Town and Country Planning enclosing a revised copy of the provisional list of buildings within the District, which under the provisions of this Section it is proposed shall be preserved.

(b) Control of Advertisement Regulations, 1948.

(i) Litter Receptacles. A letter dated 28th January, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that the County Planning Committee has recently had under consideration a proposal of a County District Council to display advertisements upon litter receptacles in various parts of the District. It is considered by the County Planning Committee in general that the display of advertisements on litter receptacles would be detrimental to amenity and public safety, and the particular application under consideration was refused.

In connection with the litter bins of a similar character, which are at present displayed in various positions throughout the District, it will be observed that the Highways Committee at their Meeting held on 3rd February, 1949, are recommending that the Contractors be asked for their approval to the removal of the 10 bins immediately, and be given three months' notice terminating the Agreement in June, 1949.

(ii) Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association. The Clerk reported that the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association have had this subject under consideration, and the Committee will be informed of any future developments which may evolve.

(c) General Development Order, 1948. With reference to Minute No.2 (e) of the Report of this Committee dated 9th December, 1948, it will be recalled that a letter was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that the Minister of Town and Country Planning would not approve the making of a Direction restricting the use of land for dog racing and pig-keeping, unless he was satisfied that local circumstances rendered such a course desirable.

Notification has now been received from the County Council that for the same reasons the County Council do not propose to proceed with the making of Directions relating to the use of land for breeding dogs, or for pigeon or dove lofts, cotes or aviaries or similar structures, trading, marketing or holding of fairs, or the parking of caravans, unless local circumstances make such a course desirable.

(d) Delegation of Planning Functions Scheme 1948 - Caravans and Moveable Dwellings. A letter dated 28th January, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that the County Planning Committee has had under consideration a report in regard to the use of caravans and other moveable dwellings as semi-permanent homes, and it was submitted that the principal objections to such users were:-

(i) They do not provide adequate air space.

(ii) Even if some communal water closet provision is made, the contents of chemical closets and household waste tend to be disposed of near the caravans, and in winter when the soil is wet and temperatures are low the process of decay is slow.

(iii) There is not a separate piped water supply to each household.

(iv) A limited living space leads to the storage of household equipment in the open air and the groups of caravans permanently in one place are detrimental to amenity.

(v) In short, caravans as permanent places of residence tend to amount to something like rural slums.

Further the County Planning Committee consider that caravans etc., used as semi-permanent homes could not seriously contribute to the solution of the housing problems of Greater London, and in view of the objections to such uses it has been decided that in accordance with the provisions of the Scheme, General Directions should be made as follows:-

(A) General Direction No.5.
That permission be not granted to use the land in the County of Middlesex for the siting of caravans and other moveable dwellings for use as semi-permanent homes.

(B) General Direction No.6.
That enforcement action be initiated to secure the discontinuance of any uses of land as a site for caravans or other moveable dwellings used as semi-permanent homes without planning permission; except that, where it is considered that such unauthorised use might continue for a limited period then, upon submission of an application for planning permission, permission be granted for such continued use for a period not exceeding three years, such permission to be subject to any necessary conditions in regard to the provision of sanitary accommodation, water supply, access paths and layout etc., as the Local Planning Authority may consider necessary.

The Committee have no observations to offer on the foregoing proposals.

(e) County Council Policy. A letter dated 17th January, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council enclosing an extract from the report of the County Planning Committee, as approved by the County Council on 24th November, 1948, a copy of which has previously been circulated to each Member of the Committee.

It is understood that the County Council is producing a small pamphlet entitled "Mind Your Own Middlesex" to publicise the County's policy with a view to evoking public interest in the preparation of the Development Plan, copies of which will be supplied as soon as possible.

(f) Development by Local Authorities and Statutory Undertakers. With reference to Minute No.3 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, when the Clerk submitted a report upon the procedure prescribed for such development, Ministry of Town and Country Planning Circular No.65 dated 24th January, 1949, was submitted, which at some length modifies the procedure in the light of experience gained.

Where in the past consultations with Government Departments and others interested in the proposed development have been carried out by the Ministry responsible for authorising the work, they will in future be the responsibility of the Local Planning Authorities.

3. LAND ADJOINING 40, MYDDELTON PARK. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Report of this Committee dated 13th January, 1949, the Clerk reported that he had communicated with the owner of the land in question in the terms of the decision of the Committee, and in reply the owner stated that he intended to start building on the site as soon as permission was received from the Central Land Board.

The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the sum of £5 0s. 0d. had been deposited with the Council in connection with the construction of the temporary crossing, and that efforts were now being made to clear the site.

4. DECISIONS OF AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE. With reference to Minute No.5 of the Report of this Committee dated 9th December, 1948, and Minute No.5 of the Report of the Meeting held on 13th January, 1949, the following decisions on "excepted" applications were made by the North Middlesex Area Planning Committee at their Meeting held on 24th January, 1949, which, save for Plan No.F.B.62, conform in the main to the recommendations of this Committee.

In the case of Plan No.F.B.62 it was recommended that a condition be imposed making the development subject to a condition limiting the hours of working, which it is now understood the County Planning Committee have agreed to prescribe.

(a) Plan No.F.B./Ad/2(FB29A) - Amended plan of advertisement hoarding on site of Jacques Cottages, High Road, N.20., for Messrs. Willings Bill Posting Department.

Permission GRANTED subject to the following conditions:-

(i) That permission be granted for a limited period only expiring on 1st February, 1952.

(ii) That all advertisements displayed and any land used for the display of advertisements be maintained in a clean and tidy condition to the reasonable satisfaction of the Local Planning Authority.

(iii) That any hoarding or similar structure, or any sign, placard, board or device erected or used principally for the purpose of displaying advertisements be maintained in a safe condition to the reasonable satisfaction of the Local Planning Authority.

(iv) That where any advertisement is required under these Regulations to be removed, the removal thereof be carried out to the reasonable satisfaction of the Local Planning Authority.

(b) Plan No.F.B.57 - Erection of 24 flats - Netherlands Road and Temple Avenue for Messrs. Temple Lodge Ltd.

Permission REFUSED for the following reasons:-

(i) The layout and siting of the proposed flats and garages are not in conformity with good planning being sited too close to the southern boundary of the land, having regard to possible development of adjoining areas, and are likely to prejudice the development of adjoining land.

(ii) The width of proposed access is inadequate and its junction with Netherlands Road unsatisfactory.

(c) Plan No.F.B.61 - Continuation of user of premises for light industry, Old Baptist Tabernacle, 12, Oakleigh Road North, N.20., for Messrs. C. & C. Marshall Ltd.

Permission GRANTED subject to the following conditions:-

(i) That permission be granted for a limited period only expiring on 31st December, 1949.

(ii) That the existing right of way be widened to 16 ft. in order to permit the passage of two vehicles.

(d) Plan No.F.B.62 - Use of Laundry building at rear of 272, Colney Hatch Lane, N.11., as Factory for Chemical Engraving for the British Engraving and Nameplate Manufacturing Co.

Permission GRANTED subject to the following conditions:-

(i) That permission be granted for a limited period only expiring on 1st February, 1952.

(ii) That the building be used as a light industrial building only within Class III of the Town and Country Planning (Use Classes) Order, 1948.

(iii) That no nuisance or annoyance be caused to the occupiers of adjoining or neighbouring property due to noise, vibration, smell, fumes, smoke, soot, ash or grit.

(e) Plan No.F.B.67 - Erection of 16 flats, Caretakers quarters, 6 garages, refuse store and fuel store, site adjoining "Buckingham", High Road, N.20., for Messrs. C.W.Simmonds, Ltd.

Permission GRANTED subject to the following conditions:-

(i) That the owners convey to the Friern Barnet Urban District Council at the time of erection of the proposed flats and garages, that portion of land which will eventually be included in the highway, provided that the Council pay all legal costs and form and make up the surface of this land.

(ii) That the garages be used for the housing of non-commercial vehicles only.

(iii) That the levels of all thresholds, fences and gateways be to the approval of the Friern Barnet Urban District Council.

(iv) That the position and depth of any mains, cables or services and drain connectionsbe approved by the Friern Barnet Urban District Council before any work is commenced.

(v) That the crossing over the public highway be constructed to the satisfaction of the Friern Barnet Urban District Council.

(vi) That the junction of the estate road with the main road be constructed to a width of not less than 16 ft. and to the satisfaction of the Friern Barnet Urban District Council.

(vii) That a connecting road between the North and South roadways be constructed in front of the central building in order to provide adequate turning space,

(viii) That this permission shall become void unless the conditions are complied with within a period of three years from the date of this permission.

(f) Plan No.F.B.68 - Construction of vehicular crossing over verge and public footway at Northern corner of Torrington Park and Friern Barnet Lane, for Mr. J. Johnston.

Permission GRANTED, subject to the following conditions:-

(i) That the crossing over the public highway be constructed to the satisfaction of the Council.

(ii) That this permission shall become void unless the conditions are complied with within a period of three years from the date of this permission.

(g) Plan No.F.B.70 - Use of stable as receiving and despatching Depot in connection with repair of domestic appliances, Bellevue Mews, Friern Barnet Road, for Mr. F.D. Young.

Permission GRANTED subject to the following conditions:-

(i) That permission be granted for a limited period only expiring on 1st February, 1952.

(ii) That the building be used a receiving and despatching Depot only, and not for any industrial purpose.

(h) Plan No.F.B.73 - Erection of Licensed Refreshment House, junction of Sydney Road and Colney Hatch Lane, N.10., for Messrs. Watney, Coombe Reid & Co.Ltd.

Permission GRANTED subject to the following conditions:-

(i) That the levels of all thresholds, fences and gateways be to the approval of the Friern Barnet Urban District Council.

(ii) That the position and depth of any mains, cables or services and drain connections be approved by the Friern Barnet Urban District Council before any work is commenced.

(iii) That the crossing over the public highway be constructed to the satisfaction of the Friern Barnet Urban District Council.

(iv) That the parking and turning space as shown on the deposited plan be maintained to the satisfaction of the Council.

(v) That any requirements of the Local Authority under Section 17 of the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935, be complied with.

(vi) That a sign be provided at the exit to the car park to the satisfaction of the Friern Barnet Urban District Council warning drivers to proceed with care on leaving the premises.

(vii) That this permission shall become void unless the conditions are complied with within a period of three years from the date of this permission.

5. PLANS. The Committee have considered the following applications for permission to the under-mentioned development, and for approval to plans under the Public Health Act, 1936, and Building Byelaws and other statutory enactments, and in accordance with their delegated powers have taken the action noted against each application.

Where planning permission has been granted or refused, action has been taken as agents for the Middlesex County Council under the delegation Agreement.

Where plans have been "excepted" by the Area Planning Officer, the Committee's recommendations will be forwarded to him.

Where conditions have been imposed these are recorded against each application.

(a) Plan No.F.B.76 - Land - Oakleigh Gardens and Athenaeum Road. Layout for three pairs of semi-detached houses, Oakleigh Gardens, and one detached house Athenaeum Road - Mr. J.T.Cox.

Planning: Permission granted subject to the following conditions:-

(i) That detailed plans be submitted to and approved by the Council before any work is commenced, and that the development be carried out in accordance with the plans so approved.

(ii) That this permission shall become void unless the condition is complied with within a period of three years from the date of this permission.

Byelaws: Plans previously approved.

(b) Plan No.3768/F.B.77 - 55, Hemington Avenue, N.11. Retention of existing garage at rear - Mr. G. Mead.

Planning: Permission granted (consent originally granted under Friern Barnet Planning Scheme No. 1. for a period expiring on 31st December, 1948).

Byelaws: Original consent was subject to a limited period expiring on 31st December, 1948.

The temporary licence pursuant to the provisions of Section 53 of the Public Health Act, 1936, be renewed for a period expiring on 31st December, 1951.

(c) Plan No.3773/F.B.78 - 56, Sydney Road, N.10. Retention of existing garage at rear - Mr. C.H. Judd.

Planning: Permission granted (consent originally granted under the Friern Barnet Draft Planning Scheme No.2 for a period expiring on 31st December, 1948).

Byelaws: Original consent was subject to a limited period expiring on 31st December, 1948.

The temporary licence pursuant to the provisions of Section 53 of the Public Health Act, 1936, be renewed for a period expiring on 31st December, 1951.

(d) Plan No.3897/F.B.79 - 18, Raleigh Drive, N.20. Erection of prefabricated concrete garage adjoining - Mr. M.K. Mason.

Planning: Permission granted.

Byelaws: Approved.

(e) Plan No.3898/F.B.80 - Land adjoining 13, Oakleigh Park North. Detached bungalow - Mr. J. Muskin.

Planning: Permission granted.

Byelaws: Approved.

(f) Plan No.F.B.81 - Land - Temple Avenue, N.20., South of junction with Buckingham Avenue. Four detached houses and garages - Mr. F.J. Last.

Planning: Permission granted subject to the following conditions:-

(i) Any walls, fences or hedges erected, planted or grown on any portion of the land coloured pink on the plan submitted are not to exceed three feet in height.

(ii) A minimum flank building line of 10 ft. to Buckingham Avenue to be observed.

Byelaws: Plans previously approved.

(g) Plan No.F.B.82 - 1336, High Road, N.20. Installation of new shopfront - Messrs. Freemans (Enfield) Ltd.

Planning: Permission granted.

Byelaws: Approval not required.

(h) Plan No.3899 - Nos. 46-56 (inclusive) Friern Mount Drive. Three pairs of semi-detached houses - amended drainage plan - Messrs. F. & H. Joyce Ltd.

Planning: Consent previously granted.

Byelaws: Approved (the application is subject to a combined drainage order under Section 38 of the Public Health Act, 1936).

(i) Plan No.3900/F.B.83 - 17, Friary Road. Erection of external W.C. at rear - Mr. E. Butcher.

Planning: Permission granted.

Byelaws: Approved.

(j) Plan No.3901/F.B.84 - No. 349, Alexandra Road. Erection of garage - Mr. E. Jeffery.

Planning: Permission granted.

Byelaws: Approved.

(k) Plan No.3902/F.B.85 - No. 82, Horsham Avenue. Erection of external W.C. at rear - Mr. Adams.

Planning: Permission granted.

Byelaws: Approved.

(1) Plan No.F.B.86 - Land North side of Bedford Close. Taxi garage - Mr. Verinder. The application states that the land is proposed to be used for the purpose of carrying on a taxi hire business. The erection of a Nissen hut size 74 ft. x 16 ft. for accommodating vehicles is also mentioned.

Planning: Permission refused for the following reasons:-

(i) The proposed development would attract additional traffic which would be prejudicial to the free flow of traffic on, and general safety of Colney Hatch Lane.

(ii) The nature of the proposed development would be detrimental to the amenities of the adjoining residential properties.

Byelaws: Plans not deposited for consideration.

6. CONTROL OF ADVERTISEMENT REGULATIONS, PLAN No.F.B./Ad.4 - 31, FRIERN BARNET ROAD. - Overhanging Sign - Messrs. Keen (Painters) Ltd.

An application for consent to the display of an overhanging sign 3' 6" in height and 2' 6" in width supported by an ornamental wrought iron bracket ,and projecting 6' 0" over a private forecourt to within 7' 0" of the kerb face at a height of 11' 6" above the forecourt has been received.

The County Planning Officer's suggestions regarding overhanging signs are height 3' 0", width 2' 0", maximum projection 4' 6", although it is emphasised that each case must be considered on its merits.

The Committee have granted the application for a limited period of three years subject to the standard conditions referred to in the regulations.

7. TEMPORARY LICENCES. An application has been received for an extension of a temporary licence granted in respect of the undermentioned development under Section 27 of the Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1907. Extensions of the licence have been granted from time to time, the current licence being due to expire on the 31st March, 1949:-

Plan No.	Owner	Description	Location
3748	Messrs. Green Man Garage Ltd.	Garages, extensions, and covered parking space.	Green Man Garage, High Road, N.20.

The Committee recommend that under Section 344 of the Public Health Act, 1936, the period during which the building be allowed to stand be extended for a further period of three years expiring on the 31st March, 1952.

8. PUBLIC HEALTH (BUILDING IN STREETS) ACT, 1888 - UNAUTHORISED BUILDING 2, CHURCH CRESCENT. With reference to Minute No.14 of the Report of this Committee dated 16th September, 1948, when a communication was received from the owner's Solicitors stating that steps were being taken to have the building moved in accordance with the Council's requirements, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the owner's Solicitors have frequently been reminded of the requirements, and a letter dated 28th January, 1949, was submitted from them stating that their client is at present in Hospital, and requesting that the matter be postponed for the time being until his instructions can be obtained.

The Committee recommend that the owner's Solicitors be informed that without prejudice to the Council's powers under the above Act, no further action will be taken in the matter for a period of three months, provided an undertaking is given forthwith to comply with the Council's requirements within that period.

9. VACANT LAND AT THE JUNCTION OF TORRINGTON AVENUE, CARDREW AVENUE AND CARDREW CLOSE. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that a horse-drawn van, which is used by the owner in connection with her business of greengrocery, is parked in the private street outside her premises. The owner has intimated verbally that she is endeavouring to obtain a shop with suitable storage accommodation in order that the parking can be discontinued.

The Committee have instructed the Clerk to communicate with the owner of the van expressing the hope that every endeavour will be made to secure suitable accommodation within a period of three months.

10. PLAN No.F.B.29 - ADVERTISEMENT HOARDING - JACQUES COTTAGES, HIGH ROAD N.20. With reference to Minute No.8 of the Report of this Committee dated 13th January, 1949, a letter dated the 9th February, 1949, was submitted from the Ministry of Town and Country Planning stating that the appeal in this case has now been withdrawn by the appellant.

It will be noted in Minute No.4 (a) of this Report that the Area Planning Committee have now granted planning permission to the development in accordance with an amended plan submitted.

11. "EVERSLEY", OAKLEIGH PARK SOUTH, N.20 - CONVERSION INTO FLATS. With reference to Minute No.8 of the Report of the Housing Committee dated 10th February, 1949, the Committee have authorised an application being made to the Ministry of Health through the Local Planning Authority for a direction as to deemed planning permission under Section 35(1) of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, such permission to operate only for the period during which the property is under requisition.

12. PLAN No.3903/F.B.87 - PROPOSED KITCHEN AND CANTEEN - RAILWAY CLEARING HOUSE SPORTS GROUND - MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that a communication had been received from the Middlesex County Council enclosing a layout plan of a proposed Kitchen and Canteen in Railway Clearing House Hut No.4 for the St. James C. Of E. School, and seeking the Council's observations thereon.

The Committee have no observations to offer upon the proposal so far as planning is concerned, but have authorised that the County Council be informed that it is assumed that:-

(a) Adequate provision will be made for soil and surface water drainage of the building to the satisfaction of this Council's Engineer and Surveyor.

(b) The question of whether the width of the access is sufficient will be taken into consideration, bearing in mind that delivery vans and lorries may be using the access at the same time as school children.

(c) The County Council are aware that the existing access way is apparently the only one to the Glebe land, no provision having been indicated for access to the Glebe land, now used as allotments, from the proposed roadway.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 8.0 p.m. and terminated at 8.30 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Establishment Committee

15th February, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards and Richardson.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Foley, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 18th January, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. REPORTS OF JOINT COMMITTEES. The Committee received reports of the Joint Committee Meetings held this day, copies of which have been circulated to all Members of the Council, and arising therefrom the Committee recommend as follows:-

(a) National Council Decisions. That the decisions arrived at by the National Council on the 18th January, 1949, of which the following are relevant extracts be implemented.

In the case of Motor Car Allowances the question of the basis of payment will be considered by the Committee at their next Meeting.

(i) Motor Car Allowances. In view of the issue of the standard petrol ration the provisions contained in the Addendum to the National Council's recommendations on Motor Car Allowances are no longer appropriate, and in consequence the allowances should with effect from the 1st April, 1949, be in accordance with the terms of Appendix "B" of the Recommendations.

(ii) Subsistence Allowances and Travelling Expenses.

(A) Paragraph 19 (b). Both tea and dinner allowances are not to be paid in respect of the same evening's work. The dinner allowance is to be payable if an officer works after 8.30 p.m.

(B) Paragraph 19 (c). The allowances contained in (c) of Paragraph 19 cover all officers who are absent on duty some distance from their administrative centre, as, for example, in the case of officers in the provinces, attendance in London upon Ministries and the like.

The rate of £1 1s. 0d. for an absence of more than 8 hours but not involving an overnight stay is considered, in the light of experience, to be excessive. The subsistence allowance payable in the future, where absence exceeds 8 hours but does not involve an overnight stay, will, therefore, be based on the full meal allowance rates set out in (a) of Paragraph 19, plus out-of-pocket expenses actually and reasonably incurred in addition to meals. For this purpose a meal allowance of 4s.0d. is added to those set out in (a) of Paragraph 19.

In the case of absence through attendance at conferences and courses, where such absence exceeds four days, the allowances in (c) of Paragraph 19 will not be paid, but in lieu thereof out-of-pocket expenses reasonably incurred will be reimbursed.

Travelling expenses incurred otherwise than by rail, e.g. taxi or hired car, should be met by local authorities on the understanding that resort is only to be made to such methods of travel in the case of urgency or where no public service is reasonably available.

(iii) Office Hours. In order to meet the changed conditions in regard to working hours in industry arising from the reduction from 48 to 44 hours in the working week, the interpretation of Paragraph 9 of the National Scheme of Conditions of Service as set out in Page 2 of N.C. Notes No.2 is amended as follows:-

"Para. (9) Office Hours.

An individual officer with whom it is a special condition of employment that he shall normally work longer hours per week than those applicable to clerical staff, will continue to be subject to such special condition of employment in relation to hours."

(iv) Safeguarding of Existing Staff - Paragraph 40. The following interpretation was adopted:-

"Paragraph 40.

Where a higher salary or a progressive higher salary under a former contract of service is preserved to an officer in accordance with Paragraph 40 of the National Scheme, the officer is not entitled to any temporary benefit which may be afforded by the salary scale applicable under the Scheme to the grading of the post."

(b) Staff Outing. That the application from the Friern Barnet Branch of N.A.L.G.O. for permission to hold the Annual Staff Outing on a weekday be approved in principle, it being considered that a Wednesday would be the most suitable day for the purpose.

It is not considered that the Offices should be closed on this day, and the question of a skeleton staff being in attendance is being investigated. The matter will be further considered at the next Meeting.

(c) Easter Holiday. That for the period of the Easter Holiday the Offices be closed from Thursday evening, the 14th April until Tuesday morning, the 19th April, 1949.

(d) Provincial Joint Industrial Council - Decisions. That the decisions of the Provincial Joint Industrial Council on matters arising under the National Sickness Pay Scheme, of which the following are relevant extracts, be implemented:-

(i) Reduced Insurance Benefit. In the case of an employee whose sickness benefit under the National Insurance Act is reduced by reason of receiving hospital treatment, sickness payments should not be increased by the amount by which the State Insurance is reduced; in other words,

sickness payments should continue to be assessed on the basis that the State benefit had not been reduced.

(ii) Employees over 65. Employees over 65 years of age, when absent due to sickness, should have deducted from their wages the amount of any benefit receivable under the National Insurance Acts.

(iii) Sickness Absence preceding Injury Absence. That the Sickness Pay Scheme be amended to provide that an employee when absent due to an injury sustained in the discharge of duty without the employee's default shall be entitled to sickness benefit for a period not exceeding six or thirteen weeks, according to the qualifying service, irrespective of any periods of absence due to sickness during the year immediately preceding the absence due to injury.

(e) Building Industry - Wage Adjustment. That the action taken by the Chairman and the Engineer and Surveyor in implementing the decision of the National Joint Council as to the revision of the standard rates of pay, as indicated below, be approved and confirmed.

New Rates (per hour)	Craftsmen	Labourers
London (within 12-miles circle) ...	2s.11½d.	2s. 4½d.
London (12-15 miles)	2s.11d.	2s. 4d.
Grade "A" District	2s.10d.	2s. 3¼d.
Grade "A1" "	2s. 9½d.	2s. 3d.
Grade "A2" "	2s. 9d.	2s. 2½d.
Grade "A3" "	2s. 8½d.	2s. 2d.
Liverpool Special	2s.11½d.	2s. 4½d.

An increase in the standard rates of wages will also require consequential adjustment for:-

Apprentices - - in accordance with the prescribed percentage of the grant rates under the respective Agreement.

Young Labourers - the prescribed proportion of the Labourers' rate.

Women Operatives - An increase of ½d. per hour.

(f) Foreman Mechanic - T. Flamson - Redesignation. That having regard to the qualifications held by this employee, the post of Foreman Mechanic be redesignated "Transport Superintendent".

3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPERANNUATION ACT, 1937.

(a) Rodent Operative - Mr. E.T. Crawshaw. With reference to Minute No.9 of the Report of the Public Health Committee dated 3rd February, 1949, wherein it was recommended that the service of this officer be continued to the 31st March, 1950, the Clerk reported that when Mr. Crawshaw was engaged in February, 1948, it was for a period ending the 31st March, 1949, and he was, therefore, not admitted to the Superannuation Scheme, being excused from contributing under the provisions relating to service of less than two years.

In view of the fact that his appointment has now been extended to cover a period of more than two years, the Committee recommend that Mr. Crawshaw be admitted to the Superannuation Scheme as from the 1st April, 1949, subject to a satisfactory medical report.

(b) R. Fordham - Painter. This employee is due for retirement on 10th April next, having been in the service of the Council since 12th October, 1922, and a contributor to the Superannuation Scheme since 1st January, 1925.

The Committee recommend:-

(i) That on and from 10th April, 1949, when Mr. Fordham reaches the age of 65 years, he be retired on superannuation.

(ii) That in respect of his non-contributory service (two years and two months) the rate of 1/120ths be increased to 1/60th, the additional allowance being payable by the Local Authority.

(iii) The Middlesex Local Authorities' Superannuation Joint Committee be notified accordingly.

4. TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT - PAYMENT OF OVERTIME. The Committee approved the payment of overtime as follows:-

Mr. J. Lowry ... 7½ hours.

5. ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT.

(a) Deputy Engineer and Surveyor. It will be recalled that Mr. E.E. Start commenced duties on the 1st November, 1948, and therefore under the Scheme of Conditions of Service the first increment would not normally be payable until 1st April, 1950, having regard to the fact that he would not have completed six months' service in the position by the 1st April, 1949.

Notwithstanding this provision the Committee recommend that the first increment be paid to this Officer as from 1st April, 1949.

(b) Appointment of Chief Engineering Assistant. With reference to Minute No.22 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated 18th November, 1948, when it was decided at that time not to fill this vacancy, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he considered it had now become necessary to make this appointment.

The Committee recommend that the vacancy be now advertised at a salary in accordance with Grade V of the Scheme of Conditions of Service, namely £520 per annum rising by two annual increments of £15 and one of £20 to a maximum salary of £570 per annum, plus appropriate London Weighting allowance, the commencing salary to be fixed within the grade according to the qualifications and experience of the person appointed, and the advertisement to indicate that the Council will render assistance in respect of housing accommodation, if required.

The Committee further recommend that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council, the Chairman of the Highways Committee, and the Chairman of the Finance Committee be authorised to interview selected applicants and to make the appointment.

(c) Appointment of Tracer. With reference to Minute No.4(d) of the Report of this Committee dated 21st December, 1948, it was reported that Mr. F.J. Andrews had been appointed to the position of Draughtsman-Tracer, and commenced duties on 14th February, 1949, the salary payable being in accordance with the General Division of the Scheme of Conditions of Service, according to age, plus appropriate London Weighting allowance.

This appointment is subject to termination by one month's notice, and having regard to the fact that Mr. Andrews was not previously in an established post for the purposes of the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937, this employee will be admitted to the Superannuation Scheme, subject to passing a medical examination, after six months' satisfactory service, as provided in the Scheme of Conditions of Service.

(d) Application for Transfer from Treasurer's Department - Mr. J. Lauder. A letter dated 22nd January, 1949, was submitted from Mr. F.R. Lauder stating that his son, Junior Accountancy Assistant in the Treasurer's Department, had expressed a keen desire to qualify as a Civil Engineer, and, therefore, on his behalf enquired whether arrangements could be made for him to be transferred to the Engineer and Surveyor's Department and serve as an articled pupil with the Engineer and Surveyor.

In connection therewith a report was submitted by the Engineer and Surveyor.

The Committee recommend that Mr. J. Lauder be transferred to the Engineer and Surveyor's Department as a Junior Assistant, at a salary in accordance with the General Division of the Scheme of Conditions of Service (the salary which this officer is at present receiving) for a probationary period of six months, after which time further consideration will be given to the question of permitting Mr. Lauder to serve as an articled pupil under the Engineer and Surveyor, the date of transfer to be arranged between the Treasurer and the Engineer and Surveyor.

The Committee further recommend that authority be given for the filling of the vacancy in the Treasurer's Department created by Mr. Lauder's transfer, and that the Chairman of the Council and the Chairman of the Finance Committee, together with the Treasurer, be authorised to make the appointment on the General Division scale.

8. MANUAL WORKERS - SICKNESS, ACCIDENTS, RESIGNATIONS AND ENGAGEMENTS. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted details of sickness, accidents, resignations and engagements with regard to manual workers since the date of the last Meeting.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.10 p.m. and terminated at 7.35 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Entertainments Committee

15th February, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, McClane, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Cr. Miss Richards.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 18th January, 1949, and the Meeting of the Entertainments Sub-Committee held on 21st December, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1948 - SECTION 32 - AMATEUR DRAMA. A letter dated 1st February, 1949, was submitted from the Association of Middlesex Guilds and Federations requesting the Council to consider the question of premises in which the Amateur Dramatic Societies within the Urban District conduct their activities, with a view to the conversion of existing disused premises and assistance to owners of church and other privately owned halls by way of grant, loan or subsidy in order to render such halls practicable for performances and exhibitions.

The Committee recommend that the Association be informed that it is considered the existing halls within the Urban District are, in their present form, eminently suitable for the purpose in question and the Council are not aware of any other premises which could be made suitable by conversion.

3. CONFERENCE OF DRAMA AND FESTIVAL OF DRAMA. With reference to Minute No.2 (a) of the Report of the Entertainments Sub-Committee dated 21st December, 1948, the question or organising a Conference of Drama in conjunction with a Festival of Drama was referred to the Hon. Secretary of the Festival of Drama Sub-Committee from whom a letter dated the 3rd February, 1949, was submitted stating that in his opinion it is considered the suggestion is an excellent idea and the matter will be brought to the notice of the new Sub-Committee at its first Meeting, whose views on the matter will be transmitted in due course.

With reference to Minute No.2 (b) of the Report of the Entertainments Sub-Committee held on 21st December, 1948, the Clerk reported that the attention of the Friern Barnet Local Drama Group had been drawn to the proposal to organise a Festival of Drama preceded by a Conference of Drama and a letter dated the 12th February, 1949, was submitted from Mrs. J.N. Marks, the Assistant Secretary of the Drama Section of the Friern Barnet Community Association (it would appear that the two Organisations are now closely allied), stating that the matter was submitted to a Meeting of the Drama Section Committee recently and it was passed unanimously that a Festival of Drama should be organised.

There appears to be some misunderstanding as to the organisation of the Conference of Drama and Festival of Drama which is at present in hand by the Festival of Drama Sub-Committee and accordingly the Committee suggest that a Meeting should be arranged between the Chairman of this Committee, Crs. Mrs. McCarthy and McClane, the Hon. Secretary of the Festival of Drama Sub-Committee, the Acting Secretary of the Community Association and representatives of the Drama Section of the Friern Barnet Community Association in order to clarify the position.

4. THEATRICAL REPERTORY SEASON. As directed at the last Meeting the Clerk reported that he had made enquiries of the Friern Barnet Local Drama Group as to the possibility of organising a Theatrical Repertory Season and submitted a reply from Mrs. Marks asking for details of what the Council had in mind in this connection.

The Committee had in mind the organisation of a series of performances spread over a number of weeks, each Society taking part being invited to stage a Play or other Theatrical production on one or more days in a specific week during that season.

The Committee recommend that the Drama Group be informed accordingly.

5. NATIONAL BRAINS TRUST. With reference to Minute No.5 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 18th January, 1949, the Clerk reported that extensive enquiries had been made as to whether National Newspapers sponsor such events and a communication on these lines was sent to the Public Relations Officer of the Newspaper Society, from whom a letter dated 4th February, 1949, was submitted stating that he was not aware of any member newspaper (the Organisation representing the whole of the daily and weekly newspapers throughout the British Isles) which has organised local Brains Trusts and it can only be assumed that if they have, then they have been of a purely local character.

The Committee recommend that:-

(a) a Brains Trust be held on a Friday evening at the Church Hall, if available, on one of the following dates, 30th September, 7th or 14th October, 1949.

(b) efforts be made to obtain the services of one of the Gentlemen now named to act as Question Master.

(c) the Central Committees of the four political parties be each invited to appoint a prominent representative to serve as a Member of the Brains Trust.

(d) a charge, to be decided later, to be made for admission to the event.

6. LOCAL TALENT COMPETITIONS. The Clerk reported that he had been informed by Mr. Harry Gibbs, who has in the past undertaken the organisation of the Local Talent Competitions, that he will be going away from Easter for the rest of the summer season but he has intimated that if the Council so desire he will be pleased to arrange for any entertainments before leaving the District and would undertake to leave a competent deputy to carry on during his absence.

The Committee recommend that Mr. Gibbs be informed that the Council do not intend to organise a Local Talent Competition in connection with the 1949 Summer Entertainments programme.

7. CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENTS. With reference to Minute No.5 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 18th January, 1949, the Committee gave consideration to the question of the provision of children's entertainments during the period of the school summer vacation.

The Committee recommend that on each of the under-mentioned dates a one hour show be provided for the children, consisting of a Punch and Judy and another form of child entertainment, the Chairman of the Committee together with the Clerk being authorised to select suitable entertainers for the first three dates.

Date		Location
Wednesday	27th July	- Friary Park.
"	3rd August	- Halliwick Recreation Ground.
"	10th August	- Bethune Recreation Ground.
"	24th August	- Friary Park.
"	31st August	- Halliwick Recreation Ground.
"	7th September	- Bethune Recreation Ground.

It is intended that no charge should be made for admission to these entertainments.

It will be noted that no form of entertainment is proposed during the period the 10th to the 24th August owing to preparation for the Summer Show.

8. SUMMER SHOW 1949. It was reported that a Meeting of the Management Committee of the Summer Show was held on 14th February, 1949, and the following matters arise out of the Meeting:-

(a) Finance. The Summer Show Management Committee ask that the sum of £535 be allocated from the General Rate Fund for the purpose or organising the event.

The Committee recommend that this sum be allocated from the estimates for the provision of entertainment during the coming year.

(b) Children's Entertainments. The Summer Show Management Committee recommend that during the week of the Show they be authorised to provide a series of children's entertainments.

The Committee recommend that no objection be raised to the proposal.

(c) Circus. The Summer Show Management Committee are strongly of the opinion that a circus should be held in conjunction with the Show and recommend that they be authorised to make the necessary arrangements on these lines.

The Committee recommend that no objection be raised to the proposal.

The Committee will welcome monthly reports from the Summer Show Management Committee as to the progress made in connection with organising the event.

9. PAGEANT AND TABLEAUX. With reference to Minute No.5(a) of the Report of this Committee dated 18th January, 1949, the Clerk reported that he had communicated with the Friern Barnet Local Drama Group enquiring whether, if the Council afforded them the necessary facilities, they would be prepared to organise an event of this character in Friary Park.

A letter dated 12th February, 1949, was submitted from Mrs.J.N. Marks stating that whilst it is agreed that such an event would be extremely attractive, the Committee of the Drama Section of the Friern Barnet Community Association feel that, having regard to the very large amount of organisation and close co-operation between local bodies which will have to be formulated, it is considered preferable to defer this event until 1950 and should the Council decide on these lines preliminary organisation by the Section of the Community Association would commence at an early date.

The Committee recommend that the Drama Section of the Association be informed that the Council have no objection to the proposed Pageant and Tableaux being deferred until 1950.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.25 p.m. and terminated at 8.45 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Finance Committee

17th February, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. R.F. Matthews ... Chairman.

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Mason, Meynell, Pickering, Richardson, Simmonds and Sparks.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 20th January, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. RATE COLLECTION. The amount of rates collected from the 1st October to date is 97% of the amount collectable, as compared with 97% for the corresponding period during the previous year.

In accordance with the authority of the Committee 105 summonses for unpaid rates have been issued, and these will be heard at Highgate Court on 21st February, 1949.

3. AGREEMENT OF LOCAL A.R.P. CLAIM. Following the audit of the 1947/8 accounts, the rate of grant in respect of local A.R.P. Expenditure for that year had been determined by the Home Office at 60%. Credits to the A.R.P. Claim in respect of the transfer to the Council of the Civic Restaurant building and sales of A.R.P. equipment exceeded the amount of grant due from the Home Office by an amount of £209 3s.3d. An account for this sum is included in the Schedule of Accounts submitted for this month and this will clear all transactions in respect of local A.R.P. Expenditure up to and including the year 1947/8.

It is to be noted that although the District Valuer's valuation of the Civic Restaurant building for purposes of transfer was £725, the Home Office only require a settlement of 60%, viz. £435, of this sum, since erection of the building was originally financed for Auxiliary Fire Service purposes under the grant aided provisions of the A.R.P. Act, 1937, this Council making a 25% contribution towards the cost.

4. WAR DAMAGE TO SEWERS. Legislation for sharing the expense attributable to War Damage to sewers is now before Parliament. The Public Utilities claim prepared by the Ministry of Health in respect of sewerage and sewage disposal undertakings provides for a contribution towards the global sum by this Council of £622 4s. 4d. On the other hand the amount of compensation due to the Council in respect of war damage to sewers is £739 9s. 7d. and notice has been received that payment will be made in due course of the amount due to this Council of £117 5s. 3d.

A claim of £425 9s. 7d. in respect of works already executed has previously been brought into the Council's Accounts, and a further claim of £314 in respect of unexecuted works will be brought into the current year's accounts as a credit. At the same time a charge of £622 4s. 4d. for the contribution due to the Ministry of Health will be charged to the accounts for 1948/9.

5. AMBULANCE SERVICE. The final account in the sum of £392 has been received from the Finchley Corporation in respect of this Council's share of the operating costs of the Joint Ambulance Service up to the 4th July, 1948.

Payment of £350 on account was made in June last; the final account is correct and available for inspection by Members, and the balance of £42 in final settlement is included in this month's Schedule of Accounts.

From the 5th July, 1948, the Ambulance Service is provided by the Middlesex County Council, costs being shared by all the Borough and Urban District Councils for Middlesex by way of a general County charge included in the County Council Precept.

6. I.M.T.A. CONFERENCE. An invitation has been received from the Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants (Incorporated) for the Council to appoint two delegates to attend the Annual Conference to be held at Eastbourne from 15th to 17th June, 1949, inclusive, the Ministry of Health having sanctioned the payment of reasonable expenses incurred by such delegates.

The Committee recommend that the Chairman of the Finance Committee at that time, and the Treasurer, be appointed to attend the Conference.

7. INVESTMENTS. Owing to the considerable expenditure on housing repairs, referred to in Minute No.7 of the Report of the Housing Committee dated 10th February, 1949, the Treasurer reported that it will be necessary to realise the investment of £3,000 held in 3% Savings Bonds 1960/70.

The Committee recommend that the Treasurer be authorised to realise these investments.

8. RATE ESTIMATES 1949/50. It was decided that as in previous years a Special Meeting of this Committee be held to consider the annual estimates on Tuesday, 15th March, 1949.

In order that sufficient time may be allocated for this purpose the Committee recommend that the Meeting of the Joint Committee (Officers and Staff) due to be held on that date be convened for 6.0 p.m., the Meetings of the Joint Committee (Manual Workers) and the Establishment Committee to follow concurrently, and the Special Meeting of this Committee to be held at 7.0 p.m. immediately after the Establishment Committee, to be followed, if time permits, by the Meeting of the Entertainments Committee.

9. SUNDRY ACCOUNTS. The Treasurer submitted a report on certain outstanding sundry debtor accounts, and arising therefrom the Committee recommend:-

(a) Account No.7873. That this account, amounting to 4s. 5d., be written off as irrecoverable.

(b) Accounts Nos.8115 and 8195. That having regard to the circumstances now reported to the Committee, the debtor be asked to pay the sum of £1 2s. 0d., and the balance of £1 2s. 0d. be written off as irrecoverable.

With regard to Account No.8251 the Committee decided to defer consideration of this matter until their next Meeting.

10. HOUSING REPAIRS - FINANCE. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Report of the Housing Committee dated 10th February, 1949, the Committee have noted the position with regard to the financing of housing repairs, upon which it is anticipated that expenditure in excess of the estimates will be incurred during the current financial year, and have no comments to offer on the programme for this work.

11. TOWN HALL - OFFICE ACCOMMODATION. With reference to Minute No.6 of the Report of this Committee dated 20th January, 1949, the Committee gave further consideration to a scheme submitted by the Treasurer for the construction of a partition between doors Nos.1 and 2, which both give access to the Cashier's Office, thus providing a small room for the purpose of interviewing ratepayers when personal circumstances are discussed.

Information was also given as to the anticipated user of this accommodation, based on interviews with members of the public over the previous two and a half weeks.

The Committee consider that such accommodation is necessary and, therefore, recommend that the scheme be approved, and that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the necessary work to be carried out at an estimated cost of £25 10s. 0d.

12. CASH POSITION. The Treasurer submitted a financial statement for the period from 14th January, 1949, to 11th February, 1949.

13. ACCOUNTS. The Committee recommend that the Council authorise and order Barclays Bank Limited to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed on pages 51 to 53 of the Treasurer's Order, amounting to the sum of £19,881 10s. 11d., and also weekly cheques for wages and Postmaster General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of £3,800 and in any one week a maximum of £950 signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

R J Matthews.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.35 p.m. and terminated at 6.50 p.m.

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

No. .....

To BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED,
233, WOODHOUSE ROAD, FRIERN BARNET, N.12.

PURSUANT to a Resolution adopted this 24TH day of FEBRUARY, 1949
WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 51 to 53 of this Order, amounting to the sum of----------NINETEEN THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED AND EIGHTY ONE---------- pounds --TEN-- shillings and ------ELEVEN--------- pence, also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster-General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of ----------THREE THOUSAND EIGHT HUNDRED---------- pounds and in any one week a maximum of----------NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY---------- pounds signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

..... *Chairman.*

..... *Members of the Council.*

Countersigned : .....
Clerk of the Council.

