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Borough of Finchley.

Municipal Offices,

Finchley, N. 3.

17th November, 1936.

Sir (or Madam),

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an ORDINARY MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY will be held on MONDAY next, the 23rd day of NOVEMBER, 1936, at 8 o'clock in the afternoon at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, and all and several the members of the said Council are hereby summoned to attend.

The business to be transacted at such meeting is as follows:—

(1) Confirmation of the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Town Council held on the 9th day of November, 1936.

(2) Tenders for:—

then this evening. (a) Construction of Cumberland Turf Bowling Green—Victoria Recreation Ground.

(b) The purchase of all existing motor vehicles now in use by the Electricity Department and the supply and delivery to the Electricity Works of

(i) Petrol Motor Vehicles; and

(ii) Battery Driven Electric Vehicles.

then this evening (c) Supply, delivery and erection at the Electricity Works of unclimbable metal fencing, gates, etc.

(3) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees and correspondence arising therefrom:—

(a) **Public Health** of the 9th November, 1936.

(b) **Finance** of the 9th November, 1936.

(c) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 9th November, 1936.

(d) **Town Planning** of the 9th November, 1936.

(e) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 9th November, 1936.

(f) **Public Libraries** of the 9th November, 1936.

(g) **Electricity** of the 9th November, 1936.

(h) **Legal and Parliamentary** of the 9th November, 1936.

(i) **Housing** of the 9th November, 1936.

(j) **New Municipal Offices** of the 9th November, 1936.

(k) **Street Trading** of the 9th November, 1936.

(l) **Coronation Celebrations** of the 9th November, 1936.

(m) **Education** of the 16th November, 1936.

(n) **Finance** of the 16th November, 1936.

(4) Other Correspondence (if any).

(5) Reports of Officers (if any).

(6) Notice of Motion by Councillor W. C. Langlands as follows:—

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"That the Standing Orders be amended so as to provide—

(a) that the New Municipal Offices Committee be included as one of the Standing Committees of the Town Council; and

(b) that the Chairman of such Committee shall be a member of the General Purposes Committee."

(7) To authorise the Corporate Seal to be affixed to certain documents (list to be circulated).

(8) Payment of Accounts.

(a) The Town Clerk to report that, since the last meeting of the Town Council, a Borough Treasurer's Interim Order for the sum of £4,887 19s. 2d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(b) Motion.—

"That an order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 16th November, 1936."

Stewart (9) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Council in Committee.

(10) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(*a*) **Education** of the 16th November, 1936 (if any).

(*b*) **Finance** of the 16th November, 1936.

(11) Other Correspondence (if any).

(12) Reports of Officers (if any).

(13) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Hildover Barker

Town Clerk.

Questions.

Notice of any question intended to be asked at the Meeting of the Town Council must be given at the office of the Town Clerk not later than Twelve noon on the day of such Meeting.

Borough of Finchley.

At the Annual Meeting of the Council of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY, held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on MONDAY, the 9th day of November, 1936.

PRESENT:

*His Worship the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.).

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).

Aldermen—

A. J. Briant.
†G. H. Pateman.
†A. T. Pike.
C. S. Syrett.
†Vyvyan Wells.

Councillors—

A. N. H. Baines.
P. H. Burch.
W. L. Brooksbank.
J. F. Kneale Caine.
A. C. D. Collis.
J. Connorton.
C. P. Grobel.
F. J. Grocott.
C. Hayter.
J. Hugh Jones, LL.B.
Mrs. M. E. Legge.
Mrs. E. Murphy.
R. J. N. Norman.
H. A. Rutt.
Major H. W. Steward.
C. F. Wightman.
H. H. Wilmot.

* After election as Mayor.
† After election as Alderman.

1 **Temporary Chairman:**

It was moved by Alderman Briant, seconded by Alderman Syrett, and

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the Deputy Mayor occupy the Chair *pro tem.*

2 **Election of Mayor:**

It was moved by Councillor Steward, seconded by Councillor Brooksbank, and

RESOLVED, unanimously, that Alderman Samuel Pulham, J.P., be elected Mayor of the Borough of Finchley for the ensuing municipal year.

Alderman Pulham entered the Council Chamber, and was congratulated on his election. He then made and subscribed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office, and thanked the Council for electing him to the position.

The Deputy Mayor thereupon relinquished the Chair in favour of the Mayor.

3 **Election of Three Aldermen:**

The Council then proceeded to the election of three Aldermen under the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1933, and the several members of the Council present and entitled to vote delivered voting papers to the Mayor.

The Mayor, when all the voting papers were delivered to him, openly produced them and caused the same to be read by the Deputy Mayor and then delivered the voting papers to the Town Clerk to be kept amongst the records of the Borough for the prescribed period. Upon the reading, the result of the voting was announced as follows:—

	No. of Votes.
George Henry Pateman	17
Alfred Thomas Pike	17
Hallifax Vyvyan Wells	17

whereupon the Mayor declared the said George Henry Pateman, Alfred Thomas Pike, and Hallifax Vyvyan Wells duly elected Aldermen to go out of office on the 9th day of November, 1942.

One voting paper, which was unsigned, was declared invalid and not counted.

The newly elected Aldermen then entered the Council Chamber, and were congratulated by the Mayor on their election.

The Declaration of Acceptance of Office was then duly made and subscribed by each of them.

4 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 26th day of October, 1936, were presented, and it was

RESOLVED that such Minutes be taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a correct record of the proceedings.

5 **Appointment of Deputy Mayor:**

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the Mayor's Appointment of Deputy Mayor, now signified to the Town Council in writing, be recorded on the Minutes of the proceedings of the Council:—

"BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY.

I, Samuel Pulham, Mayor of the Borough of Finchley, do hereby, in pursuance of the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1933, appoint Councillor W. C. Langlands to act as Deputy Mayor of the said Borough.

Dated this 9th day of November, 1936.

(Signed) Samuel Pulham, *Mayor.*

To the Council of the said Borough."

6 **Appointment of Mayor's Chaplain:**

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the Mayor's Appointment of Mayor's Chaplain, now signified to the Town Council in writing, be recorded on the Minutes of the Council:—

"BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY.

I, Samuel Pulham, Mayor of the Borough of Finchley, do hereby appoint the Rev. S. F. L. Bernays, O.B.E., M.A., to act as Mayor's Chaplain.

Dated this 9th day of November, 1936.

(Signed) Samuel Pulham, *Mayor.*

To the Council of the said Borough."

7 **Return of Councillors Elected on 2nd November, 1936:**

Alderman Wells, the Returning Officer at the election of Councillors on the 2nd November, 1936, for the East Ward of the Borough, submitted the result of the election of Councillors as follows:—

Names of Candidates.	Number of Votes given.	Names of Candidates Elected.
Brooksbank, Walter Louis	1701	Walter Louis Brooksbank.
Connorton, James	1658	James Connorton.
Harvey, Stanley John	731	
Miller, Hannah Maud	772	

Alderman Pike, the Returning Officer at the election of Councillors on the 2nd November, 1936, for the North Ward of the Borough, submitted the result of the election of Councillors as follows:—

Names of Candidates.	Number of Votes given.	Names of Candidates Elected.
Angel, Herbert Charles, Junr.	597	
Franklin, Hugh Arthur	611	
Murphy, Emma	1616	Emma Murphy.
Norman, Reginald John Nathan.....	1575	Reginald John Nathan Norman.
Pole, Phœbe Louise	615	
Wightman, Claude Francis	1575	Claude Francis Wightman.

Alderman Briant, the Returning Officer at the election of Councillors on the 2nd November, 1936, for the West Ward of the Borough, submitted the result of the election of Councillors as follows:—

Names of Candidates.	Number of Votes given.	Names of Candidates Elected.
Burch, Percival Henry	1877	Percival Henry Burch.
Howard, William Albert	452	
Legge, Mary Elizabeth	1924	Mary Elizabeth Legge.
Parker, Thomas Edward	359	

8 **Local Government Act, 1933:**

The Mayor proceeded to determine by lot, in accordance with the provisions of Section 67 of the Local Government Act, 1933, the person who should be deemed elected to fill the casual vacancy in connection with the election of Councillors for the North Ward of the Borough held on the 2nd day of November, 1936, and as a result, he declared that such casual vacancy would be filled by Councillor Wightman.

9 **Tenders—Erection of Pavilion—Lyttelton Playing Fields :**

RESOLVED that the tenders received in connection with the above be referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

10 **Election Expenses :**

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the Council do order the payment by the Borough Treasurer of the expenses in connection with the Borough Council elections held on the 2nd November, 1936, in accordance with the scale adopted by the Middlesex County Council in connection with the election of Urban District Councillors, amounting to £320 14s. 4d.

11 **Returning Officers at Elections :**

It was moved by Councillor Rutt, seconded by Councillor Collis, and

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the under-mentioned Aldermen be and they are hereby assigned as Returning Officers at elections for the ensuing municipal year for the following Wards of the Borough, viz. :—

East Ward	Alderman Vyvyan Wells.
North Ward	Alderman A. T. Pike.
West Ward	Alderman A. J. Briant.

12 **Appointment and Constitution of Committees :**

RESOLVED that the following Committees be and they are hereby appointed for the ensuing year and that the constitution thereof be as set forth after the name of each Committee :—

STANDING COMMITTEES.

PUBLIC HEALTH.

The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, Aldermen Briant and Pike, and Councillors Collis, Grobel, Grocott, Jones, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy and Steward.