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Consecutive Number		NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment		
	2009	EMERGENCY IMPREST ACCOUNT.--	362	19	7
	2010	ACCOUNTING OFFICER, HOME OFFICE.--	209	3	8
	2011	ADDRESSOGRAPH-MULTIGRAPH LTD.--	8	15	11
	2012	AMAL LTD.--	2	9	-
	2013	ATLAS STONE CO LTD.--	29	-	-
	2014	BARNET DISTRICT GAS & WATER CO.--	232	18	1
	2015	J.H.BEATTIE & CO LTD.--	15	13	9
	2016	AUBREY BELL LTD.--	29	18	7
	2017	BERSEL MANUFACTURING CO LTD.--	8	11	-
	2018	BIRMINGHAM GUILD LTD.--	10	7	4
	2019	BLACKBURN SAVINGS BANK.--	180	17	5
	2020	BOOTS CASH CHEMISTS (SOUTHERN) LTD.--	-	2	8
	2021	BRITISH DRUG HOUSES LTD.--	1	1	-
	2022	BRITISH OXYGEN CO LTD.--	1	6	7
	2023	BRITISH ROPES LTD.--	25	16	10
	2024	BUCKLAND & SONS.--	45	-	10
	2025	BURLINGTON PRESS.--	6	13	4
	2026	BUTTERWORTH & CO (PUBLISHERS) LTD.--	-	8	-
	2027	J.A.CABLE & CO LTD.--	47	9	10
	2028	CAMELON IRON CO LTD.--	-	6	2
	2029	CAR ELECTRICAL (FINCHLEY) LTD.--	1	4	9
	2030	CARIBONUM LTD.--	1	13	-
	2031	CAR MART LTD.--	2	7	11
	2032	J.W.CARPENTER LTD.--	2	3	-
	2033	CEMENT MARKETING CO LTD.--	23	16	10
	2034	CLARE & CLARE.--	2	17	-
	2035	COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE.--	158	8	-
	2036	COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE.--	216	19	-
	2037	CONTRACT GULLY CLEANSING LTD.--	13	4	-
	2038	W.CREIGHTON & CO LTD.--	70	5	8
	2039	CRITTALL MANUFACTURING CO LTD.--	21	1	3
	2040	CROW, CATCHPOLE & CO LTD.--	46	6	8
	2041	W.H.CULLEN.--	38	3	1
	2042	DENNIS BROS LTD.--	1	-	-
	2043	DENTON, HALL & BURGIN.--	30	1	11
	2044	DICKINSON & CLARKE LTD.--	16	-	-
	2045	DIESPEKER & CO LTD.--	9	3	5

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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
2046	CORPORATION OF EALING.--	1 14 8
2047	EASTERN ELECTRICITY BOARD.--	1,678 3 11
2048	H.ECKERT.--	76 12 4
2049	ELSWORTH BROS LTD.--	1 5 -
2050	E.FINCH.--	20 - -
2051	FINCHLEY CORPORATION.--	108 4 6
2052	FINCHLEY PRESS LTD.--	6 17 -
2053	ALFRED GILBERT & SONS LTD.--	34 5 8
2054	H.GINN & SON LTD.--	7 14 4
2055	GOODMAN BROS.--	34 16 1
2056	ARTHUR E.GOULD LTD.--	4 2 2
2057	WM.GREASBY & CO LTD.--	135 9 10
2058	J.HALDEN & CO LTD.--	- 10 -
2059	HALES CLINKERS LTD.--	47 15 6
2060	HALL HARDING LTD.--	8 3 10
2061	MAXWELL M.HART (LONDON) LTD.--	17 10 -
2062	HILLSIDE PUBLISHING CO.--	7 19 8
2063	B.HIRST & SONS LTD.--	364 13 3
2064	H.M.STATIONERY OFFICE.--	4 2 -
2065	FRED HODGE LTD.--	47 16 -
2066	J.HOLLAND & SON.--	367 2 10
2067	HOSPITAL SAVING ASSOCIATION.--	4 7 8
2068	V. .HOWARD LTD.--	67 7 11
2069	H.HOWES & CO.--	14 7 -
2070	HULL TRUSTEE SAVINGS BANK.--	76 14 1
2071	C.J.HUNT & CO LTD.--	61 15 7
2072	IMPERIAL CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES LTD.--	- 13 1
2073	INITIAL TOWEL SUPPLY CO.--	1 6 4
2074	INSTITUTE OF MUNICIPAL TREASURERS & ACCOUNTANTS (INCORPORATED).--	2 2 -
2075	W.N.JOYCE & SONS LTD.--	117 - -
2076	L.A.V.JUNIPER.--	53 12 -
2077	KERRY'S (GT.BRITAIN) LTD.--	1 16 -
2078	W.KIDDELL.--	2 12 4
2079	KILLGERM CO LTD.--	1 8 6
2080	ERNEST KNIFTON LTD.--	3,213 4 8
2081	H.KONYN.--	2 10 11
2082	LAWES RABJOHNS LTD.--	2 16 2
2083	W.E.& G.LAWRANCE LTD.--	14 18 1
2084	HENRY V.LEE & SONS (LONDON) LTD.--	2 16 8
2085	LEYLAND PAINT & VARNISH CO LTD.--	46 [illegible]
2086	LONDON TRANSPORT EXECUTIVE.--	- 2 -
2087	MARSHALL.--	7 3 -
2088	W.MARSHALL.--	2 - -
2089	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	6,664 - -
2090	MIDDLESEX JOINT INDUSTRIAL COUNCIL.--	1 6 3
2091	MIDDLESEX LOCAL AUTHORITIES SUPERANNUATION JOINT COMMITTEE.--	632 5 8
2092	J.FENTON MILNE.--	4 8 -
2093	MORGANS.--	1 14 10
2094	W.H.MOULSDALE.--	4 - -
2095	MUNICIPAL MUTUAL INSURANCE LTD.--	160 19 5
2096	NATIONAL TIME RECORDER CO LTD.--	2 4 -
2097	NEWTON CHAMBERS & CO LTD.--	6 17 4
2098	ONSITE CARPET & UPHOLSTERY CLEANERS LTD.--	4 17 6
2099	OSCROFT BROS.--	1 12 -
2100	PANNELL (MERCHANTS) LTD.--	5 17 -
2101	THOMAS PAVITT & SONS LTD.--	2 2 2
2102	PEERLESS FENCE & PRODUCTS LTD.--	528 14 9
2103	H.PERRIOR.--	2 1 4
2104	PERRY (REPAIRS & SERVICE) LTD.--	1 17 4
2105	A.PITT.--	18 17 11
2106	POSTMASTER GENERAL (FOR NATIONAL INSURANCE STAMPS).--	56 1 11
2107	POSTMASTER GENERAL (FOR NATIONAL SAVINGS).--	6 - -
2108	RAYWARD BROS LTD.--	15 8 -
2109	REGENT OIL CO LTD.--	125 8 4
2110	REPETITION TYRE & ACCESSORIES LTD.--	1 13 11
2111	ADMINISTRATORS OF E.J.REYNOLDS.--	8 9 8
2112	RONEO LTD.--	24 6 1

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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment			
2113	ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF ACCIDENTS.--	2	5	-	/
2114	RUBBERINE LTD.--	24	8	6	/
2115	SANDERSON WALLPAPERS.--	64	9	6	/
2116	W.A.SAUNDERS LTD.--	9	3	-	/
2117	SHAW & SONS LTD.--	-	12	-	/
2118	SHELL-MEX & B.P.LTD.--	8	10	10	/
2119	SIMPSON & SONS.--	155	11	2	/
2120	SITUSEC LTD.--	16	3	7	/
2121	WALTER C.SLOCOCK LTD.--	62	2	6	/
2122	THOMAS SMITH & SON LTD.--	56	11	-	/
2123	SMITH & SONS (STOKE NEWINGTON) LTD.--	299	16	9	/
2124	SPALDING & HODGE LTD.--	5	13	5	/
2125	E.& F.N.SPON LTD.--	-	16	9	/
2126	ST.ALBANS SAND & GRAVEL CO LTD.--	21	-	-	/
2127	STANTON PAINTS.--	4	7	-	/
2128	STEVENS & ADAMS LTD.--	3	8	6	/
2129	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	1,418	8	-	/
2130	M.H.G.ELLIOTT.--	28	11	8	/
2131	D.M.PHILLIPS.--	20	19	7	/
2132	V.G.GEORGE.--	22	5	11	/
2133	B.WATERHOUSE.--	9	7	4	/
2134	J.NEWLING.--	18	8	-	/
2135	H.FANCETT.--	21	1	6	/
2136	K.R.SMITH.--	51	13	-	/
2137	I.A.HAYWARD.--	27	18	2	/
2138	C.WALKER.--	19	6	6	/
2139	D.F.BARKER.--	28	13	8	/
2140	C.TAYLOR.--	25	16	10	/
2141	W.A.PHILLIPS.--	27	4	4	/
2142	G.WINGFIELD.--	27	12	4	/
2143	F.J.BARKER.--	30	19	4	/
2144	E.I.MARTIN.--	26	4	4	/
2145	R.J.GANN.--	21	1	1	/
2146	J.LAUDER.--	10	18	6	/
2147	P.MARSHALL.--	11	18	6	/
2148	L.MANNING.--	29	17	7	/
2149	L.TIBBENHAM.--	20	12	7	/
2150	I.CODRAI.--	19	14	-	/
2151	W.J.CLARKE.--	14	17	11	/
2152	A.C.BRUMWELL.--	8	-	-	/
2153	SUTTON & SONS LTD.--	5	6	5	/
2154	TEUTEN & CO LTD.--	6	16	-	/
2155	STUART THOMPSON & CO.--	15	6	-	/
2156	TILLEY LAMP CO LTD.--	-	9	3	/
2157	TOTTENHAM & DISTRICT GAS CO.--	98	13	-	/
2158	TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING ASSOCIATION.--	2	2	-	/
2159	TRISTRAM & POWER.--	14	16	6	/
2160	TWICKENHAM GRAVEL CO LTD.--	39	12	11	/
2161	UNDERWOOD ELLIOTT FISHER LTD.--	1	13	9	/
2162	UNIVERSAL POSTAL FRANKERS LTD.--	5	5	-	/
2163	G.D.VINE.--	28	9	7	/
2164	VISIBLE WRITING MACHINE CO LTD.--	1	8	-	/
2165	WATERLOW & SONS LTD.--	10	13	-	/
2166	WATKINS & McCOMBIE LTD.--	18	6	6	/
2167	THE WEST HAM CORPORATION.--	3	15	7	/
2168	WILLOW PEN CO.--	1	9	-	/
2169	WILLIAM WOOD & SON LTD.--	21	-	-	/
2170	W.G.WOOD (BRUSHES) LTD.--	18	18	-	/
2171	F.WOODING & SON.--	43	19	6	/
		19,881	10	11	

Report and Recommendations of the General Purposes Committee

17th February, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. S.F. Simmonds ... Chairman

Crs. Brayer, Foley, Henry, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Richardson, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 20th January, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. PUBLIC BUILDINGS LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The Report and Recommendations of the above-mentioned Committee held this day, a copy of which is attached, were submitted, and the Committee recommend that the Report and Recommendations be approved and confirmed.

3. PRIORY CIVIC RESTAURANT. The Treasurer submitted a report on the trading results for the quarter ended the 31st December, 1948, which after meeting loan charges, show a surplus of £27, as compared with a deficiency of £40 for the quarter ended the 30th September, 1948, and a surplus of £209 for the quarter ended the 31st December, 1947. Details were also submitted as to the number of meals supplied during the current financial year to the 31st January, 1949.

In connection therewith the Chairman submitted a report upon investigations made into certain questions raised by a Member at a previous Meeting.

It is considered that the capital expenditure of £45 and future maintenance of the roadside garden recently provided in front of the restaurant should be a General Rate charge and not debited to the Civic Restaurant Account, and the Committee recommend that the Treasurer be authorised to arrange the necessary financial adjustment accordingly.

The Committee further recommend that patrons be asked to complete a questionnaire to be prepared on the lines now indicated and place it in a sealed box to be provided, in order to obtain the views and suggestions of the public in the operation of the restaurant.

4. FIRE BRIGADE.

(a) Fire Calls. During the month of January, 1949, the Fire Service was summoned on one occasion to a chimney fire, and one false alarm was received.

(b) Management Scheme. A letter dated 25th January, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that the County Council has had under consideration the variation of the Management Scheme, which has become necessary by reason of the operation of the Representation of the People Act, 1948, which alters the dates of the elections of County Councillors and County District Councillors, and the date on which the Annual Meeting of such Authorities is to be held.

Having regard to the fact that the County Council Election is held a month or so before the Elections for Borough and District Councils, and that the dates of election for Urban District and Borough Councils are not uniform, the County Council suggests that the simplest course is for the whole Committee to vacate office on the day on which County Councillors retire in election year, and otherwise on the day prior to the Annual Meeting of the County Council. The County District Members should be deemed to have been re-appointed for a further

period expiring on 19th May, by which date all local elections will have been held. It is expected that Annual Meetings of County District Councils should take place before the 31st May, and there will be sufficient time for the appropriate officer to take steps to obtain the nomination of the group for which he is responsible, and to notify the Clerk of the County Council of the name of the Member so appointed by 2nd June.

A copy of the draft varying the Management Scheme on the lines now indicated, which should be approved by the Secretary of State by the end of March, has been received, and any representations in connection therewith are requested as soon as possible.

The Committee recommend that the Middlesex County Council be informed that the Council have no observations to offer upon the draft varying the Management Scheme.

5. CIVIL DEFENCE ACT, 1948. With reference to Minute No.10 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 16th December, 1948, the Clerk reported that this Act had now received Royal Assent and there appears to be no immediate action which Local Authorities are required to take in connection therewith.

Home Office Circular No.C.D.C.2/49 was submitted which briefly outlines the provisions of the Act.

6. FINCHLEY AND FRIERN BARNET COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE.

(a) Grant. With reference to Minute No.13 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 20th January, 1949, the Chairman reported as to the further developments which had occurred in this matter, it having become necessary to dissolve the Finchley and Friern Barnet Council of Social Service owing to lack of funds, consequent on the Finchley Borough Council's decision not to increase their grant towards the funds of the Association. Accordingly, the Citizens' Advice Bureau would close down on 31st March, 1949.

The Committee are convinced that in the past the Council of Social Service has done excellent work and the Citizens' Advice Bureau have relieved the Officers of the Council of considerable work in advising members of the public on various matters.

The Committee, therefore, recommend that subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health:-

(i) the Chairman of the Council be authorised to take the necessary steps to set up a Friern Barnet Council of Social Service incorporating a Citizens' Advice Bureau;

(ii) a grant of £385 be made by the Council towards the expenses of the Organisation for the ensuing year;

(iii) the former Organising Secretary of the Finchley and Friern Barnet Council of Social Service (Miss D.J.Riley) be invited to accept the position of Organising Secretary of the newly formed Council of Social Service.

(b) Statistics. Statistics of the work carried out during the month of December, 1948, copies of which have already been supplied to each Member of the Council, were submitted for information.

7. YOUTH CENTRE - GOLDSMITH ROAD. With reference to Minute No.5 of the Report of this Committee dated 23rd September, 1948, when it was reported that the County Valuer was prepared to reimburse the following sums in connection with the Meetings of the Youth Committee, in lieu of paying rental in respect of these premises:-

1945/46	...	...	...	£5 15s. 7d.
1946/47	...	...	...	£9 2s. 0d.
1947/48	...	...	...	£79 15s. 9d.

the amounts referred to were approved by the Council, and in connection therewith a letter dated 30th January, 1949, from the County Valuer states that the County Council has now approved such payments, and settlement of the sums expended will be made by the County Accountant in due course.

8. TOWN HALL - OFFICE ACCOMMODATION - HOUSING DEPARTMENT. With reference to Minute No.3 (a)(xvi) of the Report of the Establishment Committee dated 21st September, 1948, the Clerk submitted a report on the possibility of the Housing Department being accommodated on the ground floor of the Town Hall building having consulted the Medical Officer, Sanitary Inspector, the Engineer and Surveyor, the Treasurer and the Housing Estates Manager thereon.

The only rooms which can be considered in this connection appear to be rooms 18, 19, 20 and 21, of which the present user is as follows:-

Room 18 - occupied by the Deputy Fuel Overseer.

Room 19 - Used each morning except Saturday by the Finchley and Friern Barnet Council of Social Service and on Tuesday afternoons by the Registrar of Births and Deaths. In addition it is used in the evenings for Meetings of various Associations and Bodies.

Room 20 - Fuel Department General Office.

Room 21 - Fuel Department General Office.

Having regard to the fact that Rooms 18, 19, 20 and 21 are considered to be the only accommodation which could be allocated to the Housing Department, the Committee recommend as follows:-

(a) that the Ministry of Fuel be informed that owing to the re-organisation of the Housing Department, which it is considered necessary to transfer to the Town Hall from No.8, Halliwick Court Parade, a property under requisition, it will be necessary for them to vacate Rooms 18, 20 and 21 as soon as possible and that they be notified of the proposal to vacate No.8, Halliwick Court Parade where sufficient accommodation exists to house the Fuel Office staff;

(b) that Rooms 18, 19, 20, and 21 be allocated as follows:-

Room 18 - to house the Council of Social Service and Citizens' Advice Bureau daily, except for each Tuesday afternoon when its use will be allocated to the Registrar of Births and Deaths.

Room 19 - to house the Housing Estates Manager, the Housing Officer and, for such little office accommodation as may be required during the day, the Housing Foreman.

Room 20 - Housing Department General Office, accommodating the Enquiry Clerk and the necessary clerical staff. This room is already fitted with a counter which would be of practical use in this arrangement.

Room 21 - to accommodate the Housing Welfare Officer. It is considered very desirable that this Officer should be able to interview callers privately and not in a general office.

(c) Existing Bookings of Room 19. That this room no longer be let for meetings etc. of various Organisations and the necessary deletion made in the scale of charges of Town Hall lettings.

That as Room 18 is not considered sufficiently large to accommodate the various Organisations and Associations having already booked Room 19, a special Meeting of the Public Buildings Lettings Committee be held and that they be authorised to take any action they consider necessary to offer alternative accommodation to the Organisations and Associations thereby affected.

(d) Laboratory and Kiosk. There is no accommodation for the Rodent Operative who now has to mix his baits etc. in the laboratory, thus preventing its use for some of the purposes for which it was originally designed, and the Committee recommend that the kiosk in the forecourt be allocated to him for this purpose thus freeing the laboratory for its normal use, this room with its fittings being inadequate for use as an office.

Whilst the fore-going recommendations will solve the immediately urgent problems the Committee consider that:-

(i) Public Health Department. The Public Health Department cannot be regarded as possessing adequate accommodation. The small waiting room adjoining the Public Health Office is insufficient for callers for the Public Health Office, the Citizens' Advice Bureau, the Registrar of Births and Deaths and Housing enquiries.

(ii) Medical Officer of Health. This Officer is at present deprived of any private office.

These matters will receive the active consideration of the Committee at the earliest opportunity.

9. NATIONAL FEDERATION OF OLD AGE PENSIONERS' ASSOCIATIONS. With reference to Minute No.15 of the Report of this Committee dated 20th January, 1949, the Clerk reported that the Friern Barnet Youth Committee in its report submitted to the Meeting of the Friern Barnet Education Sub-Committee held on 7th February, 1949, recommend that the National Federation of Old Age Pensioners' Associations be granted the afternoon use of a room at the Youth Centre in Goldsmith Road for the purpose of weekly meetings of the Federation, provided that the premises are not required by a local youth organisation, and subject to any expenses which might arise from this use being paid by the Association.

10. PUBLIC RELATIONS IN LOCAL GOVERNMENT. A letter dated 31st January, 1949, was submitted from the Institute of Public Relations, inviting the Council to appoint representatives to attend a Conference to be held at the Holborn Town Hall on Thursday the 24th February, 1949.

The Committee recommend that Miss D.J. Riley, the Organising Secretary of the Council of Social Service, be asked to attend the Conference, and to submit a report thereon to the Council in due course.

11. VANDALISM TO PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROPERTY. A communication was submitted from the Enfield Urban District Council stating that this question has been receiving the attention of that Council for some considerable time, and letters have been sent to the Lord Chancellor and the Home Secretary stating that it is considered that the question has become so serious as to warrant consideration at the highest level, and hoping that the whole policy in dealing with the type of offender may be considered, possible by legislature. Letters have also been sent to the Ratepayers and Residents' Associations, Youth Committees, Youth Organisations, and other similarly interested organisations, informing them of the action taken, and appealing to members of those organisations for co-operation in the education of children and adolescents in the practical side of good citizenship. The letter further stated that if this Council have suffered damage from this cause their support of the Enfield Urban District Council's action would be welcomed.

The Committee recommend that the Council support the Enfield Urban District Council in the action taken, and that the Lord Chancellor and the Home Secretary be notified accordingly.

12. ECONOMY IN THE USE OF ELECTRICITY. Circular No.5/49 dated 13th January, 1949, was submitted from the Ministry of Health urging Local Authorities to give special attention to economy in the use of fuel in Offices and establishments under their control.

13. GAS EXAMINER'S REPORT. The Gas Examiner's Report of gas supplied by the Barnet District Gas Company for the Quarter ended 31st December, 1948, which appears to be satisfactory, was submitted for the information of the Committee.

14. ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE - APPRECIATION OF COUNCIL'S CO-OPERATION. It was reported that the Chairman of the Council had received a letter dated 30th January, 1949, from the Superintendent No.145 Friern Barnet Division, St. John Ambulance Brigade, stating that at the Annual Meeting of the Division held recently, he had been requested to convey to the Council on behalf of the Division their thanks for the Council's kindness and co-operation in their efforts.

15. "UNITY" DETACHED PREFABRICATED HOUSE. A letter dated 14th February, 1949, was submitted from Unity Structures Limited stating that a detached prefabricated permanent house developed by them is being exhibited at the Daily Mail Ideal Homes Exhibition, and extending to the Council a special invitation to be conducted over the exhibit.

Members requiring tickets for the inspection are requested to notify the Clerk in order that the necessary number of tickets may be obtained.

The Committee recommend that the Friern Barnet Women's Advisory Panel on Housing be advised of this matter.

16. TOWN HALL FORECOURT, GOOD FRIDAY 1949. A letter dated 17th February, 1949, was submitted from the Rector, the Reverend H.E. McLeod, stating that at a Meeting of the Clergy and Ministers held recently, he had been requested to ask the Council to afford them similar facilities as last year, on Good Friday, the 15th April, 1949, namely:-

(a) permission to erect a Cross in the Town Hall forecourt;

(b) permission to use the forecourt to conduct the Annual Religious Service;

(c) the use of the piano; and

(d) the use of the public address equipment.

The Committee recommend that the necessary facilities be afforded to the Clergy and Ministers.

17. PROPOSED NOTICE BOARD - TOWN HALL KIOSK. With reference to Minute No.16 of the Report of this Committee dated 20th January, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor submitted a scheme for the provision of a Notice Board to be affixed to the west wall of the kiosk outside the Town Hall, to give notice of the various functions taking place in the Town Hall,

The Committee recommend that the scheme be approved subject to certain modifications now indicated, and that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the Board to be constructed and fixed at a cost not exceeding £40.

18. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936 - SECTION 75 - PROVISION OF DUSTBINS. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Report of this Committee dated 20th January, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that enquiries have been made of a number of firms as to whether they would be prepared to enter into a Contract on the basis of an annual payment for the supply of dustbins to householders, and all the firms approached have indicated that they are not, at present, prepared to supply on this basis.

The Committee have referred consideration of this matter to the Public Health Committee, who will be considering a comprehensive report thereon at their next Meeting.

19. RATE ESTIMATES. The Committee considered the inclusion of special items of expenditure in the rate estimates for the year 1949/50, and recommend that the following items, some of which have already received consideration but not final approval, be included:-

(a)	Illumination of Town Hall clock	£75.
(b)	Provision of clock in entrance hall	£15.
(c)	Decoration - Internal (part of accommodation not re-decorated in 1948/49)	£250.
(d)	Cleaning of curtains, carpets and furniture (balance of programme)	£70.
(e)	Purchase of new vacuum cleaner	£25.
(f)	Improvements to grass forecourts (the Scheme to be spread over a period of three years) first year's instalment	£45.
(g)	Repairs etc., to heating installation	£50.
(h)	Purchase of 50 chairs	£100.
(i)	Office equipment for Housing Department.	
	Typist's table and chair - £20.	
	Six clothes lockers - £20.	
	... ...	£40.

20. PERMANENT HOUSING SITE No.5 - COLNEY HATCH LANE, INSTALLATION OF PUBLIC TELEPHONE CALL BOX. Arising from a question now raised, the committee recommend that a request be made to the Post Office Authorities for the installation of a public telephone call box on Housing Site No.5 Colney Hatch Lane. Whilst it is appreciated that the works on this site are not fully completed, it is considered that an early application in this direction is desirable.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.50 p.m. and terminated at 8.45 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Buildings Lettings Committee

17th February, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. E. Draper ... Chairman.

Crs. McClane, Matthews, Richardson, and Simmonds.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, and Meynell.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 20th January, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. LETTINGS BOOK. The Lettings Book for the Town Hall was submitted, and each booking to date approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. LETTINGS - SCALE OF CHARGES. The Clerk submitted a statement on the scale of charges as revised in accordance with recent variations made for the hire of Committee Rooms etc., and reported that it was proposed to arrange for printed slips to be superimposed in the conditions and regulations for letting set out on the existing stock of application forms.

The Committee recommend thatthe scale of charges as submitted be approved subject to the substitution of £2 12s. 6d. for £2 2s. 0d. in respect of the hire of Committee Rooms 1 and 2 combined for Social Functions (including Kitchen facilities and available crockery), where such functions are sponsored by local organisations, and to any variation which may be necessary arising out of any decision made by the Council on the report submitted by the Clerk to the General Purposes Committee on office accommodation.

The Committee further recommend that the foregoing increased charge should not apply to bookings already made.

4. COMMITTEE ROOMS 1 and 2.

(a) Friern Barnet Local Appeals Committee. It was reported that applications received from the Friern Barnet Local Appeals Committee for the use of Committee Rooms 1 and 2 on the 9th April and 14th May, 1949, for the purpose of Whist Drives in aid of various charities, had been granted subject to the charges (if any) to be fixed.

The Committee recommend that the Friern Barnet Local Appeals Committee be granted the use of Committee Rooms 1 and 2 on the occasions in question, free of charge.

(b) Dance - North Ward Young Conservatives. This accommodation has been booked by the North Ward Young Conservatives Association for the purpose of a Dance on Saturday the 28th May, 1949, and in connection therewith application has been made for the use of the accommodation until 11.30 p.m., instead of 11.0 p.m. the normal time at which such functions are required to terminate.

The Committee recommend that the application for the extension until 11.30 p.m. be refused.

E. Draper.
Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.15 p.m. and terminated at 6.35 p.m.

Meeting of the Council held in the Town Hall, N.11.

24th February, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A.Richardson ... Vice-Chairman In the Chair.

Crs. Foley, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Draper, Henry and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meetings of the Council held on 27th January, and 10th February, 1949, were submitted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. REPORT OF ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Tarlton seconded by Cr. Sparks that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 1st February, 1949, be received and adopted.

4. REPORT OF PARKS COMMITTEE. Moved by Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. McClane that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 1st February, 1949, be received and adopted.

Minute No.9. Ornamental Garden and Provision of Shelter - Friern Hospital Entrance. An amendment was moved by Cr. Mrs. McCarthy seconded by Cr. Martin that this Minute be referred back to the Committee for further consideration. The amendment on being put to the Meeting was declared to be LOST.

The motion for the reception and adoption of the report and recommendations was then put to the Meeting and declared to be CARRIED.

5. REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Tarlton seconded by Cr. Foley that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 3rd February, 1949, be received and adopted.

6. REPORT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Foley seconded by Cr. Matthews that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 3rd February, 1949, be received and adopted.

7. REPORT OF RATING AND VALUATION COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Meynell seconded by Cr. McClane that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 10th February, 1949, be received and adopted.

8. REPORT OF HOUSING COMMITTEE. Moved by Cr. Sparks seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 10th February, 1949, be received and adopted subject to the deletion of the word "inclusive" and the substitution therefor of the word "exclusive" in the fourth line of Minute No.14 (c)(ix); and the addition at the end of recommendation (A) of this Minute of the words "the appropriate exclusive rents being £1 2s. 0d., £1 4s. 0d. and £1 6s. 0d. respectively.".

Minute No.14 (c)(vii). Purchase of Refrigerators. An amendment was moved by Cr. Pickering seconded by Cr.Sparks that this Minute be referred back to the Committee for further consideration. The amendment on being put to the Meeting was declared to be CARRIED.

The motion for the reception and adoption of the report and recommendations subject to these amendments was then put to the Meeting and declared to be CARRIED.

9. REPORT OF SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PARKS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Matthews that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 14th February, 1949, be received and adopted.

10. REPORT OF TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. McClane seconded by Cr. Sparks that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 15th February, 1949, be received and adopted.

11. REPORT OF ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Foley that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 15th February, 1949, be received and adopted.

12. REPORT OF ENTERTAINMENTS COMMITTEE. Moved by Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Tarlton that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 15th February, 1949, be received and adopted.

Minute No.4. Theatrical Repertory Season. An amendment was moved by Cr. Miss Richards seconded by Cr. Mrs. McCarthy that this Minute be referred back to the Committee for further consideration. The amendment on being put to the Meeting was declared to be CARRIED.

Minute No.5. National Brains Trust. An amendment was moved by Cr. Pickering seconded by Cr. Foley that this Minute be referred back to the Committee for further consideration. The amendment on being put to the Meeting was declared to be CARRIED.

The motion for the reception and adoption of the report and recommendations subject to these amendments was then put to the Meeting and declared to be CARRIED.

13. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr.Matthews seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 17th February, 1949, be received and adopted.

14. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. Moved by Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Foley that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 17th February, 1949, be received and adopted subject to the deletion of Minute No.10 "Public Relations in Local Government" and the substitution therefor of the following Minutes No.10 and 10 (a):-

"10. Public Relations in Local Government - Conference. A letter dated 31st January, 1949, was submitted from the Institute of Public Relations inviting the Council to appoint representatives to attend a Conference to be held in the Holborn Town Hall on Thursday the 24th February, 1949.

The Committee have appointed the Chairman of the Council to attend this Conference.

10.(a) Conference of Local Councils of Social Service. A letter dated 9th February, 1949, was submitted from the London Council of Social Service inviting the Council to appoint a representative to attend a Conference to be held in the Institute of Education, London University, on Saturday the 26th February, 1949.

The Committee suggest that Miss D.J. Riley, the Organising Secretary of the Council of Social Service, be asked to attend the Conference and to submit a report thereon to the Council in due course. "

Minute No.17. Proposed Notice Board, Town Hall Kiosk. An amendment was moved by Cr. McClane seconded by Cr. Pickering that this Minute be referred back to the Committee for further consideration. The amendment on being put to the Meeting was declared to be CARRIED.

The motion for the reception and adoption of the report and recommendations, subject to these amendments, was then put tothe Meeting and declared to be CARRIED.

15. SEALING OF DOCUMENTS. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Meynell seconded by Cr. Foley that the Seal of the Council be affixed to the following documents:-

(a) Contract with Fencing (Shepperton) Limited for the supply, delivery and erection of fencing on Housing Site No.5, Colney Hatch Lane.

(b) Contract with Messrs. Myton Limited for the erection of 24 flats, Housing Site No.5, Colney Hatch Lane.

(c) Licence to Slaughter Animals - Mr. T. Faulkner, 51, Holly Park Road, N.11.

(d) Deed of Exchange of land - Wood Green Borough Council. Housing Site and Muswell Hill Golf Club.

(e) Transfers of stock authorised by Minutes No.9 of Finance Committee 20th January, 1949, and No.7 of Finance Committee 17th February, 1949.

Seal affixed accordingly.

The Council approved the sealing of the following document out of Meeting:-

Receipt and Payable Order in respect of third and final advance of £27,758 on loan of £87,758 - Erection of Houses, Site No.5.

Chairman.

Report and Recommendations of the Allotments Committee

1st March, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. M.R. Tarlton ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Martin, Pickering, Richardson and Simmonds.
Messrs. Harris, Harman and Ovenden representing the North, Central and Halliwick Park Allotment Associations respectively.

Also in attendance:

Cr. Meynell.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 1st February, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. NORTH ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 18 outstanding applications for permanent plots.

(b) Glebe Field Allotments. With reference to Minute No.3 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 4th January, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the hedge along the southern boundary of these allotments, where it adjoins a cultivated plot, has now been cut back.

3. CENTRAL ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 15 outstanding applications for permanent plots.

(b) Temporary Allotments - The Crescent. With reference to Minute No.4 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 4th January, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that a sufficient quantity of piping is now available and the Association have been informed accordingly.

(c) Temporary Allotments - Friary Park. Following a complaint from a plot-holder in the above allotments the Association's representative reported that the fence to the above allotments has been damaged, probably by children playing games in the Park.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to carry out the necessary repairs to the fence at an estimated cost of £15, (the probable expenditure in the 1948/49 estimates being amended accordingly) and that the Parks Superintendent be instructed to contact the person in charge of the children with regard thereto.

4. HALLIWICK PARK ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 9 outstanding applications for permanent plots.

(b) Plots 183 and 184. With reference to Minute No.6 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 4th January, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the thorn hedge crossing these two plots has now been removed. Bearing in mind that provision has been made in the estimates for 1949/50 for the removal of all the fencing along this side of the allotments, the Committee

recommend that the removal of the fencing crossing the above-mentioned plots be deferred until all the fencing can be dealt with in one operation, and the parts available used for repairs to the boundary fencing.

(c) Access to Allotments from Housing Site No.5. With reference to Minute No.5 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, a letter has now been received from the Ministry of Health, stating that, as access and exit for lorries serving the allotments will be provided by the suggested hardcore road along the eastern boundary, the proposed concrete approach road from George Crescent is unnecessary. It is suggested that a footpath in pre-cast paving slabs should be substituted for this road, and the Minister agrees that the cost of such a footpath and the hardcore road may be charged to the housing scheme.

It is pointed out that the provision of a footpath leading from George Crescent to the allotments already forms part of the constructional works in connection with the layout of Housing Site No.5.

The estimated cost of re-siting the existing gates etc. and carrying out the works approved by the Minister excluding the paved footpath is £344.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to commence the works early in April 1949, and in view of the fact that the laying down of the hardcore road will affect two of the plots, arrangements have been made for the work to be pegged out on Saturday the 5th March, 1949, in the presence of the Association's representative.

5. SCHEME FOR THE AWARD OF CERTIFICATES OF MERIT 1949. A circular letter dated the 18 th February, 1949, was submitted from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries enclosing particulars of the above-mentioned Scheme for 1949.

The Committee recommendthat in view of the fact that the Summer Show takes the place of this Scheme to a large extent, no action be taken.

6. RATE ESTIMATES - REVISED ESTIMATE 1948/49 - ESTIMATE 1949/50. Copies of the above-mentioned estimates in so far as they concern this Committee have been circulated to all Members, and the Committee recommend that these estimates be approved for inclusion in the annual estimates which will be submitted to a special Meeting of the Finance Committee to be held on Tuesday the 15th March, 1949.

7. MR. H.W. OVENDEN - RESIGNATION. The Chairman referred to the impending resignation of Mr. Ovenden on his leaving the District, and the Committee recorded their appreciation of his services as a Member of the Allotments Committee.

M.M. Warlin

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.15 p.m. and terminated at 7.45 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Parks Committee.

1st March, 1949.

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, McClane and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin and Meynell.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Mrs. McCarthy and Matthews.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meetings of this Committee held on 1st and 14th February, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. SPORTS LETTINGS.

(a) Football.

(i) Hockey Pitch Area - Bethune Recreation Ground.

(A) Friern Barnet Progressive Tenants' Association Youth Organisation. On the authority of the Chairman of the Committee, the above-mentioned Youth Organisation have been granted the use of the football pitch on the hockey pitch area on Sundays, the 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th February, 1949, subject to the payment of a fee of 5s.0d. on each occasion. The Youth Organisation further make application for the use of this pitch on Sundays the 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th March, 1949.

The Committee recommend (1) that the action of the Chairman be approved and confirmed and (2) that the Friern Barnet Progressive Tenants' Association Youth Organisation be granted the use of the football pitch on the hockey pitch area on Sundays the 6th, 13th 20th and 27th March, 1949, subject to the payment of a fee of 5s.0d. on each occasion.

(B) Holly Park Secondary Modern School. An application was submitted from the above-mentioned school for permission to use the hockey pitch area on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 4.30 p.m. - 5.30 p.m. in order to complete the 8 outstanding matches in their Inter-House Competition and 2 school fixtures in the Finchley and Friern Barnet Secondary Schools' League Competition.

The Committee recommend that the application of the Holly Park Secondary Modern School for permission to use the football pitch on Tuesday and Thursday evenings from 4.30 p.m. - 5.30 p.m. on 10 occasions be granted subject to the payment of a fee of £2.

(C) Finchley and Friern Barnet Secondary Schools' Football Association. An application has been received from the Secretary of the above-mentioned Association for permission to use the football pitch on the hockey pitch area on a Saturday morning early in March for the District Under 14 XI

in the second round of the London Charity Cup Competition and a Saturday morning early in April for a match of the League Champions v The Rest.

The Committee recommend that this application be granted subject to the payment of a fee of 5s.0d. on each occasion.

(ii) Football Pitch - Bethune Recreation Ground. With reference to Minute No.2 (a)(ii) of the Report of this Committee dated 1st February, 1949, the Chairman reported that the Holly Park Secondary Modern XI were doing well in the Dewar Shield Competition.

The Committee recommend that in the event of the Holly Park Secondary Modern School XI being drawn at home in any subsequent rounds of this Competition, the Clerk be authorised to grant them the use of the Football Pitch in the Bethune Recreation Ground on a Saturday morning, for this purpose, free of charge.

(iii) Football Pitch - Halliwick Recreation Ground. On the authority of the Chairman of the Committee, the Finchley Taxes Sports and Social Club have been granted the use of the above-mentioned football pitch on Thursday afternoons the 24th February and 3rd March, 1949, subject to the payment of the usual fee of 7s. 6d. on each occasion.

The Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

(b) Cricket - Bethune Recreation Ground. An application has been received from the Baygreen Cricket Club for permission to use the cricket table at Bethune Recreation Ground on Saturdays the 30th April and 24th September, 1949.

The Committee recommend (1) that the application for permission to use the cricket table on Saturday the 30th April, 1949, be granted subject to the payment of the usual fee of £1 1s.0d. and (2) that the application for the use of the cricket table on Saturday the 24th September, 1949, be granted subject to the payment of the fee of £1 1s.0d., and the cricket table being in a fit condition to stand the additional wear and tear.

4. SMALL PLAYGROUNDS AT HALF-MILE INTERVALS. A letter has been received from "The Five Million Club" (affiliated to the National Playing Fields Association) requesting the Council to adopt, in principle, the Club's standard of small (half-acre) playgrounds at half-mile intervals.

The Committee recommend that the Council adopt, in principle, the Club's standard of half-acre playgrounds at half-mile intervals, and have passed the letter to the Housing and Town Planning Committees for their information in connection with layout of future housing estates and the future planning of the District.

5. FRIARY PARK.

(a) Extension to Greenhouse. With reference to Minute No.7 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 1st February, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the benches for plants have been fixed in position and the Greenhouse is now in use.

(b) Additional Nursery Frames. With reference to Minute No.10 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, the work on the provision of the second nursery frame along the side of the Greenhouse extension is well advanced. The brickwork has been completed and the glazed lights are being made in the workshop.

(c) Entrance Drive. With reference to Minute No.7 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 4th January, 1949, the work of widening the entrance drive in front of Friary House has now been completed.

(d) Catering - Additional Facilities. With reference to Minute No.2 of the Report of this Committee dated 14th February, 1949, work has now been commenced on the minor alterations and decorations to the Friary Park Cafe.

6. BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND - 9-HOLE GOLF COURSE.

(a) Maintenance. A report was submitted on work carried out to the 9-hole Golf Course since the last report to the Committee.

(b) Receipts. Receipts for the month of February, 1949, were £40 11s. 0d. as compared with £23 2s. 9d. for February 1948. The total receipts for the period 1st April, 1948, to 28th February, 1949, were £1,102 18s. 6d. as compared with £1,003 11s. 0d. for the corresponding period in 1947/48.

(c) Competitions. Twenty-five entries have been received for the four-ball competition and the first round will be played off in the near future.

7. PARKS SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT. The Parks Superintendent submitted a report on work carried out by the Parks Staff since the date of the last Meeting.

8. RATE ESTIMATES - REVISED ESTIMATE 1948/49 - ESTIMATE 1949/50. Copies of the above-mentioned estimates in so far as they concern this Committee have been circulated to all Members, and the Committee recommend that these estimates be approved for inclusion in the annual estimates which will be submitted to a special Meeting of the Finance Committee tobe held on Tuesday the 15th March, 1949.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 8.0 p.m. and terminated at 8.15 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Health Committee

3rd March, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A.C. Henry ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Richardson and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin, Mason and Pickering.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Mrs. McCarthy and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 3rd February, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES. The following notifications of infectious diseases have been received since the date of the last Meeting:-

Disease	WARDS					Total for District only
	North	South	Central	East	West	
Measles	8	20	2	1	2	33
Scarlet Fever	-	4	1	-	1	6
Pneumonia	2	2	4	-	-	8
Tuberculosis	4	4	-	-	1	9
Whooping Cough	-	1	-	-	-	1

4. DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION. The Medical Officer of Health reported as to the present position in the District in respect of the above, stating that 2,556 immunisations had been carried out to date.

5. COMPLAINTS. Since the last Meeting of this Committee 42 complaints, including 6 cases of rat infestation, have been received and investigated and the necessary action taken to secure a remedy.

6. ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES. Works necessary to comply with Notices served requiring the abatement of nuisances at 24 properties throughout the District have been completed.

7. UNSOUND FOOD. The Sanitary Inspector reported as to the various types of food which had been condemned as unfit for human consumption since the last Meeting of the Committee.

8. RODENT CONTROL - FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS. Circular N.S.No.21 has been received from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries, stating that it is proposed to continue the consolidated grant of 50 per cent of the approved net expenditure incurred by Local Authorities on rodent control during the financial year 1949/50. Payment of the grant is subject to full compliance with the conditions set out in a previous Circular N.S.No.19, and as the service provided by this Council is in accordance with the conditions referred to, the Committee recommend that the Ministry be informed that it is proposed to continue this service and to submit a claim for the reimbursement of one-half of the expenditure incurred, at the appropriate time.

9. MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL ACT, 1944 - SECTION 279, REGISTRATION OF HAWKERS. An application has been received from Mr. William Richardson of No.19, East Crescent, N.11., for registration as a hawker of Fruit and Vegetables in this District, under the provisions of the above Act and Section.

The applicant stores the Fruit and Vegetables at 31a, Wetherill Road, N.10., which is an open shop for the sale of Fruit and Vegetables and is considered satisfactory for this purpose.

The method of distribution is by covered lorry, and no danger to the public health is envisaged.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted.

10. SHOPS ACTS 1912-1937. A letter has been received from Mr.F.R.Croucher the occupier of a Grocery Store and Sub-Post Office at No.145, Sydney Road, N.10., stating that on making provisional application to the Head Postmaster's Department for this District for permission to change his early closing day from Wednesday 1.0 p.m. to Saturday 1.0 p.m. and the extension of the present closing time of 5.30 p.m. to 7.0 p.m. on Fridays, he has been informed that the Local Council's permission must first be obtained.

The early closing day for this part of the District was fixed by the Friern Barnet Shops Weekly Half-Holiday Order, made under Section 4 (2) Shops Act 1912, and is Wednesday. Provision is made in the Act and in the Order for any shopkeeper to substitute Saturday for Wednesday on fixing a Notice to that effect in his shop, and the consent of the Council is not necessary.

The closing hours of shops are fixed by the Shops (Hours of Closing) Act, 1928, which with exceptions for various classes of trades, fixes the hours at 8.0 p.m. on ordinary days and 9.0 p.m. on the late day which is Saturday. The Defence Regulations vary these times for the period from the first Sunday in November until the first Sunday in March to 6.0 p.m. and 7.30 p.m.

The position is therefore that Mr. Croucher may change his early closing day from Wednesday to Saturday, and may remain open until 6.0 p.m. from November until the beginning of March, and until 8.0 p.m. for the remainder of the year.

Mr. Croucher has been informed accordingly, and these arrangements are suitable to him.

The Committee consider that the interests of the public would not be materially prejudiced by such a change so far as it affects the Post Office business.

11. MILK SUPPLIES. The Committee had before them reports by the Chief Sanitary Inspector on investigations which had been made in connection with foreign bodies (particles of glass) found in bottles of milk obtained from a certain supplier on two occasions, and on an unsatisfactory sample of milk obtained from another supplier.

In the latter case steps had been taken to remedy a fault which had developed in the plant, and subsequent samples have been satisfactory.

In the former case, whilst the Committee are satisfied that elaborate precautions are being taken to avoid the risk of any contamination of the milk, and that having regard to the circumstances no further action should be taken with regard to the particular instances now under consideration, they recommend that a communication should be sent to the supplier drawing attention to the serious issues involved.

12. PROVISION OF HOT WATER SUPPLY TO HOUSES. The Sanitary Inspector submitted for the information of the Committee a report on this subject.

13. FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1938.

(a) Section 14 - Registration of Premises for the Sale of Ice Cream. An application has been received from Mr. Henry Rees, Florist and Fruiterer, for the registration of his shop premises at 1324, High Road, N.20., for the sale of Ice Cream.