FINANCE.

The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, Alderman Syrett, and Councillors Brooksbank, Burch, Caine, Grobel, Hayter, Norman, Rutt and Steward.

HIGHWAYS AND FIRE BRIGADE.

The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, Aldermen Briant and Pateman, and Councillors Baines, Burch, Connorton, Grobel, Grocott, Rutt and Wightman.

TOWN PLANNING.

The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, Aldermen Briant and Wells, and Councillors Burch, Caine, Jones, Mrs. Murphy, Norman, Wightman and Wilmot.

PARKS AND OPEN SPACES.

The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, Aldermen Pateman, Syrett and Wells, and Councillors Brooksbank, Collis, Connorton, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy and Rutt.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES.

The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, Alderman Pike, and Councillors Baines, Brooksbank, Caine, Collis, Grobel, Hayter, Mrs. Legge and Wilmot.

GENERAL PURPOSES.

The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, and the respective Chairmen of the following Committees, namely :—Public Health, Finance, Highways and Fire Brigade, Town Planning, Parks and Open Spaces, Electricity, Education and Public Libraries.

OTHER COMMITTEES.

ELECTRICITY.

The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, Aldermen Briant, Pateman, Pike and Syrett, and Councillors Baines, Burch, Caine, Grobel and Hayter.

EDUCATION.

(*a*) Members of the Council :—The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, and Councillors Brooksbank, Burch, Grocott, Jones, Steward and Wilmot.

(*b*) Ex-officio Members :—County Councillor John Boggon, J.P., County Councillor W. Newcome Wright, J.P., and the Chairman for the time being of the Local Higher Education Committee.

(*c*) Co-opted Members :—Miss L. Davey, M.A., Mrs. A. S. Miall, B.A., and Mr. D. A. A. Merry.

VALUATION.

The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, and Councillors Brooksbank, Connorton, Rutt and Wightman.

Non-Members of the Council :—Messrs. W. A. Gray and A. E. Griffith.

ALLOTMENTS.

The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, Alderman Wells, and Councillors Brooksbank, Collis, Connorton and Grocott.

Non-Members of the Council :—Messrs. W. J. Rolfe, J. S. Sunderland and J. W. Tayler, and a representative of the Whetstone Stray Allottees' Association.

LEGAL AND PARLIAMENTARY.

The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, Aldermen Briant, Syrett and Wells, and Councillors Grobel, Jones, Norman and Rutt, and the Chairman of the Committee concerned in the matter under discussion.

LOCAL OLD AGE PENSION.

The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, and Councillors Collis, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy and Wightman.

Non-Members of the Council :—Miss Bartram and Mr. J. Sheldrake.

HOUSING.

The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, Aldermen Briant, Pike and Wells, and Councillors Burch, Connorton, Grocott, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy and Wilmot.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE (SUB).

The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, and Councillors Collis, Grobel, Grocott, Jones, Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Murphy.

Non-Members of the Council :—Mrs. Healing, Mrs. Reeves and Mrs. Robinson.

SPECIAL COMMITTEES.

STREET TRADING.

The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, Alderman Briant, and Councillors Burch, Hayter, Norman, Rutt and Wightman.

NEW MUNICIPAL OFFICES.

The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, Aldermen Briant, Pateman, Pike and Syrett, and Councillors Caine, Hayter, Jones, Rutt and Steward.

CORONATION CELEBRATIONS.

All members of the Town Council.

AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS.

The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, Alderman Briant, and Councillors Baines, Brooksbank, Grobel, Grocott, Rutt and Steward.

Non-Members of the Council :—Mrs. E. G. Hammond, Dr. J. D. Holmes, and Messrs. W. S. Murphy, S. J. Stillwell and J. W. Tayler.

CHILDREN'S SAFETY.

The Mayor and the Deputy Mayor, Alderman Briant, and Councillors Grocott, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy, Rutt and Wilmot.

Representatives of the Teachers :—Messrs. C. A. Berrey, H. Cowen and M. C. Hackett.

13 **Proposed Issue of Stock :**

RESOLVED—

(*a*) that a Sub-Committee of the Finance Committee be appointed to deal with the proposed issue of stock ; and

(*b*) that power be delegated to the Sub-Committee to take such action in connection with the issue as may be necessary.

14 **Finchley, Hornsey, Wood Green and Friern Barnet Joint Hospital Committee :**

RESOLVED that the Deputy Mayor, Aldermen Briant and Pike, and Councillor Mrs. Murphy be appointed the Town Council's representatives on the above Committee for the ensuing year.

15 **North Middlesex Joint Town Planning Committee :**

RESOLVED that the Deputy Mayor and Alderman Pike be appointed the Town Council's representatives on the above Committee for the ensuing year.

16 **Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association :**

RESOLVED that the Mayor and the Town Clerk be appointed the Town Council's representatives on the above Association for the ensuing year.

17 **Conference of Local Authorities Owning Electricity Undertakings in Greater London :**

RESOLVED that the under-mentioned be appointed as the representatives of the Town Council on the above Conference for the ensuing year :—

The Chairman of the Electricity Committee ;
The Vice-Chairman of the Electricity Committee ;
The Town Clerk ;
The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager.

18 **Conference *re* Travelling Facilities:**

RESOLVED that the Mayor, and Aldermen Pike, Syrett and Wells be appointed the Town Council's representatives on the above Conference for the ensuing year.

19 **London "Safety First" Council:**

RESOLVED that Councillors Connorton and Rutt and the Deputy Borough Surveyor be appointed the Town Council's representatives on the above Council for the ensuing year.

20 **Hendon Employment Committee:**

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs. Legge be appointed the Town Council's representative on the above Committee for the ensuing year.

21 **Finchley Memorial Hospital Committee:**

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs. Murphy be appointed the Town Council's representative on the above Committee for the ensuing year.

22 **Hornsey, Wood Green and District War Pensions Committee:**

RESOLVED that Councillor Connorton be nominated as the Town Council's representative on the above Committee as from the 1st January, 1937.

23 **Day and Hour of Meetings of Committees and Sub-Committees:**

RESOLVED—

(*a*) that the days and times of the ordinary meetings of Committees and Sub-Committees be as follows:—

In the **fourth** week before the meeting of the Town Council:—

Wednesday:	Children's Care	at 7.30 p.m.
	Juvenile Employment	at 8.0 p.m. (in the months of January, April, July and October).
	Housing	at 8.0 p.m. (in alternate months).

In the **third** week before the meeting of the Town Council:—

Monday:	Public Libraries	at 7.45 p.m.
	Education Works and Accounts (Sub)	at 8.15 p.m.
	Town Planning	at 8.45 p.m.
Tuesday:	Valuation	at 7.30 p.m.
	Parks and Open Spaces	at 8.30 p.m.
Wednesday:	Local Old Age Pension	at 7.0 p.m.
	Highways and Fire Brigade	at 8.0 p.m.
Thursday:	Maternity and Child Welfare (Sub).....	at 7.45 p.m. (in the months of December, March, June and September).
	Public Health	at 8.0 p.m.

In the **second** week before the meeting of the Town Council:—

Monday:	Education	at 8.0 p.m.

Tuesday:	Finance Accounts and General (Sub)	at 6.30 p.m.
	Allotments	at 7.30 p.m. (in alternate months).
	Electricity	at 8.0 p.m.
Wednesday:	General Purposes	at 8.0 p.m.
Thursday:	Finance	at 8.0 p.m.

In the week before the meeting of the Town Council :—

Monday:	School Attendance Sub	at 7.30 p.m.

(*b*) that meetings of the following Committees be held as and when necessary :—

(*a*) New Municipal Offices.

(*b*) Legal and Parliamentary.

(*c*) Street Trading.

(*d*) Coronation Celebrations.

(*e*) Air Raid Precautions.

(*f*) Children's Safety.

24 **Remuneration of the Mayor :**

It was moved by Councillor Caine, seconded by Alderman Pateman, and

RESOLVED that the remuneration to be paid to the Mayor be fixed at £350 per annum.

During the discussion on this matter, the Chair was vacated by the Mayor and occupied temporarily by the Deputy Mayor.

25 **Local Higher Education Committee :**

RESOLVED that the members of the Education Committee be appointed as the Town Council's representatives on the Local Higher Education Committee for the ensuing year.

26 **Council in Committee :**

It was moved by Councillor Langlands, seconded by Alderman Syrett, and

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the Town Council do now go into Committee.

27 **Tenders—Erection of Pavilion—Lyttelton Playing Fields :**

A report by the Borough Surveyor, dated 5th November, 1936, in connection with the above was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the matter be referred to the Parks and Open Spaces Committee for consideration.

28 **Deposited Plan No. 8658b—New Road between Holden Road and the Woodside Park Garden Suburb, to be known as Tillingham Way—The Woodside Park Garden Suburb, Ltd. :**

The Borough Surveyor reported hereon, and intimated that he had interviewed the developers, who had stated that they had entered into an agreement with the flanking owners, relieving the latter of all liability with regard to private street works charges.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that Plan No. 8658b be approved, so far as the lay-out is concerned, but that such approval shall not apply to the proposed construction of the new road, which is not in accordance with the Town Council's standard; and

(*b*) that no objection be raised to the name proposed to be given to the road in question.

29 **Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council—December, 1936:**

RECOMMENDED that the Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council in December, 1936, be held on the 30th in lieu of on the 28th of that month.