The Ice Cream is to be obtained in wrapped blocks and will be retailed in the same condition. It will be stored in a refrigerator capable of retaining the Ice Cream at the temperature prescribed in the Ice Cream (Heat Treatment) Regulations, 1947.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted.

(b) Food Hygiene. A letter dated 10th February, 1949, has been received from the Finchley and Friern Barnet Labour Party referring to the Council's power to deal with the hygienic conditions of shops, and to make byelaws to ensure that the handling, wrapping and delivery of food and the sale of food in the open air are carried out under cleanly and sanitary conditions, and urging the Council to do everything possible to improve the standards of hygiene.

The Food and Drugs Act came into operation in October, 1939, and action has been continuously taken to improve and maintain improvement in the methods of dealing with food, both during the difficult war period, and since. So far as byelaws relating to the handling, wrapping and sale of food in the open air are concerned, the Ministry of Food has informed the Council that the model byelaws are being revised, and the revised model will be forwarded to Local Authorities as soon as it is issued. In the meantime the Ministry assume that the Council will defer any question of making byelaws.

The Committee recommend that the Finchley and Friern Barnet Labour Party be informed that the Council have always been aware of their powers and duties in this matter, which have been exercised so far as difficult circumstances have permitted, and when the new model byelaws are issued by the Ministry, the Committee will consider making byelaws based thereon.

14. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936.

(a) Section 93 - Statutory Nuisances. The Sanitary Inspector reported the existence of statutory nuisances at the undermentioned premises:-

(i) No.7, Priory Villas, Colney Hatch Lane, N.10.	Defective W.C. flushing cistern causing dampness. To overhaul and adjust inlet valve to W.C. flushing cistern.
(ii) No.58, Torrington Park, (Flat No.2 occupied by Saxbie).	Defective and broken wall and ceiling plaster in front bedroom. To hack down defective and broken wall and ceiling plaster and replaster walls and ceiling where disturbed.
No.58, Torrington Park, (Flat No.3 occupied by Campbell).	Defective and loose brickwork and rendering to fireplace openings and chimney stack and defective pargetting to flues. To overhaul and repair brickwork and rendering to fireplace openings and chimney stacks and pargetting to flues.

(iii)	No.59, The Avenue, N.11.	Defective main, back addition and W.C. compartment roofs. Defective eaves gutters to back addition. To overhaul and repair main, back addition and W.C. compartment roofs to weather-tight condition. To overhaul eaves gutters to back addition and repair or renew as necessary to conduct roof water clear of the walls.

Intimation notices having been served and not complied with, the Committee recommend the service of Abatement Notices under Section 93 of the Public Health Act, 1936, and failing compliance therewith the Clerk be authorised to take appropriate proceedings.

(b) Section 75, Provision of Dustbins. With reference to Minute No.18 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated 17th February, 1949, the Committee have deferred consideration of this matter until the next Meeting of this Committee pending a further opinion being obtained as to the interpretation of the above Section.

15. SCHEME FOR THE PROVISION OF RESIDENTIAL AND TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION UNDER SECTION 21 OF THE NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948. A letter was submitted from the Middlesex County Council dated 7th February, 1949, enclosing the draft of the County Council Scheme under the above Act and Section, a copy of which has been forwarded to each Member.

The Committee recommend that no objection be raised to the proposed Scheme of the Middlesex County Council under Section 21 of the National Assistance Act, 1948.

16. HOUSING ACT 1936 - CLEARANCE AREAS. With reference to Minute No.11 of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd February, 1949, the Committee have given consideration to reports submitted by the Clerk and the Chief Sanitary Inspector, and have instructed the Clerk to approach the Ministry of Health as to the possibility of the Council obtaining the Minister's approval to dealing with certain areas in the District as Clearance Areas.

17. DAY NURSERIES. With reference to Minute No.15 of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd February, 1949, the Chairman submitted a report with regard to the above, and having regard to negotiations at present taking place, a further report will be submitted to the next Meeting of the Committee, or in the event of circumstances warranting such action, to the next Meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

18. RATE ESTIMATES - REVISED ESTIMATES 1948/49 - ESTIMATES 1949/50. Copies of the Rate Estimates, in so far as they concern this Committee, have been circulated to all Members, and the Committee recommend that the estimates be approved for inclusion in the annual estimates, which will be submitted to the Special Meeting of the Finance Committee to be held on Tuesday the 15th March, 1949.

19. MORTUARY ACCOMMODATION. With reference to Minute No.13 of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd December, 1948, a letter was submitted from the Finchley Borough Council dated 2nd March, 1949, increasing the fee to be charged, in respect of each body received from this District, from £2 2s. 0d. to £3 3s. 0d.

A.E. Henry

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 8.15 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Highways and Public Works Committee

3rd March, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. J. Foley ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Henry, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Richardson and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 3rd February, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. HIGHWAYS - GENERAL MAINTENANCE. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on maintenance work carried out during February 1949.

4. SEWAGE DISPOSAL WORKS STORES.

(a) Scrap Metal. With reference to Minute No.10 of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd February, 1949, it was reported that on the authority of the Chairman the tender of Messrs. I. Bier & Sons, Ltd., for the clearing of the whole site including galvanised tanks, piping, etc., for the sum of £76 15s. 0d. was accepted, this being the highest tender received.

The Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

(b) Firewood, Granite Kerbs, etc. Offers have been invited and it is hoped that these will be received very shortly.

The Committee recommend that the Chairman of the Committee be authorised to accept the most favourable quotations.

5. TRAFFIC CONDITIONS - HIGH ROAD, WHETSTONE. With reference to Minute No.11 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd February, 1949, further consideration has been given to this matter and the Committee recommend that it be suggested to the Finchley Borough Council that with regard to any proposals for the future improvement of the High Road consideration be given to the provision of a service road to the shops on the eastern side.

6. COUNTY ROAD ESTIMATES 1949/50. With reference to Minute No.6 of the Report of this Committee dated 4th November, 1948, advice has now been received that the sum allocated to this Council in respect of scavenging, snow clearance, general maintenance, surface dressing and lighting of signs for the ensuing year is £5,630 as against the estimated expenditure submitted of £7,171. The approved estimate for 1948/49 was £4,889.

In addition to the above, approval has also been given to the execution of the under-mentioned minor improvement works.

Colney Hatch Lane - Make good to carriageway foundations and re-surface with a bituminous carpet for a distance of 400 yards, commencing at a point 100 yards south of Pinkham Way junction and proceeding in a southerly direction ... ... £2,190.

(23)

Oakleigh Road South - Make good to carriageway foundations and re-surface with a bituminous carpet from a point 130 yards south of the boundary with East Barnet U.D.C. to a point 150 yards further south ... ... £1,140.

The proposed repairs in Friern Barnet Lane from The Ridgeway to Goldsmith Road were not approved, but it has been possible, by careful saving, to allocate some money from the 1948/49 approved estimates for this work.

The Committee recommend that the tender of Messrs. Worksworth Quarries Ltd. be accepted for carrying out the work necessary at the following rates.

Provide and lay ¾" - 1" bituminous granite carpet	3s.0d. per yard super.
Burn off existing surface adjoining channels to an average width of 3 feet.	3s.0d. per yard lineal.
Supply and lay bituminous concrete to foundations	£2 10s.0d. ton.
Adjust surface boxes	12s.6d. each.
Adjust manhole frames	£2 10s.0d. each.

7. STREET LIGHTING.

(a) Improved Street Lighting on Main Roads. With reference to Minute No.12 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd February, 1949, firm quotations were submitted for the work involved in carrying out the Council's proposals for the improved lighting of Friern Barnet Lane, Colney Hatch Lane, Oakleigh Road North and Oakleigh Road South.

The quotations are as follows:-

Eastern Electricity Board. Estimated fixed cost.

	£.	s.	d.
Disconnection of existing services and columns.	728	16.	10.
Supplying and fixing, sodium lamps service cables, temporary reimstatement, etc.	3939	5.	1.
	£ 4668	1.	11.

Concrete Utilities Ltd.

Supplying and erecting columns at £22 11s. 6d. each.

Special roots at 30s.0d. each.

Unused trial holes at 20s.0d. each.

Inserting cables in columns at 2s.0d. each.

In addition to the above Contracts, estimated to total £8,618 3s. 11d., which will be financed by way of loan, there will be additional expenditure amounting to approximately £600 for permanent reinstatement of trenches by the Council's Staff for which loan sanction cannot be obtained.

Sanction to loan in the sum of £8,800 has been received from the Ministry of Health. Planning approval and authorisation under Defence Regulation 56A are awaited.

The Committee recommend:-

(i) That subject to receipt of all necessary consents, the tenders of the Eastern Electricity Board and Concrete Utilities Ltd. be accepted, subject to completion of contract documents in accordance with standing orders.

(ii) That in due course the sum of £8,800 or such lesser sum as may be then required be borrowed from the Public Works Loan Board and that the Chairman of the Council and the Clerk be authorised to seal mortgage and any other documents, out of Meeting if necessary.

(b) Oakleigh Park South - Footpath leading to Railway Bridge. With reference to Minute No.13 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 6th January, 1949, advice has now been received from the East Barnet Urban District Council, that subject to the consent of the Railway Executive, they intend to instal two lamps, one on either side of the footbridge, and asking if in the circumstances this Council would be prepared to erect further lamps in their section of the footway.

The Committee recommend that subject to the East Barnet Urban District Council receiving the consent of the Railway Executive the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to make arrangements for the placing of a lamp midway between Oakleigh Park South and the footbridge at an estimated cost of £40 exclusive of reinstatement costs.

(c) Footpath between Friary Road and Valley Avenue. With reference to Minute No.12 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd February, 1949, a letter has been received from a resident in Friary Road thanking the Council for the provision of the lamp in this footpath.

8. PUBLIC CONVENIENCE - FRIERN BARNET ROAD - HOSPITAL SITE. A letter has been received from the Hospital Management Committee enquiring whether the Council propose to proceed with the erection of public conveniences on this site, as they desire to make good the break in the boundary wall.

The Committee recommend that the Hospital Management Committee be informed that the Council have decided to defer the scheme for the time being.

9. PRIVATE STREETS.

(a) Raleigh Drive. With reference to Minute No.15 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd February, 1949, all works in connection with the making up of this street have now been completed.

(b) Temple Avenue. With reference to Minute No.15 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd February, 1949, all of the artificial stone paving to the footways has now been laid, the verges regulated prior to surfacing, and work is in hand on the general re-shaping of the carriageway foundation.

10. ROAD SAFETY - ACCIDENT RETURNS. The accident returns for the month of January, 1949, were submitted showing that during this period two accidents occurred in which two persons sustained slight injuries.

11. SALVAGE.

(a) Salvage Circular No.139. The above-mentioned Circular was submitted pointing out the continued need for waste paper collections and requesting the Council to do all in its power to bring this important matter to the notice of the public, and an assurance is given that in doing so it will have the full collaboration of the Board of Trade.

(b) Bottles. A letter has been received from Mr. H.E. Crouch of 74, Welbeck Road, East Barnet, to the effect that in view of the poor market now existing for bottles, as from 1st March, 1949, he will be able to pay only £1 10s.0d. per month for the privilege of collecting all salvaged bottles instead of his present figure of £3 10s.0d. per month.

The Committee recommend that the offer of Mr. Crouch of £1 10s.0d. per month be accepted.

(c) Special Paper Salvage at Refuse Disposal Tip. With reference to Minute No.14 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 4th November, 1948, the National Waste Paper Contest terminates on the 31st March, 1949, and in view of the fact that the value of the paper salvaged by this arrangement has diminished and does not meet the wages of the man employed, the Committee recommend that this man's services be no longer utilised on waste paper salvage at the tip face. His services will not be dispensed with as he will be given other employment.

(d) Returns. The returns for salvage for the month of February 1949 are as follows, shown in comparison with the same period in 1948:-

February 1949	-	37 tons 1 cwt.	- value £151 4s. 0d.
February 1948	-	32 tons	- value £111 14s. 0d.

12. LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL STORES DEPOT, PINKHAM WAY - TRADE REFUSE COLLECTION. With reference to Minute No.24 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated 18th November, 1948, information has been received that the proposed charge of £91 per annum is not acceptable to the County Council and no further collections have been required since the 5th February, 1949.

13. STATUTORY OPENINGS. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on statutory openings being carried out by and on behalf of statutory companies.

14. LIGHT ROAD ROLLER. The 2½ ton Wallis & Steevens Road Roller has now been delivered.

The old 2½ ton roller has been advertised for sale and quotations will be submitted to the next Meeting of the Committee.

15. BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND - FOOTPATH TO PRE-FABS. The Engineer and Surveyor has been instructed to submit a report to the next Meeting of the Committee, on the lighting of this footpath.

16. RATE ESTIMATES - REVISED ESTIMATE 1948/49 - ESTIMATE 1949/50. Copies of the rate estimates in so far as they concern this Committee have been circulated to all Members, and the Committee recommend that these estimates be approved for inclusion in the annual estimates which will be submitted to a special meeting of the Finance Committee to be held on Tuesday the 15th March, 1949.

The Committee consider that the allocation of expenditure as between Collection of House Refuse and Salvage does not disclose the true financial position regarding the latter service and they have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor and the Treasurer to endeavour to find a basis for the allocation to Salvage of part of the expenditure on wages etc. now wholly included in Refuse Collection.

The Committee have also instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to submit a full report to the next Meeting of the Committee, on the item of £3,650 (Haulage etc.) on page 10 of the Estimates (Code 47) House and Trade Refuse Collection.

17. BETHUNE CONTROLLED TIP - FIRE. It was reported that a small fire had been started at the tip face during the morning. The Fire Brigade had been called out and the fire had been extinguished.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 8.15 p.m. and terminated at 8.50 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Rating and Vauluation Committee

10th March, 1949.

PRESENT:

Cr. A.C.S.Meynell ... Chairman.

Crs. Henry, Matthews, Pickering, Miss Richards and Simmonds.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Mrs. McCarthy and Tarlton.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 10th February, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. NEW PROPERTIES - PERMANENT HOUSING SITE No.5 - COLNEY HATCH LANE. Having received a report from the Valuation Officer as to the new properties erected in the District, the Committee recommend assessments as follows:-

		Recommendation
(a)	13, 19, 53, 55, 66, 68, 70 and 72, George Crescent.	£30/22 each.
(b)	15, George Crescent.	£31/23.
(c)	17, George Crescent.	£34/25.
(d)	13 and 15, The Vale.	£30/22 each.

3. ALTERATIONS. Having received a report by the Valuation Officer as to alterations to the following properties, the Committee recommend amended assessments as indicated:-

		Recommendation
(a)	16, Loring Road. Addition of garage.	Increase from £59/47 to £65/52.
(b)	33, Raleigh Drive. Addition of garage.	Increase from £44/34 to £50/40.
(c)	1336, High Road. Store converted into shop.	Increase from £48/38 to £72/58.
(d)	1294, High Road. Addition of store.	Increase from £92/74 to £97/78.
(e)	65, Queens Avenue. Addition of garage.	Increase from £41/31 to £46/36.

4. PROPERTIES ASSESSED IN PARTS. The under-mentioned properties which are at present assessed in parts have now reverted to occupation by the respective owners, and the Committee recommend as follows:-

(a) 2, Balfour Grove. Original assessment of £32/24 be reinstated in lieu of existing assessments of £24/17 and £22/15.

(b) 35, Wilton Road. The original assessment of £51/41 be reinstated in lieu of existing assessments of £31/23 and £32/24.

5. 72, THE AVENUE. The Valuation Officer reported that the repairs to this property have now been completed and the Committee recommend that the original assessment of £48/38 be reinstated.

6. 56, SYDNEY ROAD. The Valuation Officer reported that a garage was built by the previous owner but there is no access to enable the structure to be used as a car garage.

The Committee recommend that the assessment be reduced from £49/39 to £47/37.

7. METROPOLITAN WATER BOARD. The Valuation Officer reported that the County Valuer has enquired whether the Council would be prepared to accept the provisionally agreed value of £236 in lieu of the existing value of £275.

The Committee recommend that the provisionally agreed value be accepted.

8. PROPOSAL LIST No.70. The Committee approved Proposal List No.70 and authorised the Valuation Officer to take the necessary action in connection therewith.

9. LICENSING (CONSOLIDATION) ACT 1910 - RAILWAY HOTEL, 43, FRIERN BARNET ROAD. A Statutory Notice was submitted for information indicating that an application for a transfer of the licence to sell any intoxicating liquor under a publican's licence for consumption either on or off the premises would be made on the 13th April, 1949.

10. INCORPORATED ASSOCIATION OF RATING AND VALUATION OFFICERS. An invitation was submitted from the Incorporated Association of Rating and Valuation Officers to appoint delegates to attend the 67th Annual Meeting and Conference to be held in London on the 1st and 2nd July, 1949.

The Committee recommend that the Valuation Officer and the Chairman of this Committee at that time be appointed the Council's delegates to attend the Conference.

11. RATE ESTIMATES - REVISED ESTIMATE 1948/49 - ESTIMATE 1949/50. Copies of the rate estimates in so far as they concern this Committee have been circulated to all Members and the Committee recommend that these estimates be approved for inclusion in the annual estimates which will be submitted to a special Meeting of the Finance Committee to be held on Tuesday the 15th March, 1949.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 6.35 p.m.

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Report and Recommendations of the Housing Committee

10th March, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. J.E.Pickering ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry,
Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin,
Mason, Matthews, Meynell,
Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds,
Sparks and Tarlton.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 10th February, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. HOUSING LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The Report of the Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee held on 19th February, 1949, a copy of which is attached, was submitted and approved.

3. HOUSING DEPARTMENT.

(a) Division of Duties. The Chairman reported that the Clerk had prepared and circulated to the Members of the Sub-Committee appointed to investigate the question of the re-organisation of this Department a report on the question of the division of duties, which the Members of the Sub-Committee had not had the opportunity of discussing.

The Committee recommend that Cr. Mrs. McCarthy be appointed to serve as a Member of the Sub-Committee in question, and that consideration of the division of duties be deferred until the Sub-Committee has had the opportunity fully to consider this matter.

(b) Staffing. The Clerk reported that as a matter of urgency Miss M. Bunting had been engaged as a part-time Shorthand-Typist in the Housing Department at a salary in accordance with the special scale for Shorthand-Typists proportionate to the hours of duty performed. The appointment is temporary and subject to a period of six months probation, and Miss Bunting commenced duties on Monday, the 7th March, 1949.

The Committee recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

(c) Office Accommodation. With reference to Minute No.8 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated 17th February, 1949, the Clerk reported that the Ministry of Fuel and Power had been notified of the necessity to accommodate the Housing Department in the Town Hall, and consequently the local Fuel Office would be required to vacate Rooms 18, 20 and 21 in the Town Hall as soon as possible. Their attention had also been drawn to the fact that it was proposed to vacate No.8, Halliwick Court Parade, at present under requisition, where sufficient accommodation exists to house the Fuel Office staff.

Owing to the fact that the Minister of Fuel and Power has no powers of requisitioning, it would not be possible to transfer the requisition.

The Clerk further reported that negotiations had taken place with the owner of No.8, Halliwick Court Parade, who was, upon the lifting of the requisition on these premises, prepared to offer the Council a tenancy at a rent of £180 per annum exclusive (re-imbursable by the Ministry) for a period of three years certain, with option to the Council to continue from year to year subject to one year's notice up to a maximum of seven years.

This information was duly conveyed to the Ministry of Fuel and Power who have intimated that the alternative accommodation appears to be suitable, subject to adaptation, the cost of which is estimated at £110, and having regard to the fact that the Ministry of Fuel and Power re-imbursed the Council the sum of £150 recently for the adaptation of their present office accommodation, they consider that such further expenditure should be borne by the Council.

The Committee have authorised the Clerk further to negotiate with the Ministry of Fuel and Power with a view to their bearing a proportion of the cost of the adaptation.

The Committee have further authorised the Clerk to proceed with the necessary arrangements for the lifting of the requisition on No.8, Halliwick Court Parade and entering into an agreement for the tenancy of the premises on behalf of the Ministry of Fuel and Power and to make such other arrangements as may be necessary in connection with the exchange of accommodation.

The Committee recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

The Chairman of the Committee here vacated the Chair owing to indisposition.

Cr. E. Draper ... Vice-Chairman In the Chair.

4. REQUISITIONED PROPERTY.

(a) 86, Chandos Avenue. With reference to Minute No.4 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated the 16th September, 1948, a letter dated the 14th February, 1949, was submitted from the owner of these premises requesting further consideration to the release of the property for reasons previously intimated, adding that since the matter was previously considered the position is even more urgent.

The Housing Estates Manager reported that in the interim period there has been no change in the circumstances so far as the occupation of the property is concerned, and the Committee recommend that for this reason and having regard to the housing situation generally the requisition on the property be not lifted at the present time.

(b) 146, Friern Park. A letter dated 7th March, 1949, was submitted from the owner of this property enquiring whether consideration could be given to the release thereof from requisition.

Having regard to all the circumstances the Committee recommend that the owner be informed that the Council are unable to accede to his request at the present time.

(c) Arrears of Contributions. The Treasurer submitted a report on the arrears of contributions in respect of requisitioned properties. The following matters arise out of the report:-

(i) Occupier No.549. The arrears are £1 3s. 4d., and the weekly contribution is £1 4s. 2d. The Committee have authorised the Treasurer to endeavour to make arrangements for the balance of the arrears to be cleared.

(ii) Occupier No.587. The arrears are £3 1s. 0d., and the weekly contribution is £1 0s. 4d. The occupier has not previously been in arrear and a further request for payment will be made. Failing settlement a further report will be submitted to the next Meeting.

(iii) Occupier No.610. The arrears are £3 10s. 9d. and the weekly contribution is £1 3s. 7d. There is evidence of difficult circumstances and the Committee have deferred consideration of this matter until their next Meeting when a further report thereon will be submitted.

(iv) Occupier No.543. The arrears are £4 7s. 3d., and the weekly contribution is £1 9s. 1d. There is no financial hardship and failing the tenant arranging to clear the arrears by Saturday next, the 12th March, 1949, a Notice terminating the licence will be issued.

(d) "Eversley", Oakleigh Park South - Conversion. With reference to Minute No.4 (h) of the Report of this Committee dated the 10th February, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he would be in a position to invite tenders for the conversion of this property into four flats by the end of the week.

(e) General Maintenance. The Housing Estates Manager submitted a report on general maintenance work carried out to requisitioned properties since the last Meeting.

5. HOUSING ESTATES.

(a) Arrears of Rent. The Treasurer submitted a report on the present position regarding arrears of rent, and the following arise out of this report:-

(i) Tenant No.47. The arrears are £3 4s. 7d., and the weekly rent is £1 4s. 11d. The tenant has been continually in arrear, but the position has deteriorated during the last three weeks. A promise has, however, been made to clear the amount outstanding by Saturday next, the 12th March, 1949. Failing settlement a Notice to quit will be served.

(ii) Tenant No.57. With reference to Minute No.5 (a)(iii) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th February, 1949, regular payments are being made off the arrears which are now £4 9s. 10d. The weekly rent is £1 5s. 11d.

(iii) Tenant No.83. The arrears are £2 3s. 6d., and the weekly rent is £1 1s. 9d. There is reason to believe that certain hardship exists and the Committee have deferred consideration of this matter until their next Meeting, when, should the arrears be not cleared, a further report will be submitted.

(iv) Tenant No.176. With reference to Minute No.5 (a)(iv) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th February, 1949, the arrears have increased to £7 4s. 8d., the weekly rent being £1 1s. 9d. The arrangement to pay 1s.0d. per week off the arrears has not been maintained. The Housing Welfare Officer will investigate this case and a further report thereon will be submitted to the next Meeting.

(v) Tenant No.363. With reference to Minute No.5 (a)(v) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th February, 1949, the arrears have increased to £5 13s. 11d. The weekly rent is £1 3s. 11d. The tenant has not maintained the payment of 5s.0d. per week as arranged.

The Committee recommend that a Notice to Quit be served.

(vi) Tenant No.373. The arrears are £3 9s. 0d., and the weekly rent is £1 1s. 9d. The tenant has been continually in arrear since April last but has promised to clear the arrears within the next fortnight.

The Committee recommend that failing settlement as arranged, a Notice to Quit be served.

(vii) Tenant No .1025. The arrears amount to £2 2s. 0d., and the weekly rent is £1 1s. 0d. The case has previously been reported to the Committee; there is no financial hardship and the Committee recommend that Notice to Quit be served.

(viii) Late Tenant No.321. With reference to Minute No.5 (a)(viii) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th February, 1949, the arrears have remained at £3 1s. 1d., the agreed instalment payment of 2s.6d. per week not having been maintained. The Treasurer has communicated with the late tenant requesting regular payment.

(b) Installation of Telephones. With reference to Minute No.5(c) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th February, 1949, the Housing Estates Manager reported that applications have been received from the tenants of the under-mentioned properties for permission to arrange for the installation of telephones:-

97, Alexandra Road.
323, Alexandra Road.
29, Russell Lane.

The Committee recommend that the applications be granted.

(c) General Maintenance. The Report of the Housing Estates Manager on the general maintenance of housing estates was submitted for information.

(d) 19, Barfield Avenue - Installation of Electric Light. With reference to Minute No.4 (g) of the Report of this Committee dated 9th December, 1948, the Housing Estates Manager submitted quotations for the installation of electric lighting in these premises.

The Committee recommend that the quotation of the Eastern Electricity Board in the sum of £23 10s. 1d. be accepted.

In connection therewith the Treasurer submitted a report as to the repayment of this expenditure and the Committee further recommend that for the recovery of this amount the tenant be required to pay instalments at the rate of 3s.0d. per week.

(e) Installation of New Stoves and Hot Water Systems. With reference to Minute No.5 (f) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th February, 1949, the Housing Estates Manager reported that since the last Meeting a total of 12 new stoves and hot water systems have been installed making a total 100 new installations to date.

(f) War Damage Repairs and Decorations. With reference to Minute No.5 (g) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th February, 1949, to date 78 houses have received complete reinstatement of War Damage and interior decoration, and 76 properties complete reinstatement and partial interior decoration.

(g) No.4, East Road. It was reported that the Chairman of the Council had received a letter dated th 16th February, 1949, from the tenant of this property enquiring whether it would be possible to arrange for a partition to be constructed in the front bedroom so as to provide suitable sleeping accommodation for his son and daughter.

In connection therewith the Housing Estates Manager submitted a report.

The Committee recommend that the Housing Estates Manager be authorised to arrange for the construction of the partition, the estimated cost of which is £12.

(h) Installation of Wash Hand-basins. With reference to Minute No.21 (a)(i) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th February, 1949, the Housing Estates Manager submitted a report on the proposed programme for the installation of this equipment.

The Committee recommend that subject to the final approval to the sum for this work in the estimates of expenditure, the Housing Estates Manager be authorised to arrange for the installation of the 38 hand-basins at the same time as the renewal of the hot water systems is carried out, the basins being installed in those properties housing the largest families.

6. HOUSING SCHEMES.

(a) Housing Site No.3 - Alexandra Road.

(i) External Works. The Contractors are still engaged on this work. Progress has not been satisfactory owing to inadequate labour force on site.

(ii) Garden Works. Following the Council's decision to implement the recommendations of the Farringdon Report, works have now been carried out as follows:-

Laying of turf;

Planting of trees;

Purchase of shrubs, which are at present being brought on in the nursery.

The cost of this work is approximately £250 and the Committee recommend that the scheme be submitted to the Ministry of Health for approval, and that the Ministry be asked to indicate whether they would be prepared to issue sanction to loan when the final cost has been ascertained.

(b) Housing Site No.4 - Alexandra Road.

(i) Progress. The last six flats on this site were handed over for occupation on the 16th February, 1949.

(ii) Garden Works. Similar garden works are at present in progress on this site as have been carried out on Site No.3.

The estimated cost of the works is £400 and the Committee recommend that the scheme be submitted to the Ministry of Health for approval and that the Ministry be asked to indicate whether they would be prepared to issue sanction to loan when the final cost has been ascertained.

(c) Garden Maintenance - Sites 3 and 4. Owing to the fact that the garden works are now being carried out to these sites the Housing Estates Manager submitted a report on the question of maintenance which forms part of the duties of the resident caretaker.

The Committee recommend that the Housing Estates Manager be authorised to acquire the following equipment for this purpose:-

	Estimated Cost.
Motor mower	£50 0s. 0d.
Fork, spade, shears, birch broom and hose	£14 15s. 0d.
	£64 15s. 0d.

(d) Housing Site No.5 - Colney Hatch Lane.

(i) Progress. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on the progress being made on this site which may be summarised as follows:-

(A) Contract 5A/3 - 4 Houses. The last three houses under this Contract were handed over for occupation on the 10th and 14th February, 1949.

(B) Contract 5A/4 - 34 Houses. A further 4 houses have been handed over for occupation making a total of 8 houses completed, and 26 under construction, of which 24 are roofed.

(C) Contract 5A/5 - 16 Houses. No progress has been made in respect of this Contract and accordingly Notice of Default under Clause 19 was served on the Contractor on the 24th February, such Notice expiring on this day.

The Contractor will be interviewed by the Engineer and Surveyor on the 11th March, and the Committee recommend that this matter be referred to the General Purposes Committee for consideration at their next Meeting.

(D) Contract 5A/6 - 34 Houses. Progress on structural work is very good. 3 houses have been completed and 31 are under construction, of which 30 have been roofed.

(E) Contract 5A/7 - 10 Houses. Progress improved. 10 houses roofed.

(F) Contract 5B/4 - 24 Flats. Progress satisfactory. First floor almost complete. Work on second floor about to commence.

(G) Contract 5B/3 - 30 Flats. Progress has been slightly delayed through shortage of labour for constructural flooring. The necessary action has been taken to overcome this difficulty.

(ii) Housing Contracts - Contract 5A/4. With reference to Minute No.14 (c)(ii)(A) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th February, 1949, the Clerk reported that he had conveyed the Council's decision in this matter to the Contractor, and submitted further correspondence, as a result of which a meeting had been arranged for Monday, the 14th March, 1949.

The Committee have authorised the Clerk to report upon the position after the conference to the General Purposes Committee for consideration at their next Meeting.

(iii) Tenders for Further 60 Flats. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the tenders received for a further 60 flats were opened this day and that the priced bills of quantities on which the lower tenders were based have been called in.

The Committee have authorised the Engineer and Surveyor, subject to the priced bills of quantities proving satisfactory, to submit the tenders to the Ministry of Health for authority to accept the most favourable.

(iv) Further 10 Houses. With reference to Minute No.14 (c)(iv) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th February, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that negotiations were in progress with existing Contractors for the erection of these further dwellings.

The Committee have, as a matter of urgency, referred consideration of this matter to the General Purposes Committee at their next Meeting.

(v) Aged Persons Dwellings. With reference to Minute No.14 (c)(v) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th February, 1949, a letter dated 9th March, 1949, was submitted from the Ministry of Health stating that the house plans for these dwellings may be regarded as generally satisfactory subject to minor modification, and giving authority to invite tenders for their erection, but, having regard to the fact that the tender prices may be high, it was requested that the strictest economy be observed.

In this connection a further letter dated 9th March, 1949, was submitted from the Friern Barnet Women's Advisory Panel on Housing stating that certain outstanding matters as suggested by the Panel (referred to at the previous Meeting of this Committee) had been further discussed with the Engineer and Surveyor, and arising therefrom the Panel desired to press the suggestion that sunken baths be installed and that some simple communal laundry room should be provided in connection with this development.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to include sunken baths in the dwellings.

The Committee also recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor prepare a plan and estimate for the addition of a small communal laundry to the scheme for consideration by this Committee at its next Meeting.

The Committee further recommend that the Women's Advisory Panel be informed of the action being taken and that the question of providing a separate communal laundry for the other dwellings on this site will be the subject of further consideration upon a report by the appropriate officer.

(vi) Site Garden Works. As on Sites 3 and 4, arrangements are being made for site garden works to be carried out on this site in accordancewith the plans previously submitted.

The estimated cost of this work is £2,000.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to submit the scheme to the Ministry of Health for approval, and that the Ministry be asked to indicate whether they would be prepared to issue sanction to loan when the final cost has been ascertained.

(vii) Purchase of Refrigerators. With reference to Minute No. 8 of the Report of the Meeting of the Council held on 24th February, 1949, the Committee gave further consideration to the question of the pruchase of refrigerators.

Having regard to further information which the Committee had before them this matter has been deferred until the next Meeting, and the Treasurer has been instructed to submit a detailed financial report in this connection.

(viii) Painted Dados. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that following the report of the Welfare Officer a communication was sent to the Ministry of Health asking for the matter of painted dados in sitting rooms, halls and staircases in houses and living rooms and passages in flats to be reconsidered.

A letter has now been received from the Minister of Health stating that he is unable to agree to the proposal, and drawing attention to the Ministry of Works economy Memo Paint No.2.

The Committee feel that if such work was carried out at a slightly increased cost over that of distemper, it would be far more durable, resulting in an ultimate saving. Accordingly the Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to make further representations on these lines to the Ministry of Health.

7. HOUSING SUMMARY. The Ministry of Health Housing Summary for January 1949 was submitted for the information of the Committee.

8. DISTRICT HOUSING PROGRESS. The following is a summary of the position in the Urban District as at the 28th February, 1949:-

	Completed at 31.12.48.	Completed January 1949.	Completed February 1949.	Total	Families Accommodated at 28.2.49
War Damaged Rebuilt Houses	10	-	-	10	10
Post-War Houses	18	1	7	26	26
Post-War Flats	84	-	11	95	95
Temporary Bungalows	86	-	-	86	86
				217	217
Accommodated in Requisitioned Properties					183
					400
Applicants on Waiting List - January 1949					1726
Applicants on Waiting List - February 1949					1681

9. BUILDING LICENCES.

(a) Progress re Cost of Works Houses. In February 1949 no licences were issued, and of the licences previously issued no further properties were completed.

(b) Progress re Private Enterprise Houses. In February 1949 no licences were issued, and of the licences previously issued no further properties were completed.

10. "MALVERN LODGE", 58, TORRINGTON PARK. With reference to Minute No. 6 of the Report of this Committee dated 9th December, 1948, a letter dated 3rd March, 1949, was submitted from the Ministry of Health stating that it would appear from information available that this property is fully occupied and that the purchase by the Council would in no way assist the immediate housing position, It is therefore considered by the Ministry that any question of purchase should be deferred for the present.

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In connection therewith the Housing Estates Manager and the Sanitary Inspector submitted reports.

The Committee feel that the acquisition of the property by the Council is justified and therefore recommend that the Clerk be authorised to enter into negotiations with the owner for the purchase at a price not exceeding that recommended by the District Valuer.

The Committee also recommend that further representations be made to the Ministry of Health for loan sanction for the purpose of acquiring the property.

11. SMALL PLAYGROUNDS AT HALF-MILE INTERVALS. With reference to Minute No.4 of the Report of the Parks Committee held on the 1st March, 1949, the Committee have noted the standard of the "Five Million Club" (which is affiliated to the National Playing Fields Association) namely of small (half-acre) playgrounds at helf-mile intervals, and desire to express agreement with the standard prescribed and as far as practicable recommend that the standard be adopted in the planning of future housing schemes.

12. TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATION FOR PERSONS RENDERED HOMELESS BY EVICTION. With reference to Minute No.6 of the Report of this Committee dated 11th November, 1948, the Clerk reported that a special Sub-Committee appointed by a Conference of the Officers of County Districts had conferred with County Officers with a view to the preparation of a draft formula as to the duty of providing temporary accommodation for persons who are in urgent need thereof under Section 21 (1)(b) of the National Assistance Act, 1948, having regard to the difficulty in determining whether the question of rehousing in such cases is the duty of the Local Authority or the County Council. Although a further Conference has been arranged to receive the draft formula, it is suggested that the Council might consider it in its present form to avoid delay. Briefly it provides that it shall be the duty of the County Council to provide such temporary accommodation for:-

(a) persons evicted on court orders for non-payment of rent or for nuisance;

(b) evicted persons whose methods of keeping house are such that they are not regarded as suitable for rehousing, e.g. houses in dirty condition through the negligence of the tenant;

(c) evicted or other homeless persons other than those referred to in (a) and (b) above who are in urgent need of temporary accommodation and who cannot be housed by the Housing Authority owing to lack of housing accommodation.

The Committee recommend that the draft formula be approved subject to no variation being made therein at the further Meeting referred to above.

13. RATE ESTIMATES - REVISED ESTIMATE 1948/49 - ESTIMATE 1949/50. Copies of the rate estimates in so far as they concern this Committee have been circulated to all Members, and the Committee recommend that, subject to the inclusion of a sum for the acquisition of Malvern Lodge, Torrington Park, in the event of the Ministry of Health not being prepared to grant loan sanction, these estimates be approved for inclusion in the annual estimates which will be submitted to a Special Meeting of the Finance Committee to be held on Tuesday, the 15th March, 1949.

14. BUILDING CONTRACTORS - INTERIM PAYMENTS. The Committee have authorised and ordered Barclays Bank Limited to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed on page 54 of the Treasurer's Order, amounting to £12,955, being interim payments to building Contractors.

The accounts have been inspected and initialled by the Vice-Chairman.

E. L. Drew.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.45 p.m. and terminated at 9.40 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Housing Lettings Committee

19th February, 1949.

PRESENT:

Cr. J.E. Pickering ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meetings of this Committee held on 15th and 22nd January, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. SELECTION OF TENANTS. The Committee have selected the following applicants for the tenancy of 10 houses on Permanent Housing Site No.5 which are nearing completion:-

C.156; D.8; D.91; D.123; D.136; D.219; D.250; D.278; D.286; E.1.

Reserve; D.109.

3. APPLICATIONS FOR REDUCTION IN CONTRIBUTIONS. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Report of this Committee dated 22nd January, 1949, the Committee gave further consideration to applications from Occupiers Nos. 573 and 823 for reduction in the contributions payable.

The Committee recommend the contributions be reduced as from the 4th April, 1949, as follows:-

Occupier No.573 reduced from £1 7s.3d. to £1 0s.0d. per week.
Occupier No.823 reduced from £1 8s.3d. to £1 5s.0d. per week.

4. APPLICANT No.D.314. The Housing Officer submitted a report on the housing difficulties of this applicant. The Committee decided to defer consideration of this matter pending a visit and a report by the Housing Welfare Officer.

5. APPLICANT No.D.9. The Housing Welfare Officer submitted a report in connection with this case and the Committee have authorised that the applicant's furniture be removed and treated in transit and recommend that the cost incurred thereby be borne by the Council.

6. APPLICATION FOR A TRANSFER OF TENANCY - TENANT No.360. An application was submitted for the transfer of the tenancy of this property to the tenant's wife and it was resolved that the application be granted.

7. LODGERS. An application was submitted from Tenant No.376 for permission to accommodate a lodger and the Committee recommend that the application be refused.

8. APPLICANT No.D.268. A report concerning this Applicant was submitted and it was decided to refer the matter in question to the Public Health Committee for consideration.

9. MIDWIVES AND NURSES. A letter was submitted from the Area Medical Officer in connection with the housing difficulties of midwives and nurses working in the Urban District.

Further consideration will be given to this matter upon the receipt of more detailed information.

10. PREFABRICATED HOUSES. The Committee recommend that the existing tenants of prefabricated houses be approached with a view to ascertaining whether they would be prepared to transfer to other accommodation.

J.E. Pickering

Chairman.

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

No. 54

To BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED,
233, WOODHOUSE ROAD, FRIERN BARNET, N.12.

PURSUANT to a Resolution adopted this 10TH day of MARCH 1949
WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 54 to of this Order, amounting to the sum of TWELVE THOUSAND NINE HUNDRED AND FIFTY FIVE pounds ~~shillings and~~ ~~pence; also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster-General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of~~ pounds ~~and in any one week a maximum of~~ pounds signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

Chairman.

Members of the Council.

Countersigned :

Clerk of the Council.

S. & S. LTD. G61924

Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
2177	R.BORLAND & SON LTD.--	994 - -
2178	GRAHAM (BUILDERS & CONTRACTORS) LTD.--	5,091 - -
2179	HUBERT C.LEACH LTD.--	3,010 - -
2180	McMANUS & CO LTD.--	1,000 - -
2181	MYTON LTD.--	2,860 - -
		12,955 - -

Report and Recommendations of the Town Planning Committee

10th March, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. L.W. McClane ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Richardson, Simmonds and Sparks.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 15th February, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947.

(a) Tree Preservation Orders. Circular No.66 dated 31st January, 1949, was submitted from the Ministry of Town and Country Planning enclosing a memorandum on Tree Preservation Orders, including a model form of Order, and urging early action as to the making of Orders in respect of trees and woodlands preserved by operative schemes under the Town and Country Planning Act, or by interim Preservation Orders made under the Town and Country Planning (Interim Development) Act, 1943, having regard to the fact that in due course the relevant operative schemes (the Friern Barnet Planning Scheme No.1) will be determined.

The Committee recommend that the question of making any such Orders be deferred, and in consultation with the County Council a survey be made of the trees within the District which it is considered should be preserved, in the light of which the matter be further considered with a view to Orders being made collectively.

(b) Enforcement Notices. A letter dated 18th February, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council enclosing copies of draft Enforcement Notices which have been prepared in consultation with the Special Planning Sub-Committee of the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association, who recommend their adoption throughout the County.

The Committee recommend that the draft Notices be approved and the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to make arrangements for producing supplies of the forms.

(c) Delegation of Planning Functions Scheme 1948 - Sections 75, 76 and 77. Questions have arisen as to whether the County Delegation of Planning Functions Scheme 1948 effectively delegates to County District Councils the power to act under Sections 75, 76 and 77 of the Act relating to existing development contravening previous planning control; existing development authorised subject to conditions; general provisions as to development authorised under Interim Development Orders after 21st July, 1943. In consultation with the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association, the County Council has agreed to enter into a supplemental agreement in order to remove any doubts which may exist, delegating, so far as such delegation has not been effected under the principal agreement, as from the 1st July, 1948, its functions under the Sections in question and ratifying any action taken since the 1st July, 1948, as agent of the County Council in exercise of those functions.

Opportunity has been taken at the same time to vary the terms of the principal agreement as a result of the alteration of the dates of Local Government Elections and Annual Meetings of Local Authorities by reason of the Representation of the People Act, 1948.

Under the principal agreement every County District Council was required to notify the Clerk of the County Council of the names and addresses of the persons appointed to membership of the Area Planning Committee not later than the 1st day of March, 1948, and the 20th April in each subsequent year. The supplemental agreement now provides that:-

(i) Every District Council shall appoint its members to the appropriate Area Planning Committee at its Annual Meeting in each year, and the names and addresses of the persons so appointed shall be notified forthwith to the Clerk of the County Council.

(ii) The representatives of the County Council under this Article shall be appointed at the Annual Meeting of the Council in each year or, if and so long as its standing orders shall provide, at the first Meeting of its appropriate Committee thereafter.

The Committee recommend that the Supplemental Agreement as now submitted be approved.

(d) General Development (Amendment) Order, 1949. A letter dated the 2nd March, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that, having regard to the fact that this Order provides that every entry in the register consisting of particulars of an application shall be made within 14 days of the receipt of such application, it will be necessary to amend the procedure in connection with applications by Local Planning Authorities, Local Authorities and Statutory Undertakers to conform to this provision.

The procedure for complying with this requirement is outlined.

(e) Enforcement of Planning Control - Section 23 (1). A letter dated the 24th February, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that the Minister of Town and Country Planning has given notification that he is examining the possibilities of amending this Section in such a way as to dispense with the present unsatisfactory limitation of four years within which a temporary or conditional permission can be enforced. In the meantime, the Minister is advising Local Planning Authorities to proceed on the assumption that an amendment will be made as soon as possible.

In these circumstances the County Planning Committee at its meeting held on the 11th February made a General Direction (No.7) which rescinds General Direction (No.1) made on the 16th September, 1948, which was as follows:-

General Direction No.1.

That where it is proposed to limit the period for which planning permission is granted such permission shall not be granted for a period exceeding three years and where it is proposed to impose conditions upon the granting of planning permission which are of a continuing nature indefinity as to time, e.g. relating to the limitation of user or the conveyance of land for future widening, such permission shall not be granted for a period exceeding three years unless the permission requires the conditions to be complied with within three years of the granting of planning permission.

(f) Breaks Between Buildings. A letter dated the 24th February, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that at a Meeting of the County Planning Committee on the 11th February, 1949, a report by the County Planning Officer

in this connection was considered referring to applications which have recently been received for the erection of garages which have recently been received for the erection of garages adjoining existing houses, either in pairs or in terraces, which would completely fill the space between the house and the boundary fence, and recommending some restriction of the filling up of frontages for the following reasons:-

(i) In the case of residential roads completely developed with semi-detached or terrace type houses, if no restriction is imposed the result may be a complete string of building along the road as the gaps are gradually filled in. It is thought this would present a most unsightly appearance and while a more pleasing effect might have been achieved if the houses and garages were designed as an architectural whole in the first instance, the fact remains that the houses are already there, and each individual garage will be separately designed and bear no relationship to the harmony of the whole.

(ii) Removal of refuse also presents difficulties unless the householders can be persuaded to leave their refuse bins in front of the house on the day of collection.

The County Planning Committee accepted the following suggestions as broad principles and Local Authorities and their Planning Committees are advised to have regard thereto when considering applications for planning permission to which those broad principles are applicable.

(A) That development by garages completely filling up the frontage between houses and boundary fences should be generally discouraged and that applicants should normally be required to set back to provide a break of at least 3 feet between buildings.

(B) Where however:-

(1) the plot is not wide enough for both a garage and break between buildings, and

(2) the garden is less then 50' in length from the back of the house, and

(3) there is no back access,

it may be considered that the requirement that a 3 ft. break must be provided should be relaxed and the development at the side of the house allowed without a break. Otherwise undue hardship will be experienced by placing the garage within the comparatively small plot of back garden enjoyed by the occupant.

(g) Administration Expenses and Transfer of Officers. With reference to Minute No.6 of the Report of this Committee dated 16th September, 1948, when it was reported that the drafting Sub-Committee of the Middlesex Borough and District Councils Association Executive Committee had considered the question of financial re-imbursement of Councils' expenses as agents for the County Council, and suggested that the most satisfactory solution would be for the transferred Officers to be re-transferred to the Local Authorities, and for each Authority to pay its own administration expenses, having regard to the concern of Local Authorities at the loss of control over staff. The Council agreed to this suggestion.

A further letter dated the 18th February, 1949, on this subject was submitted stating that in order to give effect to these proposals it will be necessary for a supplemental agreement to be entered into to amend the provisions of the Delegation of Planning Functions Scheme 1948 and a draft is in course of preparation for consideration by the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association.

It is however suggested that county district councils will no doubt wish to make the necessary provision in their estimates.

(h) Conditional Permission Requiring the Submission of Details of Elevations etc. for Approval. A letter dated the 1st March, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that this position has been considered and in order to secure uniformity in this matter and to ensure that no misunderstanding arises as to the Authority by whom details of elevations, construction of crossing over the footpath, etc. are to be approved, the County Planning Officer will use the following expressions in reports to Area Planning Committees and in drafting of resolutions adopted:-

(i) Where such details are to be approved or disapproved by the Local Authority without further reference to the County Council - "... to the approval of the Town (Urban District) Council..."

(ii) Where the details are to be approved only by the County Council - "...to the approval of the County Council..."

(iii) Where the details are to be approved by the Local Authority and the County Council - "...to the approval of the Local Planning Authority..."

Where the expression at (ii) above is used, applicants should be instructed to forward the details direct to the County Planning Officer and where the expression at (iii) is used it is requested that the details submitted by the applicant shall be forwarded to the County Planning Officer by the Local Authority with their views thereon.

(i) Buildings Constructed of Short-lived Materials. A letter dated the 1st March, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council referring to the Bulletin of Selected Appeal Decisions No.1 issued by the Ministry of Town and Country Planning and stating that in view of a decision relating to a workshop constructed of short-lived materials it appears that the reason given for limiting the period for which permission is granted in respect of temporary buildings should refer not only to the nature of the buildings, but also to its effect on planning requirements.

It is further suggested that the following reason suitably amended in appropriate cases should be used.

"The building is of temporary construction and should not remain permanently as it is detrimental to the amenities of the neighbourhood."

(j) Temporary Planning Permission - Section 14 (2). A letter dated the 1st March, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council on this subject stating that consideration has been given to paragraph (b) of Sub-Section (2) of Section 14 of the Act requiring the removal of any buildings or works authorised by such permission, or the dis-continuance of any use of land so authorised at the expiration of a specified period, and the guarantee of any works required for the re-instatement of the land at the expiration of that period.

It appears that the powers contained therein should be adopted when granting planning permissions for a limited period only. The County Planning Officer will adopt this procedure in future and it would appear desirable that a similar procedure should be adopted in respect of "non-excepted" cases.

3. THE COUNCIL FOR THE PRESERVATION OF RURAL ENGLAND - POSTERS AND THE PLANNING ACT. A letter dated the 31st January, 1949, was submitted from the Council for the Preservation of Rural England enclosing a copy of a new publication entitled "Posters and the Planning Act" which, inter alia, gives examples of posters, display hoardings and advertisements of good and bad design in relation to planning.

The publication will be placed in the Members Room.

4. NEW SOUTHGATE AND FRIERN BARNET CHAMBER OF COMMERCE. A communication was submitted from this Organisation stating that the members are very concerned at the shop property in the Friern Barnet Urban District being permitted to be used for other than trading purposes and it is feared that if allowed to develop the trading amenities of the area will suffer considerably in consequence. It was further stated that the Chamber would welcome an opportunity to meet a member of the staff with a view to such matter being more fully explained and for this purpose a meeting has been arranged for Monday the 28th March, 1949. The Council's co-operation in this direction would be appreciated.

The Chairman of the Council intimated that this matter is receiving his attention and in the circumstances the Committee does not consider it necessary for an Officer of the Council to attend the meeting.

The Committee recommend that the Chamber of Commerce be informed accordingly.

5. SMALL PLAYGROUNDS AT HALF-MILE INTERVALS. With reference to Minute No.4 of the Report of the Parks Committee held on 1st March, 1949, the Committee have noted the standard of the "Five Million Club" (which is affiliated to the National Playing Fields Association) namely of small (half-acre) playgrounds at half-mile intervals and this standard will be borne in mind in connection with future planning of the District.

6. DECISION OF AREA PLANNING COMMITTEE.

Plan No.FB.62 - 272, Colney Hatch Lane. Use of laundry buildings for light industrial purposes - Messrs. British Engraving and Nameplate Manufacturing Company Ltd.

With reference to Minute No.4 (d) of the Report of this Committee dated 15th February, 1949, a letter dated the 19th February, 1949, has been received from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council stating that the County Planning Committee at its Meeting held on the 11th February, 1949, agreed to an additional condition limiting the use of the hours of working being imposed as follows:-

"That the work from which noise is likely to result be carried out on the premises and land between the hours of 8.0 a.m. and 8.0 p.m. on Mondays to Saturdays, and that no work be undertaken on Sundays."

7. PLANS. The Committee have considered the following applications for permission to the under-mentioned development and for approval to plans under the Public Health Act 1936 and Building Byelaws and other statutory enactments and in accordance with their delegated powers have taken the action noted against each application.

Where planning permission has been granted or refused action has been taken as agents for the Middlesex County Council under the Delegation Agreement.

Where plans have been "excepted" by the Area Planning Officer, the Committee's recommendations will be forwarded to him.

Where conditions have been imposed these are recorded against each application:-

(a) Plan No.3904/FB.89 - 30, Bawtry Road, N.20. Brick garage at rear - Mr. E.King.

Planning - Permission granted.

Byelaws - Approved.

(b) Plan No.3905/FB.90 - 28, Ferncroft Avenue. Brick garage at rear - Mr. R.O. Wells.

Planning - Permission granted.

Byelaws - Approved.

(c) Plan No.3906/FB.91 - "Walfield Close", No.1508, High Road, No.20. Brick garage - Mr. K. Towersey.

Planning - Permission granted.

Byelaws - Approved.

(d) Plan No.3907/FB.92 - 51, Ravensdale Avenue, N.12. Breeze block garage at rear - Mr. Williams.

Planning - Permission granted.

Byelaws - Approved.

(e) Plan No.FB.93 - Factory premises Roman Road, N.10. Alterations and additions to upper storey over office block - Messrs. Drugs Ltd.

Planning - The Board of Trade have granted a Certificate under Section 14 (4) of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947, to the effect that the development in question can be carried out consistently with the proper distribution of industry.

Permission granted.

Byelaws - Plans previously approved.

(f) Plan No.3908/FB.94 - Oakleigh Park South, N.20. (opposite Beech Avenue). 4 detached houses and 4 detached garages - Messrs. Harwood Nash and Co.

Planning - Permission granted.

Byelaws - Approved (the application is subject to a combined drainage order under Section 38 of the Public Health Act, 1936).

In connection with this development, the Committee have authorised the service of a Notice under Section 262 of the Public Health Act, 1936, on the owners, requiring them before any building operations are commenced partially to pipe the ditch within the curtilage of the property to the satisfaction of the Engineer and Surveyor.

(g) Plan No.3909/FB.95.- East side of Oakleigh Park South, N.20. Detached house and detached garage - Mr. J.H. Brook.

Planning - Permission granted.

Byelaws - Approved.

(h) Plan No.3910/FB.96 - 1486, High Road, N.20. Detached garage at rear - Mr. J. Fell.

Planning - Permission granted subject to the garage being used to house non-commercial vehicles only and not for the purpose of any trade, business or industry.

Byelaws - Approved.

Consent has also been granted to this development pursuant to the provisions of the Public Health (Buildings in Streets) Act, 1888.

(i) Plan No.3911/FB.97 - 24, Langton Avenue, N.20. Detached garage - Mr. W.F. Pitchard.

Planning - Permission granted subject to the garage being used to house a non-commercial vehicle only and not for the purpose of any trade, business or industry.

Byelaws - Approved.

Consent has also been granted to this development pursuant to the provisions of the Public Health (Buildings in Streets) Act, 1888.

(j) Plan No.3912/FB.98 - 44, Chandos Avenue, N.20. Asbestos garage at rear - Mr. A.E. Jepson.

Planning - Permission granted subject to:-

(i) the building being painted or otherwise treated immediately on erection and maintained to the satisfaction of the Engineer and Surveyor to the Friern Barnet Urban District Council.

(ii) the garage being used to house a non-commercial vehicle only and not for the purpose of any trade, business or industry.

Byelaws - Approved subject to a temporary licence pursuant to the provisions of Section 53 of the Public Health Act 1936, for a period expiring on the 31st December, 1953.

(k) Plan No.FB.99 - Land at the junction of Buckingham Avenue and Temple Avenue. Layout for the erection of two pairs of semi-detached houses and block of 3 houses - Messrs. F. & H. Joyce Ltd.

Planning - Permission granted subject to the following conditions:-

(i) That detailed plans be submitted to and approved by the Friern Barnet Urban District Council before any work is commenced, and that the development be carried out in accordance with the plans so approved.

(ii) That provision be made, to the satisfaction of the Engineer and Surveyor of the Friern Barnet Urban District Council, for the drainage of the proposed development into the existing public soil and surface water sewers adjacent to the site.

Byelaws - Plans not deposited for consideration.

(1) Plan No.3913/FB.100 - 40, Hatley Close, N.11. Additions at rear - Mr. A.C. Willmott.

Planning - Permission granted.

Byelaws - Approved.

8. PUBLIC HEALTH (BUILDINGSIN STREETS) ACT 1888 - UNAUTHORISED BUILDING - 2, CHURCH CRESCENT. With reference to Minute No.8 of the Report of this Committee dated 15th February, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he has now received from the owner's solicitors as requested an undertaking by the owner to remove the unauthorised building within three months.

9. RATE ESTIMATES - REVISED ESTIMATE 1948/49 - ESTIMATE 1949/50. Copies of the rate estimates in so far as they concern this Committee have been circulated to all Members and the Committee recommend that these estimates be approved for inclusion in the annual estimates which will be submitted to a special Meeting of the Finance Committee to be held on Tuesday, the 15th March, 1949.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 9.40 p.m. and terminated at 9.55 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Establishment Committee

15th March, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards and Richardson.

Also in attendance:

Crs. McClane, Martin, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 15th February, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. MOTOR CAR ALLOWANCES.

(a) Renewal of Car Allowances. With reference to Minute No.2(a)(i) of the Establishment Committee held on 15th February, 1949, the Committee further considered the recommendation of the National Joint Council that the payment of car allowances to officers using their private cars for business purposes in accordance with the Addendum of the recommendations operative from the 1st January, 1948, should cease on the 31st March, 1949, and that allowances payable on and from the 1st April, 1949, should be in accordance with Appendix "B" of the recommendations.

Appendix "B" provides for mileage allowances dependent upon the horse power of the car which the Council consider appropriate for the particular duties carried out by the officer, the mileage allowance decreasing after the first 3,600 miles, and further decreasing after first 7,200 miles. Provision is also made for a minimum annual payment where the Council resolve, by reason of the fact that it is considered to be essential in the interests of the official conduct of the business of the Authority that the officer shall be permitted to use his private car in carrying out his official duties.

Officers are required to maintain an official record of their journeys, and must have included and maintained in their policy of insurance a clause indemnifying the Council against third party claims arising out of the use of the car on official business.

The officers to whom car allowances have in the past been payable are:-

Clerk of the Council
Engineer and Surveyor
Senior Sanitary Inspector
Housing Estates Manager
Deputy Engineer and Surveyor
Assistant Architect
Building Inspector
Housing Officer
Housing Foreman
Highways Foreman

and the Committee consider that car allowances should continue to be paid to these officers.

The Committee appreciate that the motor cars which some of these officers are now running may not strictly be regarded as of appropriate horse power to their particular duties, but having regard to the difficulties of obtaining suitable cars at the present time, the Committee consider that the allowances should be based on the horse power of the cars which they run,

and that in the cases of the above officers the use should be regarded as essential and that the guaranteed minimum payments should therefore apply.

The Committee accordingly recommend that as from the 1st April, 1949, car allowances should be paid to the above officers in accordance with Appendix "B" of the recommendations of the National Joint Council and the view above expressed for a period of six months, and that the matter should than be further considered.

(b) Senior Clerk of Works. The present car allowance payable to the Senior Clerk of Works is at a fixed rate of £60 per annum, and has been authorised to the 31st July, 1949.

The Committee recommend that the allowance at this rate be continued up to and including the 30th September, 1949.

(c) Application by Mr. R.E. Mills, Engineering Assistant, for Car Allowance. An application has been received from Mr. R.E.Mills asking whether consideration could be given to the payment of a mileage allowance in respect of the use of his car for official duties on the basis of a "casual user".

The use of a car by Mr. Mills greatly facilitates the work of the Engineer and Surveyor's Department, especially where the transportation of surveying equipment is concerned, as otherwise a lorry, or the light van, has to be used for this purpose. It is estimated that Mr. Mills would use his car to the extent of 1,200 miles per annum on official duties, and the total annual amount to be reimbursed at 5½d. per mile would thus be approximately £27 10s. 0d.

The Committee recommend that Mr. Mills be granted a car allowance under the National Council's recommendations for travel on official business at the rate of 5½d. per mile for the period 1st April to 30th September, 1949, the guaranteed minimum payment not to apply.

(d) Ministry of Transport Grant. The Ministry of Transport have indicated in Circular No.388 dated 17th February, 1949, that they will approve for grant purposes from the Road Fund travelling expenses of highway surveyors whose salaries have been approved for a contribution under Section 17 of the Ministry of Transport Act, 1919, subject to the allowances payable being in accordance with those prescribed by the National Joint Council and to the grant being based on the proportion of the allowances which the Ministry regard as being applicable to their duties as road surveyors. Railway and other fares incurred in connection with the duties of the road surveyor will also be accepted for grant, but no contribution will be made in respect of subsistence expenses.

3. PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT - SALARY OF CHIEF SANITARY INSPECTOR. With reference to Minute No.10 (a)(ii) of the Report of this Committee dated 18th January, 1949, a letter dated the 21st February, 1949, has been received from the Ministry of Health stating that the increase in the salary of the Chief Sanitary Inspector to Grade A.P.T. VI of the National Joint Council's Scale of Salaries is approved for grant purposes as from the 1st April, 1949.

4. ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPARTMENT - TEMPORARY ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT. With reference to Minute No.4 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 21st December, 1948, reports were received from the Engineer and Surveyor, and the Assistant Architect, and having regard to all the circumstances the Committee recommend that Mr. Gidlow's first increment become payable on the 1st April, 1950, as prescribed by the Scheme of Conditions of Service.

5. TREASURER'S DEPARTMENT - JUNIOR ACCOUNTANCY ASSISTANT. Mr. P. Marshall, Junior Accountancy Assistant, Income Section, has been absent from work due to an injury sustained to his right thumb as a result of an accident in operating the addressograph machine on the 22nd February, 1949. Mr. Marshall is making satisfactory progress, and returns to work on Wednesday the 16th March, 1949.

6. CLERK'S DEPARTMENT - SENIOR SECRETARY SHORTHAND-TYPIST. Mrs.M.King, Senior Secretary Shorthand-typist, has been absent from work due to illness from the 25th February to the 12th March, 1949.

7. HOUSING DEPARTMENT - HOUSING OFFICER. Mr. T.E. Lloyd, Housing Officer, has been absent from work due to illness since the 28th February, 1949. It is understood that Mr. Lloyd is now making satisfactory progress.

8. PUBLIC HEALTH DEPARTMENT - ADDITIONAL SANITARY INSPECTOR. Mr. J.J. Wisdom, Additional Sanitary Inspector, has been absent from work due to illness since 3rd March, 1949.

9. LOCAL GOVERNMENT SUPERANNUATION ACT, 1937 - FRANCIS BOOTE. Mr. Boote, a former employee of the Council, who retired on superannuation on the 21st January, 1948, died on the 22nd February, 1949.

In view of the short period during which an allowance has been paid to this former contributor, the Middlesex Local Authorities' Superannuation Joint Committee were approached with a view to ascertaining whether there was any refund of contributions in this case.

Information has now been received that a sum of £182 2s. 9d. is to be refunded on production of Probate of Letters of Administration, and a sum of £7 4s. 4d. is repayable to the Council.

10. MANUAL WORKERS - SICKNESS, ACCIDENTS, RESIGNATIONS AND ENGAGEMENTS. The Engineer and Surveyor, and the Housing Estates Manager, submitted details of sickness, accidents, resignations and engagements with regard to manual workers since the date of the last Meeting, and arising therefrom the Committee recommend that continued sick pay amounting to £2 10s. 3d. per week to make up the Industrial Injuries benefit of £3 1s. 0d. to his normal wage of £5 11s. 3d. per week, be made to Mr. T. Brain, who has been in Hospital since the 14th December, 1948, as the result of injuries sustained in an accident involving one of the refuse collection vehicles, and that if necessary further consideration be given to this matter at the June meeting of this Committee.

11. MR. J.J. ISTED, ASSISTANT CLERK OF WORKS, HOUSING SITE No.5. An application has been received from Mr. J.J. Isted for the redesignation of his post to Clerk of Works.

The Committee recommend that Mr. J.J. Isted be redesignated Clerk of Works, and that the present Clerk of Works be redesignated Senior Clerk of Works.

12. REMOVAL EXPENSES.

(a) Mr. E.D. Tulett - Engineering Assistant. An application was received from Mr. E.D. Tulett, for consideration to the question of reimbursing his removal expenses from Crayford to Friern Barnet, and the Committee recommend that the application for payment by the Council of his expenses amounting to £8 10s. 0d. be granted.

(b) Mr. E.H. Sandey - Housing Estates Manager. An application was received from Mr. E.H. Sandey, for consideration to the question of reimbursing his removal expenses from Winchester to Friern Barnet, and the Committee recommend that the application for payment by the Council of his expenses amounting of £13 10s. 0d. be granted.

13. SALVAGE - PAPER SALVAGE BONUS. With reference to Minute No.5 of the Report of this Committee dated the 21st December, 1948, the Committee recommend that the salvage bonus payment to Refuse Collectors, Freighter Drivers and Refuse Tip Workers, be continued to the 30th September, 1949.

14. FEMALE STAFF REST ROOM. With reference to Minute No.2 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 21st December, 1948, considerable difficulty has been experienced with regard to matching the present furniture in the Lady Members' Room, and the Committee accordingly recommend that a folding type camp bed of a substantial make, together with mattress, pillows and blankets, be obtained for use in an emergency.

15. HOUSING DEPARTMENT - STAFF. It was reported that as a matter of urgency Miss M. Bunting has been engaged as a part-time Shorthand-Typist in the Housing Department, at a salary in accordance with the Special Scale for Shorthand-Typists, proportionate to the hours of duty performed. The appointment is temporary and subject to a period of six months probation. Miss Bunting commenced duties on Monday the 7th March, 1949.

The Committee recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 7.05 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of a Special Meeting of the Finance Committee

15th March, 1949.

PRESENT:

Cr. R.P. Matthews ... Chairman.

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Meynell, Pickering, Richardson, Simmonds, Sparks and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Draper and Miss Richards.

1. MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL PRECEPT. The Middlesex County Council Precept for the year 1949/50 for General County purposes and special County purposes is equivalent to a rate of 10s. 4·5d., being a reduction of 1s. 2·9d. on the current year's precept.

2. METROPOLITAN POLICE PRECEPT. The Metropolitan Police Precept for the year 1949/50 is at the rate of 1s.9d. in the £, locally by reason of the surplus in hand from previous years this is an increase of 3·923d. on the precept for the current year.

3. NORTH MIDDLESEX ASSESSMENT COMMITTEE. The North Middlesex Assessment Committee precept for the year 1949/50 shows a slight increase of £3 to £198.

4. CAPITATION GRANT. The Capitation Grant which is receivable from the County Council at the rate of 14s. 10·9d. per head of the District's population for the year 1949/50 is £21,309 - a reduction of £433 on the current year.

5. ELECTRICITY AND TRANSPORT CONTRIBUTIONS. The amount which the Council will receive under Part V of the Local Government Act, 1948, in respect of Transport and Electricity hereditaments for the year 1949/50 is £3,713, showing a reduction of £305 on the grant for 1948/49.

6. ANNUAL ESTIMATES. The Committee had before them detailed annual estimates showing the estimated and anticipated actual income and expenditure for the year 1948/49, and the estimates of income and expenditure for the year 1949/50, copies of which have been supplied to all Members of the Council, and they recommend that the estimates be approved subject to the following amendments:-

	Reduction.
	£.
Page 15 - Code No.147. Reduction of the amount of special works by £160, making the revised estimate for this item £200.	160.
Page 16 - Code No.170. The deletion of this item from the Estimates. (£100)	100.
Page 17 - Code No.182. The deletion of this item from the Estimates. (£100)	100.
Page 17 - Code No.183. The deletion of this item from the Estimates. (£1,000)	1,000.
Page 23 - Code No.307. The reduction of this amount by half leaving £200 for the purposes of the Road Safety Campaign.	200.
C/F	£1,560.

		Reduction.
		£.
	B/F	1,560.
Page 24 -	Code No.324. The reduction of this income by one half (£100) consequent upon the reduction of Code No.307.	100.
		1,460.
Page 7 -	Reduction of working balance from £3,152 to £2,322.	830.
	Net Reduction	£2,290.

7. GENERAL RATE. The Committee recommend that a General Rate of 17s.0d. in the £ be made for the year commencing the 1st April, 1949, and ending 31st March, 1950, payable in two equal half-yearly instalments on the 1st April and 1st October, 1949, respectively.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.05 p.m. and terminated at 7.50 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Entertainments Committee

15th March, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Matthews, Simmonds and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin and Miss Richards.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 15th February, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. FRIERN BARNET COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION. With reference to Minute No.2 (e) and (f) of the Report of the Entertainments Sub-Committee dated 21st December, 1948, when the Association were invited to organise such functions as Orchestral, Classical and Vocal Concerts and exhibitions of Photography, Films and Pictures, subject to the Council providing them with the necessary facilities, Members will have already received a copy of a letter dated 25th February, 1949, together with News Letter No.1 issued by the Association either direct from the Association or through the Clerk, which outlines the proposals in connection with the provision of various types of entertainment which were to be considered by the Executive Committee of the Association on Wednesday, the 2nd March, 1949. It will be recalled that in the communication it was stated that doubtless there were other activities which the Council had in mind and suggesting a Joint Meeting for thorough discussion on this subject. An invitation was, therefore, extended to the Members of the Council to attend the Meeting previously referred to or in the event of Members of the Council finding it inconvenient owing to the short notice, information as to a convenient date for such a Meeting was requested.

The Association have now appointed a Sub-Committee, consisting of Mrs. Clark, Mr. G.C. Austin, Mr. A.B. Harnden, Mr. C.D. Harris and Mr. D.C. Wright to meet representatives of the Council, and the Committee recommend the Sub-Committee of the Association be invited to attend the next Meeting of the Entertainments Committee in order to discuss the various types of entertainment which can be organised by the Association with the active backing of the Council.

3. THEATRICAL REPERTORY SEASON. With reference to Minute No.4 of the Report of this Committee dated 15th February, 1949, the Committee gave further consideration to the above matter which was referred back from the last Meeting of the Council, and recommend that it be placed on the agenda of the next Meeting of this Committee for further consideration after the Committee have met the representatives of the Community Association.

4. NATIONAL BRAINS TRUST. With reference to Minute No.5 of the Report of this Committee dated 15th February, 1949, the Committee gave further consideration to the organisation of a National Brains Trust and recommend that no further action be taken with regard to this proposal.

5. BABY SHOW. Suggestions were put forward with regard to a proposal to hold Baby Shows at Halliwick and Bethune Recreation Grounds with a view to the winners in these shows becoming entrants in a final show to be held in Friary Park.

The Summer Show Committee have already given consideration to the question of holding a Baby Show in conjunction with the Summer Show, and the Chairman of the Summer Show Committee undertook to place this suggestion before his Committee at their next Meeting.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.50 p.m. and terminated at 8.10 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Finance Committee

17th March, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. R.P. Matthews ... Chairman.

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Meynell, Simmonds, Sparks and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Cr. Draper.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 17th February, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. TREASURER'S ORDERS. With reference to Minute No.3 of the Report of this Committee dated 21st October, 1948, when it was reported that notification had been received that the Clearing House Banks had decided to withdraw the facilities for the present "Orders on Treasurer" method of making payment for Local Authorities, the Clerk reported that representations urging the Banks to continue such a system were lodged by the Association of Municipal Corporations, the Urban District and Rural District Councils' Associations, but the London Clearing Banks have indicated inability to vary their decision in this matter, reminding Authorities that whilst they will be prepared to afford every assistance, under no circumstances are they prepared to re-open this particular matter. The London Clearing Banks thus suggest that consideration might be given to the traders credit system.

As a result of this intimation various enquiries have been addressed to the Minister of Health and he has issued Circular No. 10/49 in which it is stated that the facilities offered by the Bank afforded a useful safeguard against unauthorised drawing upon the account of the Local Authority. Advice on the alternative safeguards which are necessary following the withdrawal of this facility cannot, in the widely varying circumstances of different Local Authorities, go beyond general principles. The technical questions involved are complex and, beyond urging Local Authorities to give serious consideration to affording reasonable safeguards, the Minister does not attempt to prescribe ways and means as to how this should be carried out.

The Treasurer and Clerk in consultation have given careful consideration to the possibility of introducing the traders credit system as an alternative but it does not appear to be suitable for operation in this District.

Having given careful consideration to a comprehensive report giving alternative suggestions in order to overcome the present difficulty, the Committee recommend that as from 1st April, 1949:

(a) One Order on Barclays Bank Limited authorising the payment of a total sum plus the weekly wages and insurance stamps to be transferred to a "Disbursements Account" be signed by three Members and counter-signed by the Clerk in triplicate, one copy going to the Bank showing in one figure the total amount of the accounts approved by the Council, the second copy to be incorporated, as at present, in the Minute Book, and the third copy to be retained by the Treasurer for production to the Auditor.

(b) A complete list of the cheques totalling the amount in the Treasurer's Order headed "Schedule of Accounts totalling £ referred to in an Order on Barclays Bank Limited dated " be prepared in duplicate, one copy to be attached to the Order in the Minute Book and one copy to be retained by the Treasurer. The Schedule, in duplicate, to be signed by three Members and counter-signed by the Clerk in the same way as the actual Order.

(c) The issue of a detailed Schedule of Accounts to Councillors be continued as hitherto. The Chairman and Vice-Chairman of this Committee when they examine the accounts to sign a suitably amended Schedule of Accounts for the Minutes giving the following details:-

Account and Cheque Number.	Payee.	Amount.

The cheques to be issued in payment being prepared by machine simultaneously with this Schedule and available for inspection.

(d) The Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Finance Committee, or, in the absence of either, another Member of the Finance Committee be authorised to initial the actual account and the cheque, the cheque to be subsequently signed by the Treasurer and counter-signed by the Clerk.

(e) The existing arrangement of joint signatures of the Treasurer and the Clerk for wages, insurance stamps, Income Tax and emergency payments be continued without alteration.

(f) That in the absence of the Clerk or the Treasurer, their respective Deputies be authorised to sign, as at present.

3. RATE COLLECTION. The amount of rates collected from the 1st October to the 8th March is 99.4% of the amount collectable, as compared with 98.8% at the corresponding date last year.

4. IRRECOVERABLE RATES. The Treasurer reported that on a Commital hearing the Justices had ordered that the under-mentioned amount be written off as irrecoverable.

Assessment Number	Amount
939	£16 17s.0d.

5. GENERAL RATES - ASSESSMENT No.601. The Chairman reported as to the circumstances of this case, having interviewed the occupier of the premises in question, and the Committee recommend that the Treasurer be authorised to endeavour to make the necessary arrangements for weekly instalments off the arrears outstanding and also in respect of current rate.

6. SUNDRY DEBTORS' ACCOUNTS. The Treasurer submitted a report in connection with three accounts outstanding.

The Committee recommend that the following accounts be written off as irrecoverable:-

Account Number	Amount
6248	£5 13s. 8d.
8387	10s. 9d..

With regard to the remaining account (No.8251) amounting to 3s.5d., it is understood that this account will be cleared during the next week.

7. INVESTMENTS. With reference to Minute No.9 of the Report of this Committee dated 20th January, 1949, and Minute No.7 of the Report of this Committee dated 17th February, 1949, the Treasurer reported that the investments previously referred to, originally purchased at par, have been sold as follows:-

	Amount	Sale Price	Fund
3% Savings Bonds 1960/70.	£3,000	102 5/8	Housing Repairs.
3% Savings Bonds 1955/65.	£250	103-5/16	Mrs. Evans' Compensation.

8. GOVERNMENT GRANTS. The Treasurer reported that £946 2s. 11d. had been received from the Ministry of Health in final payment of the Council's 1947/48 claim for reimbursement of expenditure on Re-Housing.

9. CASH POSITION. The Treasurer reported that when cheques are released at the end of the current month the balance at the credit of the general and emergency accounts will be insufficient to meet payments by approximately £6,000. Arrangements have already been made for the £15,000, which was placed on deposit with Barclays Bank Limited in December, to be transferred back to the Council's General Account.

It will be necessary during early April 1949 to borrow further sums to finance the progress of building on Housing Site No.5 and Private Street Works.

The Committee recommend that the Treasurer be authorised to arrange with Barclays Bank Limited for a temporary overdraft, possibly for only a few days, for a sum not exceeding £20,000.

The Committee further recommend that the Treasurer be authorised to arrange for a short-term loan for a sum not exceeding £40,000 to replace the overdraft and to provide a further sum for financing building progress pending the receipt of monies from permanent borrowing with the Public Works Loan Board.

10. ACCOUNTS. The Committee recommend that the Council authorise and order Barclays Bank Limited to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed of pages 55 to 58 of the Treasurer's Order, amounting to the sum of £29,733 18s. 4d., and also weekly cheques for wages and Postmaster General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of £4,750 and in any one week a maximum of £950 signed by the Treasurer and counter-signed by the Clerk of the Council.

R. J. Matthews.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 6.50 p.m.

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL.

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No. 55

To BARCLAYS BANK LIMITED,
233, WOODHOUSE ROAD, FRIERN BARNET, N.12.

PURSUANT to a Resolution adopted this 24TH day of MARCH 19 49
WE, the Council of the URBAN DISTRICT OF FRIERN BARNET hereby authorise and order you to honour cheques signed by the Treasurer for the amounts listed in pages 55 to 58 of this Order, amounting to the sum of ----------TWENTY NINE THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED AND THIRTY ONE---------- pounds --SEVENTEEN- shillings and ---------TEN--------- pence, also weekly cheques for Wages and Postmaster-General not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of ----------FOUR THOUSAND SEVEN HUNDRED & FIFTY-------- pounds and in any one week a maximum of ----------NINE HUNDRED & FIFTY---------- pounds signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

Chairman.

Members of the Council.

Countersigned :

Clerk of the Council.

S. & S. LTD. G01921

Consecutive Number		NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment		
	2186	EMERGENCY IMPREST ACCOUNT.--	686	2	3
	2187	ABBEY NATIONAL BUILDING SOCIETY.--	15	15	-
	2188	ADDRESSOGRAPH-MULTIGRAPH LTD.--	7	12	1
	2189	E.G.ALLWORTHY.--	2	9	3
	2190	AMALGAMATED BUILDING CONTRACTORS LTD.--	2	2	-
	2191	C.F.ANDERSON & SON LTD.--	8	3	10
	2192	ANGLO-AMERICAN OIL CO LTD.--	5	13	4
	2193	ATLAS STONE CO LTD.--	23	-	-
	2194	AUTOMATIC TELEPHONE & ELECTRIC CO LTD.--	19	12	5
	2195	BANK OF ENGLAND.--	11,796	7	10
	2196	P.N.K.BARKER.--	17	10	-
	2197	BARNET DISTRICT GAS & WATER CO.--	8	-	9
	2198	BIGGS, HALL & CO LTD.--	6	13	3
	2199	BOOKBINDERS COTTAGE HOMES & PENSIONS SOCIETY.--			
	2200	S.F.N.BOULTING.--	3	15	-
	2201	H.N.BOUSTRED.--	13	-	-
	2202	SYDNEY BOWYER & CO.--	11	5	-
	2203	BRADFORD PROPERTY TRUST LTD.--	27	4	6
	2204	R.& D.BRIGHTON.--	12	2	6
	2205	ARTHUR H.BROWN & SON.--	5	5	3
	2206	D.MELVILLE BROWN.--	74	5	-
	2207	BUCKLAND & SONS.--	23	10	-
	2208	BUCKLAND BATTERY CO.--	33	15	-
	2209	THE BUILDER LTD.--	15	11	3
	2210	THE BURLINGTON PRESS.--	6	16	-
	2211	W.J.F.BURNETT.--	26	19	2
	2212	BUTTERWORTH & CO (PUBLISHERS) LTD.--	13	-	-
	2213	J.A.CABLE & CO LTD.--	3	16	6
	2214	J.W.CARPENTER LTD.--	77	2	10
	2215	F.T.CARTER.--	20	-	7
	2216	CHURCH ARMY HOUSING LTD.--	3	3	4
	2217	EXORS. OF W.J.COLLINS.--	30	-	-
	2218	COMMERCIAL (STEWART & ARDEN) PROPERTIES LIMITED.--	45	-	-
	2219	COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE.--	15	5	-
	2220	CONCRETE UTILITIES LTD.--	195	10	-
			94	-	-

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E.B.L. 9710

Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
2221	B.G.CONSORT LTD.--	52 - -
2222	CRUK, HAMMOND & KELL LTD.--	- 15 -
2223	P.A.CORDELL.--	- 16 6
2224	COURTNEY POPE LTD.--	4 10 -
2225	E.C.WING & SON LTD.--	5 12 6
2226	CRAMB BROS.--	100 9 4
2227	W.CREIGHTON & CO LTD.--	92 16 11
2228	CROW, CATCHPOLE & CO LTD.--	28 9 11
2229	W.H.CULLEN.--	44 8 6
2230	GABRIELLA CUNLIFFE.--	8 9 -
2231	JOHN DAVIE.--	- 15 -
2232	DENTON, HALL & BURGIN.--	6 17 -
2233	F.DOEL.--	17 - -
2234	H.W.DUNPHY & SON.--	- 7 6
2235	EASTERN ELECTRICITY BOARD.--	98 6 8
2236	H.ECKERT.--	244 10 -
2237	A.E.ELLIOTT.--	9 13 4
2238	FAIRWAYS LTD.--	56 3 2
2239	FENCING (SHEPPERTON) LTD.--	14 10 6
2240	FINCHLEY CORPORATION.--	90 14 6
2241	E.FISHER (RECEIVER).--	17 15 -
2242	M.N.E.FRAMPTON.--	34 - -
2243	FRIERN BARNET FIRE BRIGADE PENSION FUND.--	31 5 -
2244	FURNACK (LTD.).--	8 9 7
2245	H.GINN & SON LTD.--	35 - 10
2246	J.GOLDBLATT LTD.--	117 6 6
2247	GOODMAN BROS.--	30 14 4
2248	GORDON LODGE INVESTMENT CO LTD.--	8 - -
2249	WILLIAM GREASBY & CO LTD.--	57 - 11
2250	GUARDIAN ASSURANCE CO LTD.--	424 4 -
2251	HALES CLINKERS LTD.--	54 12 -
2252	HALL HARDING LTD.--	7 3 7
2253	HARRISON & SONS (MAIDSTONE) LTD.--	58 5 -
2254	MAXWELL M.HART (LONDON) LTD.--	26 18 9
2255	HELLERMANN ELECTRIC LTD.--	1 12 11
2256	JOSEPH HIBBARD & SONS.--	6 5 3
2257	JAMES HITLER LTD.--	10 3 10
2258	H.M.STATIONERY OFFICE.--	- 7 6
2259	FRED.HODGE LTD.--	37 5 4
2260	J.HOLLAND & SON.--	323 15 1
2261	HOOPER & JACKSON.--	27 15 -
2262	BOROUGH OF HORNSEY.--	2 6 2
2263	HOSPITAL SAVING ASSOCIATION.--	3 12 -
2264	HUNT BROS.--	- 7 10
2265	C.J.HUNT & CO LTD.--	44 2 2
2266	L.A.V.JUNIPER.--	4 1 -
2267	W.T.JONES.--	12 10 -
2268	ERNEST KNIFTON LTD.--	1,513 15 6
2269	CHAS.KNIGHT & CO LTD.--	3 4 -
2270	P.E.KNIGHT.--	4 11 -
2271	KNIGHT, FRANK & RUTLEY.--	18 - -
2272	LANCASHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL.--	36 10 5
2273	LAINES RABJOHNS LTD.--	3 2 8
2274	TRUSTEES OF THE LAWRENCE CAMPE'S ALMSHOUSES.--	1 5 -
2275	HENRY V.LEE & SONS (LONDON) LTD.--	2 10 11
2276	LINDSAY BROS LTD.--	- 17 5
2277	LONDON COUNTY COUNCIL.--	- 10 -
2278	LORD & GARRETT LTD.--	14 15 -
2279	M.V.MARSHAM.--	5 15 -
2280	MARSHALL.--	9 13 6
2281	W.MARSHALL.--	7 - -
2282	MARTYN LTD.--	39 10 -
2283	N.McLEOD LTD.--	- 16 8
2284	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	- 15 8
2285	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	6,666 - -
2286	MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL.--	1 5 8
2287	J.N.MILTON.--	14 - -
2288	H.A.NASH.--	- 8 6
2289	S.A.NAYLOR.--	52 - -
2290	EDWARD NEVOLS.--	12 10 -

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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
2291	NEW SOUTHGATE JOINT RECREATION GROUND COMMITTEE.--	150 - -
2292	NORMANS.--	11 10 -
2293	NORTH LONDON PROPERTY INVESTMENT CO LTD.--	- 2 6
2294	H.G.OAKLEY.--	6 5 -
2295	OFFICIAL SOLICITOR TO THE SUPREME COURT OF JUDICATURE.--	14 2 -
2296	OSCROFT BROS.--	- 13 5
2297	PEARCE & SONS.--	40 - -
2298	PERRY (REPAIRS & SERVICE) LTD.--	3 5 3
2299	PHILOYD TRUST LTD.--	35 2 -
2300	A.PITT.--	15 3 11
2301	POSTMASTER GENERAL (FOR NATIONAL SAVINGS).--	10 - -
2302	POSTMASTER GENERAL (FOR NATIONAL INSURANCE STAMPS).--	94 9 4
2303	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	174 1 11
2304	L.PRIESACK.--	13 10 -
2305	RATING & INCOME TAX.--	- 16 -
2306	P.RAY.--	9 15 -
2307	REGENT OIL CO LTD.--	62 14 2
2308	ADMINISTRATORS OF E.J.REYNOLDS.--	17 10 -
2309	RHEOSTATIC CO LTD.--	1 - 3
2310	ROBERTS & NEWTON LTD.--	6 11 -
2311	R.S.ROBINSON.--	10 13 6
2312	ROYAL LONDON MUTUAL INSURANCE SOC.LTD.--	394 14 -
2313	ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF ACCIDENTS.--	- 11 3
2314	SALTER REX & CO.--	12 10 -
2315	ADA SAMUEL.--	24 6 3
2316	H.SCOTT & SONS.--	67 2 -
2317	V.E.SCOTT.--	5 11 9
2318	F.H.SHARP.--	17 19 6
2319	C.W.B.SIMMONDS.--	- 17 6
2320	SIMPSON & SONS.--	195 18 6
2321	SITUSEC LTD.--	62 - -
2322	CYRIL SLINN.--	10 10 9
2323	THOMAS SMITH & SON LTD.--	5 7 3
2324	SMITH & SONS (STOKE NEWINGTON) LTD.--	20 13 2
2325	H.C.D.SMYTH.--	15 - -
2326	SOCIETE GENERALE.--	62 10 -
2327	CHAS.SPARROW & SON.--	32 - -
2328	ST.ALBANS SAND & GRAVEL CO LTD.--	17 15 -
2329	STANDARD RANGE & FOUNDRY CO LTD.--	100 - -
2330	STANTON PAINTS LTD.--	85 - -
2331	P.STEELDS.--	30 - -
2332	STEVENS & SONS LTD.--	3 3 -
2333	S.STEVENS.--	2 4 -
2334	D.STEWART & SON LTD.--	31 4 3
2335	STURT & TIVENDALE.--	189 7 9
2336	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	1,453 15 1
2337	M.ELLIOTT.--	28 11 8
2338	D.PHILLIPS.--	19 8 7
2339	V.GEORGE.--	22 5 11
2340	B.WATERHOUSE.--	9 7 4
2341	J.NEWLING.--	18 8 -
2342	H.FANCETT.--	20 18 6
2343	K.R.SMITH.--	51 5 -
2344	I.A.HAYWARD.--	27 18 2
2345	C.S.WALKER.--	19 3 1
2346	D.F.BARKER.--	28 14 8
2347	C.TAYLOR.--	25 14 10
2348	H.A.PHILLIPS.--	27 4 4
2349	P.J.ANDREWS.--	28 19 8
2350	G.WINGFIELD.--	27 12 4
2351	L.I.MARTIN.--	26 6 4
2352	R.J.GATON.--	20 19 1
2353	J.LAUDER.--	10 18 6
2354	P.MARSHALL.--	10 7 7
2355	L.MANNING.--	29 17 7

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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment		
2356	L.TIBBENHAM.--	20	12	7
2357	I.GODRAI.--	19	5	-
2358	W.J.CLARKE.--	14	17	11
2359	A.C.BRUMWELL.--	8	-	-
2360	STURT & TIVENDALE.--	6	3	9
2361	TEUTEN & CO LTD.--	26	19	2
2362	F.FERRIOR TOMLIN.--	182	1	11
2363	TWICKENHAM GRAVEL CO LTD.--	10	16	3
2364	TOTTENHAM & DISTRICT GAS CO.--	168	14	2
2365	EXORS. OF H.J.TYLER.--	10	-	-
2366	G.D.VINE.--	124	12	9
2367	A.H.WADDLING.--	15	-	-
2368	WALLIS & STEVENS LTD.--	859	-	-
2369	WATERLOW & SONS LTD.--	10	13	-
2370	WATFORD PAPER MERCHANTS LTD.--	2	3	4
2371	WATKINS & McCOMBIE LTD.--	20	11	2
2372	S.E.WOOD.--	12	2	6
2373	CORPORATION OF WOOD GREEN.--	71	13	2
2374	F.WOODING & SON.--	47	-	6
2375	A.C.WOODROW & CO.--	31	11	6
2376	A.R.WRIGHT.--	44	-	-
2377	L.C.WRIGHT.--	3	6	-
2378	J.J.WYCOMBE DEAN.--	22	15	-
2379	G.YATES.--	12	-	-
		29,731	17	10

Report and Recommendations of the General Purposes Committee

17th March, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F.Simmonds ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry,
Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin,
Matthews, Meynell, Richardson,
Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Miss Richards.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 17th February, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. PUBLIC BUILDINGS LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The Report and Recommendations of the above-mentioned Committee Meeting held this day, a copy of which is attached, were submitted and the Committee recommend that the Report and Recommendations be approved and confirmed.