30 **Resumption of Council:**

RESOLVED that the Town Council do now resume, and that the recommendations above set forth be adopted.

Mayor.

Public Health Committee's Report.

9th NOVEMBER, 1936.

Present: The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant and Pike, and Councillors Collis, Grobel, Grocott, Jones, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy and Steward.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pateman, Syrett and Wells, and Councillors Baines, Burch, Brooksbank, Caine, Connorton, Hayter, Norman, Rutt, Wightman and Wilmot.

31 **Chair:**

The Chair was occupied by the Mayor.

32 **Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor J. Hugh Jones, LL.B., be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

33 **Vice-Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor C. P. Grobel be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

SAML. PULHAM,

Chairman *(pro tempore).*

Finance Committee's Report.

9th NOVEMBER, 1936.

Present: The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Syrett, and Councillors Brooksbank, Burch, Caine, Grobel, Hayter, Norman, Rutt and Steward.

Non-Members: Aldermen Briant, Pateman, Pike and Wells, and Councillors Baines, Collis, Connorton, Grocott, Jones, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy, Wightman and Wilmot.

34 **Chair:**

The Chair was occupied by the Mayor.

35 **Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Alderman C. S. Syrett be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

36 **Vice-Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor C. Hayter be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

37 **Sub-Committees:**

The under-mentioned Sub-Committees were constituted for the ensuing year as follows:

Finance Accounts and General Sub-Committee:—

The Mayor } Ex-officio.
The Deputy Mayor }
Alderman Syrett.
Councillor Hayter.
Councillor Rutt.

Finance (Issue of Stock) Sub-Committee:—

The Mayor } Ex-officio.
The Deputy Mayor }
Alderman Syrett.
Councillor Hayter.
Councillor Rutt.

SAML. PULHAM,
Chairman *(pro tempore)*.

Highways and Fire Brigade Committee's Report.

9th NOVEMBER, 1936.

Present: The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant and Pateman, and Councillors Baines, Burch, Connorton, Grobel, Grocott, Rutt and Wightman.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pike, Syrett and Wells; and Councillors Brooksbank, Caine, Collis, Hayter, Jones, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy, Norman, Steward and Wilmot.

38 **Chair:**

The Chair was occupied by the Mayor.

39 **Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor H. A. Rutt be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

40 **Vice-Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor A. N. H. Baines be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

41 **Sub-Committees:**

The under-mentioned Sub-Committees were constituted for the ensuing year as follows:—

Fire Brigade Sub-Committee:—

The Mayor
The Deputy Mayor } Ex-officio.
Alderman Briant.
Councillor Baines.
Councillor Rutt.

Obstructions on Footpaths Sub-Committee:—

The Mayor
The Deputy Mayor } Ex-officio.
Councillor Baines.
Councillor Rutt.
Councillor Wightman.

As regards the Fire Brigade Sub-Committee, it was decided that for the ensuing year the Sub-Committee should meet on the Wednesday following the fourth Monday in the months of December, March, June and September at the Fire Station.

SAML. PULHAM,
Chairman *(pro tempore)*.

Town Planning Committee's Report.

9th NOVEMBER, 1936.

Present: The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant and Wells, and Councillors Burch, Caine, Jones, Mrs. Murphy, Norman, Wightman and Wilmot.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pateman, Pike and Syrett, and Councillors Baines, Brooksbank, Collis, Connorton, Grobel, Grocott, Hayter, Mrs. Legge, Rutt and Steward.

42 **Chair:**

The Chair was occupied by the Mayor.

43 **Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Alderman A. J. Briant be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

44 **Vice-Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor H. H. Wilmot be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

SAML. PULHAM,

Chairman *(pro tempore)*.

Parks and Open Spaces Committee's Report.

9th NOVEMBER, 1936.

Present: The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Pateman, Syrett and Wells, and Councillors Brooksbank, Collis, Connorton, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy and Rutt.

Non-Members: Aldermen Briant and Pike, and Councillors Baines, Burch, Caine, Grobel, Grocott, Hayter, Jones, Norman, Steward, Wightman and Wilmot.

45 **Chair:**

The Chair was occupied by the Mayor.

46 **Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Alderman Vyvyan Wells be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

47 **Vice-Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor W. L. Brooksbank be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

SAML. PULHAM,

Chairman *(pro tempore)*.

Public Libraries Committee's Report.

9th NOVEMBER, 1936.

Present: The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Pike, and Councillors Baines, Brooksbank, Caine, Collis, Grobel, Hayter, Mrs. Legge and Wilmot.

Non-Members: Aldermen Briant, Pateman, Syrett and Wells, and Councillors Burch, Connorton, Grocott, Jones, Mrs. Murphy, Norman, Rutt, Steward and Wightman.

48 **Chair:**

The Chair was occupied by the Mayor.

49 **Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor A. C. D. Collis be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

50 **Vice-Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor C. Hayter be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

51 **Sub-Committees:**

The under-mentioned Sub-Committees were constituted for the ensuing year as follows:—

District Libraries (New Buildings) Sub-Committee:—

The Mayor
The Deputy Mayor } Ex-officio.
Councillor Collis.
Councillor Hayter.
Councillor Wilmot.

Library (Staff Salaries) Sub-Committee:—

The Mayor
The Deputy Mayor } Ex-officio.
Councillor Collis.
Councillor Hayter.
Councillor Wilmot.

SAML. PULHAM,
Chairman *(pro tempore)*.

Electricity Committee's Report.

9th NOVEMBER, 1936.

Present: The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant, Pateman, Pike and Syrett, and Councillors Baines, Burch, Caine, Grobel and Hayter.

Non-Members: Alderman Wells, and Councillors Brooksbank, Collis, Connorton, Grocott, Jones, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy, Norman, Rutt, Steward, Wightman and Wilmot.

52 **Chair:**

The Chair was occupied by the Mayor.

53 **Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor J. F. Kneale Caine be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

54 **Vice-Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor A. N. H. Baines be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

55 **Accounts and Works Sub-Committee:**

The above Sub-Committee was constituted for the ensuing year as follows:—

The Mayor
The Deputy Mayor } Ex-officio.
Councillor Baines.
Councillor Caine.
Councillor Hayter.

It was decided that the Sub-Committee should meet on the Wednesday in the third week before the meeting of the Town Council at 6 p.m. at the Electricity Works.

SAML. PULHAM,

Chairman *(pro tempore)*.

Legal and Parliamentary Committee's Report.

9th NOVEMBER, 1936.

Present: The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant, Syrett and Wells, and Councillors Grobel, Jones, Norman and Rutt.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pateman and Pike, and Councillors Baines, Burch, Brooksbank, Caine, Collis, Connorton, Grocott, Hayter, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy, Steward, Wightman and Wilmot.

56 **Chair:**

The Chair was occupied by the Mayor.

57 **Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor C. P. Grobel be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

58 **Vice-Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Alderman A. J. Briant be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

SAML. PULHAM,

Chairman *(pro tempore)*.

Housing Committee's Report.

9th NOVEMBER, 1936.

Present: The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant, Pike and Wells, and Councillors Burch, Connorton, Grocott, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy and Wilmot.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pateman and Syrett, and Councillors Baines, Brooksbank, Caine, Collis, Grobel, Hayter, Jones, Norman, Rutt, Steward and Wightman.

59 **Chair:**

The Chair was occupied by the Mayor.

60 **Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor Mrs. Legge be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

61 **Vice-Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor J. Connorton be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

SAML. PULHAM,

Chairman *(pro tempore).*

New Municipal Offices Committee's Report.

9th NOVEMBER, 1936.

Present: The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant, Pateman, Pike and Syrett and Councillors Caine, Hayter, Jones, Rutt and Steward.

Non-Members: Alderman Wells, and Councillors Baines, Burch, Brooksbank, Collis, Connorton, Grobel, Grocott, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy, Norman, Wightman and Wilmot.

62 **Chair:**

The Chair was occupied by the Mayor.

63 **Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Alderman A. T. Pike be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

64 **Vice-Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor J. F. Kneale Caine be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

SAML. PULHAM,

Chairman *(pro tempore)*.

Street Trading Committee's Report.

9th NOVEMBER, 1936.

Present: The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Briant, and Councillors Burch, Hayter, Norman, Rutt and Wightman.

Non-members: Aldermen Pateman, Pike, Syrett and Wells, and Councillors Baines, Brooksbank, Caine, Collis, Connorton, Grobel, Grocott, Jones, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy, Steward and Wilmot.

65 **Chair:**

The Chair was occupied by the Mayor.

66 **Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor C. Hayter be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

67 **Vice-Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor H. A. Rutt be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

SAML. PULHAM,

Chairman *(pro tempore)*.

Coronation Celebrations Committee's Report.

9th NOVEMBER, 1936.

Present: The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant, Pateman, Pike, Syrett and Wells, and Councillors Baines, Burch, Brooksbank, Caine, Collis, Connorton, Grobel, Grocott, Hayter, Jones, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy, Norman, Rutt, Steward, Wightman and Wilmot.

68 **Chair:**

The Chair was occupied by the Mayor.

69 **Chairman:**

RESOLVED that the Mayor be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

SAML. PULHAM,
Chairman.

Education Committee's Report.

16th NOVEMBER, 1936.

Present: The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Syrett, County Councillor Boggon, Councillors Brooksbank, Burch, Grocott, Jones, Steward and Wilmot; Miss Davey, Mrs. Miall, Mr. Merry.

Non-Members: Alderman Pateman, Councillors Hayter, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy, Norman and Rutt.