In connection with Minute No.5 of the Report, the Chairman has since allocated alternative accommodation in respect of existing bookings of Room 19 as follows:-

Date.	Organisation.	Alternative Accommodation	Fee to be Charged
1. 4.49.	Transport & General Workers' Union.	Room 39/40.	5/-d.
4. 4.49.	Central Ward Conservatives Sub-Committee.	Room 2.	5/-d.
6. 4.49.	Friern Barnet Ratepayers' Association.	Room 39/40.	2/6d.
7. 4.49.	Liberal Association.	Room 39/40.	5/-d.
11. 4.49.	Central Ward Allotments Association.	Room 1.	2/6d.
20. 4.49.	Friern Barnet Labour Party.	Room 2.	5/-d.
26. 4.49.	Finchley & Friern Barnet Labour Party.	Room 2.	5/-d.
4. 5.49.	Friern Barnet Ratepayers' Association.	Room 39/40.	2/6d.
5. 5.49.	Liberal Association.	Room 1.	5/-d.
6. 5.49.	Transport & General Workers' Union.	Room 39/40.	5/-d.
9. 5.49.	Central Ward Allotments Association.	Room 2.	2/6d.
18. 5.49.	Friern Barnet Labour Party.	Room 39/40.	5/-d.
1. 6.49.	Friern Barnet Ratepayers' Association.	Room 2.	2/6d.
2. 6.49.	Liberal Association.	Room 1.	5/-d.
3. 6.49.	Transport & General Workers' Union.	Room 39/40.	5/-d.
13. 6.49.	Central Ward Allotments Association.	Room 1.	2/6d.
28. 6.49.	Finchley & Friern Barnet Labour Party.	Room 2.	5/-d.
6. 7.49.	Friern Barnet Ratepayers' Association.	Room 2.	2/6d.
7. 7.49.	Liberal Association.	Room 1.	5/-d.
11. 7.49.	Central Ward Allotment Association.	Room 2.	2/6d.
12. 9.49.	Central Ward Allotment Association.	Room 2.	2/6d.
5.10.49.	Friern Barnet Ratepayers' Association.	Room 2.	2/6d.
10.10.49.	Central Ward Allotments Association.	Room 1.	2/6d.
2.11.49.	Friern Barnet Ratepayers' Association.	Room 2.	2/6d.
14.11.49.	Central Ward Allotments Association.	Room 2.	2/6d.
7.12.49.	Friern Barnet Ratepayers Association.	Room 1.	2/6d.

4. FIRE BRIGADE.

(a) Fire Calls. During the month of February, 1949, the Fire Service was summoned on two occasions, to a chimney fire and a small house fire.

(b) Management Scheme. With reference to Minute No.4 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 17th February, 1949, (when a copy of the draft varying the Management Scheme necessitated by the Representation of the People Act, 1948, was submitted and approved) a letter dated the 25th February, 1949 was submitted from the Town Clerk, Borough of Southgate, stating

that his Council did not propose to raise any objection thereto, and with regard to the question of appointing a representative from Group 2 Authorities to serve on the County Fire Brigade Committee for the year 1949-50, owing to the possible difficulty in arranging a meeting of the representatives of the Group during the short time between the Annual Meeting of the various Councils in May and the 2nd June, it is suggested that a Meeting of Group 2 Authorities should be arranged in April to decide which Authority shall appoint a representative to serve on the County Fire Brigade Committee.

The Committee recommend that the proposal be approved in principle.

5. RATING AND VALUATION ACTS 1925-40.

(a) Barnet District Gas and Water Company - Gas Undertaking. A letter dated the 10th March, 1949, was submitted from the County Valuer stating that he has been informed by the Panel Valuers that it is understood the Company have applied to the Ministry of Fuel and Power to increase their charges in respect of the gas undertaking.

The Committee have, as a matter of urgency, authorised the Valuation Officer to take the necessary steps to lodge a protective proposal for the increase of the assessment of the proportion of the undertaking within the Urban District on the grounds that the existing assessment is insufficient, incorrect and unfair, and should be increased.

The Committee recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

(b) "The Rising Sun", and "The York Arms" - Public Houses in Oakleigh Road North. The County Valuer states that the licences granted to these premises have been extended to include spirits, and accordingly the Committee have authorised the Valuation Officer to take the necessary steps to increase the assessments of these hereditaments.

The Committee recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

6. BARNET DISTRICT GAS AND WATER COMPANY - STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND DIRECTOR'S REPORT. A copy of the Statement of Accounts and Director's Report in respect of this undertaking were submitted for the information of the Committee.

7. PRIORY CIVIC RESTAURANT.

(a) Burglary. The Clerk reported that between about 2.0 p.m. on Saturday the 12th February and Monday morning the 14th February, 1949, forceful entry was made into the Civic Restaurant, and it appeared that the only loss is the wage packet of one of the employees in the Restaurant.

Arrangements have now been made to ensure that no cash is left on the premises.

(b) Advertisement. With reference to Minute No.6 of the Report of this Committee dated the 23rd September, 1948, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that authority had been given by the Middlesex County Council for the fixing of a Notice Board in the Public Library in Friern Barnet Road giving details of the Priory Civic Restaurant, provided that it is designed to tone with the general fittings and furnishings of the Library.

The Engineer and Surveyor has been instructed to make arrangements accordingly.

8. GENERAL POWERS BILLS.

(a) Middlesex County Council. The Clerk reported that information has been received from the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association that the Clerk of the County Council has intimated that this Bill will not be promoted in this Session even as a late Bill, but may be placed before Parliament in the 1949-50 Session.

(b) London County Council. With reference to Minute No.2 of the Meeting of the Council held on 24th February, 1949, the Clerk reported that Messrs. Lees & Co. had received a communication from Messrs. Dyson Bell & Co., Parliamentary Agents for the Bill, referring to the objections raised in the Petitions deposited by Local Authorities of Districts outside the administrative County of London, and giving information as to certain concessions which the London County Council are prepared to make with a view to meeting the desires of the petitioning Authorities.

The Committee also considered correspondence received from the Hon. Secretary of the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association, and are of the opinion that the opposition to the Bill should be continued provided the other petitioning Authorities take the same action.

9. ALTERATION OF ELECTORAL DIVISIONS. With reference to Minute No.25 of the Report of this Committee dated 23rd September, 1948, a letter dated the 28th February, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council enclosing a copy of a further letter on this subject which has been received from the Home Secretary, which states that full consideration has been given to the representations made by the Willesden and Tottenham Borough Councils on the proposal to reduce the number of Electoral Divisions from eight to seven, and seven to five respectively, and, having regard to all the circumstances he feels compelled to modify his decision by cancelling that part relating to Willesden and Tottenham. There is no alteration which affects the Friern Barnet Electoral Division.

The Clerk reported that a copy of the County of Middlesex (Electoral Divisions) Order, 1949, has been received, under which the number of County Councillors is increased from eighty to ninety, and the number of the County Aldermen increased by four.

10. REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE ACT 1948 - DAY OF ELECTION-URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILLORS. A letter dated the 28th February, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council enclosing a copy of the County Council Order fixing the Day of Election for Wednesday the 11th May, 1949, as requested by this Council.

11. EDUCATION ACTS 1944-1948. A letter dated the 16th February, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council enclosing for information a copy of the varying scheme made by the County Council with the consent of the Minister of Education, with the object of bringing the provisions of the original scheme in regard to the appointment of members of the Divisional Executives established by the County Council into line with the provisions of the Representation of the People Act, 1948.

12. MIDDLESEX LOCAL AUTHORITIES' SUPERANNUATION SCHEME, 1948. A letter dated 17th February, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex Local Authorities' Superannuation Joint Committee enclosing a copy of the amending Scheme relating to the appointment of Members and the Annual Meeting, made in consequence of the Representation of the People Act, 1948.

The Committee recommend that no objection be raised to the amending Scheme.

13. LEE CONSERVANCY CATCHMENT BOARD - ELECTION OF MEMBERS. With reference to Minute No.17 of the Report of this Committee dated 16th September, 1948, a letter dated 11th March, 1949, was submitted from the Lee Conservancy Catchment Board stating that at the election held on that day Mr. John Read of Edmonton was elected the representative of the Local Authorities in Middlesex for three years to the first Friday in April 1952.

14. NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 - GRANT FOR THE PROVISION OF RECREATION AND MEALS FOR OLD PEOPLE. With reference to Minute No.5 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated the 20th January, 1949, when the views of this Council were sought by the Middlesex County Council as to whether the payment of grant under Section 31 should be made by the County Council or the County District Council, a letter dated 2nd March, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that without prejudice to the exercise by the County Council of its functions in any particular case, the County Council agrees that the powers conferred by this Section should normally be exercised by the County District Councils in Middlesex and not by the County Council. Voluntary organisations applying for assistance would be directed to make application in the first instance to the County District Council concerned. It was further stated that if in a particular case the County Council decided to make a grant it would not normally do so without prior consultation with the County District Council concerned.

15. SOCIETY OF CLERKS OF URBAN DISTRICT COUNCILS - ANNUAL MEETING AND CONFERENCE. A letter dated 7th March, 1949, was submitted from the Society of Clerks of Urban District Councils stating that the Annual Meeting and Conference of the Society will be held at Leamington Spa on Friday and Saturday, the 7th and 8th October, 1949, the Minister of Health having sanctioned in the case of Urban District Councils the payment of reasonable expenses which may be incurred in connection with the attendance of their Clerk thereat.

The Committee recommend that the Clerk be authorised to attend the Conference.

16. CONFERENCE OF COUNCILS OF SOCIAL SERVICE. It will be recalled that at the last Meeting it was decided that Miss Riley be asked to attend this conference held on Saturday, the 28th February, 1949.

In this connection the Clerk reported that a comprehensive and lengthy report on the proceedings of the Conference had been received from Miss Riley.

The Committee have requested the Clerk to arrange for the report to be placed in the Members' Room for information.

17. LONDON TRANSPORT EXECUTIVE - FILMS. The Clerk reported that a letter dated 18th February, 1949, had been received from the London Transport Executive stating that a number of films had been produced which are available for showing without charge, to give members of the public an indication of the work carried out by the London Transport Executive "behind the scenes" in connection with buses and trains. The only facilities required are the provision of a hall and the supply of electricity, but, however, it is intimated that an audience of at least 50 people is required.

As requested by the London Transport Executive a copy of the letter has been passed to the Divisional Education Officer for information.

The Committee recommend that a copy of the letter be also passed to the Community Association.

18. BARNET AND DISTRICT DISABLEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE - EXHIBITION. A communication was submitted from this Committee of the Ministry of Labour and National Service stating that in view of the great success of last year it has been decided to hold an Exhibition on the 18th, 19th and 20th May, 1949, to show to the public in general how many

men and women, who have been disabled by the loss of limbs or by other serious bodily ailments, have become useful and valued members of the community. The Committee enquires whether any financial or other assistance could be given in their efforts to organise the Exhibition.

The Committee recommend that the Advisory Committee be informed the Council regret they are not empowered to give financial assistance towards the organisation of the event, but every endeavour will be made by Members of the Council to visit the Exhibition.

19. MOTHERS' DAY. A letter dated the 3rd March, 1949, was submitted from "Billy Reid and Dorothy Squires" stating that during their recent visit to America, the Americans celebrated a Mothers' Day on which the mother of a family is relieved of the household duties and worries, receiving presents and contributions of all kinds. They were tremendously impressed by the idea, and suggest that as National tributes have been paid to the housewife in a somewhat grudging and half-hearted fashion in the past, consideration might be given to the establishment of a Mothers' Day in Great Britain. It is also suggested that Mothering Sunday, the 27th March, is a day which is not generally recognised, and Saturday the 26th March might appropriately be allocated to such a tribute.

20. PERMANENT HOUSING SITE No.5 - COLNEY HATCH LANE.

(a) Installation of Public Telephone Call Box. With reference to Minute No.20 of the Report of this Committee dated the 17th February, 1949, a letter dated the 9th March, 1949, was submitted from the Telephone Manager of the Northern Area stating that investigations are being made into the possibility of a public call box being installed within the curtilage of the site, and upon completion of the necessary enquiries the Council will be advised of the result.

(b) Housing Contract 5A/4. With reference to Minute No.6 (d)(iii) of the Report of the Housing Committee dated 10th March, 1949, the Clerk reported upon his interview on Monday the 14th March, 1949, with the Contractor in question.

The Committee have authorised the Clerk to arrange for a further interview between the Contractor and the Chairman of the Council and the Chairman of the Housing Committee.

(c) Contract 5A/5. With reference to Minute No.6 (d)(i)(C) of the Report of the Housing Committee dated 10th March, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor reported upon his interview with the Contractor, and the Clerk also reported that Contract documents have not yet been received.

The Committee have instricted the Engineer and Surveyor further to negotiate with the Contractor, with a view to an amicable settlement of the difficulties, and the Clerk to take appropriate steps with a view to the satisfactory completion of the Contract documents.

(d) Further 10 Houses. With reference to Minute No.6 (f) of the Report of this Committee dated the 10th March, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had been unable to negotiate satisfactorily with the existing Contractors on the site with a view to any of them entering into contracts for the erection of a further 10 houses.

The Committee have authorised the Engineer and Surveyor to invite tenders, and recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

21. STREET COLLECTIONS 1949. A letter dated the 16th February, 1949, was submitted from the Commissioner of Police enclosing a list of dates which have been allocated for street collections in 1949. Saturday the 2nd July is the date set aside for Local Appeals, but the Advisory

Committee is prepared to entertain applications form Local Authorities who desire to hold or sponser street collections on Tuesday the 5th July, if expressly desired as an alternative.

This information has been passed to the Friern Barnet Appeals Committee, who expressed preference for the 5th July, and suggest that a flag day be held in aid of the Social Service Guild.

The Committee recommend that the Clerk be authorised to make application for approval to the 5th July, 1949, being set aside for this purpose.

22. FINCHLEY AND FRIERN BARNET COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE - STATISTICS. Statistics of the work carried out during the month of February 1949, copies of which have already been supplied to each Member of the Council, were submitted for information.

23. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947 - PLAN No.F.B.101. - USE OF RAILWAY CLEARING HOUSE SPORTS GROUND AND GLEBE FIELD ADJOINING AS SCHOOL PLAYING FIELD AND USE OF HUTS AS TEMPORARY CLASSROOMS FOR MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL. A letter dated the 10th March, 1949, was submitted from the Area Planning Officer requesting the observations of the Council on this application for a direction as to deemed planning permission. It is stated that it is intended to use the Railway Clearing House Sports Ground as School Playing Fields, and the three huts on the land as temporary Classrooms. It is not proposed to utilise Glebe Field, at present used as temporary war-time allotments, for educational purposes, until the present urgent need for allotments is passed.

The land in question was originally situate within an area of the Friern Barnet Planning Scheme No.1 zoned for residential purposes, but the preliminary outline plan of the Middlesex County Council indicates its use as a Local Green Belt open space.

The Committee have authorised the Engineer and Surveyor to inform the Area Planning Officer that the Council have no objections to the proposed development.

24. PRIVATE STREET WORKS - OAKLEIGH PARK SOUTH. With reference to Minute No.7 (b)(ii) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th October, 1948, it will be recalled that the Engineer and Surveyor reported it would be necessary to build two manholes on the soil sewer, and five manholes on the surface water sewer, the cost of which could not be charged to the frontagers. It has also been decided that application be made for loan sanction for this expenditure, the estimated cost of which is £900.

The Notices which have been served under the Public Health Act, 1875, requiring the making up of the street expire on the 7th May, 1949, and it is desirable that the construction of the manholes be completed prior to the commencement of the street works.

The original scheme provided for the construction of brick manholes, but it would appear that precast concrete units might be used in substitution, which would result in a saving in the cost of the work.

The Committee have, as a matter of urgency, authorised application being made to the Ministry of Health for authorisation under Defence Regulation 56A, and an indication that sanction to loan will be granted when a tender has been accepted.

The Committee further recommend that tenders be invited for this work.

25. TOWN HALL.

(a) Improvements to Grass Forecourts. Provision has been made in the 1949/50 estimates for an expenditure of £45 for part of this improvement.

As it is desirable that this work should be carried out in the early Spring, the Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to commence the work as soon as practicable.

(b) Cleaning of Carpets. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that the cleaning of carpets, curtains and furniture in the Council Chamber, Committee Rooms and Members' Rooms, for which provision had been made in the current year's estimates, had now been completed.

(c) Proposed Notice Board - Town Hall Kiosk. With reference to Minute No.14 of the Meeting of the Council held on 24th February, 1949, the Committee gave further considetation to the scheme prepared by the Engineer and Surveyor for the provision of a Notice Board to be affixed to the west wall of the kiosk outside the Town Hall, to give notice of the various functions taking place in the Town Hall.

The Committee recommend that before coming to a decision in this matter, the views and suggestions of the Community Association be sought.

(d) Heating. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that as a result of insufficient heating being maintained in the Town Hall, an inspection of the installation has been carried out by Messrs. C.B. Jackson & Co.Ltd., and it would appear that the cause is mainly due to the inferior quality of fuel now supplied.

It is considered necessary to arrange for the overhaul of the automatic feeder, and the Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for this work to be carried out.

The Committee further recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to approach the Ministry of Fuel and Power requesting that the Council be allocated a more suitable type of fuel for the purpose, and to submit a further report on this matter to the next Meeting.

26. ELECTRIC POLISHING MACHINE - PROPOSED PURCHASE. The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to obtain quotations for the purchase of an Electric Polishing Machine for use in the Town Hall.

27. INSTALLATION OF NEW PLAYGROUND EQUIPMENT. With reference to Minute No.10 (c) of the Report of the Parks Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, it is desirable that this equipment should be in use for the children's Easter holidays, and accordingly the Committee recommend that the Sub-Committee previously appointed, consisting of Crs. McClane, Mason, Richardson and Tarlton, be requested to decide on the allocation and siting thereof.

28. PREPARATION OF TREE NURSERY. Provision has been made in the estimate of expenditure for the ensuing year for the sum of £40 to be incurred in the preparation of a Tree Nursery at the Sewage Works.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to proceed with the preparation work as soon as possible.

29. BARFIELD AVENUE ALLOTMENTS - SURFACING OF APPROACH ROAD TO HUT. Provision has been made in the estimate of expenditure for the ensuing year for the sum of £25 being incurred on this work, and having regard to the fact that it is desirable that the work should be put in hand as soon as possible, the Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to make the necessary arrangements accordingly.

30. DECORATIONS TO COUNCIL BUILDINGS. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that it was considered desirable to carry out re-decorations to the Priory Civic Restaurant as soon as possible, and it was

suggested that, having regard to the fact that this work could only be carried out after 2.0 p.m. on each day, the external painting of the Depot and Stores, and the complete re-decoration of the Goldsmith Road Convenience might be carried out concurrently with a view to saving labour.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to proceed on the lines now indicated, provision having been made in the estimate of expenditure for the ensuing year for decorations to the Convenience, Depot and Stores.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.50 p.m. and terminated at 7.50 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Buildings Lettings Committee

17th March, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. E. Draper ... Chairman

Crs. McClane, Matthews and Simmonds.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 17th February, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. LETTINGS BOOK. The Lettings Book for the Town Hall was submitted, and each booking to date approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. TOWN HALL BASEMENT. The Clerk reported that permission for various organisations to use accommodation in the Town Hall basement expires on 31st March, 1949, and applications received for permission to continue the user were submitted.

The Committee recommend that the following organisations be permitted to continue the use of accommodation in the Town Hall basement, as indicated, subject to the conditions stated:-

Organisation	Accommodation	When Required	Fee	Condition
Priory Club.	Former Games and Control Room.	5 evenings per week Mondays to Fridays.	£1 per week	To be responsible for cleaning of accommodation.
Friern Barnet Division, St. John Ambulance Brigade.	Former Control Room.	Thursday evenings.	Free	To be responsible for cleaning in conjunction with other users.
Friern Barnet Group, Toc H.	Former Control Room.	Each Wednesday evening.	5s.0d.	- do -
British Red Cross Society.	Former Female Sleeping Quarters.	Each Tuesday and Friday evening.	Free	- do -

4. HIRE OF COMMITTEE ROOMS 1 and 2.

(a) Meetings. It was reported that the Chairman of the Council had received a complaint regarding the use of the Committee Rooms for certain Meetings.

The Committee have instructed the Clerk as to the action to be taken should further applications of this nature be received.

(b) Wedding Receptions. A letter was submitted from Mr. T.J. Hilsdon of 129, Cromwell Road, N.10, enquiring whether it would be possible to hire Committee Rooms 1 and 2 for a Wedding Reception on a Sunday, owing to the fact that he is in business and it is not possible for the function to be arranged on another day of the week.

The Committee recommend that Mr. Hilsdon be informed that the Council regret they are unable to grant his request.

(c) Whist Drive - Earl Haig's Poppy Day Fund. It was reported that an application had been received from Major Standon for the use of Committee Rooms 1 and 2 on Saturday, 29th October, 1949, for the purpose of holding a Whist Drive in aid of this Fund.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted free of charge.

5. TOWN HALL - OFFICE ACCOMMODATION - ROOM 19. With reference to Minute No.8 (c) of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated 17th February, 1949, the Clerk submitted a report on the position with regard to bookings of Room 19 after the 31st March next.

The Committee recommend:-

(a) That the organisations who have booked Room 19 for Meeting purposes after the 1st April, 1949, be informed that this accommodation will no longer be available for such purposes.

(b) That alternative accommodation to be selected by the Chairman of the Committee be offered in respect of the bookings already accepted, at the charge which would normally have been paid by the respective organisation for the hire of Room 19.

(c) That the organisations be informed so far as future bookings are concerned, the fee to be charged will be fixed having regard to the merits of each case.

The Town Hall Custodian does not at present receive a fee for lettings outside normal hours for Room 39/40 owing to the limited extent of the former user. It is now probable that the accommodation will be extensively used, and the Committee therefore recommend that the Town Hall Custodian be paid a fee of 1s.3d. (the same fee as that formerly paid in respect of Room 19) for each letting for which a charge is made.

6. SUGGESTED USE OF THE PRIORY CIVIC RESTAURANT FOR MEETINGS. The Clerk submitted a report upon the question of this accommodation being used by organisations for Meeting purposes, but having regard to all the circumstances the Committee consider there is no reason to justify any variation from the previous decision that this accommodation be not let for Meeting purposes.

E. Draper.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.0 p.m. and terminated at 6.15 p.m.

Meeting of the Council held in the Town Hall, N.11.

24th March, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman.

Cr. A. Richardson ... Vice-Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Mrs.McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Mason, Matthews, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Sparks.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on 24th February, 1949, were submitted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. REPORT OF ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr.Tarlton seconded by Cr. Foley that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 1st March, 1949, be received and adopted.

4. REPORT OF PARKS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr.Richardson seconded by Cr. McClane that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 1st March, 1949, be received and adopted.

5. REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Henry seconded by Cr. Tarlton that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 3rd March, 1949, be received and adopted.

6. REPORT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Foley seconded by Cr. Matthews that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 3rd March, 1949, be received and adopted.

Minute No.14 - Light Road Roller. Arising out of this Minute the Chairman of the Highways and Public Works Committee reported that the tenders had now been received and as a matter of urgency it was resolved that the tender of Messrs. L.W. Bryant & Co. of 12, High View Avenue, Grays, Essex, in the sum of 175 guineas, being the highest, be accepted.

7. REPORT OF RATING AND VALUATION COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Meynell seconded by Cr. Richardson that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 10th March, 1949, be received and adopted.

8. REPORT OF HOUSING COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr.Pickering seconded by Cr. Draper that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 10th March, 1949, be received and adopted.

9. REPORT OF TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. McClane seconded by Cr. Matthews that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 10th March, 1949, be received and adopted.

10. REPORT OF ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Simmonds seconded by Cr. Richardson that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 15th March, 1949, be received and adopted.

11. REPORT OF SPECIAL MEETING OF FINANCE COMMITTEE. It was proposed by Cr. Matthews and seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 15th March, 1949, be received and adopted.

Minute No.6 - Annual Estimates. An amendment, moved by Cr. Mrs. McCarthy seconded by Cr. Miss Richards, that the deletion of the sum of £1,000 from the estimates in respect of Code No.183 be referred back to the Committee for further consideration, was by unanimous consent withdrawn.

A further amendment moved by Cr. Mason that a sum of £500 be included in the estimates in respect of this work, was not seconded.

Minute No.7 - General Rate. Cr. Matthews, the Chairman of the Committee presented his statement on the estimates and the thanks of the Council were recorded to him.

On the recommendation that a rate of 17/- in the £ be made for the year 1949/50, Cr. Mrs. McCarthy moved as an amendment that the General Rate for the year 1949/50 be increased by one penny to 17/1 for the purpose of making provision for the inclusion of the sum of £1,000 to provide for the lay out of the Railway land in Oakleigh Road South. The amendment was seconded by Cr. Miss Richards.

The amendment upon being put to the Meeting was declared to be LOST.

The original motion for the adoption of the report and recommendations of the Committee was then put to the Meeting and declared to be CARRIED.

12. REPORT OF ENTERTAINMENTS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. McClane that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 15th March, 1949, be received and adopted.

13. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr.Matthews seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 17th March, 1949, be received and adopted subject to the following amendments:-

Minute No.2 (a) - Treasurer's Orders. The words "plus the weekly wages and insurance stamps" be deleted from line 2 and inserted after "Disbursements Account" in line 3.

Minute No.2 (d). The deletion of the word "actual" in line 3.

Minute No.10 - Accounts. The substitution of "£29,731 17s.10d." for "£29,733 18s. 4d." in line 4.

14. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Simmonds seconded by Cr. Richardson that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 17th March, 1949, be received and adopted subject to the addition of the following paragraph at the end of Minute No.5.

"Cr. Foley, as the Council's representative on the North Middlesex Assessment Committee did not take part in the consideration or discussion of, or vote on, these recommendations."

15. SEALING OF DOCUMENTS. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Pickering seconded by Cr. Foley that the seal of the Council be affixed to the following:-

(a) Contract with Messrs. Ernest Knifton Ltd. for the making up of part of Raleigh Drive, N.20.

(b) Contract with Messrs. Ernest Knifton Ltd. for the making up of part of Temple Avenue, N.20.

(c) Contract with Messrs. Graham Builders and Contractors Ltd. for the erection of 30 Flats, Housing Site No.5. Colney Hatch Lane.

(d) Contract with Messrs. Graham Builders and Contractors Ltd. for the erection of 34 Houses, Housing Site No.5. Colney Hatch Lane.

(e) Drainage Agreement with the Finchley Borough Council for the drainage of the Woodhouse School Canteen.

(f) General Rate for the year commencing 1st April, 1949, and ending 31st March, 1950, of 17/- in the £ for the whole of the Urban District, payable in two equal instalments becoming due on the 1st April, 1949, and the 1st October, 1949, respectively.

Seal affixed accordingly.

Chairman.

Report and Recommendations of the Allotments Committee

5th April, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. M.R. Tarlton ... Chairman

Crs. Draper, Martin, Pickering, Richardson and Simmonds.

Messrs. Harris, Harman and Jago representing the North, Central and Halliwick Park Allotment Associations respectively.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Foley, Mrs. McCarthy and Mason.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 1st March, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. HALLIWICK PARK ALLOTMENT ASSOCIATION - SECRETARY AND COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVE. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Report of this Committee dated 1st March, 1949, in which the impending resignation of Mr. Ovenden was reported, a letter was submitted from the Association informing the Committee that at the annual meeting of the Association held on 25th February, 1949, Mr. C. Gray of 19, Wilton Road, N.10., was appointed Hon. General Secretary in place of Mr. Ovenden, and Mr. G.E. Jago was appointed as the Association's representative on this Committee.

The Chairman welcomed Mr. Jago to the Committee.

3. NORTH ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 14 outstanding applications for permanent plots and 6 war-time plots vacant.

(b) Barfield Avenue Allotments - Approach Road to Hut. With reference to Minute No.29 of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated 17th March, 1949, in which authority was given for the expenditure of a sum of £25 on the surfacing of the above-mentioned approach road, preparation works have now been commenced and arrangements will be made for the completion of the work as soon as the necessary labour is available in the next week or two.

(c) Barfield Allotments - Erection of Telegraph Pole. The Association's representative reported that a telegraph pole had been erected adjoining one of the plots in the above-mentioned allotments, without either his or the plot holder's knowledge. The Engineer and Surveyor expressed regret for not having consulted the Association's representative and assured him that he would be notified of any similar works in the future.

4. CENTRAL ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 12 outstanding applications for permanent plots and 2 war-time plots vacant.

(b) Temporary Allotments - Friary Park. With reference to Minute No.3 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 1st March, 1949, in which the Engineer and Surveyor was authorised to carry out repairs to the fencing of the above-mentioned allotments at an

estimated cost of £15, it was reported that the necessary repairs have now been carried out, and the teachers in charge of children playing organised games contacted with a view to preventing damage to the fencing by children retrieving lost balls etc.

(c) Permanent Allotments - Eastern Section. A complaint was submitted from Mr. J.T. Scrivens of 14, Bethune Avenue, N.11., with regard to the condition of the fencing abutting on his garden, from which it appears that due to the hardcore service road on the allotments being made up to a higher level than the adjoining garden without a retaining wall, the road is spreading and forcing the fence onto Mr. Scrivens' garden.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to construct a retaining wall along that part of the length where the difference in levels exceeds 12 inches (approximately 60 feet) at an estimated cost of £30, the retaining wall to contain built-in concrete posts for the fixing of chain link fencing at some future date.

(d) Fence Renewals and Repairs. The sum of £130 has been included in the 1949/50 estimates for the following items:-

(i) Western Section - Replace chestnut pale fence on boundary to Hatley Close with chain link fence and trim back hedge.

(ii) Eastern Section - Repair chain link boundary fencing.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to invite quotations from selected firms for the supply and erection of the chain link fencing required and the Chairman of the Committee be authorised to accept the most favourable quotation.

In connection with this item the Association's representative reported that an unused tubular steel gate was at present fixed on the Crescent Road boundary and could be utilised at the Hatley Close Allotments. The Engineer and Surveyor was instructed accordingly.

(e) Central Ward Allotments - Fence - Hemington Avenue Boundary. The Association's representative reported that the fence at the above boundary had been damaged, leaving the allotments open to the public. The Engineer and Surveyor has been instructed to supply some barbed wire for erection by the Association.

5. HALLIWICK PARK ALLOTMENT HOLDERS' ASSOCIATION.

(a) Outstanding Applications. The Association have 8 outstanding applications for permanent plots and two vacant plots, both of which are affected by the construction of the link road between the existing roads.

(b) Access to Allotments from Housing Site No.5. With reference to Minute No.4 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 1st March, 1949, notification has now been received that the Minister of Health raises no objection to the Council's proposal to construct the hardcore road and adjust the gates to provide access to the allotments on the Colney Hatch Lane Estate at an estimated cost of £344 and authorises the cost of such work being charged to the Housing Scheme.

Work has been commenced on the construction of the link road along the eastern boundary of the Allotments. This work necessitates the removal of top soil which is being delivered to Cromwell Recreation Ground for site restoration and the delivery of hardcore from the demolition works now in progress at St. Peter's School site, Cromwell Road.

Application has been made to the Middlesex County Council for the necessary planning permission in respect of the new entrance required to Coppetts Road.

(c) Fencing. Provision has been made in the 1949/50 esitmates for the painting and repair of the boundary fencing to these allotments and for the removal of the redundant wrought iron division fencing. The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to put this work in hand as and when the necessary labour is available.

6. MATTERS OF URGENCY DURING MAY. The Committee recommend that the Chairman for the time being of the Committee be authorised to deal with matters of an urgent nature which might arise before the next Meeting of this Committee in June.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.15 p.m. and terminated at 7.45 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Parks Committee

5th April, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A. Richardson ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Mrs.McCarthy, McClane, Mason, Matthews and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Martin, Meynell and Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were were submitted from Crs. Pickering and Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 1st March, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. SPORTS LETTINGS.

(a) Bethune Recreation Ground.

(i) Hockey Pitch Area.

(A) Friern Barnet and New Southgate District Guides. An application was submitted from the Friern Barnet and New Southgate District Guides for permission to hold their Annual Sports on the Hockey Pitch Area on Saturday the 11th June, 1949, and the Committee recommend that this application be granted free of charge.

(B) Friern Barnet Progressive Tenants Association Youth Organisation. An application was submitted from the Friern Barnet Progressive Tenants Association Youth Organisation for permission to use the football pitch on the Hockey Pitch Area on Sundays the 10th, 17th and 24th April, 1949.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted subject to the usual fee of 5/-d. per match.

(ii) Cricket Table Outfield.

(A) Priory Athletic. An application was submitted from the Priory Athletic for permission to use the cricket table outfield for cricket practice on Wednesday evenings.

The Committee recommend that this application be granted subject to the payment of a fee of 5s.0d. per evening.

(B) Friern Barnet Cricket Club. An application was submitted from the Friern Barnet Cricket Club for permission to use the cricket table outfield for cricket practice on Thursday evenings.

The Friern Barnet Church Boys Brigade have already been granted the use of the Running Track on Thursday evenings, and the Committee recommend that the Friern Barnet Cricket Club be offered the use of the Cricket table outfield for cricket practice on Monday evenings at a fee of 5s.0d. per evening.

(iii) Running Track. On the authority of the Chairman of the Committee the Friern Barnet Youth Council have been granted the use of the running track on Tuesday evenings free of charge.

The Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

An application was submitted from the Friern Barnet Youth Council for permission to hold the field events in connection with their Annual Sports on Tuesday the 14th June, 1949, on the cricket outfield. Approval has already been given to their use of the Hockey Pitch Area for the Annual Sports on Saturday the 18th June, 1949, and the Committee recommend that their application be granted free of charge.

(iv) Football Pitch. On the authority of the Chairman of the Committee the Friern Barnet Progressive Tenants Association Youth Organisation have been granted the use of the Football Pitch at the Bethune Recreation Ground on Sundays the 3rd, 10th and 24th April at a fee to be fixed.

The Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman be approved and confirmed, and that the fee to be charged be fixed at the rate of 7s.0d. per match.

(b) Friary Park.

(i) Tennis Courts. An application was submitted from the Friern Barnet Youth Council for permission to hire a tennis court for one evening each week.

The Committee recommend that the application be not granted. The Committee have made it a practice not to grant applications for block bookings of these tennis courts.

(ii) Bowling Green, Annual Bowls Tournament - Finchley and District Bowling Association. An application was submitted from the Finchley and District Bowling Association for permission to use the Bowling Green in Friary Park from Monday the 8th August to Friday the 12th August, 1949, for the purpose of organising the Annual Bowls Tournament in aid of local charities. The Tournament will be arranged with the support of the Friary Park Bowling Club.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted free of charge, subject to arrangements being made with the Friary Park Bowling Club.

(d) Sports Facilities Granted to Schools - Season 1949. A letter dated the 4th April, 1949, was submitted from the Divisional Education Officer requesting that the booking of the Running Track by the Education Committee on behalf of the local Schools be cancelled, and the fee for sports facilities payable by the Education Committee reduced by the amount of £10 accordingly.

The Committee recommend that this request be granted.

4. FRIARY PARK.- DAMAGE TO FENCING SURROUNDING CHILDREN'S PLAYGROUND. It was reported that on three separate occasions a young boy had been caught damaging the above-mentioned fencing. In reply to a request by the Clerk of the Council, the observations of the boy's father were obtained. The father states that his son has been severly reprimanded, and apologises for any trouble which may have been caused.

The Committee recommend that no further action be taken.

5. BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND - DAMAGE TO FENCES AND GARDENS OF ADJOINING PROPERTIES. With reference to Minute No.5 of the Report of this Committee dated 1st February, 1949, a letter has been received from the occupier of No.18, Gresham Avenue, complaining of the damage caused to fences, trees, shrubs etc. by boys playing football and cricket in Bethune Recreation Ground.

A letter has been sent to the complainant informing him of the steps taken by the Council to combat this nuisance, and of the instructions which the Council have given to the Parks Staff.

6. ALEXANDRA PARK TRUSTEES - ACCOUNTS 1947/48. A copy of the Accounts, Balance Sheet and Auditor's Report of the Trustees for the year ended the 30th April, 1948, was submitted for information.

7. NATIONAL PLAYING FIELDS ASSOCIATION - ANNUAL MEETING. A communication was received from the National Playing Fields Association inviting the Council to appoint representatives to attend the Annual General Meeting to be held in London on Friday the 22nd April, 1949.

The Committee recommend that the Parks Superintendent be authorised to attend this Meeting.

8. ORNAMENTAL GARDEN - JUNCTION OF KENNARD ROAD WITH FRIERN BARNET ROAD. With reference to Minute No.6 of the Report of this Committee dated 7th December, 1948, further consideration was given to the question of the lease and/or purchase of the above-mentioned site, in the light of further information obtained by the Clerk.

The Committee have instructed the Clerk to obtain further information for the next Meeting of the Committee.

9. FRIARY PARK.

(a) Additional Nursery Frames. With reference to Minute No.5 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 1st March, 1949, the work on the provision of the second nursery frame along the side of the greenhouse extension is now completed and the frames are in use.

(b) Catering - Additional Facilities. With reference to Minute No.5 (d) of the Report of this Committee dated 1st March, 1949, the alterations and decorations to the Cafe are now complete, and the premises are available for use by the Catering Contractors.

10. BETHUNE RECREATION GROUND.

(a) 9-Hole Golf Course.

(i) Maintenance. A report was submitted on work carried out to the 9-hole golf course since the last report to the Committee.

(ii) Receipts. Receipts for the month of March 1949 were £48 9s. 0d. as compared with £69 7s. 9d. for March 1948. The total receipts for the period 1st April, 1948, to 31st March, 1949, were £1,151 7s. 6d. as compared with £1,072 18s. 9d. for the corresponding period in 1947/48.

(iii) Competitions. The second round of the "Four-ball" competition is now being played off.

Entries are now being received for a knock-out competition to be held for novices only.

(b) Gresham Avenue Car Park. With reference to Minute No.8 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 4th Januray, 1949, the area to form a lawn has now been rolled and seeded, which completes the constructional works required on the site.

11. CROMWELL RECREATION GROUND - IMPROVEMENT WORKS. With reference to Minute No.9 of the Report of this Committee dated 4th January, 1949, work on the restoration of the site formerly occupied by underground shelters, as approved by the Home Officer, has been commenced. Deep undulations have been filled with clinker, and a top dressing of soil has been placed over this. The work is in an advanced stage and should be ready for the sowing of grass seed inthe near future.

12. PARKS GENERALLY.

(a) Siting of Playground Equipment. With reference to Minute No.10 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd November, 1948, the Sub-Committee formed to decide on the siting of the remainder of the playground equipment allotcated for use at Cromwell Recreation Ground, i.e. Plank Swing, Pendulum See-Saw, Plane Swing and Giant Stride, met again on 24th March, 1949, and, bearing in mind the desirability of this equipment being sited on the site of St. Peter's School, recommend that until such time as this site is purchased, the equipment be erected on land adjoining the school site, all fixings to be of a temporary nature where possible.

(b) Annual Estimates. The Committee recommend (1) that authority be given for the under-mentioned work, provision for which has been made in the annual estimates for 1949/50, to be put in hand as soon as possible:-

Description of Works.	Amount of Approved Estimate.
Friary Park.	
Internal and external decorations to Public Conveniences. External painting of Pavilion, Hard Tennis Courts. Decorations to Mess Room and Putting Green Shed. Repairs and decorations to shelter adjoining Children's Playground. ...	£90.
Redecoration of hall and accommodation occupied by Bowling Club at Friary House	£40.
Decorations to Band Stand	£20.
Painting and repair of fencing to Hard Tennis Courts	£10.
Repairs and internal and external painting to greenhouses	£50.
Bethune Recreation Ground.	
Decorations to Cafe	£10.
Provision of sight screens for Cricket Pitch	£50.
Halliwick Recreation Ground.	
Provision of Tool Store	£25.
Parks Generally.	
Surface dressing footways	£160.
Provision of Park Seats	£180.

and (2) that authority be given for the appointment of suitable persons for the supervision of the playground equipment in Friary Park and Halliwick Recreation Ground on Summer evenings, week-ends and during the Summer Holidays. A sum of £85 for each site was provided for in the estimates for 1949/50.

13. PARKS SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT. The Parks Superintendent submitted a Report on work carried out by Parks Staff since the date of the last Meeting.

14. REPORT OF THE ROADS BEAUTIFICATION SUB-COMMITTEE. The Report of the Roads Beautification Sub-Committee held on 1st March, 1949, a copy of which is attached hereto, was submitted and approved.

15. LAND IN THE VICINITY OF THE AVENUE. The Committee have instructed the Clerk to contact the appropriate Department of British Railways, with a view to arranging a meeting with the Chairman of the Council and the Chairman of this Committee to discuss this matter.

16. MATTERS OF URGENCY DURING MAY. The Committee recommend that the Chairman or Vice-Chairman for the time being of the Committee be authorised to deal with matters of an urgent nature which might arise before the next Meeting of this Committee in June.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 8.0 p.m. and terminated at 9.0 p.m.

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Report and Recommendations of the Roads Beautification Sub-Committee

1st March, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman

Crs. Foley and Richardson.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology was submitted for the absence of Cr. Matthews.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 16th October, 1948, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. ROADSIDE GARDENS. The Committee had under consideration the sites to be constructed during the year 1949/50 within the allocation of £500.

The Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to proceed with the making up of the following sites in accordance with the plans as submitted, subject to the modifications and alterations as set out:-

(a) Oakleigh Road North - junction with Russell Lane. Raised flower beds with York stone walls and 1 seat.

(b) Oakleigh Road North - junction with Barfield Avenue. Flower beds (without surrounding walls) on either side of existing cross paths with 2 seats at back of greensward surrounded by paving, the seats to face towards Oakleigh Road North.

(c) Oakleigh Road North - junction with York Way. Flower beds (without surrounding walls) with central paved area and 2 seats.

(d) Friern Barnet Road - Friern Hospital Entrance. Raised flower border with York stone walls adjoining existing wall, grass areas, trees and shrubs and 3 garden seats.

(e) Friern Barnet Road - junction with Macdonald Road. Raised flower border with Westmorland stone walls and 2 seats, grassed area and shrubs to complete Library site.

The Committee have deferred consideration of the following sites:-

(i) Oakleigh Road North - junction with Marlborough Gardens.

(ii) Friern Barnet Road - junction with Kennard Road.

(iii) Ely Pumping Station.

(iv) Junction of St. James' Avenue and Church Crescent.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.45 p.m. and terminated at 7.15 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Health Committee

12th April, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A.C. Henry ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Mrs.McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, Richardson and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Cr. Martin.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 3rd March, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. NOTIFICATION OF INFECTIOUS DISEASES. The following notifications of infectious diseases have been received since the date of the last Meeting:-

Disease	WARDS					Total for District.
	North	South	Central	East	West	
Measles	9	62	12	1	8	92
Whooping Cough	-	3	-	-	1	4
Scarlet Fever	4	2	1	-	-	7
Tuberculosis	1	-	1	-	-	2
Pneumonia	2	2	-	-	-	4

3. DIPHTHERIA IMMUNISATION. The Medical Officer of Health reported as to the present position in the District with regard to the above, stating that 2,580 immunisations had been carried out to date.

4. WATER SUPPLY. The Medical Officer of Health submitted a report from the Barnet District Gas & Water Company on an examination of a sample of the water supplied to this District, which stated that it was clear and bright in appearance and of very satisfactory bacterial purity. These results are consistent with a pure and wholesome water suitable for the purpose of a public supply.

5. COMPLAINTS. Since the last Meeting of this Committee 56 complaints, including 19 cases of rat infestation, have been received and investigated and the necessary action taken to secure a remedy.

6. ABATEMENT OF NUISANCES. Works necessary to comply with Notices served requiring the abatement of nuisances at 43 properties throughout the District have been completed.

7. UNSOUND FOOD. The Sanitary Inspector reported as to the various types of food which had been condemned as unfit for human comsumption since the last Meeting of the Committee.

8. FOOD AND DRUGS ACT, 1938 - SECTION 14 - REGISTRATION OF PREMISES FOR THE SALE OF ICE-CREAM. An application has been received from Miss H.W. Garrod, Confectioner, of 1266, High Road, N.20., for the registration of these shop premises for the sale of Ice-Cream.

The Ice-Cream is to be obtained in wrapped blocks, tubs and two gallon containers for retailing loose. It will be stored in a refrigerator capable of retaining the Ice-Cream at the temperature prescribed in the Ice-Cream (Heat Treatment etc.) Regulations, 1947.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted.

9. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936 - PROVISION OF DUSTBINS.

(a) General Provisions. With reference to Minute No.14 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd March, 1949, the Clerk submitted Counsel's opinion of the interpretation of Section 75 of the Act of 1936 relating to the power given to Local Authorities to supply dustbins in lieu of requiring owners or occupiers to supply.

The Committee have given lengthy and careful consideration to this matter and have decided not to recommend the Council to adopt the alternative power of providing dustbins, either on charge or at the expense of ratepayers as a whole.

The Committee, therefore, recommend that the existing procedure be continued whereby the Chief Sanitary Inspector notifies both the Owner and Occupier that the premises are without a proper dustbin, leaving them to come to some mutual arrangement. Failing such arrangement, the circumstances of each individual case will be reported to this Committee who will decide on whom to serve statutory notice.

(b) 17, Oakleigh Road, N.20. The above-mentioned premises are found to be without a proper dustbin for the reception of house refuse, the bin, which it is understood was on the premises at the commencement of the tenancy in 1940, being completely worn out.

The agent and the tenant have been communicated with, but have not been able to come to any mutual arrangement with regard to replacement.

The Committee recommend that statutory notice requiring the supply of a proper dustbin be served upon the Occupier of these premises.

10. PETROLEUM (CONSOLIDATION) ACT, 1928 - MESSRS. T.P. BREEN LTD., 1416, HIGH ROAD, N.20. With reference to Minute No.5 (b) of the Report of the Town Planning Committee dated 9th December, 1948, when permission was granted for the installation of an underground storage tank and petrol pump, an application has now been received for a licence to store 1,000 gallons of petrol therein.

The apparatus having been installed to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector, the Committee recommend that a licence be issued under the seal of the Council for the period 1st April, 1949, to 31st December, 1949.

11. MILK AND DAIRIES REGULATIONS 1926/1943 - CONTRAVENTION. The Committee had before them a report regarding the supply within the District of milk contained in a dirty bottle.

In the opinion of the Committee, Article 21 of the Milk and Dairies Regulations 1926/1943 (continued in force by Section 101 of the Food and Drugs Act, 1938) which provides for the cleanliness of all milk vessels, has been contravened.

Having regard to all the circumstances of this case, the Committee consider that proceedings should be taken for the recovery of penalties under the Food and Drugs Act, 1938, and recommend that the Clerk be instructed accordingly.

12. PUBLIC HEALTH ACT, 1936 - SECTION 93 - STATUTORY NUISANCES. The Chief Sanitary Inspector reported the existence of statutory nuisances at the under-mentioned premises:-

(a)	59, Lewes Road, N.12.	Defective and loose ceiling plaster to kitchen and small back bedroom. To:- Hack down all defective and loose ceiling plaster, replaster where disturbed, and whiten on completion.
(b)	8, St. Paul's Road, N.11.	Defective and leaking roof. To:- Repair the roof to weather-tight condition.
(c)	68, The Avenue, N.11.	Defective and leaking main and back addition roofs. To:- Repair the main and back addition roofs to weather-tight condition.

Intimation notices having been served and not complied with, the Committee recommend the service of Abatement Notices under Section 93 of the Public Health Act, 1936, and failing compliance therewith the Clerk be authorised to take appropriate proceedings.

13. LOCAL AREA COMMITTEE.

(a) Nomination of Representatives. Letters have been received from the Middlesex County Council pointing out the difficulties which arise with regard to the above, owing to the fact that this year the County Council elections occur approximately one month before the District Council elections.

In the circumstances the County Council have decided that the existing representatives of District Councils on Local Area Committees will be re-appointed on the 25th April, 1949, the date of the annual meeting of the County Council, for a short period, probably until the 31st May, 1949, so as to give Local Authorities an opportunity of making fresh nominations at their first meetings after the elections in May.

The nominees of County District Councils will formally be appointed to Local Area Committees at a Special Meeting of the County Health Committee to be held on the 3rd June, 1949, and the first Meetings of the Area Committees will be held on the 8th June.

(b) Future Meeting Place. The Local Area Committee have decided that their Meetings in May and June should be held at 3.0 p.m. on the last Monday in each month in the Town Hall, Friern Barnet, subject to facilities being made available by the Council.

The Committee welcome this suggestion and have made arrangements for the Council Chamber to be available for the use of the Area Committee on those dates free of charge.

14. HOUSING ACT, 1936 - POSSESSION OF OVERCROWDED PREMISES. Circular No.17/49 dated 16th March, 1949, has been received from the Ministry of Health, in which the Minister states that "his attention has been drawn to recent cases in which landlords have been given possession of houses by virtue of Section 65 (1) of the Housing Act, 1936, which provides that nothing in the Rent Restrictions Acts shall prevent the landlord from obtaining possession where a dwelling-house is over-crowded in such circumstances as to render the occupier guilty of an offence. It appears to the Minister that the protection given to occupiers by Sections 59 (3) and 61 of the Act may not be sufficiently widely known."

Section 59 (3) of the Act provides that where the overcrowding occurs by natural increase and the occupier has not deliberately aggravated it by subsequently taking in additional persons, an application by him for his name to be put on the local authority's waiting list will in general be sufficient to give him protection.

Section 61 of the Act empowers a local authority, upon the application of an occupier or intending occupier, where they are satisfied that exceptional circumstances exist which make it expedient to do so, to grant him a licence authorising him for a period not exceeding 12 months, to allow such persons in excess of the permitted number as may be specified in the licence to sleep in the house.

The Minister suggests, therefore, that where it comes to the notice of the Council that a landlord is taking, or intends to take, action under Section 65 (1) of the Act, they should, whilst the present shortage of accommodation continues, bring the provisions of Sections 59 (3) and 61 of the Act to the notice of the occupier, and in approved cases issue licences under Section 61.

The Committee recommend that, in the interests of speedy action, where cases of this nature are brought to the notice of any Department of the Council, the occupier should be informed of these provisions and the Public Health Department be authorised to issue licences in suitable cases, and the action taken subsequently reported to this Committee.

15. NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF SHOPS ACTS INSPECTORS - ANNUAL CONFERENCE 1949. An invitation has been received from the above-mentioned Association for the Council to appoint delegates to attend the Annual Conference of the Association to be held at Margate on the 27th and 28th September, 1949.

The Committee recommend that no action be taken thereon.

16. MILK SUPPLIES. With reference to Minute No.11 of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd March, 1949, when instructions were given that a communication should be sent to the suppliers drawing their attention to the serious issues involved, a letter has now been received thanking the Council for the reasonable view taken regarding the complaints referred to and repeating that every endeavour is being made to avoid complaints of this nature arising in the future.

17. NATIONAL ASSISTANCE ACT, 1948 - BURIAL OR CREMATION OF THE DEAD. With reference to Minute No.12 of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd December, 1948, the Minister of Health has now issued Circular No.13/49 which considerably clarifies the position with regard to persons dying in hospitals and in accommodation provided by County Councils.

Persons Dying in Hospitals. The Minister states that where no suitable arrangements are otherwise made, the residual duty to dispose of the body of a person dying in hospital rests on the Local Authority. The Minister considers, however, that Hospital Management Committees have power to arrange and pay for the burial or cremation of patients who die in hospital and he has asked Hospital Committees to exercise this power in the case of -

(a) deceased patients whose relatives cannot be found;

(b) those whose relatives are traceable, but were not, immediately before the patient's death, liable for his maintenance, and are not willing to arrange for the burial; and

(c) those whose relatives are unable to obtain a death grant under the National Insurance Act, 1946, and cannot otherwise afford to arrange for burial.

These categories will include the great majority of patients dying in hospitals whose relatives do not themselves undertake to arrange for burial. Exceptionally, however, a "liable" relative may fail to carry out his responsibility and in such instances Hospital Committees are being advised that they should refer the matter to the Local Authority in view of the powers which Local Authorities have under the Act of recovery from the liable relative. (The Act gives Local Authorities power to recover the cost from the estate (if any) of the deceased person, or from any relative who was liable for the maintenance of the deceased person immediately before death, and from the 5th July, 1950, will be able to claim the death benefit payable under the National Insurance Act.)

Persons Dying in Accommodation Provided by the County Council for Aged and Infirm Persons and Temporary Accommodation for those in Urgent Need thereof. The same circular from the Ministry deals with these cases and suggests that, although the duty lies with District Councils the Minister is confident that County Councils will share his view that, on the death of a person for whose care and welfare they have been responsible, it would ordinarily be inappropriate to leave the arrangements for burial or cremation to another Local Authority and that County Councils will accordingly exercise the power of burial or cremation.

Following receipt of the Ministry Circular, the Hospital Committee were asked to give some indication of the number of cases which the Council are likely to have to deal with, falling within the "liable relative" category, and in reply the Hospital Committee state that the number of such cases will be very few indeed.

In these circumstances the Committee do not consider it necessary to join with the Hospital Management Committee in any contract which they may make with Burial Authorities. It might, however, be convenient from an administrative point of view for the same burial arrangements to operate for those persons dying in the Hospital for which the Council are liable as operate for the other cases which are dealt with by the Hospital, and the Committee have instructed the Clerk to obtain the observations of the Hospital Committee so that this aspect of the matter can be further considered.

The Committee gave consideration tothe question of cremation in lieu of burial. The Minister has stated that cremation must not be undertaken where the Local Authority have reason to believe that it would be contrary to the wishes of the deceased. Normally the cases to be dealt with by a Local Authority will be those where there is no relative to consult. Cremation cannot, of course, be undertaken without the consent of the Medical Referee.

The Committee favour cremation where there are no religious or legal barriers and recommend that the Public Health Department be authorised to arrange cremation in suitable cases.

18. DAY NURSERIES. With reference to Minute No.17 of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd March, 1949, the Chairman reported on the present position regarding the establishment of Day Nurseries in the North and South parts of the District.

19. MATTERS OF URGENCY DURING MAY. The Committee recommend that the Chairmam or Vice-Chairman for the time being of the Committee be authorised to deal with matters of an urgent nature which might arise before the date of the next Meeting of this Committee in June.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 7.45 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Highways and Public Works Committee

12th April, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. J. Foley ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Henry, Martin, Matthews, Meynell, Richardson, and Tarlton.

Also in attendance:

Cr. McClane.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 3rd March, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. HIGHWAYS - GENERAL MAINTENANCE. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on maintenance work carried out during March 1949.

3. RUSSELL LANE - FOOTPATH. A letter was submitted from the Hon. General Secretary of the East Barnet Owner Occupier's Association complaining of the inadequate width of the pavement fronting the Council Housing Estate in Russell Lane. The Association state that this complaint is particularly applicable to the north side from the boundary at East Barnet to Oakleigh Road North, where persons are compelled to walk on the rough and sometimes muddy verges when overtaking even two people walking abreast.

The footpath on either side of Russell Lane from the district boundary to Oakleigh Road North is 4' 6" wide and adjoins the front fences of the Council houses. There is a wide grass verge between the footpath and the carriageway.

On the north side of Russell Lane the privet hedges in the front gardens have been allowed to grow over the footpath to such an extent as to reduce its effective width to 4' 0". It is confirmed that on this side of the road the verge adjoining the footpath has been worn clear of grass for a width of about 4' 0" and this area would tend to become muddy in wet weather. On the south side of the road there is no such wear on the adjoining grass.

To widen the footpath on either side of the road to an overall width of 7' 0" would cost approximately £170 and, of course, the cost of any works would be charged against the approved expenditure on County Roads.

No provision has been made in the County Road estimates for this work and having regard to all the circumstances the Committee have decided to defer the matter for further consideration in connection with the next year's estimates.

Instructions have been given to have the hedges of the adjoining houses cut back.

The Association will be notified accordingly.

4. COUNTY ROAD ESTIMATES.

(a) Friern Barnet Lane Repairs and Re-surfacing. Messrs. Worksworth Quarries Ltd. have now completed the necessary work on that section of Friern Barnet Lane between Goldsmith Road and The Ridgeway. In addition to the surfacing, certain faulty areas of carriageway foundation have been cut out and made good, lengths of channel have been relaid and the cambers of the carriageway improved where possible.

(b) Minor Improvement Works - Colney Hatch Lane and Oakleigh Road South. With reference to Minute No.6 of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd March, 1949, it is considered doubtful whether sufficient outdoor staff will be available to carry out the above-mentioned works by direct labour.

The Committee recommend that in the event of it being found impracticable to carry out this work by direct labour, the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to invite tenders.

5. STREET LIGHTING.

(a) Improved Lighting to District Roads. With reference to the provision made in the 1949/50 Public Lighting Estimates for experimental work in connection with the improved lighting of district roads, the Eastern Electricity Board have fitted four trial lanternsof different types in Horsham Avenue. Details and prices of these lanterns are given hereunder, the columns being numbered in each case as from the Woodhouse Road end. As noted, the fittings to columns 2, 4 and 5, can, if required, be fitted with Perspex Bowls:-

Col. No.	Manufacturer.	Type of Fitting.	Cost.
2	B.T.H.	Mazdaluk Rural	£3. 1. 8.
		With Perspex Bowl... ...	3. 9. 6.
3	E.L.E.C.	Welwyn...	2. 0. 6.
4	E.L.E.C.	Ware with Perspex Bowl ...	3. 6. 9.
5	Revo.	C.12422 Alloy with outer Glass Bowl ...	2.17. 6.
		With Perspex Bowl... ...	3. 8. 0.

In addition to the experimental lanterns referred to above, arrangements have been made for two of the existing fittings in Goldsmith Road to be provided with 150 watt lamps as against the normal lamps of 100 watts.

For the present hours of lighting, the annual charge for columns with 150 watt lamps would be £3 3s. 8d. per annum as against the charge of £2 11s. 0d. per annum for 100 watt lamps.

Further experiments are being made with lamps in Horsham Avenue.

(b) Bethune Recreation Ground - Footpath to Pre-fabs. With reference to Minute No.15 of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd March, 1949, when a complaint was received as to the inadequate lighting of the above-mentioned footpath, it was reported that to light this footpath to a reasonable standard would necessitate the provision of two additional intermediate lamps. There is no existing cable along the footpath and the estimated cost of laying a new cable and providing two lamps is £90.

The sum of £100 has been provided in the current year's estimates for additional lamps throughout the District and the Council have already authorised expenditure in the sum of £40.

The Committee consider that these lamps are necessary and recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be instructed to arrange for their installation.

6. PEDESTRIAN CROSSING BEACONS. With reference to Minute No.6 of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd March, 1949, new globes have been obtained and fitted to pedestrian crossing beacons where necessary, and all posts and existing globes have been repainted.

The whole of this work was completed prior to the commencement of Pedestrian Crossing Week on 3rd April, 1949.

7. TRAFFIC CONDITIONS - ASHURST ROAD/BUXTED ROAD JUNCTION. With reference to Minute No.11 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd February,1949, as instructed, representations were made to the Divisional Road Engineer, Ministry of Transport, regarding the transfer of the existing "Slow - Major Road Ahead" signs from Ashurst Road to Buxted Road.

The Divisional Road Engineer has agreed that the suggested re-siting of the signs is desirable and has made a further observation that the approaches of Ashurst Road to Buxted Road should be marked by "Cross Roads" signs, which could be erected on the posts at present carrying the "Slow" signs.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to make the necessary arrangements for the transfer of the existing "Slow" signs and the erection of the "Cross Roads" signs as approved by the Divisional Road Engineer.

8. ROAD SAFETY.

(a) Tom Thumb Bollard - Friern Barnet Road, opposite the Library. With reference to Minute No.5 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd February, 1949, the Tom Thumb Bollard near "Bus stop opposite the Library has now been removed.

(b) Accident Returns. The accident returns for the month of February 1949 were submitted, showing that during this period five accidents occurred in which one person was fatally injured and six persons sustained slight injuries.

9. ADVANCE DIRECTION SIGNS. With reference to Minute No.7 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd December, 1948, the approval of the County Engineer has now been obtained to the erection of the proposed advance direction signs. The estimated cost of providing and erecting these signs is £200 and no provision has been made for this expenditure in the approved County Road Estimates. The County Engineer states that whilst no supplementary allowance can be made to cover the cost of this work at the present time, consideration would be given to this matter in November, when the revised estimates are under review.

The Committee recommend that this matter be deferred until such time as it is known whether the County Council will be able to include this expenditure in their revised estimates in November.

10. PRIVATE STREETS.

(a) Temple Avenue. With reference to Minute No.9 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd March, 1949, all works in connection with the making up of this street have now been completed with the exception of the adjustment of entrance gates and paths, and the surface dressing of the carriageway which is to be carried out towards the end of the maintenance period.

Following the usual practice all Statutory Undertakers were notified when the making up of this street was to be commenced so that they could carry out any necessary works before the work was started. Notification was then received from the Post Office Authorities that they did not propose to do any works in this street but in the last few days notification has been received from them of their intention to lay an underground cable in the lower section of the road.

Further information is being obtained by the Engineer and Surveyor and he will report to the next Meeting of the General Purposes Committee.

(b) Raleigh Drive. With reference to Minute No.9 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd March, 1949, all works have now been completed in connection with the making up of this street, with the exception of the surface dressing to the carriageway which will be carried out towards the end of the maintenance period.

(c) Porch Way. The present owners of this estate, The Liverpool Victoria Friendly Society, have now arranged for the making up of this street by their Contractors, in accordance with the agreement made in 1939 between this Council and the original developers, Messrs. A. Thompson & Sons Ltd.

Preparation works have been commenced on the footway areas and the work is being supervised by the Engineer and Surveyor's Department.

(d) Grangeview Road. With reference to Minute No.15 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd February, 1949, a meeting has been held on the site and the representative of the present owners, Messrs. Fairways Ltd., East End Road, N.2., has been supplied with a list of the outstanding works considered to be necessary.

(e) Lighting of Torrington Avenue. With reference to Minute No.7 (g) of the Report of this Committee dated 7th October, 1948, the statutory period given in the notices served under Section 150 of the Public Health Act, 1875, has expired and the additional lamp has now been installed and is in lighting.

11. STATUTORY OPENINGS. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on Statutory openings being carried out by and on behalf of Statutory Companies.

12. SEWERS.

(a) Reconstruction of Surface Water Sewer crossing the site of the Controlled Refuse Tip, Bethune Recreation Ground. With reference to Minute No.20 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 6th May, 1948, owing to the advanced stage of the tipping in this area it is now considered necessary to relay the existing surface water sewer, as any relaying at a later date would add considerably to the cost as excavation would have to be carried out through approximately 5 feet of refuse in addition to the natural ground.

The original agreement with the Railway Company provided for the re-erection of the then existing fence on the new boundary and the relay of the existing 18" surface water sewer crossing the land, such sewer to be constructed in open jointed pipes.

The fence referred to is now non-existent and it will be necessary to provide and erect a new fence. It is also considered inadvisable to relay the sewer referred to in open jointed pipes, as having regard to the depth of refuse to be placed over the pipes they should be provided with proper concrete protection. Open jointed pipes would also allow fine refuse to seep into the sewer.

A survey has been made of the catchment area served by this sewer and to allow for future development it is considered that its size should be increased from 18" to 24", and the Railway Executive have now agreed that a 9" subsoil drain will be sufficient to drain the foot of their embankment.

The Committee considered the plans before them and recommend

(i) That the Railway Executive be approached with a view to the following variations being made to the original agreement:-

(A) The Council to provide, erect and maintain a chain link fence on the boundary of the land conveyed, this fence to be erected not earlier than twelve months after the completion of the tipping of house refuse.

(B) The Council to provide and lay a 9" diameter open jointed drain along the line where the tipped refuse will meet the railway embankment, together with all inspection chambers etc.

(ii) that a scheme for the relaying of the existing surface water sewer from Lily Villas to its junction with the existing 72" diameter culvert be submitted to the Ministry of Health for agreement in principle, together with the construction of the proposed 9" diameter drain referred to above and the provision and erection of the chain link fence should the Railway Executive require this to be erected on completion of the tipping.

(iii) that tenders be invited for the above-mentioned works.

(iv) that application be made to the Ministry of Health for a loan to cover the cost and for authority to proceed with the works under Defence Regulation 56 AB.

Provision has been made for this work in the current year's estimates.

(b) Friern Mount Drive - Surface Water Sewer - Collapse. With reference to Minute No.8 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 1st July, 1948, plans and details have now been prepared and will be submitted to the Ministry of Health for agreement in principle. As soon as this is received, tenders will be invited and a further report will be submitted at the next Meeting of this Committee.

(c) Culvert - Marne Avenue/Falkland Avenue. With reference to Minute No.13 of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd February, 1949, no further information has been received with regard to any proposed development of the vacant land fronting Oakleigh Road, between Marne Avenue and Falkland Avenue.

The Committee recommend -

(i) that the plans and estimates as now submitted be approved.

(ii) that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to invite tenders for the carrying out of this work and that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council and the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of this Committee be authorised to open and accept a tender, and

(iii) that application be made to the Minister of Health for loan sanction and authority under Defence Regulation 56 AB.

Provision has been made for the estimated loan charges in the current year's estimates.

(d) Factory Acts, 1937 and 1948 - Breathing Apparatus for Use in Sewers. With reference to Minute No.14 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 2nd December, 1948, the above-mentioned safety equipment has now been received and arrangements are being made for one of the staff normally engaged on sewer maintenance to receive instruction in its use, and also in elementary first aid.

13. PUBLIC CONVENIENCES.

(a) Proposed Public Convenience - North Ward. The Committee gave consideration to the siting of the above-mentioned public convenience and having regard to negotiations now taking place

in connection with certain land in this area the Committee have deferred further consideration for the time being.

(b) Goldsmith Road Convenience - Redecorations. Work is now well advanced on the redecorations authorised to this Convenience, and the greater proportion of the external work has been completed.

It will be necessary to close the Ladies' Convenience for several days to permit the carrying out of the internal decorations and notices to that effect will be exhibited.

14. SALVAGE RETURNS. The returns for salvage for the month of March 1949 are as follows, shown in comparison with the same period in 1948:-

March, 1949	- 39 tons 2 cwts.	- value	£229 13s. 0d.
March, 1948	- 36 tons 10 cwts.	- value	£148 0s. 0d.

15. DEPOTS AND STORES - EXTERNAL PAINTING. Work has now been commenced on the external painting of the Depot buildings.

16. LIGHT ROAD ROLLER. With reference to Minute No.6 of the Meeting of the Council held on 24th March, 1949, details of the tenders received were submitted for the information of the Committee.

The tender of Messrs. L.W. Bryant and Co. was accepted in the sum of £183 15s. 0d. but this firm have not collected the roller or paid the sum due from them.

The Committee have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to obtain further particulars and to report to the General Purposes Committee at their next Meeting.

17. SEWAGE DISPOSAL WORKS - STORES.

(a) Firewood. With reference to Minute No.4 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd March, 1949, two offers were received, and the Chairman of the Committee authorised the acceptance of the highest offer, that of Messrs. H. Smith & Co., Walthamstow, E.17., in the sum of £16.

The Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

(b) Granite Kerb, etc. With reference to Minute No.4 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd March, 1949, offers for this material were invited from nine civil engineering contractors, but the only price received was that of Meesrs. Ernest Knifton Ltd., who were prepared to pay £40 for all the surplus kerb and quadrants.

In view of the fact that no immediate use can be envisaged for this material and it now occupies valuable storage space, the Committee recommend that the offer of Messrs. Ernest Knifton Ltd., in the sum of £40 be accepted.

18. RATE ESTIMATES 1949/50.

(a) Salvage and House Refuse Collection - Allocation of Costs. With reference to Minute No.16 of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd March, 1949, the Treasurer and Engineer and Surveyor have considered this matter and reported as follows:-

> "So far as special salvage collection is concerned, one machine spends one day per week on the collection solely of salvage and this is charged under Code 74 in the sum of £180, which included the driver's wages. One of the refuse collectors is allocated to this machine for that day, and, therefore, an additional charge of £53 per annum should be allowed.

With regard to an allocation to salvage of the total cost of house refuse collection, it is almost impossible to assess an accurate allowance from the total cost of house collection owing to the difficulty of separating costs, but after full consideration we are of the opinion that an allowance of 1/7th from the annual estimated cost for this year of £7,060 or £1,009 could fairly be allocated to salvage."

The Committee recommend that the suggested allocation be made for the year 1949/50.

(b) House and Trade Refuse Collection - Haulage Charge and Wages of Loaders. With reference to Minute No.16 of the Report of this Committee dated 3rd March, 1949, the Committee have considered the comprehensive report of the Engineer and Surveyor on the working of the 44 hour, 5 day, week, which has been circulated to all Members of the Council.

The Committee have, with some hesitation, agreed to a provisional re-organisation of this service and recommend that for a temporary period the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to engage the services of not more than two additional refuse collectors, and that a further report be submitted to the Committee when the result of this re-organisation has been ascertained.

(c) Surface Dressing. With reference to the amount provided for the surface dressing of carriageways, the Committee recommend that as in previous years, selected firms be invited to tender for the supply and application of the tar or other spraying compound and that the chippings be supplied and spread by the Council's staff.

(d) Refuse Disposal - Controlled Tips. It will be remembered that whilst provision was made in the annual estimates for the levelling of the controlled tip at Bethune Recreation Ground, no provision was made for the additional cost of purchasing soil for the seeding of the area in view of the high expenditure involved.

The Engineer and Surveyor has from time to time been offered small amounts of soil from building plots and in order to take advantage of these small amounts, the Committee recommend that he be authorised to hire a Bulldozer to carry out the levelling works referred to.

The Committee further recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to hire a Bulldozer to carry out the levelling which will be required in connection with the preparation of a tipping site at the Sewage Disposal Works.

Provision has been made in the estimates for this work.

(e) Special Items. The Committee recommend that the Enginaer and Surveyor be authorised to put the following works in hand as soon as the necessary labour is available, giving priority to the Ely Place Pumping Station:-

Description of Works.	Amount included in approved estimate.
Sewerage.	
Repairing and painting vent columns	£110.
Ely Pumping Station - colour washing and shrub planting	£20.

Description of Works.	Amount included in approved estimate.
Highways.	
Replacement of missing street name plates and painting all plates	£105.
Public Lighting.	
Painting of lamp columns	£370.

19. MATTERS OF URGENCY DURING MAY. The Committee recommend that the Chairman or Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the time being be authorised to deal with matters of an urgent nature which might arise before the next Meeting of this Committee in June.

20. APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF ENGINEERING ASSISTANT. With reference to Minute No.5 (b) of the Report of the Establishment Committee dated 15th February, 1949, the Sub-Committee authorised to make this appointment report having interviewed three applicants and having appointed Mr. J.R. Greenwood, B.Sc., A.M.I.C.E.

Mr. Greenwood is at present Senior Engineering Assistant to the East Barnet Urban District Council.

The Sub-Committee were authorised to fix the commencing salary within Grade V. (£520 - 15 - 15 - 20 £570) and they have made the appointment on the maximum of that grade - namely £570 plus London Weighting. Mr. Greenwood hopes to commence duties on the termination of his present appointment in approximately one month's time.

The appointment is made subject to medical examination and to one month's notice.

21. ROUNDABOUT - NORTH CIRCULAR ROAD. The Committee have expressed dissatisfaction with the present condition of this roundabout which was planted with trees and shrubs in accordance with a scheme prepared by the Ministry of Transport and have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to approach the Ministry thereon.

22. ANALYSIS OF SEWAGE EFFLUENT. The Engineer and Surveyor submitted a report on a sample of sewage effluent taken from Bounds Green Brook on the 1st March, 1949. The report indicates a satisfactory effluent.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.50 p.m. and terminated at 9.0 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Rating and Valuation Committee

14th April, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A.C.S.Meynell ... Chairman.

Crs. Henry, Matthews, Miss Richards and Richardson.

Also in attendance:

Cr. Mrs. McCarthy.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. Martin, McClane, Pickering, Simmonds and Sparks.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 10th March, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1948 (APPOINTED DAYS ORDER) 1949. The Clerk reported the receipt of a copy of the above-mentioned Order which accompanied Ministry of Health Circular No.19/49 dated 25th March, 1949.

Under the Order the 1st February, 1950, has been fixed as the appointed day for the coming into force of Part 3 of the provisions of the Local Government Acts connected with the works of Valuation Panels and Courts and the transfer of Valuation for Rating from the Rating Authorities to the Inland Revenue Department. Valuation Panels should come into office on the 1st November, 1949, and all schemes already submitted will be modified accordingly when they are approved. From the same date Section 49 providing for the use of public rooms of a County Council or Rating Authority for the Valuation Officer's staff and for use by Panels for Meeting purposes for such days and periods as are requested, also becomes effective.

For the operation of Section 57 - assessment of certain buildings occupied in parts - the 1st April, 1950, is prescribed as the appointed day.

Authorities in those towns in which the Inland Revenue Department propose to have offices are requested to afford every assistance in accommodating staffs for a temporary period.

It is further requested that in order to ease the duties of the new Valuation service, which will have many difficulties to contend with during the transitional period, the minimum of arrears should be left to be dealt with after the appointed day and Assessment Committees should meet as frequently as possible in the meantime to deal with outstanding cases. Local Authorities are urged to make any proposals which they have in preparation in sufficient time to permit Assessment Committees to dispose of them before the appointed day.

4. NEW PROPERTIES. Having received a report from the Valuation Officer as to the new properties erected in the District, the Committee recommend assessments as follows:-

	Recommendation.
(a) Permanent Housing Site No.5 - Colney Hatch Lane.	
(i) 203 and 213, Colney Hatch Lane.	£30/22 each.
(ii) 205 and 211, Colney Hatch Lane.	£34/25 each.
(iii) 207 and 209, Colney Hatch Lane.	£31/23 each.

		Recommendation.
(b)	49, Lewes Road. Re-instatement of war-destroyed house.	£46/36.
(c)	51, Lewes Road. Re-instatement of war-destroyed house.	£47/37.
(d)	53, Lewes Road. Re-instatement of war-destroyed house.	£50/40.
(e)	55, Lewes Road. Re-instatement of war-destroyed house.	£46/36.
(f)	1 and 1a, Kennard Road. Flats replacing war-destroyed house.	£30/22 & £31/23 respectively.
(g)	3 and 3a, Kennard Road. Flats replacing war-destroyed house.	£31/23 each.

5. ALTERATIONS. Having received a report by the Valuation Officer as to alterations to the following properties, the Committee recommend amended assessments as indicated:-

		Recommendation.
(a)	99, Chandos Avenue - Addition of Garage.	Increase from £86/69 to £91/73.
(b)	41, Macdonald Road - Addition of Garage.	Increase from £46/36 to £50/40.
(c)	22, Ferncroft Avenue - Addition of Garage.	Increase from £38/28 to £42/32.

6. OCCUPIER'S PROPOSALS. The Valuation Officer reported that proposals have been received in respect of the following:-

(a) "Orange Tree", Friern Barnet Lane, N.11.
(b) "The Woodman", 418, Oakleigh Road, N.20.
(c) Tottenham and District Gas Company.
(d) Metropolitan Water Board.
(e) Barnet District Gas and Water Co. (gas and water undertakings)

and that notice of objection had been served in each case.

7. RATING AND VALUATION ACTS 1925-1940 - "THE RISING SUN" AND "THE YORK ARMS" PUBLIC HOUSES, OAKLEIGH ROAD NORTH. With reference to Minute No.5 (b) of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated 17th March, 1949, the Valuation Officer reported that the increases proposed for the licensed premises in question are:-

"The Rising Sun" - from £225/184 to £240/197.

"The York Arms" - from £230/188 to £250/205.

8. MATTERS OF URGENCY DURING MAY. The Committee recommend that the Chairman or Vice-Chairman for the time being of the Committee be authorised to deal with matters of an urgent nature which might arise before the date of the next Meeting of the Committee in June.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.35 p.m. and terminated at 6.40 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Housing Committee

14th April, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. E. Draper ... Vice-Chairman in the Chair.

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell, Miss Richards, and Richardson.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. McClane, Martin, Pickering, Simmonds, Sparks and Tarlton.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 10th March, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. HOUSING LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The Report of the Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee held on 2nd April, 1949, a copy of which is attached, was submitted and approved.

4. HOUSING DEPARTMENT.

(a) Division of Duties. The Report of the Meeting of the Special Sub-Committee held on 2nd April, 1949, a copy of which is attached, was submitted, and the Committee recommend the adoption of the Report.

(b) Office Accommodation. With reference to Minute No.3 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th March, 1949, the exchange of accommodation as between the Housing Department and the Fuel Office took place on the 25th March, 1949, when No.8, Halliwick Court Parade was released from requisition. From that date the Ministry of Fuel and Power are responsible for the tenancy of these premises at a rental of £180 per annum exclusive, for a period of three years certain with option to continue from year to year subject to one year's notice up to a maximum of seven years.

In this connection the Clerk reported that further negotiations had taken place with the Ministry of Fuel and Power with regard to bearing a proportion of the cost of adaptation, estimated at £110, as a result of which the Ministry are prepared to contribute a sum of £40.

The Committee recommend that the offer of the Ministry of Fuel and Power be accepted.

(c) Review. The Housing Estates Manager submitted a comprehensive report and review of the working of the Department from 1st January to 31st March, 1949.

The Committee decided to defer consideration of the report until their next Meeting.

5. REQUISITIONED PROPERTY.

(a) Applicationsfor Release.

(i) 14, Okehampton Close. A letter dated 1st February, 1949, was submitted from Mr. Horace Eckert, Estate Agent, stating that it is understood that this flat is becoming vacant shortly, and applying for the de-requisitioning for the reason that he has a long waiting list of applicants, many of them very deserving cases.

Having received a report from the Housing Estates Manager the Committee recommend that owing to the present housing position generally throughout the District, the application be refused.

(ii) 56, Pollard Road. An application was submitted from the Agents acting on behalf of the owner, Mr. C.R. Hopping, applying for the release of the property from requisition for the reason that the owner employs a manager for his business premises who at present resides at Dagenham, and finds it extremely inconvenient to make the long journey. The property is required to accommodate this employee, his wife and one child.

Various applications have been received since the 20th January, 1947, for the release of this property from requisition, but having regard to the present housing position generally throughout the District, the Committee recommend the Council to adhere to their previous decision in the matter.

(b) 1,Lily Villas. The Housing Estates Manager reported that from inspection it wouldappear that rather extensive repairs are necessary to this property, consisting of five rooms and a scullery, at present accommodating a husband, wife, son, married daughter and her husband and one child.

Having regard to all the circumstances the Committee recommend that the two families at present occupying the property be re-housed as soon as possible, and thereafter the property be released from requisition.

(c) Arrears of Contributions. The Treasurer submitted a report on the arrears of contributions in respect of requisitioned properties. The following matters arise out of the report:-

(i) Occupier No.610. With reference to Minute No.4 (c)(iii) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th March, 1949, the arrears are now £4 19s.0d. and the weekly contribution is £1 3s 11d. Financial circumstances have now improved and the occupier has agreed to pay £2 10s. 0d. per week until the arrears are cleared.

The Committee recommend that the offer be accepted.

(ii) Occupier No.674. The arrears are £2 9s. 3d., and the weekly contribution is 17s. 8d. There have been financial difficulties in this case, but conditions have now improved and an offer has been made to pay a weekly sum of £1 2s. 8d. until these arrears are cleared.

Having regard to the fact that previous difficulty has been experienced in this case, the Committee have authorised the Treasurer to inform the occupier that unless the offer is maintained a notice terminating the licence will be issued.

(iii) Occupier No.636. The arrears in this case are £4 5s.10d. and the weekly contribution is £1 5s. 7d. There is evidence of financial hardship in this case, and the Committee have deferred consideration thereof until their next Meeting when the Treasurer will submit a further report.

(d) Scale for Payment of Repairs. The Housing Estates Manager reported that for some time negotiations have been conducted with the Secretary of the Federation of Master Builders regarding the scale of payment now being made to local builders for rechargeable jobbing works carried out to requisitioned properties.

The scale for payment at present in force is in accordance with the Ministry of Home Security Prime Cost Contract MH/PC/1 which became redundant in 1944. The Ministry of Health states that a Local Authority may approve any scale not less favourable than they themselves are paying for similar work.

After consultation with the Federation of Master Builders it is considered that it would be fair to adopt the scale of accounting laid down by the War Damage Commission in June 1944 (R.C.D.1.), this scale having been adopted by neighbouring authorities.

The Committee recommend that as from the 1st May, 1949, the R.O.D.1. scale formulated by the War Damage Commission be implemented in respect of such work.

(e) General Maintenance.

(i) Repairs. The Report of the Housing Estates Manager upon repairs carried out to requisitioned properties since the last Meeting was submitted.

(ii) External Painting. The Housing Estates Manager reported that work has now commenced on the last property to receive external decoration under the 1948/49 programme.

(f) "Eversley", Oakleigh Park South - Conversion. With reference to Minute No.4 (d) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th March, 1949, the Architect reported that tenders have been invited from five builders for the conversion of this property into four flats, to the plan previously approved, and the lowest tender in the sum of £2,349 has been submitted to the Ministry of Health for approval.

The Committee recommend that upon the approval of the Ministry of Health the tender be accepted, subject to Contract, and the Architect be authorised to proceed with the preparation of the necessary detailed plans in connection therewith.

6. HOUSING ESTATES.

(a) Arrears of Rent. The Treasurer submitted a report on the present position regarding arrears of rent, and the following matters arise therefrom:-

(i) Tenant No.57. With reference to Minute No.5 (a)(ii) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th March, 1949, regular payments are being made to reduce the arrears, which now amount to £3 8s. 3d., the weekly rent being £1 6s. 4d.

(ii) Tenant No.176. With reference to Minute No.5 (a)(iv) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th March, 1949, the arrears since the last Meeting have increased by 10s.6d. and now amount to £7 15s. 2d., the weekly rent being £1 2s. 2d. In connection therewith the Housing Welfare Officer submitted a report.

The Committee recommend that the matter be left for the time being with the Treasurer and the Secretary of the Friern Barnet Council of Social Service, and a further report thereon be submitted to the next Meeting.

(iii) Tenant No.363. With reference to Minute No.5 (a)(v) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th March, 1949, as instructed at the last Meeting, a Notice to Quit was served in this case, as a result of which the sum of £5 19s. 0d. was paid. However, no payment has been made during the last fortnight, and the arrears now stand at £3 3s. 9d., the weekly rent being £1 4s. 3d.

The Committee recommend that a further Notice to Quit be served.

(iv) Late Tenant No.321. With reference to Minute No.5 (a) (viii) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th March, 1949, the balance outstanding still remains at £3 1s. 1d. the monthly payment of 2s. 6d. not having been received. The Treasurer has communicated with the former tenant with a view to obtaining regular instalments.

(b) Sub-letting. An application was submitted from the tenant of No.5, The Vale, for permission to sub-let part of the premises to relatives. The tenants are old age pensioners and state that difficulty is found in meeting the present rent.

The Committee have deferred consideration of this application, and have instructed the Housing Estates Manager to investigate the possibility of effecting an exchange for a smaller property.

(c) Applications for Change of Tenancies.

(i) 29, Simmons Way. An application was submitted from Mrs. L. Dillworth requesting the transfer of the tenancy of this property, at present in the name of her late husband, to herself.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted.

(ii) 19, Russell Road. An application was submitted from Mrs. E. Burrows, recently widowed, requesting the transfer of the tenancy of this property to her son-in-law, who is residing there with his wife and four children. The son-in-law, Mr. E.H. Newman, has intimated that he is agreeable to Mrs. Burrows remaining in the property.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted.

(d) Application to Accommodate a Lodger. An application was submitted from the tenant of No.29, Russell Road, for permission to accommodate her orphaned nephew for a short while. The house is at present occupied by the tenant, wife, adult son and daughter of school age.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted for a period of six months.

(e) Applications for the Installation of Telephones. The Committee recommend that the applications received from the following tenants for the installation of a telephone be granted:-

Mr. H. Clothier, 283, Alexandra Road.
Mr. A. Worple, 21, Alexandra Road.

(f) General Maintenance. The report of the Housing Estates Manager on general maintenance of housing estates was submitted for information.

(g) Installation of new Stoves and Hot Water Systems. With reference to Minute No.5 (e) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th March, 1949, the Housing Estates Manager reported that a total of 12 stoves and hot water systems have been installed since the date of the last Meeting, making a total of 112 new installations to date.

(h) External Painting - East Crescent. The Housing Estates Manager reported that work has commenced on the programme of external decoration of these properties in varying colour schemes between cream and green and cream and brown. It is proposed to treat the asbestos cladding with a finish that will be both weather-proof and decorative.

(i) 25, Russell Lane. With reference to Minute No.5 (h) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th February, 1949, the Clerk reported that a communication had now been received from the tenant of this property stating that the plant stored thereat had now been sold, but a certain quantity of sand, ballast and bricks was being retained for the purpose of constructing a garden path.

7. HOUSING SCHEMES.

(a) Progress Report. The following is a statement showing the progress made in the housing schemes to date:-

Site No.	Contract No.	No. of dwellings.	No. of men.	Dwellings roofed.	Dwellings completed this month.	Total Dwellings completed.
Russell Gardens		2 houses	-			2
3		36 flats	-			36
4		60 flats	9			60
5	5A/1	6 houses	-	-	-	6
	5A/2	10 houses	-	-	-	10
	5A/3	4 houses	-	-	-	4
	5A/4	14 houses)	53	24	6	14
	5A/41	20 houses)				
	5A/5	4 houses)	11	10	Nil	Nil
	5A/51	6 houses)				
	5A/6	34 houses	57	34	5	7
	5A/7	10 houses	32	10	2	2
	5B/4	23 flats	27			
	5B/3	30 flats	38			
		260	227		13	141

(b) Housing Sites No.3 and 4 - Caretaker - Accommodation for Car. The Housing Estates Manager reported that the Caretaker had recently parked his car at the rear of the flats, and a request had now been received from him for garage space to be provided in the Sewage Works area, as he has been unable to find suitable accommodation elsewhere.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange, if possible, for sufficient space in the Sewage Works to be made available for this purpose.

(c) Housing Site No.5, - Colney Hatch Lane.

(i) Construction of Roads and Sewers. With reference to Minute No.14 (c)(viii) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th February, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that further discussions have taken place with the Contractors, who claim for the work outstanding, all increases in rates of wages and cost of material since the commencement of the contract, which is estimated at £533.