70 **Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor F. J. Grocott be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

71 **Vice-Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor W. L. Brooksbank be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

72 **Sub-Committees and Committees:**

Sub-Committees and Committees have been appointed for the ensuing Municipal year, as under:—

APPOINTMENTS SUB-COMMITTEE

The Mayor } Ex-officio.
The Deputy Mayor }
Councillor F. J. Grocott.
Councillor W. L. Brooksbank.
Councillor H. H. Wilmot.
Miss L. Davey, M.A.
Mrs. A. S. Miall, B.A.

THEATRICAL LICENCES SUB-COMMITTEE.

The Mayor } Ex-officio.
The Deputy Mayor }
Alderman C. S. Syrett.
Councillor W. L. Brooksbank.
Miss L. Davey, M.A.
Mrs. A. S. Miall, B.A.

SCHOOL ATTENDANCE SUB-COMMITTEE.

The Mayor } Ex-officio.
The Deputy Mayor }
Councillor F. J. Grocott.
Councillor W. L. Brooksbank.
Councillor P. H. Burch.
Miss L. Davey, M.A.
Mrs. A. S. Miall, B.A.

WORKS AND ACCOUNTS SUB-COMMITTEE.

The Mayor } Ex-officio.
The Deputy Mayor }
Councillor F. J. Grocott.
Councillor W. L. Brooksbank.
Councillor J. Hugh Jones, LL.B.
Miss L. Davey, M.A.
Mrs. A. S. Miall, B.A.
Mr. D. A. A. Merry.

CHILDREN'S CARE COMMITTEE.

Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.	The Mayor.
Councillor W. C. Langlands	The Deputy Mayor.
Councillor F. J. Grocott	Chairman of the Education Committee.
Councillor W. L. Brooksbank	Vice-Chairman of the Education Committee.
Councillor H. H. Wilmot	Member of the Education Committee.
Mrs. A. S. Miall, B.A.	Member of the Education Committee.
Miss L. Davey, M.A.	Social Worker.
Councillor Mrs. E. Murphy	Social Worker.
Mr. S. Burgess	Social Worker.
Miss M. Steward	Teacher.
Mr. E. A. Bolding	Teacher.
Mr. W. J. Cowling	Teacher.
Mr. A. E. Smith	Teacher.

JUVENILE EMPLOYMENT COMMITTEE.

Education Authority (7).—	The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.). The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands). Chairman of the Education Committee (Councillor F. J. Grocott). Vice-Chairman of the Education Committee (Councillor W. L. Brooksbank). Councillor Mrs. E. Murphy. Miss L. Davey, M.A. Mrs. A. S. Miall, B.A.
County Council (2).—	Mrs. K. E. Gardner. Mr. H. B. Pegrum, M.A.
Employers (4).—	Mr. H. Barker. Mr. J. Cramb. Mr. E. G. Hammond. Mr. F. W. Richardson.
Workers (4).—	Miss B. Nunn. Mr. S. Brand. Mr. H. A. Oliver. Mr. L. Cornillie.
Social Organisations (2).—	Mr. G. Ballinger. Mr. S. Burgess.
Teachers (3).—	Mr. E. A. Bolding. Mr. W. J. Cowling. Mr. A. E. Smith.

73 **Representative Managers:**

RECOMMENDED that the following be appointed to serve as representative managers of the schools named, until the next annual meeting of the Town Council :—

1. NON-PROVIDED SCHOOLS :

St. Mary's	Councillor J. Hugh Jones, LL.B. Mrs. A. S. Miall, B.A.
St. John's	Councillor F. J. Grocott. Councillor Major H. W. Steward.
Christ Church	Councillor W. C. Langlands. Councillor P. H. Burch.
Holy Trinity	Councillor W. L. Brooksbank. Miss L. Davey, M.A.
Roman Catholic	Councillor F. J. Grocott. Mr. D. A. A. Merry.

2. JOINT SPECIAL SCHOOL FOR MENTALLY DEFECTIVE CHILDREN : Councillor W. L. Brooksbank.
Councillor W. C. Langlands.
Miss L. Davey, M.A.
Mrs. A. S. Miall, B.A.

74 **Representatives on Other Bodies:**

RECOMMENDED that the following be appointed to serve as representatives on the Bodies named, until the next annual meeting of the Town Council :—

EDUCATION (*contd.*)

1. JOINT COMMITTEE, MIDDLESEX COUNTY COUNCIL — The Chairman of the Education Committee.

2. ASSOCIATION OF EDUCATION COMMITTEES — The Chairman of the Education Committee and the Director of Education (with authority to attend any meetings held during the year).

75 **Northside School—Appointment of Caretaker:**

In accordance with Minute No. 1, Education Committee's Part II. Report, September, 1936, Mr. J. C. Dunn, of Woodberry Grove, North Finchley, has been appointed caretaker of Northside School, as from 30th December, 1936.

It has been recommended to the General Purposes Committee that Mr. J. C. Dunn should occupy the vacant designated post of caretaker to Northside School, as from the 3rd January, 1937.

76 **Payment of Salaries—December, 1936:**

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for arrangements to be made for the December, 1936, salaries to be paid before the 18th December, when the schools break up for the Christmas vacation.

F. J. GROCOTT,
Chairman.

Finance Committee's Report.

(Special Meeting.)

16th NOVEMBER, 1936.

Present: Alderman Syrett (Chairman), Councillor Hayter (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Brooksbank, Burch, Grobel, Norman, Rutt and Steward.

Non-Members: Alderman Pateman, and Councillors Grocott, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy and Wilmot.

77 **Proposed Issue of Stock:**

The Borough Treasurer reported that the first part of the Council's formal resolution to create redeemable stock would deal with the loans which were proposed to be exercised out of the proceeds of the issue and that these consisted of:—

(i) sums authorised to be borrowed by sanctions which (prior to 30th September last) had not been exercised, comprising 32 sanctions covering an aggregate sum of £201,313; and

(ii) sums to replace loans which were to be repaid out of the proceeds of the issue, representing 165 sanctions covering an aggregate amount (as at 31st March, 1936) of £452,859 1s. 2d.;

that he had submitted to the Ministry of Health detailed particulars in respect of these loans, showing the amounts provided in repayment up to the 31st March last, and that the Ministry's draft Stock Order, which would set out in detail particulars of all the sanctions, was now being printed; further, that he had settled with Barclays Bank the draft of the Stock Prospectus, and that proofs were now available for approval by the Finance (Issue of Stock) Sub-Committee.

A full discussion then ensued, at the conclusion of which it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, with the consent of the Minister of Health, and subject to the Local Authorities (Stock) Regulations, 1934, the Finchley Borough Council (hereinafter referred to as "the Council") hereby create stock to be called Finchley Corporation Redeemable Stock, and to be issued to an amount which shall be sufficient for the following purposes, but not exceeding six hundred and fifty thousand pounds (£650,000):—

(*a*) For raising the following sums (amounting in the aggregate to the sum of two hundred and one thousand three hundred and thirteen pounds (£201,313) which has not previously been raised), that is to say:—

Authority for Borrowing.	Amount to be Borrowed. £
1. Various Sanctions of the Minister of Health under the Local Government Act, 1933	86,435
2. Various Sanctions of the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1935	33,150
3. Various Sanctions of the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1936	81,728
	£201,313

FINANCE (*contd.*)

(*b*) For raising by way of re-borrowing four hundred and fifty-two thousand eight hundred and fifty-nine pounds one shilling and two pence (£452,859 1s. 2d.) required by the Council for the purpose of paying off sums which will fall due before the 31st March, 1938, being a portion of their debts now subsisting on the security of outstanding securities granted by the Council for raising money for the following purposes, that is to say :—

	£	s.	d.
Various Sanctions of the Local Government Board under the Public Health Act, 1875	16,166	15	5
Sanction of the Local Government Board under the Public Health Act, 1875, and the Open Spaces Act, 1906	1,023	3	8
Various Sanctions of the Local Government Board under the Public Health Act, 1875, and the Baths and Wash-houses Acts	1,702	–	–
Sanction of the Local Government Board under the Public Health Act, 1875, and Highways and Bridges Act, 1891	498	5	1
Sanction of the Local Government Board under the Small Holdings and Allotments Act, 1908	1,024	–	–
Various Sanctions of the Local Government Board under the Public Health Act, 1875, and Education Act, 1902	15,321	8	–
Various Sanctions of the Local Government Board under the Public Health Act, 1875, and Electric Lighting Acts, 1882 to 1909	382	–	–
Various Sanctions of the Minister of Health under the Public Health Act, 1875	151,538	6	1
Sanction of the Minister of Health under the Public Health Act, 1875, the Local Authorities (Financial Provisions) Act, 1921, and the Local Authorities (Emergency Provisions) Act, 1923.....	736	16	1
Sanctions of the Minister of Health under the Public Health Act, 1875, the Local Authorities (Financial Provisions) Act, 1921, and the Local Authorities (Emergency Provisions) Acts, 1923 and 1924	1,667	11	–
Various Sanctions of the Minister of Health under the Public Health Acts, 1875 to 1925	4,151	9	4
Sanction of the Minister of Health under the Public Health Act, 1875, and the Baths and Wash-houses Acts	862	4	4
Various Sanctions of the Minister of Health under the Public Health Act, 1875, and Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1907	716	18	4
Sanction of the Minister of Health under the Public Health Act, 1875, Notification of Births Acts, 1907 and 1915, and the Maternity and Child Welfare Act, 1918	2,439	1	1
Sanction of the Minister of Health under the Small Holdings and Allotments Acts, 1908 and 1919	600	–	–

	£	s.	d.
Sanction of the Minister of Health under the Allotments Acts, 1908 and 1925	536	–	–
Various Sanctions of the Minister of Health under the Public Health Act, 1875, and Education Acts, 1870 and 1918	7,996	–	–
Various Sanctions of the Minister of Health under the Public Health Act, 1875, and Education Act, 1921	21,845	19	4
Various Sanctions of the Minister of Health under the Local Government Act, 1933	25,092	16	4
Various Sanctions of the Electricity Commissioners under the Public Health Act, 1875, and the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1919	17,287	12	6
Various Sanctions of the Electricity Commissioners under the Public Health Act, 1875, and the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1922	17,690	14	3
Various Sanctions of the Electricity Commissioners under the Public Health Act, 1875, and the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1926	17,380	4	10
Various Sanctions of the Electricity Commissioners under the Public Health Act, 1875, and the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1928	10,709	18	8
Various Sanctions of the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1928	70,855	10	2
Various Sanctions of the Electricity Commissioners under the Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1933	22,691	19	1
Various Sanctions of the Minister of Health under the Housing Acts, 1890 to 1919	41,942	7	7
	£452,859	1	2

and which sums the Council are authorised to re-borrow.

(2) that the stock shall be issued (in sums of not less than £100) at the price and shall bear the interest and be redeemable in the manner which shall be settled by the Finance (Issue of Stock) Sub-Committee.

(3) that Barclays Bank, Ltd., be authorised to accept applications for the stock, to effect the allotment, to issue allotment letters and/or scrip certificates on behalf of the Council, crediting all moneys received by them as they become available to the account of the Council at the Church End, Finchley, Branch of the Bank.

(4) that the Borough Treasurer be appointed Registrar of the stock for and on behalf of the Council.

(5) that the Stock be transferable in any amount by Deed to be registered at the Office of the Registrar.

(6) that Stock Certificates to bearer be not issued to stockholders.

(7) that the Town Clerk make application to the Minister of Health for the issue of the necessary Consent Order.

(8) that powers be delegated to the Finance (Issue of Stock) Sub-Committee to take such further action in connection with the issue as may be requisite and that the Corporate Seal be affixed to all necessary documents for carrying out and giving effect to the foregoing recommendations.

FINANCE (*contd.*)

78 **Receipts and Payments—October:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement:—

Fund or Account.	Receipts. £	Payments. £
General Rate Fund Revenue	49,462	10,388
Education Revenue	3,327	6,519
Electricity Revenue	6,788	4,650
Housing Revenue	2,704	2,921
General Rate Fund Capital	1,060	13,331
Electricity Capital	170	390
Superannuation Fund	656	280
	£64,167	£38,479

79 **Statement of Bank Balances—14th November, 1936:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement:—

Fund or Account.	Debit. £ s. d.	Credit. £ s. d.
General Rate Fund Revenue		59,159 13 10
Electricity Revenue		22,180 19 6
Education Revenue	448 13 –	
Loans	45,135 7 7	
Housing Revenue		4,476 1 8
General Rate Fund Capital	2,130 7 9	
Electricity Capital		10,644 7 6
Education Capital	103 18 7	
Advances	4,588 6 10	
Salaries		65 11 –
Suspense		498 18 –
Totals	£52,406 13 9	£97,025 11 6
Net Balance		£44,618 17 9
Superannuation Fund		£6,162 16 3

80 **Summary of Accounts Approved and Recommended for Payment:**

The following is a summary of the Accounts included in the Interim Order on Treasurer, and in the Order on Treasurer to be submitted to the Council for approval:-

Fund or Account.	Interim Order. £ s. d.	Council Order. £ s. d.	Total. £ s. d.
General Rate Fund Revenue	2,903 6 9	28,262 19 5	31,166 6 2
Education Revenue		5,408 8 6	5,408 8 6
Electricity Revenue	1,702 19 9	3,296 1 11	4,999 1 8
General Rate Fund Capital	281 12 8	12,682 14 11	12,964 7 7
Superannuation Fund		287 18 7	287 18 7
	£4,887 19 2	£49,938 3 4	£54,826 2 6

81 **Financial—Rating—Irrecoverable Arrears—Half Year ended 30th September, 1936:**

A statement of the arrears for the half year ended 30th September, 1936, amounting to £6,829 14s. 3d., made up as hereunder mentioned, was submitted and referred to the Chairman of the Committee for examination, approval and signature:—

	£	s.	d.
Vacancies	5,671	8	0
Revision of Assessments	1,134	14	0
Absconded	6	1	8
Bankrupt	17	10	7

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

C. S. SYRETT,
Chairman.

Borough of Finchley.

Municipal Offices,

Finchley, N. 3.

23rd December, 1936.

Sir (or Madam),

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an ORDINARY MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY will be held on WEDNESDAY, the 30th day of DECEMBER, 1936, at 8 o'clock in the afternoon at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, and all and several the members of the said Council are hereby summoned to attend.

The business to be transacted at such meeting is as follows :—

(1) Confirmation of the Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 23rd day of November, 1936.

(2) To open one tender in respect of each of the following, received after the time stipulated in the advertisements :—

(*a*) Construction of Bowling Green—Victoria Recreation Ground ;

(*b*) Supply of Petrol Driven Vehicles.

(3) Tenders for : —

(*a*) Annual Supplies ;

(*b*) Erection of Bowls Pavilion—Glebe Land. 6 tenders £1285 - £910 0/6 Thomas Bros

(4) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(a) **Town Planning** of the 2nd December, 1936.
(b) **Street Trading** of the 2nd December, 1936.
(c) **Public Libraries** of the 7th December, 1936.
(d) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 7th December, 1936.
(e) **Valuation** of the 8th December, 1936.
(f) **Housing** of the 8th December, 1936.
(g) **Children's Safety** of the 9th December, 1936.
(h) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 9th December, 1936.
(i) **Public Health** of the 10th December, 1936.
(j) **Education** of the 14th December, 1936.
(k) **Electricity** of the 15th December, 1936.
(l) **Allotments** of the 15th December, 1936.
(m) **General Purposes** of the 16th December, 1936.
(n) **Finance** of the 17th December, 1936.

(5) Other Correspondence (if any).

(6) Reports of Officers (if any).

(7) To authorise the Corporate Seal to be affixed to certain documents (list to be circulated).

(8) Payment of Accounts.

(a) The Town Clerk to report that, since the last meeting of the Town Council, a Borough Treasurer's Interim Order for the sum of £49,573 11s. 6d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(b) Motion.—

"That an order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 17th December, 1936, amounting to a sum of £66,268 16s. 8d."

(9) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Council in Committee.

(10) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(a) **Town Planning** of the 2nd December, 1936.
(b) **Street Trading** of the 2nd December, 1936.
(c) **Public Libraries** of the 7th December, 1936.
(d) **Valuation** of the 8th December, 1936.

(*e*) **Housing** of the 8th December, 1936.

(*f*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 9th December, 1936.

(*g*) **Public Health** of the 10th December, 1936.

(*h*) **Education** of the 14th December, 1936.

(*i*) **Electricity** of the 15th December, 1936.

(*j*) **General Purposes** of the 16th December, 1936.

(*k*) **Finance** of the 17th December, 1936.

(*l*) **Legal and Parliamentary** of the 21st December, 1936.

(11) Other Correspondence (if any).

(12) Reports of Officers (if any).

(13) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Town Clerk.

Questions.

Notice of any question intended to be asked at the Meeting of the Town Council must be given at the office of the Town Clerk not later than Twelve noon on the day of such Meeting.

Borough of Finchley.

At an Ordinary Meeting of the Council of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY, held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on MONDAY, the 23rd day of November, 1936.

PRESENT:

His Worship the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.).

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).

Aldermen—

A. J. Briant.
G. H. Pateman.
A. T. Pike.
C. S. Syrett.
Vyvyan Wells.

Councillors—

P. H. Burch.
W. L. Brooksbank.
J. F. Kneale Caine.
A. C. D. Collis.
J. Connorton.
C. P. Grobel.
F. J. Grocott.
J. Hugh Jones, LL.B.
Mrs. M. E. Legge.
Mrs. E. Murphy.
R. J. N. Norman.
H. A. Rutt.
Major H. W. Steward.
C. F. Wightman.
H. H. Wilmot.

82 **Apologies for Absence:**

It was reported that Councillors Baines and Hayter had expressed regret at their inability to be present at the meeting.

83 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Town Council held on the 9th day of November, 1936, were presented, and it was

RESOLVED that such Minutes be taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a correct record of the proceedings.

84 **Death of Mr. R. Watson:**

The Mayor referred in sympathetic terms to the death of Mr. R. Watson, which had taken place that day.

He stated that Mr. Watson, who was 92 years of age, had spent the majority of his life in Finchley and was the oldest tradesman in the Borough; that he was a most highly respected resident, and one who was possessed of a very generous disposition.

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be instructed to convey to Mrs. Watson the sincere sympathy of the Town Council in the sad bereavement which she and her family have sustained.

85 **Tenders :—**

(*a*) Construction of Cumberland Turf Bowling Green — Victoria Recreation Ground.