It will be recalled that the Contractors commenced work in August 1946, and owing to the deferment of housing

works by the Ministry of Health, operations were suspended in October 1947. Having regard to the fact that the contract contained no variation clause for rise and fall in rates and prices, the Contractors are not entitled to any increased allowance, but in view of the long deferment of the outstanding works in connection with the making up of the footpaths, the Ministry of Health expressed the opinion that some consideration is warranted.

The Engineer and Surveyor further reported that he had communicated with the Contractors stating that it is felt that any increases in the normal rates during the deferment of all housing works should be borne by the Contractors, and consideration should only be given to any increases which have occurred between that date and the date when the Contractors are able to complete the outstanding works, estimated at £300.

In reply the Contractors point out that the time for the completion of the works under the contract was extended to approximately 12 months owing to the shortage of labour and the suspension of cement supplies at that time, and stated that whilst they would be prepared to accept the suggestion of an ex gratia payment of £300, they reserved the right, at the completion of the contract, to submit a claim in connection with the loss incurred on the contract as a whole, due to various factors.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Engineer and Surveyor in suggesting an ex gratia payment of £300 be approved, and further recommend that the Contractors in informed that the Council is only prepared to make such an additional payment in final settlement.

(ii) Contract for 10 Houses. With reference to Minute No.20 (d) of the Report of the General Purposes Committee dated 17th March, 1949, the Architect reported that a revised negotiated tender had been obtained from Messrs. Hubert C. Leach Ltd. for the construction of a further 10 houses on this site, in the sum of £13,540, which had been submitted to the Ministry of Health for approval.

The Committee recommend that subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health, the tender be accepted, provided that the necessary Contract and Bond are completed before the work is commenced.

(iii) Tenders for 30 Flats. With reference to Minute No.5 (d) (iii) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th March, 1949, the Architect reported that the priced Bills of Quantities upon which the tenders were based have been received, and further reported upon certain enquiries made in connection therewith.

The Committee have as a matter of urgency authorised the Architect to submit the tenders to the Ministry of Health for approval, with the request that the tender of Messrs. Goreham as now submitted be accepted, subject to Contract and Bond.

(iv) Negotiations for an Additional 30 Flats. The Architect reported that following the receipt of tenders for the erection of the 30 flats referred to in the preceding Minute, an offer had been received from Messrs. Myton Ltd. to enter into a Contract for the erection of a further 30 flats on the basis of a negotiated price which has now been submitted.

The price being favourable the Committee recommend that the offer of Messrs. Myton Ltd. for the construction of a further 30 flats be accepted, subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health, Contract and Bond.

(v) Six Dwellings for Aged Persons.

(A) Invitation of Tenders. With reference to Minute No.5 (d)(v) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th March, 1949, the Architect reported that tenders have been invited from seven Contractors for the erection of these six dwellings, the closing date for the receipt of such tenders being the 2nd May, 1949.

The Committee recommend that the Chairman of the Council and the Chairman of this Committee be authorised to open the tenders, and subject to satisfactory priced Bills of Quantities the Architect be authorised to submit the lowest tenders to the Ministry of Health for approval.

(B) Communal Laundry. With reference to Minute No.5(d)(v) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th March, 1949, the Architect submitted a plan for a small communal laundry. The estimated cost of the building is £225, and the equipment including washing machine, drying cabinet, water heater, and the necessary electric wiring is estimated at between £100 and £130 according to the type of washing machine selected.

The Committee recommend that the Architect be authorised to consult the Friern Barnet Women's Advisory Panel on Housing as to the type of washing machine considered most suitable, and thereafter to submit the scheme to the Ministry of Health for approval.

(vi) Houses and Flats - Provision of Communal Laundry. The Architect submitted a report upon the proposal to make provision for a Communal Laundry for the remainder of the dwellings on this site. In connection therwith a letter dated 12th April, 1949, was submitted from the Friern Barnet Women's Advisory Panel on Housing stating that further consideration has now been given to the suggestion that there should be a Communal Laundry for the dwellings other than the aged persons bungalows, but in view of the size of the site and the difficulty of finding a position for the Laundry convenient for all tenants it is suggested that the inclusion of this proposal at the present stage of development of the site might jeopardise its usefulness and popularity among the tenants.

The Committee recommend that no further action be taken in the provision of a Communal Laundry for the houses and flats on this site, but the question of the installation of such an amenity be borne in mind in the planning of future schemes.

The Committee further recommend that the Friern Barnet Women's Advisory Panel on Housing be informed accordingly.

(vii) Housing Contracts.

(A) Contract No.5A/4. The Clerk reported that the Contract and Bond in connection with the erection of these dwellings had now been duly executed.

(B) Contract No.5A/7. The Clerk reported certain information to the effect that efforts were being made to complete the Contract documents.

The Committee have referred further consideration of this matter to the General Purposes Committee at their next Meeting.

(c) Contracts 5A/6 and 5B/3. The Clerk reported that he had interviewed this Contractor on the subject of the Bonds, and he undertook to submit certain proposals, but to date had failed to do so.

The Committee have instructed the Clerk to inform the Contractor concerned that unless the question of the Bonds in respect of these contracts is satisfactorily settled within 14 days, the Council will have no alternative but seriously to consider the question of withholding payment of interim certificates in respect of the work executed.

(d) "The Hollies", Oakleigh Park North.

(i) Layout. The Architect submitted a scheme for the layout of this site providing for 43 flats and 5 aged persons dwellings.

The flats are planned in one three storey block containing 27 dwellings, and one four storey block containing 16 dwellings; the aged persons dwellings form a single storey block with private gardens to each.

The plan includes a communal laundry and drying room and provision for garages if required. A number of allotments for tenants and a children's playground are also included in the plan.

The Committee recommend that the Architect be authorised to submit the scheme to the Ministry of Health for approval, and in the meantime to prepare detailed plans for submission to the next Meeting of this Committee.

(ii) Request to Acquire Part of Site. A letter dated 14th March, 1949, was submitted from Mr. W.A. Jackson of 9, Oakleigh Park North, offering to purchase a small area of land lying to the north east of the site, contending that it was unsuitable for building purposes owing to its narrowness and lack of exit, but would create an improvement to his garden which adjoins.

Having regard to the fact that any reduction in the area of the site available for development would inevitably reduce the accommodation which could be provided, as this is calculated on a density basis, the Committee recommend that the offer be not accepted.

8. POST-WAR HOUSES AND FLATS - INSTALLATION OF COOKERS AND REFRIGERATORS. The Treasurer submitted a financial statement in connection with the scheme for the simple hire of domestic appliances to tenants at weekly rentals intended to meet the capital and maintenance costs over the estimated life of the apparatus. The existing charges are as follows:-

Electric Cookers	1s. 3d. per week.
Gas Cookers	9d. per week.
Gas and Electric Regrigerators	1s. 0d. per week.

Since the approximate weekly charges to tenants were estimated it has been found that the electricity and gas suppliers now make installation charges, the cost of gas cookers has increased from £14 7s. 0d. to £17, approximately, loan interest rates have increased by ½%, and in addition purchase tax of £6 1s. 7d. is payable on each refrigerator.

To date 100 electric cookers, 41 gas cookers, 40 gas refrigerators and 75 electric refrigerators have been purchased. Loan sanction has been obtained for 100 electric cookers and 50 refrigerators.

In this connection the Architect reported that an offer had been received from the Eastern Electricity Board for the sale of 100 re-conditioned electric cookers at a cost of £11 each.

The Committee recommend (i) that in order to meet the increased expenditure in connection with the installation of such equipment the weekly charges be increased to the following as from Monday, the 2nd May, 1949:-

Electric Refrigerators	...	...	...	1s.3d. per week.
Gas Refrigerators	...	...	...	1s.4d. per week.
Gas Cookers	...	...	...	1s.0d. per week.

(The weekly charge for electric Cookers to remain unchanged at 1s.3d. per week.)

(ii) that 100 re-conditioned electric cookers be purchased at a cost of approximately £11 each, and (iii) that application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to loan in the sum of £4,157 made up as follows:-

100 Electric Cookers		
Installation and loan costs ... ... (sanction already received for purchase)		£352.
65 Electric Refrigerators		£1480.
Installation and loan costs on 115 ... (sanction already received for purchase of 50)		£146.
41 Gas Cookers		£641.
Installation and loan costs		£31.
100 Re-conditioned Electric Cookers... ...		£1100.
Installation and loan costs		£407.
		£4157.

and on receipt of loan sanction the money be borrowed from the Public Works Loan Board, and that the Chairman of the Council and the Clerk be authorised to seal the Mortgage and any other documents, if necessary out of Meeting.

9. HOUSING (FINANCIAL AND MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS) ACT, 1946. The Clerk reported that a copy of the Minutes of the Meeting of the Outer London Standing Joint Committee held on 16th March, 1949, had been received, which contained, inter alia, a report of a Special Sub-Committee set up to examine the First Report of the Committee of Inquiry appointed by the Ministry of Health to consider the cost of house building. The Sub-Committee, whose Report was adopted by the Joint Committee, is of the opinion that the present high level of rents for post-war permanent houses is due to the increased cost of construction and maintenance, and increased rates of interest, and can only be reduced by increasing the rents ofpre-war houses, increasing Exchequer and rate contributions and/or reduction in the building costs.

It is also felt that the question of increasing the rents of pre-war houses is a matter for each individual Authority, and it is recognised that the possibility of an increase of Exchequer contributions at the present time is extremely unlikely, and to increase the rate contributions, it is contended, would not be advisable.

It was, however, resolved in adopting the Report that the attention of Constituent Authorities be drawn to the possibility of building prices being less if obrained by open tender, but further there appears nothing effective which could be done by the Joint Committee in respect of reducing building costs, as such can only be achieved as a result of national action by the Ministry and the Joint Committee of Employers and Employees, or local action by Councils.

10. FUTURE SCHEMES - PROVISION FOR ACCOMMODATION FOR POLICE OFFICERS. A letter dated 10th March, 1949, was submitted from the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis, stating that the difficulty of providing housing accommodation for members of the Police Force continues to be one of the chief causes of failure to obtain sufficient recruits to bring the Force up to its proper strength. Whilst it is realised that although much progress has been made, Local Authorities are still faced with long waiting lists, it is hoped that, in the light of present circumstances, Councils will favourably consider the allocation of a small number of houses or flats to police officers. The Metropolitan Police are making every effort to meet the situation by erecting houses or blocks of flats for police occupation, but progress is much hampered by difficulty in obtaining suitable sites on which to build, and the Receiver of the Metropolitan District would be glad to know of any site which might be acquired for this purpose.

The Committee recommend that the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis be informed that the request will receive every attention, and the matter be referred to the Housing Lettings Committee for consideration.

11. HOUSING SUMMARY. The Ministry of Health Housing Summary giving the total provision of housing accommodation in Great Britain as at 28th February, 1949, was submitted for information.

12. USE OF RESIDENTIAL ACCOMMODATION FOR PURPOSES OF AGENCIES FOR THE SUPPLY OF NURSES. A letter dated 1st April, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council stating that in connection with the exercise of the powers of the County Council under the Nurses Act, 1943, consideration has been given to the question as to whether, in granting licences to carry on agencies for the supply of nurses, the County Council might in some cases be consenting to the use of private residential accommodation, or some part thereof, for the purposes of such agencies and thereby hindering a Local Authority in providing any necessary housing accommodation in its area.

The County Council is advised that none of the grounds upon which it may refuse to grant a licence as set out in Section 8 of the above Act would permit the withholding of a licence because the Local Authority for the area in which the premises were situated required such premises for housing purposes, although there would be no objection to the County Council notifying a Local Housing Authority that an application had been received in respect of the premises in the latter's area.

It is instructed that such notification be given in respect of all future applications, and accordingly Mrs. G. Lloyd has applied for a licence to carry on an agency at 73, Torrington Park, North Finchley, N.12.

It will be appreciated that this notification is given entirely without prejudice to the County Council's duty to grant a licence in the absence of objection on any of the statutory grounds unless, of course, the application should be withdrawn.

This matter will be considered by the Town Planning Committee at its Meeting this day, but so far as the housing accommodation is concerned this Committee have no observations to offer.

13. ALLEGATION AGAINST COUNCILLORS. Arising out of an allegation made in the Housing Office on 9th February, 1949, the Committee will remember that arrangements were made for the Chairman of the Council, and the Chairman of the Housing Committee, to interview a Mr. Lyons in connection therewith. This interview took place on Saturday morning the 12th March, 1949, when such allegations were repeated despite the opportunity given to Mr. Lyons of withdrawing the same, and in consequence thirteen Members of the Council consulted legal advisers, who addressed a communication to Mr. Lyons in connection therewith.

The following letter has now been received from Mr. Lyons:-

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59, Ashurst Road,
London, N.12.

Tues., April 5th, 1949.

Dear Sir,

Referring to my recent interview with you with regard to a certain statement made by me when I called to hand in a further application for a house to rent, whilst it is true that I suggested bribery and corruption the remark was made in a jocular manner in the course of a conversation.

I write to say that I now wish to unreservedly withdraw the remarks which has no foundation in fact whatsoever and undertake not to repeat such observations.

I wish you to place this letter before the Council and tender my apology.

Yours faithfully,

(Sgd.) M. Lyons. "

14. DISTRICT HOUSING PROGRESS. The following is a summary of the position in the Urban District as at 31st March, 1949:-

	Completed to 31.1.49	Completed February, 1949	Completed March, 1949	Total	Families accommodated at 31.3.49.
War damaged Rebuilt Houses	10	-	-	10	10
Post-War Houses	19	7	4	30	30
Post-War Flats	84	11	1	96	96
Temporary Bungalows	86	-	-	86	86
				222	222
Accommodated in Requisitioned Properties					182
					404

Applicants on Waiting List - February 1949 1681

Applicants on Waiting List - March 1949 1423

The reduction in the number of applicationson the Waiting List is brought about by the recent Ministry of Health reveiw.

15. BUILDING LICENCES.

(a) Progress re Cost of Works Houses. In March 1949 no licences were issued, and in respect of the licences previously issued two properties were completed.

(b) Progress re Private Enterprise Houses. In March 1949 no licences were issued, and no further properties were completed.

(c) Quota for Maintenance and Repair Works. A letter dated 26th March, 1949, was submitted from the Ministry of Health stating that after consultation with the Ministry of Works and the Ministry of Labour and National Service the quota for the Urban District for the ensuing six months has been fixed at £3,000 per calendar month.

16. VACANT PROPERTY. The Housing Estates Manager reported that a certain property in the District had been vacant for a considerable time, and reported on the state and condition thereof.

The Committee are of the opinion that the property in question is not suitable for requisitioning for persons inadequately housed, and recommend that the attention of the County Council be drawn to the availability of the property with a view to its possible adaptation to accommodate aged persons.

17. GREGORY HOUSES. The Architect reported that Messrs. S.A. Gregory (Builders & Contractors) Ltd., of Worthing have extended an invitation to the Members of the Committee to inspect dwellings of this type now erected.

Having regard to the fact that the Council has no suitable sites for the erection of such dwellings, the Committee recommend that no action be taken in the matter.

18. STAFF - ENGINEER AND SURVEYOR'S DEPTARTMENT - JUNIOR ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that Mr. H.J. Moutell, Junior Architectural Assistant, had tendered his resignation with effect from the 21 st May, 1949.

The Committee as a matter of urgency have authorised the Architect to advertise the vacancy created by Mr. Moutell's resignation, at a salary within Grade II of the A.P.T. Division to be determined according to the qualifications and experience of the person appointed, and recommend that the action taken be approved and confirmed.

The Committee further recommend that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council and the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of this Committee be authorised to interview selected applicants and to make the appointment.

19. SELECTION OF TENANTS, TRANSFERS AND EXCHANGES. The Clerk reported that a copy of the 3rd Report of the Housing Management Sub-Committee of the Central Housing Advisory Committee on this subject had been received, and copies for all Members of the Council are being obtained.

20. BUILDING CONTRACTORS - INTERIM PAYMENTS. The Committee have authorised and ordered Barclays Bank Limited to transfer to the Friern Barnet Urban District Council's Disbursement Account the sum of £14,145 being interim payments to building contractors as listed on page 59 of the Treasurer's Order, and authorise cheques for the amounts listed on such Treasurer's Order being signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk of the Council.

The accounts have been inspected and initialled by the Vice-Chairman.

21. MATTERS OF URGENCY DURING MAY. The Committee recommend that the Chairman or Vice-Chairman for the time being be authorised to deal with matters of an urgent nature which might arise before the next Meeting of this Committee in June.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.45 p.m. and terminated at 9.05 p.m.

Minutes of a Meeting of the Housing Lettings Committee

2nd April, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. J.E.Pickering ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Henry, Mrs.McCarthy, Martin, Richardson, Sparks and Simmonds.

BUILDING LICENCES - ALLOCATION. The Engineer and Surveyor reported the position to date with regard to licences authorised by the Committee, and reported that of these three had been cancelled as a result of no action since the original allocation last July.

The Committee then proceeded to consider the 45 applications received for the issue of building licences by private enterprise, and provisionally selected the following, namely Nos. 3, 13, 14, 15, 27, 28, 29, 32, 33, 34, 36, 37, 38, 43, 44 and 45, and authorised the Engineer and Surveyor to notify these applicants that subject to being satisfied that they were in a position to proceed with the erection of houses, and to the receipt of any further details in connection with their applications, intimation be given that the Committee were prepared favourably to consider the grant of licences to build in each of such cases.

The Committee appreciate that in certain cases some time must elapse before the completed application is received, but are of the opinion that where an applicant does not indicate ability to take up the licence and actively commence construction within a period of six months from this date, any provisional consent hereby granted should be regarded as cancelled.

J. Pickering

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 10.0 a.m. and terminated at 10.40 a.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Special Housing Sub-Committee

2nd April, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F. Simmonds ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Mrs.McCarthy, Pickering, and Richardson.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Foley.

2. HOUSING DEPARTMENT - DIVISION OF DUTIES. Arising out of Minute No.3 (a) of the Report of the Housing Committee dated 10th March, 1949, the Sub-Committee considered in detail the Report prepared by the Clerk after consultation with the Engineer and Surveyor, the Assistant Architect, and the Housing Estates Manager, and now formally submit the following recommendations in connection therewith:-

(a) Architect. That Mr. K.R. Smith the Assistant Architect in future be regarded as "The Architect to the Council", and that he and his staff form a separate section of the Engineer and Surveyor's Department, to be responsible direct to the Housing Committee for all running contracts for houses and flats; the clearing up of all existing contracts; the issue of all interim certificates for payment to the Contractors; progress reports; the completion accounts, and for all building operations, and except for the six months maintenance period all responsibility in connection therewith to cease after handing the premises over to the Housing Estates Manager. All future housing contracts to be dealt with on the same basis.

(b) Clerical Staff. That by arrangement, the Architect to have the use of such members of the clerical staff of the Engineer and Surveyor's Department as may be necessary from time to time.

(c) Housing Estates Manager. That he be responsible for all housing matters from the stage when the completed houses or flats are handed over to the Council for occupancy, and that the Housing Estates Manager also be responsible for the work of repairs and maintenance to all requisitioned property, the preparation of Schedules of Condition upon requisitioning or de-requisitioning, and for the preparation of any necessary specifications etc. in connection with alterations or adaptation of requisitioned property.

(d) Housing Estates Manager's Staff. The Council have already given approval to a part-time Shorthand-Typist in the Department, and the Sub-Committee now recommend that a Junior Clerk of school-leaving age, with School Certificate, wishing to make Housing Management a career, be appointed to perform clerical duties in connection with repairs and renovations, wage time sheets and costing etc., this Junior Clerk to be appointed on the approved scale of salaries for the General Division.

(e) Housing - Repairs and Maintenance Staff. That the Housing Foreman, Mr. H.W. Hermans, be transferred to the staff of the Housing Estates Manager, and that the following staff be transferred from the Council's general service and be regarded as the Housing Repairs and Maintenance staff in future:-

Carpenters	-	Foreman	1
		Tradesmen	5
Plumbers	-	Foreman	1
		Tradesmen	3
		Mates	3
Painters	-	Foreman	1
		Tradesmen	13
		Improvers	1
		Labourers	1
Bricklayers	-	Tradesmen	1
		Labourers	1
Plasterers	-	Tradesmen	3
		Labourers	3
Handymen	-	Tradesmen	1
		Labourers	1
General	-	Labourers	1
			40

(f) Engineer and Surveyor's Repairs and Maintenance Staff. The Engineer and Surveyor reports that a permanent staff of five Painters, two Carpenters and one Plumber are required on the Council's general staff as distinct from the Housing Repairs and Maintenance staff, and the Engineer and Surveyor and the Housing Estates Manager are respectively authorised to mutually agree transfers of existing staff, or the engagement of new staffs to bring the respective strengths up to the figures mentioned.

Generally it is understood that by mutual goodwill between the Engineer and Surveyor and the Housing Estates Manager, in practice there will be little difficulty in loaning men as between the two Departments in cases of emergency.

(g) Stores. The Engineer and Surveyor to be regarded as the Officer responsible for the actual receipt and issue of all stores, the Housing Estates Manager being required to indent as and when required, and also to keep the Engineer and Surveyor fully aware of potential future requirements to ensure that essential stocks of commodities likely to be required at short notice are available.

(h) Transport. The Housing Estates Manager will indent for any necessary transport from the Engineer and Surveyor from time to time.

The Sub-Committee finally recommend that all the above arrangements be regarded as in operation as and from the commencement of the financial year - 1st April, 1949.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 11.0 a.m. and terminated at 11.30 a.m.

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

No.1.

To Barclays Bank Limited,
233 Woodhouse Road,
Friern Barnet, N.12.

Pursuant to a resolution adopted this 14th day of April 1949 we, the Council of the Urban District of Friern Barnet, hereby authorise and order you to transfer to "Friern Barnet Urban District Council's Disbursements Account" the sum of FOURTEEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY FIVE POUNDS (£14,145).

Chairman of the Council

Two Members of the Council

Countersigned

Clerk of the Council



No. 59

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E.B.L. 97150

Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
1	R.BORLAND & SON LTD.—	1,298 - -
2	CHARLES DENTON.--	593 - -
3	GRAHAM (BUILDERS & CONTRACTORS) LTD.--	4,953 - -
4	HUBERT C.LEACH LTD.--	5,481 - -
5	MARBOLITH FLOORING CO LTD.--	350 - -
6	MYTON LTD.--	1,120 - -
7	STEVENS & ADAMS LTD.--	350 - -
		14,145 - -

Schedule of Accounts totalling FOURTEEN THOUSAND ONE HUNDRED AND FORTY FIVE POUNDS (£14,145) referred to in an Order on Barclays Bank Ltd., dated 14th April 1949 passed at a meeting of the Housing Committee, held on the 14th day of April 1949.

Chairman of the Council

Two Members of the Council

Counter-signed

Clerk of the Council

Report and Recommendations of the Town Planning Committee

14th April, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A.Richardson ... In the Chair.

Crs. Draper, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell and Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. Apologies for absence from the Meeting were submitted from Crs. McClane, Martin, Pickering, Simmonds, Sparks and Tarlton.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 10th March, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT, 1947.

(a) Development by Local Highway Authority. Circular No.627 was submitted from the Ministry of Transport stating that the Minister will be prepared to exercise the power conferred on him of directing that permission shall be deemed to be granted under Part 3 of the Act for any development by Local Highway Authorities in respect of which his authorisation is required under the provisions of Section 35(1) of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947. Under certain Sections of the Act and the First Schedule to the General Development Order, certain types of work which may be carried out by a Highway Authority are classified as not constituting development within the meaning of the Act, and other types of work, while coming within the definition of development, generally require permission under Part 3 because they are permitted by the General Development Order. It is therefore stated that the Minister is prepared to issue Directions in respect of works which include the following:-

(i) the construction of new roads;

(ii) the widening or alignment of existing roads;

(iii) the construction or alteration so as to affect the external appearance of buildings such as highway depots and offices etc;

(iv) the installation of new or improved systems of street lighting.

No attempt is made to prescribe a complete list of such works, but the foregoing are intended to act as a guide.

In the Circular the procedure to be adopted by Local Authorities in making such applications is prescribed.

(b) Enforcement of Planning Control. A letter dated 25th March, 1949, was submitted from the Clerk of the County Council stating that the County Planning Committee has had under consideration proposals for the modification of the procedure for obtaining the concurrence of the County Council to the service of Enforcement Notices under the Delegation of Planning Functions Scheme, 1948. It was concluded that to obviate delay in these matters such proposals could be considered concurrently by the Local Authority and the County Council and in order to give effect accordingly it was requested that the following procedure be implemented:-

(i) Engineers and Surveyors to Local Authorities, when preparing reports to their Committees recommending that enforcement action should be taken, should forward details of the alleged contravention to the Area Planning Officer.

(ii) The Clerk of the Local Authority to advise the Clerk of the County Council (copy to Area Planning Officer) if the Local Authority reaches a decision contrary to the recommendation of the Engineer and Surveyor.

(iii) The Clerk of the County Council to notify the Clerk of the Local Authority in due course whether the County Council does or does not concur with the proposals of the Local Authority.

By the adoption of this procedure it will ensure that the decision of the County Council upon such proposals will be received by the Clerk of the Local Authority very shortly after the Local Authority has taken its decision upon the matter.

(c) Caravans and Moveable Dwellings. With reference to Minute No.2 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 10th February, 1949, when a communication was submitted from the Middlesex County Council setting out the principal objections of the County Planning Committee to the use of caravans and other moveable dwellings as semi-permanent homes and giving notice of the making of General Directions Nos. 5 and 6 that permission be not granted to use land in the County for this prupose, and that enforcement action be initiated to secure discontinuance of any such uses of land, a further letter dated 25th March, 1949, has now been received from the Middlesex County Council stating that considerable correspondence has been received from members of the public and caravan clubs in regard to the decision, and they had been informed that the submission of applications to Local Planning Authorities for permission to carry out such changed use of land is not precluded. Furthermore, the County Council has decided that consideration shall be given to cases where land is at present used for this purpose without planning permission, and has directed that action shall be taken to secure the discontinuance of such use except where compliance with any necessary conditions with regard to sanitary accommodation, water supply, access and layout etc., can be assured. In these latter cases permission may be granted for a period not exceeding three years.

The Clerk of the County Council confirms that where, in pursuance of any General Direction made by the County Council, it is proposed to restrict grant of permission in respect of any application, the reason given for such restriction must be based upon Town Planning considerations specifically affecting the proposed development. Where Town Planning reasons cannot in any particular case be adduced in restricting permission, the application should be referred to the County Planning Committee, who will consider whether the proposed development constitutes an exception to the appropriate General Direction. Similarly where, in the opinion of the Local Authority or the Area Planning Committee, it appears desirable that permission should be granted either unconditionally or conditionally but a General Direction requires that permission shall not be granted, the application should be referred to the County Planning Committee for decision.

(d) Reservation of Land for Burial Ground. It will be recalled that at the Meeting of this Committee held in January last a letter was submitted from the Ministry of Health suggesting that one burial ground situate within the Urban District of Enfield should be shared by this Council in company with the Edmonton, Hornsey and Southgate Borough Councils.

In this connection the Clerk reported that he had attended a Conference of representatives of the Authorities concerned, together with representatives of the Elstree Rural District Council and the Tottenham and Wood Green Burial Board, on the 23rd March to consider the matter. The Conference appointed a Technical Sub-Committee consisting of the County Planning Officer, Middlesex County Council; the County Planning Officer, Hertfordshire County Council; and the Engineer and Surveyor, Enfield Urban District Council, to investigate the availability of potential burial ground sites in the northern districts of the Greater London Area, and to report to a further Conference to be convened in due course.

(e) Buildings of Special Architectural or Historical Interest - Section 30. To the Meeting of this Committee held on 5th February, 1949, a letter was submitted from the Ministry of Town and Country Planning enclosing a revised copy of the provisional list of buildings within the District which it was proposed should be preserved. A further letter on this subject dated 9th March, 1949, has been received enclosing a certified copy of the list of such buildings within the Urban District comprising the following:-

Parish Church of St. James.
Church of St. John the Evangelist.
Lawrence Campe's Almshouses.

In accordance with Section 30(3) the appropriate entries have been made in the Register of Local Land Charges, and information has been received to the effect that notices in respect of every listed building will be served on the owners and occupiers.

(f) Loss of Development Values. A letter dated 11th April, 1949, was submitted from the Central Land Board referring to the emphasis made by the Chairman of the Board at a Meeting of the National Housing and Town Planning Council in November 1948, that everyone entitled to a payment from the £300,000,000 set aside under Part 6 of the Town and Country Planning Act for loss of development values should be aware of his right to claim, and should claim within due time before the 30th June, 1949, and as a result the Board have been pleased to hear that statements have been made in various parts of the country in open Council, and to see that press publicity resulted.

Now, with less than three months to go before the claim must be made, the Board believe that there are still many owners and lessees of property with development value who are unaware of their position. It is therefore requested that consideration be given to the desirability of a statement being made at Meetings at which the press are present.

(g) Control of Development - The Intrusion of Commerce and Industry into Residential Areas. A letter dated 12th April, 1949, was submitted from the Middlesex County Council enclosing copies of an extract from a report by the County Planning Officer in this connection, together with a resolution adopted by the County Planning Committee at its Meeting held on 18th March, 1948.

(h) Development Control - "Excepted Applications". The Engineer and Surveyor reported that a letter dated 6th April, 1949, had been received from the County Planning Officer stating that consideration is being given to the steadily increasing number of "excepted" applications which are dealt with by the Area Planning Committee, and, in conjunction with the County Engineer, it has been decided that applications affecting County or trunk roads for which permission may be granted subject to largly standardised and non-controversial conditions will in future be left to be dealt with by the Council providing that permission is made subject to the necessary highway planning

conditions which will be forwarded by the County Engineer direct. In the rare case of the Council not being willing to enforce the conditions, the County Planning Officer is to be informed and he will arrange for the application to be dealt with by the Area Planning Committee. It would appear that in adopting this procedure it will tend to deal with applications more expeditiously.

(i) Determination Under Section 17. (Ref: FB/D/3). With reference to Minute No.12 of the Report of the Housing Committee dated 14th April, 1949, consideration was given to the communication received from the Clerk of the County Council upon an application from Mrs. G. Lloyd for a licence to carry on an agency for the supply of nurses at No.73, Torrington Park, N.12. It is stated by the applicant that there will be no change in the use of the premises, apart from one room which will be used as an office.

The observations of the Area Planning Officer were submitted for the information of the Committee.

The Committee consider that the fore-going proposal constitutes a material change of user for the reason that it involves the use of part of residential premises for office or business purposes and that an application for planning permission is required. The Committee directed that the applicant be notified accordingly.

4. BUILDER'S WORKSHOP AND REGISTERED OFFICE, HAMPDEN ROAD, N.10 - MESSRS. H. ODONE LTD. (PLAN No.F.B.28). With reference to Minute No.3 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated the 9th December, 1948, when it was reported that information had been received from the agents acting on behalf of the owner that an appeal was being made to the Minister of Town and Country Planning against the decision of the Area Planning Committee to refuse this development, the Clerk reported that notification has been received from the Ministry that a Local Inquiry will be held in the Town Hall at 11.0 a.m. on the 24th May, 1949.

5. PLANS. The Committee have considered the following applications for permission to the under-mentioned development and for approval to plans under the Public Health Act 1936 and building byelaws and other statutory enactments and in accordance with their delegated powers have taken the action noted against each application.

Where planning permission has been granted or refused action has been taken as agents for the Middlesex County Council under the delegation agreement.

Where plans have been "excepted" by the Area Planning Officer the Committee's recommendations will be forwarded to him.

Where conditions have been imposed these are recorded against each application.

(a) Plan No.3914 - 7, Friary Road, N.12. Conversion of out-building into lobby and sanitary accommodation - Mr. F.W.Taylor.

Planning - "Permitted" development - consent not required.

Byelaws - Approved.

(b) Plan No.3915/F.B.102 - 42, Thurlestone Avenue, N.12. Asbestos garage at rear - Mr. F.W. Merrall.

Planning - Permission granted subject to:-

(i) the building being painted or otherwise treated immediately on erection and maintained to the satisfaction of the Engineer and Surveyor to the Friern Barnet Urban District Council.

(ii) the garage being used to house a non-commercial vehicle only and not for the purpose of any trade, business or industry.

Byelaws - Approved subject to a temporary licence pursuant to the provisions of Section 53 of the Public Health Act 1936 for a limited period expiring on the 31st December, 1953.

(c) Plan No.3916/F.B.103 - "Bective", Friern Barnet Road, N.11. Asbestos garage - Mr. E.S. Wood.

Planning - Passed to Area Planning Officer with recommendation that since it is probable that it may be some years before the road widening scheme which will affect the structure is carried out and the building is of temporary construction permission be granted for a limited period expiring on the 31st December, 1953, subject to:-

(i) the building being painted or otherwise treated immediately on erection and maintained to the satisfaction of the Engineer and Surveyor to the Friern Barnet Urban District Council.

(ii) the garage being used to house non-commercial vehicles only and not for the purpose of any trade, business or industry.

(iii) to the construction of a crossing over the footpath to the satisfaction of the Engineer and Surveyor to the Friern Barnet Urban District Council.

Byelaws - Approved subject to a temporary licence pursuant to the provisions of Section 53 of the Public Health Act 1936 for a period expiring on the 31st December, 1953.

(d) Plan No.3917/F.B.104 - 88, Mayfield Avenue, N.12. Brick garage - Mr. A.G. Mills.

Planning - Permission granted subject to the garage being used to house non-commercial vehicles only and not for the purpose of any trade, business or industry.

Byelaws - Approved.

(e) Plan No.3918/F.B.105 - 33, Hemington Avenue, N.11. Brick garage - Mr. N.H. Everard.

Planning - Permission granted subject to the garage being used to house non-commercial vehicles only and not for the purpose of any trade, business or industry.

Byelaws - Approved.

(f) Plan No.3919/F.B.107 - 47, Parkhurst Road, N.11. Brick garage - Mr. F.W. Pidduck.

Planning - Permission granted subject to the garage being used to house a non-commercial vehicle only and not for the purpose of any trade, business or industry.

Byelaws - Approved.

(g) Plan No.3920/F.B.108 - 176, Sydney Road, N.10. Combined garage and garden shed at rear - Mr. T. Collinson.

Planning - Permission granted subject to the garage being used to house non-commerical vehicles only and not for the purpose of any trade, business or industry.

Byelaws - Approved.

(h) Plan No.F.B.109 - 7, Halliwick Court Parade, Colney Hatch Lane, N.12. Use of premises as Estate Agents Office - Messrs. Mead and Barrett.

Planning - Permission granted subject to the installation of a shop front, detailed plans of which are to be submitted to and approved by the Friern Barnet Urban District Council.

Byelaws - Approval not required.

(i) Plan No.3921/F.B.110 - 18, Buxted Road, N.12. Alterations and additions (1st stage) - D.P. Williams.

Planning - Permission granted.

Byelaws - Approved.

(j) Plan No.3922/F.B.111 - 18, Buxted Road, N.12. Alterations and additions (final stage) - Mr. D.P. Williams.

Planning - Permission granted.

Byelaws - Approved.

(k) Plan No.3923 - 10, Beaconsfield Road, N.11. Internal alterations - Mr.F. Stillwell.

Planning - Permitted development - consent not required.

Byelaws - Approved.

(l) Plan No.3924/F.B.112 - 7, Lynton Avenue, N.12. Asbestos garage at rear - Mr. J.H.Porter.

Planning - Permission granted subject to:-

(i) the building being painted or otherwise treated immediately on erection and maintained to the satisfaction of the Engineer and Surveyor of the Friern Barnet Urban District Council.

(ii) the garage being used to house a non-commercial vehicle only and not for the purpose of any trade, business or industry.

Byelaws - Approved subject to a temporary licence in pursuance of the provisions of Section 53 of the Public Health Act 1936 for a limited period expiring on the 31st December, 1953.

(m) Plan No.3925/F.B.113 - 20, Wetherill Road, N.10. Erection of bathroom at rear - Mr. R.H. Allen.

Planning - Permission granted.

Byelaws - Approved.

(n) Plan No.3926 - 12, Langton Avenue, N.20. Internal W.C. and new drainage - Mr. J.D. Burkle.

Planning - Permitted development - consent not required.

Byelaws - Approved.

6. TORRINGTON PARK - PRESERVATION OF TREES. Arising from a question raised at a previous Meeting of this Committee the Engineer and Surveyor reported that a representative of his Department together with the Parks Superintendent had interviewed the owner of No.18, Friary Close in whoseproperty the pine trees scheduled for preservation are situate. It appears that the owner is most anxious for the trees to be preserved and would carry out any necessary works which would further their life. In fact, in order to obtain the best possible advice on the subject, he has communicated with the Timber Development Association. The owner states that the Association recommend that the soil and rubble filling be removed from around the bases of the trees and that he is achieving the desired result by encircling the trees with dwarf brick walls built up from the original ground level and leaving a space between the walls and the bases of the trees.

In this connection an application has been received from the owner to fell and remove two dead trees and one which is partly dead. The Parks Superintendent advises that this is necessary in order to prevent the remaining healthy trees being affected by the disease.

The Committee recommend that permission be granted to fell and remove the two dead trees and one which is partly dead.

7. MATTERS OF URGENCY DURING MAY. The Committee recommend that the Chairman or Vice-Chairman for the time being of the Committee be authorised to deal with matters of an urgent nature which might arise before the next Meeting of this Committee in June.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 9.05 p.m. and terminated at 9.40 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Establishment Committee

19th April, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A.Richardson ... Vice-Chairman In the Chair

Crs. Draper, Mrs.McCarthy, Matthews, Meynell and Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 15th March, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. REPORTS OF JOINT COMMITTEES. The Committee received reports of the Joint Committee Meetings held this day, copies of which have been circulated to all Members of the Council, and arising therefrom the Committee recommend as follows:-

National Council Agreement - Revised Wages and Working Conditions. That the decisions contained in the National Council Agreement with regard to revised wages and working conditions be implemented in so far as they concern this Council, as from the 28th March, 1949, the date of the coming into force of the Agreement.

4. PAYMENT OF OVERTIME. The Committee approved the payment of overtime as follows:-

(a) Clerk's Department.

Mrs. James	7¾ hours
Miss Phillips...	7 hours

(b) Treasurer's Department.

Mr. Marshall	4 hours
Mr. Spenceley...	4 hours
Miss Gann	5 hours
Miss Martin	4½ hours

(c) Fuel Office.

Mrs. Manning	19 hours
Mrs. Codrai	19 hours
Mrs. Tibbenham	21½ hours
Mrs. Flynn	16 hours

5. SUPERANNUATION - NATIONAL SERVICE - THE SUPERANNUATION (LOCAL GOVERNMENT STAFFS) (NATIONAL SERVICE) RULES, 1949. Circular No.24/49 dated 29th March, 1949, was submitted from the Ministry of Health setting out the general effect of the above-mentioned Rules dealing with the preservation of superannuation rights during National Service.

The Rules, which will take the place of the Local Government Staffs (War Service) Act, 1939, will apply to employees of Local Authorities undertaking National Service on and after the 31st March, 1949.

Employees already on National Service on the 31st March, 1949, will, by virtue of Paragraph 5 of Part I of the Schedule to the Superannuation (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act, 1948, continue to be subject to the Act of 1939 as amended by Part I of that Schedule.

6. TERRITORIAL & AUXILIARY FORCES - RECRUITMENT CAMPAIGN. With reference to Minute No.3 of the Report of this Committee dated 18th January, 1949, enquiries have been made of the staff and employees of the Council by the respective Joint Committee representatives, from which it would appear that as the majority of the male staff of the Council have already served for varying periods in the Armed Forces, there is no apparent desire at this stage to join the Territorials.

The Committee recommend that under the circumstances the Territorial and Auxiliary Forces Association of the County of Middlesex be informed that it would appear from investigations made, that no useful purpose would be served by the proposed Recruitment address.

7. EXAMINATION FOR JUNIOR ENTRANTS. A letter dated the 1st April, 1949, together with enclosures, copies of which have been circulated to all Members of the Council, was submitted from the Middlesex District Whitley Council, requesting the observations of the Council to the Report of the Local Government Examinations Board on Junior Entrants Examinations.

The Report which sets out in full the Scheme of Administration for examinations for junior entrants, recommends that in relation to the organisation and management of the entrance examination, the National Council should adopt the following:-

(a) all recruits to the Local Government service to be required to take the Board's entrance examination and no exemptions to be allowed.

(b) the expenditure incurred at the national level in connection with the examination to be borne by the Board, and the expenditure incurred arising out of the administrative functions performed by the Provincial Councils to be met by those Councils.

(c) estimates of the cost of the entrance examination to be prepared by the Board for submission to the National Council.

The Committee gave careful consideration to this matter and recommend that the Middlesex District Whitley Council be informed that this Council approves in principle of an entrance examination but is of the opinion that this examination should be co-ordinated with the new type of certification which will be introduced into the school examination system in 1951, and are not in favour of the recommendation that no exemptions are to be allowed in the interim period.

8. STAFF APPOINTMENTS. Information has been received that the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association has been asked to support the following resolution:-

"To recommend Constituent Authorities to adopt the practice of refraining, wherever possible, from appointing any officer who has not been at least two years with his present Authority."

The Committee recommend that the Council's representative on the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association be instructed to press for the amendment of this resolution as follows:-

"To recommend Constituent Authorities to adopt the practice normally of refraining from appointing any officer who has not been at least two years with his present Authority."

9. WHITSUN HOLIDAY. The Committee recommend that for the period of the Whitsun holiday the Offices be closed from 12 noon on Saturday the 4th June to Tuesday morning the 7th June, 1949.

10. MANUAL WORKERS - SICKNESS, ACCIDENTS, ENGAGEMENTS AND RESIGNATIONS. The Engineer and Surveyor, and the Housing Estates Manager submitted details of sickness, accidents, engagements and resignations with regard to manual workers since the date of the last Meeting.

11. T. LONGSTAFF, PAINTER - SICK PAY. Owing to the operation of the new National Insurance Act and Industrial Injuries Act, sick pay regulations are more complex then they used to be, and an oversight has occurred in that the above-mentioned employee, was paid full sick pay to the extent of £8 17s. 9d. resulting from an injury while he was at work, to which he was not entitled as he had not been employed for the requisite period of six months.

It will be recalled that under the Sick Pay Regulations which were in operation prior to July of last year, it was the practice to pay full pay during periods of absence due to injury, irrespective of the length of service of the individual concerned.

The Committee recommend that in the circumstances, no action be taken to recover this amount.

12. J. FORDHAM - APPLICATION FOR RE-DESIGNATION. With reference to Minute No.2 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 14th June, 1948, when the above-mentioned employee was granted an increase of 2½d. per hour (being one half of the difference in pay to a Painter's Improver and a Painter), for the period 24th May, 1948, to 31st March, 1949, the Committee received a report from the Engineer and Surveyor, and recommend that Mr. Fordham be put on the full Painter's rate of pay as from the 1st April, 1949.

13. RESIGNATION OF MR.H.J. MOUTELL, TEMPORARY ARCHITECTURAL ASSISTANT. Mr. H.J. Moutell has tendered his resignation from the position of Temporary Architectural Assistant, with effect from the 21st May, 1949.

14. APPOINTMENT OF CHIEF ENGINEERING ASSISTANT. With reference to Minute No.5 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated 15th February, 1949, the Vice-Chairman of the Council and the Chairman of the Highways Committee interviewed three candidates for the above-mentioned appointment, and appointed Mr. J.R. Greenwood, B.Sc., A.M.Inst.C.E., A.M.I.Mun.E., A.M.I.Struct.E., of East Barnet on the maximum salary of Grade V of the A.P.T. Division (i.e. £570 p.a. plus £30 London Weighting).

Mr. Greenwood is at present occupying a designated post under the Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937.

It is anticipated that Mr. Greenwood, who will require housing accommodation, will commence duties on the 19th May, 1949.