(*b*) The purchase of all existing motor vehicles now in use by the Electricity Department and the supply and delivery to the Electricity Works of

(i) Petrol Motor Vehicles; and
(ii) Battery Driven Electric Vehicles.

(*c*) Supply, delivery and erection at the Electricity Works of unclimbable metal fencing, gates, etc.

RESOLVED that the tenders received in connection with the above be opened and referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

Arising on (b) above, a communication was submitted from Electricars, Ltd., enquiring whether they might be allowed an extension of time in which to submit their tender ;

RESOLVED that the request be not granted.

86 **Reports of Committees :**

RESOLVED that the reports of the under-mentioned Committees be received and adopted :—

(*a*) **Public Health** of the 9th November, 1936.
(*b*) **Finance** of the 9th November, 1936.
(*c*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 9th November, 1936.
(*d*) **Town Planning** of the 9th November, 1936.
(*e*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 9th November, 1936.
(*f*) **Public Libraries** of the 9th November, 1936.
(*g*) **Electricity** of the 9th November, 1936.
(*h*) **Legal and Parliamentary** of the 9th November, 1936.
(*i*) **Housing** of the 9th November, 1936.
(*j*) **New Municipal Offices** of the 9th November, 1936.
(*k*) **Street Trading** of the 9th November, 1936.
(*l*) **Coronation Celebrations** of the 9th November, 1936.
(*m*) **Education** of the 16th November, 1936.
(*n*) **Finance** of the 16th November, 1936.

Arising out of paragraph 77 (Proposed issue of Stock) the Chairman of the Committee made a statement on the matter.

87 **Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932—Odeon Cinema, Finchley :**

A communication dated 13th November, 1936, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council as follows :—

"I beg to inform you that application is being made to the County Council for a Sunday Music Licence in respect of these premises for the purpose of holding Sunday concerts.

As the premises are situated in an area to which Section 1 of the Sunday Entertainments Act, 1932, has not been extended, the appropriate Committee of the County Council desires when dealing with the application to have before it the views of the Local Authority in the matter. I shall be glad, therefore, if you will be so good as to place the matter before your Council at its next meeting and let me have its views as soon as possible.

I would add that the application will be heard by the appropriate Committee of the County Council at its meeting on the 1st December, and it would be appreciated if you could let me have the views of your Council prior to that date."

It was moved by Councillor Caine and seconded by Councillor Rutt "that this Council support the application for a licence for musical entertainment at the Odeon Cinema on Sundays."

On being put, the motion was declared carried, 15 voting in favour and 4 against, and it was

RESOLVED accordingly.

88 **Proposed New Municipal Offices:**

A letter, dated 29th October, 1936, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the National Citizens' Union (Finchley Branch), forwarding copy of the following resolution passed by the Union:—

"That the Finchley Branch of the N.C.U. deprecates the proposal to expend so large a sum as £133,000 on the erection of new Municipal Buildings and a Town Hall. They consider that at a time when the public is under a heavy burden for rearmament of the country the ratepayers should not be asked to meet an expenditure which is out of proportion to the needs of the district, and as to the proposed Town Hall, is not necessary.

The Union also deplores the proposed deprivation of the public of ten acres of open space and suggests that there are more suitable sites for the new buildings, and expresses the opinion that Avenue House is one of those sites. The Union feels so strongly upon this subject that it must reserve to itself the right to oppose the scheme as it is, and if the project is persisted in, to protest at the public inquiry."

RESOLVED that the communication be referred to the New Municipal Offices Committee for consideration.

89 **District Joint Board of Employers and Members of Staff—Electricity Supply Industry—Area No. 10—Greater London:**

A letter, dated 27th October, 1936, was submitted from the Secretary to the above, stating that a meeting of representatives of the whole of the constituent Authorities of the Board would be held at the offices of the Ministry of Labour, Whitehall, on Friday, the 4th December, 1936, at 2.30 p.m., when 12 members would be elected from those nominated to form the Employers' side of the Board for the ensuing 12 months, and asking that the Town Council would appoint a representative to attend and take part in the election above referred to;

RESOLVED that Councillor Caine be appointed to represent the Town Council at the meeting in question.

90 **De-restriction of Roads in the London Traffic Area:**

A communication, dated 8th October, 1936, was submitted from the Secretary to the Pedestrians' Association hereon;

RESOLVED that same be referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration.

91 **Slaughter of Animals Act, 1933:**

The Chief Sanitary Inspector reported that an application had been received from Mr. Charles A. Turner, of 152, Weirdale Avenue, Whetstone, for a licence to slaughter animals in slaughterhouses or knackers' yards;

RESOLVED that such application be granted for the period ending 31st December, 1936.

92 **Standing Orders:**

In accordance with notice, Councillor W. C. Langlands moved as follows:—

"That the Standing Orders be amended so as to provide:—

(*a*) that the New Municipal Offices Committee be included as one of the Standing Committees of the Town Council; and

(*b*) that the Chairman of such Committee shall be a member of the General Purposes Committee."

The motion was seconded by Councillor Rutt, and on being put, was declared lost, 8 voting in favour and 10 against.

93 **Documents for Sealing:**

RESOLVED that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents:—

*(1) Deed of Grant of Easement to and duplicate Deed of Transfer from Messrs. L. Sharp and W. G. Wright *re* Oakdene Estate (re-engrossments).

*(2) Agreement with Messrs. L. Sharp and W. G. Wright *re* transfer of site of Proposed Road, No. 7—Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1.

(3) All documents in connection with the issue of Finchley Corporation Redeemable Stock.

(4) Discharge of Registered Charge or Vacating Receipt (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts) in respect of Mortgage No. 81—F. G. Chignell, 24, Brent Way.

(5) Instrument appointing Mr. E. Long as Borough Treasurer.

*(6) Supplemental Contract with Messrs. Callenders Cable and Construction Company, Ltd., for supply of cables.

*(7) Contract with Mr. Robert Provan for construction of Cumberland Turf Bowling Green—Victoria Recreation Ground.

*(8) Wayleave from the London & North Eastern Railway Co. with regard to the laying of an electricity cable along the Railway Embankment.

* See report of Town Council in Committee.

94 **Payment of Accounts:**

(*a*) The Town Clerk reported that, since the last meeting of the Town Council, a Borough Treasurer's Interim Order for the sum of £4,887 19s. 2d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(*b*) **RESOLVED** that an Order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 16th November, 1936, amounting to £49,938 3s. 4d.

95 **Service at Finchley District Synagogue:**

Reference was made by the Mayor to a communication, dated 20th November, 1936, received from the Hon. Secretary of the Finchley District Synagogue, extending to the members of the Town Council and their Ladies a cordial invitation to attend a Civic Service proposed to be held in the Synagogue on Saturday, the 12th December, 1936, at 11 a.m.

He intimated that notice of the Service would be given to the members in due course.

96 **Council in Committee:**

It was moved by Councillor Langlands, seconded by Alderman Syrett, and

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the Town Council do now go into Committee.

97 **Education Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 16th November, 1936, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

98 **Finance Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 16th November, 1936, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council, subject to the substitution of "1937" for "1936" in paragraph 2.

99 **Parks and Open Spaces Committee—Date of Next Meeting:**

The Chairman of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee made a statement hereon;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the meeting of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee in December be held on the 7th instead of on the 8th of that month, at 8.45 p.m.; and

(*b*) that the meeting of the Town Planning Committee in December be held on the 8th instead of on the 7th of that month, at 8.30 p.m.

100 **Christmas Vacation—Closing of (a) Municipal Offices, (b) Public Libraries:**

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Municipal Offices be closed on the 25th and 26th December, 1936, and that the Chief Officers be authorised to make arrangements for one half of the Staff to be on duty on the 24th and the other half on the 28th December, 1936; and

(2) that the Public Libraries be closed on the 25th and 26th December, 1936.

101 **Flat—66a, High Street, North Finchley:**

It was reported that the tenant of the above flat had asked for certain repairs to be carried out, and the following communication received from the Borough Surveyor in connection with the matter was submitted:—

"Replying to your letter of the 30th October, the Housing Estates Manager reports that decorations are required in the kitchen, front living room, etc., and certain minor repairs to electric light fittings, etc., are also required, at a total estimated cost of £6 5s. 9d.

Decorations in the hall and staircase, though not considered essential by the department, have been asked for by the tenant, and could be carried out for an extra £3 16s. 0d."

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for decorations, etc., to be carried out at a total estimated cost of £6 5s. 9d.

102 **Urban District Councils' Association—Annual Meeting and Conference—June, 1937:**

Voting paper for the selection of the place at which the Annual Meeting of the Association and the Annual Conference of Urban District Councils of England and Wales should be held in June, 1937, was submitted;

RECOMMENDED that same be left to the Town Clerk to deal with.

103 **Private Street Works—28th Batch—Broughton Avenue (2nd Portion):**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"I have received from Messrs. P. Gallagher, Ltd., a letter, dated 5th November, 1936, asking to be released from their contract for the above works (which is dated the 21st September, 1936) on the ground of an all round advance in prices since the execution of the contract. To this letter I replied that as the contract had been executed I had no authority to release them, and called upon them to carry out the terms thereof.

The Contractors then wrote to the effect that their tender was based on twelve streets, but that if the Council would consider making the job a lump sum, they could then carry it out 'at a little over cost.' I pointed out in reply that it was a condition of tender that the Town Council reserved the right to accept any tender for any particular street, and that as the cost of making up would eventually fall on the frontagers, the Town Council were not in a position to entertain their suggestion, and I again called upon them to carry out the terms of the contract.

They then made a further suggestion that a sum of £100 included in their tender for 'watching and lighting' the whole of the streets should be left at this figure for the single street, in which event they would be prepared to carry on with the work; in my reply on the 12th instant I stated that I was unable to trace in their tender such a sum under the heading quoted, but that if they intended to refer to a similar figure provided for 'preliminaries,' they had already agreed to this being apportioned at the Borough Surveyor's allocation of £7 10s. 2d. I further stated that I could not agree to any variation in the terms which had been settled, and again called upon them to fulfil the obligations of the contract.

I understand from the Borough Surveyor that the works under the contract have not yet been commenced, and I will report on the latest position at your meeting."

Arising on the above, the Borough Surveyor made a statement on the matter, and intimated that the works had not yet been commenced;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to notify the Contractors that, in the event of the works not being commenced within a period of three days, the Town Council will have no alternative but to exercise their rights under the contract and engage another Contractor to execute the works and recover any loss from the Contractors in default.

104 **Garage at No. 1, Leicester Road, East Finchley:**

A letter, dated 10th October, 1936, was submitted from Miss A. Lawford, of 3, Leicester Road, East Finchey, referring to certain extensions proposed to be made to the garage at No. 1, Leicester Road, and asking to be protected against the erection of any further buildings, as she was gradually getting more "hemmed in," which was both detrimental to health and property;

RECOMMENDED that same be referred to the Town Clerk for reply.

105 **Inter-District Drainage—Oakdene Estate:**

It was reported that the Solicitors acting for the developers of the above estate had intimated that the Deed of Grant of Easement and the duplicate Deed of Transfer sealed by the Corporation and dated 30th April, 1936, had been lost, and had asked that the Town Council would consent to the sealing of fresh engrossments; further, that they had agreed to bear all expenses in the matter.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that the request be acceded to.

106 **Planning Scheme No. 1—Proposed Road No. 7—Gordon Road to Brent Way:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"I have received from the owners' Solicitors a draft Agreement embodying the terms of the understanding which was reached on the submission of the Deposited Plan for the Oakdene Estate, viz., that the owners will transfer to the Corporation, free of cost, so much of the site of the above road as is in their ownership, upon being called upon so to do, subject to the Corporation bearing the whole expense of making up the roadway thereon. Your authority is accordingly required to the sealing of this agreement."

He further intimated that a communication, dated 20th November, 1936, had been received from the Owners' Solicitors, stating that they had discussed with their clients the clause as to the period during which the Corporation might make up the road, and had explained that the Council would like to leave themselves unfettered as to the date; they suggested, however that meanwhile the Corporation should undertake to keep the strip level and provide means of access for the garage of No. 12a, by keeping the strip gravelled so that there would be no difficulty in moving a car in and out;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that authority be given for the sealing of the agreement in question; and
(*b*) that the suggestion as indicated in the letter above-mentioned be adopted.

107 **Garage—Oakfield Road:**

Reference was made to a communication, dated 19th November, 1936, received from Messrs. Chambers, Garnett & Chambers, enquiring whether for the reasons stated therein the Town Council would allow their client to remain in occupation of the garage at the Electricity Works until the 5th January, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that they be informed that the Town Council regret that they cannot see their way to accede to the request as the accommodation is urgently required by the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager.

108 **Store Sheds—Rear of 68, High Street, N.12, and 124, Ballards Lane, N. 3—Messrs. Victor Value:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"The above buildings have now been altered to comply with the bye-laws and the deposited plans submitted and approved. (Nos. 9590 and 9591)."

109 **Highways—Erection of Signs and an Electric Clock:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that applications for permission to erect signs and an illuminated clock as indicated below had been received:—

Applicant.	Position.	Description.
(*a*) R. W. Dodson	321, Ballards Lane, N. 12 (late F. J. Sandberg)	Electric sign (not neon) worded "Chemist," size 36" x 10".
(*b*) Claude-General Neon Ltd.	Messrs. W. Jelks & Sons, Ltd., premises, Tally Ho! Corner, N. 12, one sign in Ballards Lane and one in High Street	Neon signs on teak, lettered "W. Jelks & Sons, Ltd."
(*c*) B.T. Installations, Ltd.	122, High Road, N. 2	Illuminated electric clock.
(*d*) Neon Manufacturing, Ltd.	19a, Market Square, Falloden Way	Neon box sign, lettered "Charrington's Coals," size 4' 3" x 1' 8" x 9".

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that as regard (a) (b) and (c), no objection be raised to the proposals; and

(2) that as regard (d), in view of the provision contained in Bye-Law No. 28 in the series of bye-laws for the Good Rule and Government of the Borough, the application be not granted.

110 **Land—North Side of Totteridge Lane, West of Railway Station:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"Following the instruction of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee of the 6th October, 1936 (set out on page 26 of the typed matter circulated to the October meeting of the Town Council), I have been in communication with the District Valuer with regard to this land and understand the Chairman of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee will report relative thereto at your meeting.

The approximate area of the land in question is .92 acre and adjoins the Council's Brook Farm extension open space."

The Chairman of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee then reported generally on the matter, and as to the views of the District Valuer with regard to the value of the land in question;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, as a matter of urgency, Standing Order No. 2 (3), so far as applicable, be suspended to enable the Town Council to deal with the question;

(2) that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to make an offer not exceeding £25 per foot frontage for the land, subject to contract and to the sanction of the Minister of Health being received to the necessary loan; and

(3) that the Town Clerk negotiate with the Middlesex County Council on the subject of a contribution towards the cost of acquisition.

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111 **Temporary Buildings:**

The Borough Surveyor submitted a report hereon, dated 18th November, 1936;

RECOMMENDED that licences be granted in respect of the following plans for the periods indicated:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Licence to expire on.	Applicant.
910 T	Booking office for taxis	Cinema car park, Kingsway, N. 12	1st January, 1938	Mr. A. E. Stone.
914 T	Store Shed	Trolley-bus depôt, Great North Road, N. 12	1st January, 1938	The London Passenger Transport Board.
915 T	Shelter for car park attendant	Car Park, Kingsway, N. 12	1st January, 1938	Denman Picture Houses, Ltd.

112 **Plans:**

The Borough Surveyor submitted a report hereon, dated 18th November, 1936;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the following plans be APPROVED, subject to the conditions severally mentioned by the Borough Surveyor in his report:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9748a	Garage	Rear of 27, Lambert Road, N. 12	Mr. A. R. Yates.
9771	Garage	Rear of 1, Cromer Villas, East End Road, N. 2, in Aveton Road	Mr. H. F. Bosher.
9775	New machine shop and first aid building	New Oak Road, N. 2	Messrs. Simms Motor Units, Ltd.
9781	Garage	Rear of 1, Dollis Parade, Totteridge Lane, N. 20	Messrs. Thresher & Co., Ltd.

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9784	Glass lean-to	Rear of premises in High Road, N. 12, at corner of Friern Watch Avenue	Messrs. Halls Car Sales, Ltd.
*9785	8 houses	Plots 11, 12, 13, 14, 26, 27, 28 and 29, Highview Gardens, N. 3	Messrs. Golders, Ltd.
9786	House	Plot H.60, Norrice Lea, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. H. E. Brown.
9787	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	Eastcroft, 17, Derwent Villas, High Road, N. 20	Mr. S. M. Young.
9788	Garage	Rear of 27, Mayfield Avenue, N. 12	Mrs. A. Peggram.
9789	Cycle Shelter	Craigieburn, 309, Ballards Lane, N. 12	Messrs. Sir Isaac Pitman and Sons, Ltd.
9790	House	Plot 1, Bishop's Grove, off The Bishop's Avenue, Avenue, N. 2	Messrs. Robert Hart & Sons, Ltd.
9792	Garage	Rear of 158, Ballards Lane, N. 3	Mr. B. I. Coope.
9793	Pigeon loft	Rear of 68, Huntingdon Road, N. 2	Mr. A. H. Laundy.
9794	Garage and covered wash	Avignon, Oakfield Road, N. 3	Mr. E. Calvert.
9795	House	Plot H.131, Norrice Lea, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. W. Thurner.
9796	Extension of Garage	Rear of 1, Leicester Road, N. 2	Mrs. A. M. Davies.
9797	Garage	Rear of 37, Brent Way, N. 3	Mr. G. F. Pearce.
9798	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	21, Derwent Villas, High Road, N. 20	Mr. D. R. Grigg.
9799	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	43, Torrington Park, N. 12	Mr. A. H. North.
9800	Garage	Side of Fairmead, High Road, N. 20	Mr. E. J. Penny.
9801	House	Plot 1094, Winnington Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Messrs. Robert Hart & Sons, Ltd.
9804	Garage	Rear of 12, Friern Watch Parade, High Road, N. 12	Mr. H. G. Brockhurst.
9806	Garage	Side of 45, Lyndhurst Gardens, N. 3	Mr. J. T. Wilkinson.
9807	Garage	Side of 47, Lyndhurst Gardens, N. 3	Mr. P. Atkinson.
9809	Garage	Rear of 4, Cadogan Gardens, N. 3	Miss K. Lacey.