15. MATTERS OF URGENCY DURING MAY. The Committee recommend that the Chairman or Vice-Chairman for the time being of the Committee be authorised to deal with matters of an urgent nature which might arise before the date of the next Meeting of this Committee in June.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 7.0 p.m. and terminated at 8.0 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Entertainments Committee

19th April, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. A.Richardson ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Mrs. McCarthy and Matthews.

Also in attendance:

Cr. Miss Richards.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Simmonds.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on 15th March, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. FRIERN BARNET COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION. With reference to Minute No.2 of the Report of this Committee dated 15th March, 1949, Messrs. Weatherhead and White attended the Meeting as the representatives of the Community Association and submitted an apology for absence from Mr. Harnden.

(a) Concerts. Mr. White stated that the Community Association were proceeding with arrangements for the holding of a series of six concerts of good music during the forthcoming winter, three to be held before Christmas and three after. Tentative arrangements are being made to book the Church Hall for four of these Concerts, two being orchestral and two vocal, and the Association hope that permission will be given for the holding of the remaining two - recitals of chamber music by well-known quartets - in the Council Chamber. The proposed prices of admission for the cencerts to be held in the Church Hall are 6s.6d., 5s.0d., 3s.6d., and 2s.6d., and working on this basis it is anticipated that the maximum potential loss for the six concerts will not exceed £300.

(b) Festival of Drama. Mr. Weatherhead reported that arrangements were proceeding satisfactorily with the Festival of Drama which it is hoped will be self-supporting. It is anticipated that this Festival will be held in the week commencing on the 22nd October, 1949, and will last for six days. The maximum potential loss in this case is estimated at £50. Mr.Weatherhead further requested an additional advance of £10, as the £10 already granted had already been used by way of a deposit for the booking of the Church Hall. In connection with the Festival of Drama it was reported that it was hoped that the profit which had been made on this Entertainment last year could be utilised for the purpose of providing a trophy for the Senior Section and Mr. Weatherhead requested that consideration might be given to the utilising of a portion of the profits which it is anticipated will be made this year in the provision of a similar trophy for the Junior Section. In connection with the prices of admission for the Festival of Drama, it was agreed that before these are finally settled, they be submitted to this Committee for formal approval.

The Chairman of the Committee thanked Messrs. Weatherhead and White for attending the Meeting and for the information which they had given, and they then withdrew from the Meeting.

The Committee, bearing in mind the fact that until official approval is given, the Community Association are unable to make any definite arrangements, recommend that the Council officially sponsor the proposed series of six concerts to be held during the forthcoming winter, and that the Council be responsible for any loss incurred up to a maximum of £300; that whilst it is anticipated that the Festival of Drama will be self-supporting, the Council financially assist the Community Association up to a maximum loss of £50, this amount to include £10 for the provision of a suitable trophy for the Junior Section, and that a further advance of £10 be made to the Festival of Drama Sub-Committee, making a total to date of £20 on account of expenses in connection with the Festival of Drama.

(c) Exhibitions and Concerts. A letter dated 4th April, 1949, was submitted from the Secretary of the Community Association requesting the observations of the Council on the possibility of the Council providing picture hanging screens and a platform for use in connection with Art Exhibitions and Musical Functions of an intimate nature, which the Association is proposing to hold, with the Council's permission, in the Council Chamber.

Although precise details of the Association's requirements are not supplied, the estimated cost of providing suitable screens for use in connection with Exhibitions is £80, and to provide a suitable sectional platform 14' x 7' for use in connection with Concerts is £30.

The Committee have referred the question of the use of the Council Chamber for these purposes to the public Buildings Lettings Committee.

4. CHILDREN'S ENTERTAINMENTS. With reference to Minute No.7 of the Report of this Committee dated 15th February, 1949, on the authority of the Chairman of the Committee the following artistes have been booked for a one hour show as follows:-

Kenneth Hardy	- 27th July, 1949	- Friary Park. £4.4s. 0d.
Edward Proudlock	- 3rd August, 1949	- Halliwick Recreation Ground. £4 4s. 0d.
Geo. J. Huntley's Ideal Entertainments	- 10th August, 1949	- Bethune Recreation Ground. £5 5s. 0d.

The Committee recommend that the action of the Chairman be approved and confirmed; that the time of these shows be 3.0 p.m., and that the three artistes engaged be engaged for the three further dates on the 24th and 31st August and the 7th September, 1949, if possible the artistes not to appear twice in the same Recreation Ground.

5. MATTERS OF URGENCY DURING MAY. The Committee recommend that the Chairman or the Vice-Chairman for the time being of the Committee be authorised to deal with matters of an urgent nature which might arise before the date of the next Meeting of the Committee in June.

E. Draper.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 8.0 p.m. and terminated at 9.20 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Finance Committee

21st April, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. R.P. Matthews ... Chairman.

Crs. Foley, Henry, Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin, Mason, Meynell. Richardson, Simmonds and Sparks.

Also in attendance:

Cr. Draper.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Pickering.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 17th March, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. RATE COLLECTION. The amount of rates collected for the half-year ended the 31st March, 1949, was 99.6% of the amount collectable as compared with 99% for the half-year ended the 31st March, 1948.

4. RATE ARREARS.

(a) Assessment No.1164. The Treasurer reported that in respect of rate arrears a distress warrant was issued in February last for the sum of £24 11s. 5d. but since that date weekly instalments of £1 10s. 0d. had been arranged.

The Committee recommend that so long as the regular instalments are being mainatined the Treasurer be authorised to withhold the execution of the distress warrant.

(b) Assessment No.1942. The Treasurer reported that in this case there were arrears of rates, and submitted certain further information relating to the financial circumstances of the occupier.

The Committee recommend that the Treasurer, in consultation with the Clerk, and with the approval of the Chairman of this Committee, be authorised to take appropriate action for the recovery of the amount outstanding.

5. CASH POSITION. The Treasurer submitted a financial statement for the period from the 12th to the 31st March, 1949.

With reference to Minute No.9 of the Report of this Committee dated 17th March, 1949, the Treasurer reported that owing to current income being received more promptly than was anticipated, it was not necessary to obtain overdraft accommodation from the Bank for the first week or two in April. A short term loan of £30,000 for one month firm, and then subject to seven days' notice on either side has been arranged with the Anglo-Portugese Colonial and Overseas Bank Limited at 1-1/16% per annum, and this was received on 11th April, 1949.

6. BANKING OF HOUSING RENT COLLECTIONS. The Treasurer reported that owing to the increase in the number of Council properties certain difficulties had arisen in connection with the banking of rent collections on day of receipt, and was given authority to make special banking arrangements on the lines indicated.

7. POSTAGE - BUSINESS CARDS AND ENVELOPES. The Treasurer reported that approximately 900 rating returns are sent out each year to occupiers and owners of properties and other persons where information is required as to occupation and ownership etc., and at the present time a stamped addressed envelope is forwarded in each case. The Committee were advised that for such purposes the effective use of the Post Office business reply card and envelope system could be made, and the only additional charge involved is ½d. in addition to the normal postage for each reply paid communication delivered at the Town Hall.

By adopting this procedure there would be a saving, inasmuch as where a reply paid communication is not received no postage is payable, and the following advantages would also accrue:-

(a) loose stamps are not required,

(b) it is easy, trouble-free and efficient from the recipient's point of view,

(c) only cards and envelopes delivered at the Town Hall are paid for, and

(d) it can be extended to cover regular reply paid connumications for all Departments.

Payment is made on a deposit basis, the amount to be appropriated from the deposit for deliveries is notified by the Post Office, and can be verified from time to time against the advice slips received for each day's delivery, the original deposit being renewed when exhausted.

The Committee recommend that the Treasurer be authorised to arrange for the business cards and envelopes business reply paid system to be put into operation.

8. OUTER LONDON STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE - METROPOLITAN POLICE EXPENDITURE. The Clerk reported that the Minutes of the Meeting of the Outer London Standing Joint Executive Committee Meeting held on 16th March, 1949, have been received which, inter alia, refer to the Metropolital Police expenditure, In this connection a letter dated 7th March, 1949, received from the Home Office in which the Secretary of State enclosed a note on the proceedings at the deputation from the Outer London Standing Joint Committee and the Metropolitan Borough Standing Joint Committee received by the Home Secretary and the Financial Secretary to the Treasury on 21st February, 1949, was submitted. It was then suggested that before a further meeting with the Secretary of State there should be a preliminary meeting of the Receiver of the Metropolitan Police District and the Officials advising Local Authorities' delegates and the Borough Treasurers of Harnsey and West Ham had been appointed the representatives.

It was resolved that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman and Honorary Secretary together with the Honorary Treasurer and the Borough Treasurer of West Ham as financial advisory be nominated to take part in the further consultations with the Secretary of State.

9. ACCOUNTS. The Committee approved the accounts submitted and recommend the Council to authorise and order Barclays Bank Limited to transfer to the Friern Barnet Council's Disbursements Account the sum of £10,507 17s.10d. for the payment of accounts listed on Pages 2 - 4 of the Treasurer's Order, also to meet from the Council's General Account, cheques for wages, Income Tax and Insurance Stamps, signed by the Treasurer and counter-signed by the Clerk of the Council for a sum not exceeding in the aggregate £8,550 and in any one week a maximum of £950.

10. MATTERS OF URGENCY DURING MAY. The Committee recommend that the Chairman or Vice-Chairman for the time being of the Committee be authorised to deal with matters of an urgent nature which might arise before the next Meeting of this Committee in June.

R. L. Matthews.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.30 p.m. and terminated at 8.50 p.m.

FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

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Schedule of Accounts totalling Ten Thousand Five Hundred and Seven

---------- pounds ---Seventeen------- shillings ------ Ten -------- pence

(£10,507 : 17 : 10) passed at a meeting of the ~~Housing Committee~~/Council held on the

28th day of April 1949 referred to in an Order on Barclays Bank Ltd.,

No. 2 dated 28th April, 1949

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FRIERN BARNET URBAN DISTRICT COUNCIL

To Barclays Bank Limited, 233, Woodhouse Road, Friern Barnet, N.12

Pursuant to a resolution adopted this 28th *day of* April 19 49.

We the Council of the Urban District of Friern Barnet hereby authorise and order you to transfer to "Friern Barnet Urban District Council's Disbursements Account" the sum of

Ten Thousand Five Hundred and Seven---------- pounds

----------Seventeen---------- shillings ----------Ten---------- pence

We also authorise you to pay weekly cheques for Wages, Income Tax and Insurance Stamps, not exceeding in the aggregate the sum of £ 8,550 ---------- and in any one week a maximum of £950 ---------- signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Clerk against the Council's General Account.

Chairman of the Council

Two Members of the Council

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Clerk of the Council

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Consecutive Number	NAME OF PAYEE	Amount of Payment
	1948/9 ACCOUNTS.	
2399	EMERGENCY IMPREST ACCOUNT.--	295 12 4
2400	ADDRESSOGRAPH-MULTIGRAPH LTD --	3 16 2
2401	C.F.ANDERSON & SON LTD.--	4 - 2
2402	ASKEY & QUINE LTD.--	3 16 -
2403	ATLAS STONE CO LTD.--	46 - -
2404	W.& T.AVERY LTD.--	3 15 -
2405	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	3 11 3
2406	BARNET DISTRICT GAS & WATER CO.--	73 6 3
2407	J.H.BEATTIE & CO LTD.--	77 10 6
2408	BERSEL MANUFACTURING CO LTD.--	6 6 -
2409	W.BIGNELL & SON.--	40 12 -
2410	BRITISH OXYGEN CO LTD.--	- 7 -
2411	ARTHUR H.BROWN & SON.--	87 17 3
2412	BURLINGTON PRESS.--	8 11 8
2413	BUTTERWORTH & CO (PUBLISHERS) LTD.--	5 3 5
2414	J.A.CABLE & CO LTD.--	110 12 10
2415	CABLE COVERS LTD.--	8 15 -
2416	CAR ELECTRICAL (FINCHLEY) LTD.--	1 18 4
2417	CARIBONUM LTD.--	- 10 5
2418	S.CHAPMAN.--	1 16 -
2419	CLINICAL RESEARCH ASSOCIATION LTD.--	1 3 6
2420	COLYER & SOUTHEY LTD.--	10 12 10
2421	CONTRACT GULLY CLEANSING LTD.--	76 7 -
2422	COOK, HAMMOND & KELL LTD.--	6 14 -
2423	COURTNEY POPE (ELECTRICAL) LTD.--	10 19 -
2424	W.CREIGHTON & CO LTD.--	132 5 2
2425	CROW CATCHPOLE & CO LTD.--	64 13 9
2426	DENNIS BROS LTD.--	13 18 -
2427	ALEXANDER DUCKHAM & CO LTD.--	5 14 -
2428	EAST BARNET U.D.COUNCIL.--	16 5 4
2429	EASTERN ELECTRICITY BOARD.--	369 1 8
2430	EGRY LTD.--	31 - 7
2431	ELSWORTH BROS LTD.--	6 10 -
2432	ENFIELD METAL WORKS LTD.--	7 - -
2433	EYRE & SPOTTISWOODE (PUBLISHERS) LTD.--	- 1 2
2434	E.FINCH.--	16 - -
2435	FINCHLEY CORPORATION.--	6 6 -
2436	FINCHLEY PRESS LTD.--	4 11 9
2437	G.T.FLETCHER.--	17 17 3
2438	FRIERN BARNET CHURCH HALL.--	5 5 -
2439	FURNACK LTD.--	13 3 7
2440	ALFRED GILBERT & SONS LTD.--	64 11 3
2441	GOODMAN BROS.--	39 5 3
2442	GOSPO LTD.--	1 14 6
2443	WILLIAM GREASBY & CO LTD.--	415 6 7
2444	J.HALDEN & CO LTD.--	2 15 11
2445	HALES CLINKERS LTD.--	50 1 -
2446	HALL HARDING LTD.--	10 11 9
2447	H.W.HERMANS.--	10 12 4
2448	H.M.STATIONERY OFFICE.--	- 11 10
2449	J.HOLLAND & SON.--	310 9 1
2450	HORNSEY JOURNAL LTD.--	- 4 10
2451	V.A.HOWARD LTD.--	82 15 2
2452	R.HOWES & CO LTD.--	23 1 6
2453	J.& R.HOWIE LTD.--	5 7 3
2454	C.J.HUNT & CO LTD.--	28 11 -
2455	FRED HODGE LTD.--	78 6 10
2456	INITIAL TOWEL SUPPLY CO.--	2 3 11
2457	W.R.JACKAMAN.--	7 1 2
2458	W.N.JOYCE & SONS LTD.--	148 10 4
2459	WALTER JUDD LTD.--	- 14 -
2460	KERRYS (GT.BRITAIN) LTD.--	- 15 4
2461	ERNEST KNIFTON LTD.--	1,522 - -
2462	CHAS.KNIGHT & CO LTD.--	4 18 11
2463	LAMES RAWJOHNS LTD.--	15 13 10
2464	LEA RECORDER CO LTD.--	5 2 -
2465	T.E.LLOYD.--	3 3 9
2466	LONDON LETTER FILE CO LTD.--	9 13 1
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2471	COUNTY COUNCIL OF MIDDLESEX.--	2 - -
2472	MIDLAND BANK LTD.--	27 8 -
2473	C.D.MONNINGER LTD.--	3 17 -
2474	NOTRATE PRODUCTS LTD.--	- 17 6
2475	W.H.MOULSDALE.--	4 8 4
2476	MUNICIPAL JOURNAL LTD.--	2 12 6
2477	MUNICIPAL MUTUAL INSURANCE LTD.--	171 11 4
2478	NATIONAL FIRE BRIGADES ASSOCIATION.--	2 1 6
2479	ONSITE CARPET & UPHOLSTERY CLEANERS LTD.--	50 12 6
2480	OSCROFT BROS.--	3 10 6
2481	PANNELL (MERCHANTS) LTD.--	7 16 -
2482	H.PERRIOR.--	17 19 10
2483	PERRY (REPAIRS & SERVICE) LTD.--	9 - 10
2484	POSTMASTER GENERAL.--	12 1 6
2485	RAYWARD BROS.LTD.--	4 19 -
2486	REGENT OIL CO LTD.--	64 15 10
2487	RONEO LTD.--	- 18 -
2488	DAVID ROWELL & CO LTD.--	28 1 -
2489	ROYAL SOCIETY FOR THE PREVENTION OF ACCIDENTS.--	2 12 6
2490	RUBBERINE LTD.--	3 19 -
2491	E.H.SANDEY.--	20 16 10
2492	SERCK RADIATORS LTD.--	4 18 6
2493	SHAW & SONS LTD.--	2 8 6
2494	SHELVOKE & DREWRY LTD.--	194 9 6
2495	SIEBE GORMAN & CO LTD.--	25 - -
2496	SIMMS MOTOR UNITS LTD.--	4 7 6
2497	SIMPSON & SONS.--	176 11 4
2498	SITUSEC LTD.--	226 19 11
2499	SMITH & SONS (STOKE NEWINGTON) LTD.--	255 3 1
2500	K.R.SMITH.--	6 1 6
2501	THOMAS SMITH & SON LTD.--	23 12 11
2502	STADDON PAINTS LTD.--	8 15 3
2503	ST.ALBANS SAND & GRAVEL CO LTD.--	152 17 6
2504	E.H.START.--	4 9 9
2505	P.J.STEPHENS LTD.--	21 10 5
2506	EXORS. OF L.WETH.--	4 14 3
2507	TOTTENHAM & DISTRICT GAS CO.--	352 7 -
2508	FRIERN BARNET U.D.C.--	1 4 5
2509	W.H.R.SMITH.--	1 8 3
2510	A.C.BROWN.--	3 1 2
2511	J.FORD.--	1 17 8
2512	C.A.PILGRIM.--	21 4 1
2513	C.TAYLOR.--	8 7 10
2514	TEMPLE VARNISH CO LTD.--	10 19 5
2515	W.L.THACKRAH.--	7 10 -
2516	STUART THOMPSON & CO.--	- 6 4
2517	TOTTENHAM & DISTRICT GAS CO.--	198 10 7
2518	A.TRAPP.--	5 6 6
2519	E.D.TULETT.--	8 10 -
2520	TWICKENHAM GRAVEL CO LTD.--	10 16 3
2521	UNDERWOOD ELLIOTT FISHER LTD.--	1 11 10
2522	WATKINS & McCOMBIE LTD.--	5 1 4
2523	WEST HAM CORPORATION.--	29 1 3
2524	WILLOW PEN CO.--	- 15 -
2525	W.G.WOOD (BRUSHES) LTD.--	35 8 -
2526	WILLIAM WOOD & SON LTD.--	9 15 6
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8	EMERGENCY IMPREST ACCOUNT.--	24 7 2
9	ADDRESSOGRAPH MULTIGRAPH LTD.--	- 6 -
10	W.& F.ARCHER LTD.--	4 18 -
11	ARTHUR H.BROWN & SON.--	16 - -
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14	COMMISSIONERS OF INLAND REVENUE.--	222 8 -
15	COOPER McDOUGALL & ROBERTSON LTD.--	3 15 6
16	ELECTROLUX LTD.--	226 10 10
17	G.T.FLETCHER.--	27 - -
18	FURNACX LTD.--	24 3 6
19	H.W.HERMANS.--	24 - -
20	H.M.STATIONERY OFFICE.--	- 16 7
21	HOSPITAL SAVING ASSOCIATION.--	4 19 8
22	INSTITUTE OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION.--	2 2 -
23	W.R.JACKAMAN.--	27 - -
24	T.E.LLOYD.--	21 - -
25	J.MARSHALL.--	27 - -
26	W.H.MOULSDALE.--	24 - -
27	NATIONAL HOUSING & TOWN PLANNING COUNCIL.--	6 6 -
28	OSCROFT BROS.--	1 13 -
29	A.PITT.--	26 7 4
30	POSTMASTER GENERAL (FOR NATIONAL INSURANCE STAMPS).--	91 7 10
31	POSTMASTER GENERAL (FOR NATIONAL SAVINGS).--	5 - -
32	PRUDENTIAL ASSURANCE CO LTD.--	156 16 9
33	RATING & INCOME TAX.--	2 12 -
34	ROYAL LIVER FRIENDLY SOC.--	498 5 4
35	E.H.SANDEY.--	24 - -
36	SHAW & SONS LTD.--	19 10 8
37	S.SIMS & SONS LTD.--	117 1 8
38	K.R.SMITH.--	24 - -
39	THOMAS SMITH & SON.--	6 1 11
40	E.H.START.--	21 - -
41	BARCLAYS BANK LTD.--	1,474 13 8
42	M.H.G.ELLIOTT.--	29 12 2
43	D.M.PHILLIPS.--	20 9 5
44	V.G.GEORGE.--	22 15 11
45	J.D.NEWLING.--	18 4 -
46	B.WATERHOUSE.--	9 7 4
47	H.FANCETT.--	22 13 2
48	D.F.BARKER.--	29 16 2
49	P.J.ANDREWS.--	30 2 8
50	I.A.HAYWARD.--	28 16 8
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52	C.TAYLOR.--	25 17 10
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61	L.TIBBENHAM.--	21 11 5
62	I.CODRAI.--	18 15 10
63	W.J.CLARKE.--	14 17 11
64	A.C.BRUMWELL.--	8 - -
65	C.TAYLOR.--	24 - -
66	TEUTEN & CO LTD.--	1 2 3
67	THE THEATRE NEWS SERVICE LTD.--	- 10 -
68	F.W.WHITE.--	15 - -
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EXAMINED and APPROVED on behalf of the FINANCE COMMITTEE, this 21st day of April 19 49

J.J. Matthews
Chairman.

Member of Committee.

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Report and Recommendations of the General Purposes Committee

21st April, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F.Simmonds ... Chairman.

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry,
Mrs. McCarthy, McClane, Martin,
Mason, Matthews, Meynell,
Miss Richards, Richardson, Sparks
and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Pickering.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 17th March, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

3. PUBLIC BUILDINGS LETTINGS COMMITTEE. The Report and Recommendations of the above-mentioned Committee Meeting held this day, a copy of which is attached, were submitted, and the Committee recommend that the Report and Recommendations be approved and confirmed.

4. FIRE BRIGADE.

(a) Fire Calls. During the month of March, 1949, the Fire Service was summoned on nine occasions to three chimney fires, two small house fires, and four grassland fires; three malicious false alarms were received.

(b) Management Scheme. With reference to Minute No.4 (b) of the Report of this Committee dated the 17th March, 1949, the Clerk reported that a Meeting of representatives of Group 2 Authorities, to decide which Authority should send a representative to serve on the County Fire Brigade Committee, had been convened by the Town Clerk of the Borough of Southgate for this day.

5. FRIERN BARNET CHURCH HALL - CHATTELS. The Clerk submitted a detailed report upon negotiations with the Church Authorities in connection with the claim submitted for missing or broken articles during occupation of the premises for Civil Defence purposes from 1939 until March 1942, and thereafter as a Civic Restaurant until 1947.

The original claim amounted to £762 8s. 7d. including Surveyor's fees, and as a result of such negotiations the Authorities have agreed to reduce the total claim by £85 11s. 6d. to £638 16s. 5d. plus £38 0s. 8d. Surveyor's fees. This figure has been apportioned by the County Valuer between the two services, and application will be made by the County Valuer for approval of the Home Office to the Civil Defence portion of the claim.

The Committee recommend that for the portion of the claim attributable to the use of the premises as a Civic Restaurant the Clerk be authorised to make application to the Ministry of Food for reimbursement.

6. FRIERN BARNET COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SERVICE - FORMATION. With reference to Minute No.6 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 17th February, 1949, the Clerk reported that application was made to the Minister of Health for authorisation to make a grant towards the newly established Council of Social Service, and in reply a letter dated 23rd March, 1949, was submitted stating that under Section 134 of the Local Government Act, 1948, Local Authorities are empowered to make or

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assist in making of arrangements for giving information to the public, for services provided in the area of the Local Authority by other Authorities or by Government Departments, and it would appear that subject to the provisions of the Section, payment of a reasonable amount to Citizens' Advice Bureaux can be made without consent on the part of the Minister.

A Meeting of representatives of various organisations was convened by the Chairman of the Council and held on Saturday the 19th March, 1949, when the new Council of Social Service was formed, and Miss Riley, the former Secretary of the Finchley and Friern Barnet Council of Social Service, was appointed Secretary. In this connection a copy of the Minutes of that Meeting, together with a copy of the Constitution were submitted for information.

The Committee recommend that the grant to be made by the Council towards the expenses of the organisation, in the sum of £325 as previously approved, be paid in two half-yearly instalments in advance.

7. LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANPOWER COMMITTEE. A letter dated 8th April, 1949, was submitted from the Urban District Councils' Association referring to the appointment by the Government of a Local Government Manpower Committee as a working party with the following terms of reference:-

> "To review and co-ordinate the existing arrangements to ensure economy in the use of manpower by Local Authorities, and by those Government Departments which are concerned with Local Government matters; and to examine in particular the distribution of functions between Central and Local Government and the possibility of relaxing Departmental supervision of Local Authority activities, and delegating more responsibility to Local Authorities."

The Association of Local Authorities and the London County Council are fully represented on the Committee, and also on the various technical Sub-Committees which have been set up for the purpose of dealing in detail with the various Departmental aspects of the problem.

For the information of the representatives of the Urban District Councils' Association on the Sub-Committees, it is requested that a brief note of any cases where it is thought that Departmental control could properly be abandoned or relaxed, should be supplied.

The Committee is of the opinion that there should be some form of co-ordination between the various Government Departments where consultations with more than one such Department are necessary, thus one meeting with representatives of all the Government Departments concerned could be arranged, and separate meetings on the one subject with various Departments eliminated.

The Committee further recommend that the Urban District Councils' Association be informed accordingly.

8. OUTER LONDON STANDING JOINT COMMITTEE. Copies of the Report of the Special Meeting of the Executive Committee held on 16th March, 1949, were submitted, which refer, inter alia, to the following matters:-

(a) Civil Defence Act, 1948. A request was submitted to the Secretary of State that the Outer London Standing Joint Committee be represented in consultations relating to Civil Defence matters, which the Home Office are holding with Associations of Local Authorities, to which the Minister replied that whilst he proposes to confer with Local Authority Associations on draft regulations of general application, he has at present no proposal before him for consultations on Civil Defence problems peculiar to the Outer London Area, but the resolution of the Committee will be borne in mind, and he will at any time be glad to receive and consider suggestions on Civil Defence questions in which the Committee are interested.

Thereupon it was resolved that the Civil Defence Department of the Home Office be informed that although at present the Secretary of State has no proposal before him for consultation on Civil Defence problems peculiar to the Outer London Area, it is nevertheless thought that the experiences of all Local Authorities in the London Civil Defence Region during the last War were such that the views of their representatives would be helpful to the Secretary of State in any consultations he may have with the representatives of Local Authority Associations, and that he be urged to reconsider his decision.

Local Authorities are requested to furnish the Hon. Secretary with any matters which in their opinion are peculiar to the Inner and/or Outer London Area, and to impress upon the Member of Parliament for their Division the desirability of taking immediate action to ensure that representatives of this Committee are included in any such consultations. Further, the Chairman and Hon. Secretary of the Committee were authorised if considered desirable, to prepare a memorandum on the subject for submission to the Secretary of State and Constituent Authorities.

(b) Annual Meeting. Under Rule 61 of the Constitution of the Committee, it is provided that the Annual Meeting shall be held in the month of February, but in view of the alteration in the date of Municipal Elections it was considered desirable to hold the Annual Meeting shortly after such Elections, and it was decided that in the absence of any opposition the next Annual Meeting be held in June 1950.

9. VANDALISM TO PUBLIC AND PRIVATE PROPERTY. With reference to Minute No.11 of the Report of this Committee dated 17th February, 1949, the Clerk reported that the Lord Chancellor and the Home Secretary were advised of this Council's desire to support the Enfield Urban District Council on the question of valdalism to public and private property, and in connection therewith a letter dated 24th March, 1949, was submitted enclosing a copy of the Home Office reply to the Enfield Urban District Council, which states that compensation should be ordered to be paid in addition to other penalties in all such cases which are tried summarily, and such compensation may be ordered to be paid by the parents when the offence is committed by a child or young person.

It has not been represented to the Secretary of State that the available penalties are inadequate, and he does not consider that action to increase them would materially affect the position. Further it is suggested that action might be taken to launch an appeal to create a general feeling of condemnation of acts of vandalism with a view to inducing stricter parental control over young offenders, and a demand for the imposition of heavier penalties.

10. TOTTENHAM AND DISTRICT GAS COMPANY - ANNUAL ACCOUNTS. A copy of the Annual Accounts for this undertaking for the year ended 31st December, 1948, was submitted.

11. SITE OF ST. PETER'S SCHOOL. With reference to Minute No.5 of the Report of the Parks Committee dated 7th December, 1948, the Clerk reported on certain further information received from the District Valuer in connection with the proposed acquisition of this site, and the Committee have instructed the Clerk as to further action to be taken in connection therewith.

12. LONDON MISSION. It was reported that the Chairman of the Council had received a letter dated 11th April, 1949, from the Rector, the Rev. H.E. McLeod, inviting the Members of the Council to the first Meeting of the Mission to London, to be held at St. John's Church on Sunday the 15th May, 1949, at 7.0 p.m. The Members of the Committee indicated whether or not they would be able to support the Chairman on this occasion, and arrangements will be made for sufficient seating accommodation to be reserved.

13. MUNICIPAL MUTUAL INSURANCE LIMITED - REPORT OF MANAGING TRUSTEES. A copy of the Report of the Managing Trustees, together with the audited accounts and Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December, 1948, was submitted for information.

14. PRIVATE STREET WORKS.

(a) Oakleigh Park South. With reference to Minute No.24 of the Report of this Committee dated 17th March, 1949, the Clerk reported that a petition signed by a number of owners of premises adjoining or abutting upon Oakleigh Park South had been received requesting the Council to postpone the proposed plans for the making up of the carriageway and footways etc. until a reasonable fall occurs in the price of materials etc. and certainly until the said street is fully developed and built up, including the suspended building operations in Beech Avenue.

The Committee recommend that the Council adhere to their previous decision in the matter and the petition be retained and produced in the event of the Minister of Health deciding to hold a Local Inquiry in connection with the proposal.

(b) Temple Avenue. With reference to Minute No.10 (a) of the Report of the Highways Committee dated 12th April, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had communicated with the Post Office authorities upon their notification dated 9th April, 1949, to lay an underground cable in the lower section of this road. The Post Office authorities now state that the notification referred to work which had already been completed and expressed regret that this had not been stated on their notice. An assurance was given that their appropriate Department was most anxious to co-operate with this Council in avoiding the disturbance of recently constructed footways and carriageways.

15. TOWN HALL.

(a) Floor Polishing Machine - Proposed Purchase. With reference to Minute No.26 of the Report of this Committee dated 17th March, 1949, quotations were submitted for the supply of alternative makes of electric floor polishing machines.

The Committee decided to defer consideration of this matter until their next Meeting and have instructed the Engineer and Surveyor to obtain certain further information in connection therewith.

(b) Proposed Notice Board - Town Hall Kiosk. With reference to Minute No.25 (c) of the Report of this Committee dated 17th March, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he interviewed the Acting Secretary of the Community Association in connection with this matter and the observations of the Association thereon were awaited.

(c) Improvements to Grass Forecourts. With reference to Minute No.25 (a) of the Report of this Committee dated 17th March, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the work of raising the two grass borders immediately fronting the building, including laying of new turf and raising the artificial stone border, had been completed.

(d) Heating. With reference to Minute No.25 (d) of the Report of this Committee dated 17th March, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had been in communication with the Council's fuel suppliers reporting the inefficient heating due to down-graded inferior fuel supplies and requesting that all steps necessary be taken with the Ministry of Fuel and Power for the proper grade of fuel to be supplied as a result of which a letter had been received by the suppliers from the Regional Coal Board stating that the proper fuel for the boiler is in short supply and the fuel supplied in substitution should not have contained dust.

The Engineer and Surveyor further reported that he had requested that a technical representative should be sent from the National Coal Board in order that they may be satisfied as to the quality of fuel and conditions existing, upon which a reply is awaited.

(e) Purchase of Ash Trays. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that he had been unable to obtain a quotation for the supply of glass ash trays of the design now in use but submitted a sample of alternative glass ash tray which could be obtained at a cost of 6s. 6d. each.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to endeavour to obtain two dozen hollow glass bricks for this purpose, or, alternatively, in the event of these being unobtainable, to purchase two dozen ash trays of the design now submitted.

(f) Lady Members' Room. Reference was made to the fact that owing to the insufficient number of clothes racks in the Lady Members' cloakroom, the Lady Members' sitting room had been used for this purpose on occasions when social functions were in progress, thus precluding its use by the Lady Members.

The Committee recommend that the Engineer and Surveyor be authorised to arrange for sufficient clothes racks to be installed in the Lady Members' cloakroom and for the Lady Members' sitting room to be locked, and both Lady Members supplied with a key.

16. DECORATION OF COUNCIL BUILDINGS. With reference to Minute No.30 of the Report of this Committee dated 17th March, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that the decorations to the public conveniences in Goldsmith Road are in progress and the work of decorating the Priory Civic Restaurant was commenced on Tuesday, 19th April, 1949.

17. COLLECTION OF STEEL SHELTERS. The Engineer and Surveyor reported that a letter dated 15th March, 1949, had been received from the Home Office stating that it has now been decided, after consultation with the Ministry of Supply, to resume the collection of shelters from householders so as to bring the steel component parts into store and thus better secure their preservation and that, except where material is still to be collected, all serviceable material should be brought into store and retained indefinitely.

So far as this District is concerned records show that the shelter recovery programme has been completed. There is a comparatively small quantity of shelter material in store and owing to the fact that there is no covered accommodation, the instructions of the Home Office for disposal are being sought.

18. SALE OF LIGHT ROAD ROLLER. With reference to Minute No.16 of the Report of the Highways Committee dated 12th April, 1949, the Engineer and Surveyor reported that, as requested, the firm whose offer to purchase this plant had been accepted, had been approached regarding payment and had promised to forward a cheque prior to collection.

19. TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1947 - No.12, HALLIWICK COURT PARADE - INSTALLATION OF SHOP FRONT (REF.F.B.75). With reference to Minute No.6 (j) of the Report of the Town Planning Committee held on 13th January, 1949, when consent was granted to the use of these premises as a builders office and store for small materials subject to the installation of a shop front, detailed plans of which are to be submitted to and approved by the Council, it was reported that the applicants in acknowledging receipt of the notice of consent stated that plans for the shop front would be submitted for the Council's approval as soon as possible.

In reply to a further request on the 23rd March for the submission of the necessary plans, the applicants stated that they would submit the drawings of the shop front in the near future and as soon as the necessary approval of the licence is to hand the work will be commenced without delay. The applicants have now taken up occupation of the premises and plans for the shop front have not yet been deposited.

The Committee recommend that the applicants be informed that unless the plans are deposited with the Council within a period of 14 days, appropriate steps will be taken to institute enforcement action under Section 23 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1947.

20. MATTERS OF URGENCY DURING MAY. The Committee recommend that the Chairman or Vice-Chairman for the time being of the Committee be authorised to deal with matters of an urgent nature which might arise before the next Meeting of this Committee.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced at 6.50 p.m. and terminated at 9.25 p.m.

Report and Recommendations of the Public Buildings Lettings Committee

21st April, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. E. Draper ... Chairman.

Crs. McClane, Martin, Matthews, Sparks, Richardson and Simmonds.

Also in attendance:

Crs. Henry, Mrs. McCarthy and Meynell.

1. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of this Committee held on 17th March, 1949, were submitted and signed by the Chairman.

2. LETTINGS BOOK. The Lettings Book for the Town Hall was submitted and each booking to date approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. TOWN HALL BASEMENT - ST. JOHN AMBULANCE BRIGADE. An application was submitted from the No.145 (Friern Barnet) Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade for permission to use the room in the Town Hall Basement formerly known as the Control Room, on each Monday evening from the 13th June, 1949, in lieu of each Thursday evening as at present.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted.

4. COMMITTEE ROOMS 1 and 2 - SOCIAL FUNCTIONS.

(a) Birthday Party - Non-Resident. It was reported that as a matter of urgency the Chairman of the Committee had granted an application from Mr. E. Clark of 1, Fenstanton Avenue, N.12. for the use of Committee Rooms 1 and 2 for a birthday party on 9th July, 1949, subject to the payment of the normal fee.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

(b) Wedding Reception - Non-Resident. It was reported that as a matter of urgency the Chairman of the Committee had granted an application from Mr. Fowler of 37, Ventnor Drive, N.20., for the use of Committee Rooms 1 and 2 from 2.0 p.m. to 5.0 p.m. on the 28th May, 1949, for the purpose of a Wedding Reception, subject to the payment of the normal fee.

The Committee recommend that the action taken by the Chairman be approved and confirmed.

(c) 21st Birthday Party. It was reported that Mrs. I. Dare had booked Committee Rooms 1 and 2 on Saturday the 7th May, 1949, for the purpose of a 21st Birthday Party, and in connection therewith an application was submitted for the extension of the user until 11.30 p.m.

The Committee recommend that in the case of this and for a trial period all future users of the Committee Rooms for social functions, the use be allowed to continue until 11.30 p.m. on the understanding that the Town Hall will be completely vacated by that hour.

(d) Friern Barnet Appeals Committee - Whist Drive. The Clerk reported that an application had been received from the Friern Barnet Appeals Committee for the use of Committee Rooms 1 and 2 on Friday the 10th June, 1949, for the purpose of a Whist Drive in aid of King George's Fund for Sailors, and the application had been granted subject to the charge, if any, to be fixed.

The Committee recommend that the Friern Barnet Appeals Committee be granted the use of this accommodation on the date in question free of charge.

5. FRIERN BARNET COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION.

(a) Chess Display. A letter dated 4th April, 1949, was submitted from the Friern Barnet Community Association enquiring whether the Council Chamber could be made available on one evening during June, between 6.45 p.m. and 10.15 p.m., for a Simultaneous Chess Display by Mr. R.J. Broadbent, the current Chess champion of England, against 30 local players, upon which occasion it is hoped to take advantage of the opportunity to form a Chess Section of the Community Association.

The Committee recommend that the application be granted free of charge.

(b) Exhibitions and Concerts. With reference to Minute No.3 (c) of the Report of the Entertainments Committee dated 19th April, 1949, the Committee considered the question of the use of the Council Chamber for Exhibitions and Concerts of an intimate nature, which the Friern Barnet Community Association propose to arrange in conjunction with the Council's entertainments programme.

In this connection the Clerk referred to the fact that neither the Committee Rooms nor the Council Chamber are licensed under Section 367 of the Middlesex County Council Act, 1944, for Music and Dancing, Sub-Section 1 of the Section providing that places whether licensed or not for the sale of intoxicating liquor, shall not be used for dancing, music or other public entertainments of the like kind, without a licence for the purpose for which the same is to be used, granted under this Section.

Having regard to the fact that the Middlesex County Council would be bound to impose conditions requiring extensive works to be carried out before granting a licence in respect of the premises, the Committee report that in their opinion -

(i) the use of the Committee Rooms 1 and 2 for social functions should be limited to local organisations where attendance by Members or Friends only is permitted or to functions of a strictly private nature, and the particular attention of applicants be drawn to this requirement; and

(ii) the Council Chamber is not suitable for Exhibitions and Concerts, particularly having regard to the fact that the premises are not licensed for music and dancing, and that its use ordinarily should be limited to the Council's own Meetings and Annual and similar Meetings of approved local Associations and Organisations.

The Committee further recommend that the Friern Barnet Community Association be notified accordingly and that the possibility of using a local School Hall for the purposes mentioned might be explored.

6. MATTERS OF URGENCY DURING MAY. The Committee recommend that the Chairman or Vice-Chairman for the time being of the Committee be authorised to deal with matters of an urgent nature which might arise before the next Meeting of this Committee in June.

E. Draper.

Chairman.

The Meeting commenced

Meeting of the Council held in the Town Hall, N.11.

28th April, 1949

PRESENT:

Cr. C.F.Simmonds ... Chairman

Cr. A.Richardson ... Vice-Chairman

Crs. Draper, Foley, Henry, Martin, Mason, Matthews, McClane, Meynell, Pickering, Miss Richards, Sparks and Tarlton.

1. APOLOGY FOR ABSENCE. An apology for absence from the Meeting was submitted from Cr. Mrs. McCarthy who is suffering from an attack of Influenza, and the Chairman undertook to express to her the Council's desire for her speedy recovery.

2. MINUTES. The Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on the 24th March, 1949, were submitted, approved and signed by the Chairman.

3. REPORT OF ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr.Tarlton seconded by Cr. Sparks that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 5th April, 1949, be received and adopted.

4. REPORT OF PARKS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr.Richardson seconded by Cr. McClane that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 5th April, 1949, be received and adopted.

5. REPORT OF PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Henry seconded by Cr. Foley that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 12th April, 1949, be received and adopted.

6. REPORT OF HIGHWAYS AND PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Foley seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 12th April, 1949, be received and adopted.

7. REPORT OF RATING AND VALUATION COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Meynell seconded by Cr. Matthews that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 14th April, 1949, be received and adopted.

8. REPORT OF HOUSING COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Draper seconded by Cr. Pickering that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 14th April, 1949, be received and adopted subject to the withdrawal of Minute No.7 (c)(ii).

9. REPORT OF TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. McClane that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 14th April, 1949, be received and adopted.

10. REPORT OF ESTABLISHMENT COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Draper that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 19th April, 1949, be received and adopted.

11. REPORT OF ENTERTAINMENTS COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Richardson seconded by Cr. Matthews that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 19th April, 1949, be received and adopted.

12. REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr.Matthews seconded by Cr. Meynell that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 21st April, 1949, be received and adopted subject to the inclusion of the name of Cr. Tarlton in the list of those present at the Meeting.

13. REPORT OF GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Simmonds seconded by Cr. Foley that the report and recommendations of this Committee dated 21st April, 1949, be received and adopted.

14. SEALING OF DOCUMENTS. Resolved on the motion of Cr. Sparks seconded by Cr. Richardson that the Seal of the Council be affixed to the following documents:-

(a) Contract with Messrs. Hubert C. Leach Ltd., for the erection of 20 houses, Permanent Housing Site No.5, Colney Hatch Lane.

(b) Contract with Messrs. Hubert C. Leach Ltd., for the erection of 14 houses, Permanent Housing Site No.5, Colney Hatch Lane.

(c) Contract with Mr. Chas. Denton for the erection of 6 houses, Permanent Housing Site No.5, Colney Hatch Lane.

(d) Lease from the Minister of Health of a piece of land at the entrance to Friern Hospital.

(e) Licence to store 1,000 gallons of petroleum spirit at 1416, High Road, N.20. - Messrs. T.P. Breen Ltd.

(f) Insurance Policy in respect of flats Housing Site No.4, Alexandra Road.

Seal affixed accordingly.

15. CHAIRMAN'S ANNUAL REVIEW. The Chairman gave a review of the Council's activities during the past year, and expressed thanks to the Vice-Chairman, the Members of the Council, the Officers and Staff and all Organisations in the District for the support received during his year of office as Chairman.

16. VOTE OF THANKS TO PRESS. It was resolved that appreciation and thanks be accorded to the Press for their co-operation during the past year.

17. RETIREMENT OF CR. MASON. It was moved by Cr. Henry and unanimously resolved that the sincere and hearty thanks of this Council be accorded to Cr. Mason, who is retiring from the Council this year, for his long and valuable services extending over 21 years.

18. DARTS - "NEWS OF THE WORLD" CHAMPION. Mr. J. Boyce, a member of the New Southgate & Friern Barnet Athletic and Amateur Boxing Club and winner of the "News of the World" Darts Championship for England and Wales was present at the Meeting, and the Chairman expressed on behalf of the Members of the Council and the District as a whole their congratulations to Mr. Boyce upon his fine achievement.

19. VOTE OF THANKS TO CHAIRMAN. It was moved by Cr. Pickering and unanimously agreedthat the thanks of the Council for the services rendered by the Chairman during his year of office be recorded in the Minutes.

Chairman.