* Referred to Middlesex County Council for consideration under Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

(b) that as regards Plans Nod. 9748a, 9771, 9781, 9784, 9787, 9789, 9792, 9796, 9798, 9800 and 9804, the consent of the Town Council as the highway authority be given to the proposals in question under the provisions of Section 2 (1) of the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

113 **Electricity Supply ;**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows :—

"Arising out of the failure of the Manufacturers of the Mercury-Arc Rectifying equipment to fulfil the delivery dates, and to improve the pressure in the Church End area, it becomes urgently necessary to lay a cable from the Power Station to the junction of Nether Street with Crescent Road, as indicated on the plan attached hereto.

It will be observed that part of the route of the cable is along the railway embankment between the Power Station and Church End Railway Station, and it is essential that the necessary wayleave should be obtained from the Authorities concerned.

I have been in communication with the London and North Eastern Railway Company on the matter, and understand that they will be prepared to grant the requisite wayleave in consideration of the payment by the Town Council of a sum of £10 per annum on a yearly agreement.

They point out, however, that there are some other interested parties concerned, but that they will obtain their consent.

I have also been in touch with Messrs. Callender's Cable & Construction Co. in regard to the supply of the necessary cable, and will submit at your meeting a quotation obtained from them."

Arising thereon, the Chairman of the Electricity Committee reported further on the matter ;

RECOMMENDED—

(a) that authority be given for the laying and jointing of 1,250 yards of 0.3 four core L.T., P.I., L.C. and S.T.A. Cable at an estimated cost of £1,750 ;

(b) that, as a matter of urgency, Standing Order No. 13 be suspended, and that the quotation of Messrs. Callender's Cable and Construction Co., Ltd., as under-mentioned, for the supply of the type of cable indicated in (a) above, on the terms of the existing contract, be accepted, subject to Contract, and that this type of cable be added to the schedule attached to the existing contract, viz. :—

Price per yard. Copper £40 per ton. Lead £15 per ton.	Variation per 1,000 yards for every £1 per ton rise or fall in price.	
	Copper.	Lead.
16s. 2¼d.	£7 4s. 0d.	£5 3s. 9d.

(c) that the proposals of the London and North Eastern Railway Company, as indicated above, for the necessary wayleave, be accepted ;

(d) that the Solicitor be authorised to take the necessary steps in the matter ;

(e) that payment of reasonable legal costs and Surveyors' fees be approved ; and

(f) that the necessary documents be added to the list of documents for sealing.

114 **Tenders :—**

(a) Construction of Cumberland Turf Bowling Green—Victoria Recreation Ground.

(*b*) The purchase of all existing motor vehicles now in use by the Electricity Department and the supply and delivery to the Electricity Works of

(i) Petrol Motor Vehicles ; and

(ii) Battery Driven Electric Vehicles.

(*c*) Supply, delivery and erection at the Electricity Works of unclimbable metal fencing, gates, etc.

The tenders received in connection with the above were submitted ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that as regards (a), the tender of Mr. Robert Provan (the lowest) at the sum of £839 0s. 6d. be accepted, subject to contract and to the consent of the Minister of Health being received to the necessary loan ;

(2) that as regards (b) and (c), the tenders be referred to the Electricity Committee for consideration ; and

(3) that the contract with Mr. Robert Provan be added to the list of documents for sealing.

115 **Resumption of Council :**

RESOLVED that the Town Council do now resume, and that the recommendations above set forth be adopted.

Mayor.

Town Planning Committee's Report.

2nd DECEMBER, 1936.

Present: Alderman Briant (Chairman), Councillor Wilmot (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Wells, Councillors Burch, Mrs. Murphy, Norman and Wightman.

Non-Member: Councillor Rutt.

116 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of meetings held on the 5th October and 9th November, 1936, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

117 **Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1—External Appearance of Buildings—Constitution of Tribunal of Appeal:**

Referring to Minute No. 1929 (d), the Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"The R.I.B.A. and the Chartered Surveyors' Institution have submitted the following nominations in connection with the Tribunal of Appeal to be constituted under the Scheme:—

R.I.B.A.—Mr. Henry V. Ashley, F.R.I.B.A., 14, Gray's Inn Square, W.C. 1.

The Chartered Surveyors' Institution—Mr. Oswald Healing, F.S.I., 21, Queen Anne's Gate, S.W. 1. (Mr. Healing is a resident of the Borough of Finchley).

In accordance with the provisions of the Scheme, the Town Council should now appoint a Justice of the Peace (who must not be a member of the Town Council), together with the two gentlemen before-mentioned, as the Tribunal to consider appeals against decisions of the Town Council under Clause 45 of the Scheme with regard to the design of the elevations and materials to be used in the construction of proposed buildings. The fourth schedule of the Scheme also provides that the Council shall appoint one of the members as Chairman of the Tribunal."

It was, therefore;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that pursuant to the provisions of Clause 45 (3) of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1 the following Standing Tribunal of Appeal be appointed:—

Henry V. Ashley, Esq., F.R.I.B.A.
Oswald Healing, Esq., F.S.I.
W. J. Cross, Esq., J.P.

(*b*) that Mr. W. J. Cross be appointed Chairman of the Tribunal.

118 **Town Planning Appeals—Industrial Buildings:**

For the information of the Committee, the Town Clerk submitted an extract (circulated) from the 17th Annual Report of the Ministry of Health dealing with appeals against refusals of planning authorities to permit industrial development in residential areas.

119 **North Middlesex Joint Town Planning Committee:**

A report of the Ways and Means Sub-Committee and the Minutes of a meeting of the Joint Committee held on the 13th October, 1936, were submitted and the Town Clerk referred to several matters of interest to the Committee.

120 **Greater London Regional Planning Committee:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had received a letter, dated 29th September, 1936 (received on the 2nd November, 1936), from the Joint Secretaries stating that the Greater London Planning Committee would cease to function on the 30th September, 1936.

121 **Town Planning Notices and Consents:**

After hearing reports of the appropriate Officers hereon, it was

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to sign ordinary town planning notices and consents.

122 **Neon Signs, etc.:**

The following application for permission to erect an electric sign was submitted:—

17th November, 1936	Messrs. O. Peterson, Limited	New shop—Fruiterer and Florist, Market Place, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Lettering (partly neon)

RECOMMENDED that the applicant be informed that the Town Council raise no objection to the proposal in question.

123 **Unoccupied Flats:**

The following monthly report of the Valuation Officer hereon was submitted:—

"Number of unoccupied flats in the Borough —	150	(124)
Total number of flats erected — — —	1,565	(1,504)

These figures do not include premises converted.

The corresponding figures for last month are set out in brackets."

124 **Proposed Developments:**

(*a*) Particulars of applications to develop the under-mentioned properties, as indicated, were submitted, and the Borough Surveyor reported thereon:—

(1) Land—Junction of East End Road and Stanhope ~~Road~~ Avenue, N. 3—Church Hall and Primary Hall, etc.;

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. C. W. B. Simmonds, Ltd., be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, so far as the Town Planning Committee are concerned, the proposed development indicated on the tentative plan submitted, subject to the buildings being set back a further 2 ft. 6 ins. from East End Road, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans. H'wa 210

(2) Dollis Mews, rear of shops—Regents Park Road—north side of Dollis Park, N. 3;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. C. E. Mayes and Mr. S. Wheatley, respectively, be informed—

(*a*) that the Town Council approve, in principle, so far as the Town Planning Committee are concerned the proposal to use the premises in Dollis Mews for the manufacture of small mechanical components, subject to the owners entering into an agreement with the Town Council (to be scheduled to the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6) to provide that there shall be no noise or fumes or smell from the above premises which, in the opinion of the Town Council, may be objectionable, and that the owners shall take such steps as, in the opinion of the Town Council, may be necessary to prevent any such nuisance; and

(*b*) that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

TOWN PLANNING (*contd.*).

(3) 48, Hertford Road, N. 2—Conversion into two self-contained flats;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. S. Janering be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, the conversion of the above-mentioned property into two self-contained flats, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

(4) Land, east side of Regents Park Road, opposite "La Delivrance"—Seven shops and 17 flats;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. Arnold A. Higuer be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, so far as the Town Planning Committee are concerned, the tentative proposal submitted by him, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

(5) Sunnyside, 249, Regents Park Road, N. 3—Proposed Factory;

RECOMMENDED that the Harp Engineering Co. be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to give their consent to the erection of an engineering factory at the above-mentioned property as such development would contravene the character zoning proposals of the Town Council in connection with the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6.

(6) 306, Ballards Lane, N. 3—Between Woodberry Grove and Kingsway—Kiosk;

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. F. C. Stockman, Ltd., be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, the proposal to erect a kiosk at the entrance to the existing business premises known as No. 306, Ballards Lane, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

(*b*) Land, north side of Dollis Road, near junction with Nether Street, N. 3—4 flats.—The Borough Surveyor submitted a letter, dated 30th October, 1936, received from Mr. C. Phillips Barnell asking the Town Council to re-consider this matter. It was, however,

RECOMMENDED that Mr. Barnell be informed that the Town Council adhere to their previous decision, viz., that they are not prepared to give their consent to the erection of 4 flats on the piece of land in question as such development would contravene the proposals of the Town Council in connection with the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6 so far as density zoning and "space about buildings" are concerned.

125 **Temporary Buildings—Renewal of Licences:**

(1) The Borough Surveyor submitted a list of temporary building licences which would expire on the 1st January, 1937, and a letter, dated 6th October, 1936, from the Burtonwood Motor and Aircraft Engineering Co., Ltd., applying, in view of the special circumstances indicated, for a further renewal of the licences in respect of temporary buildings at the corner of High Road and Woodside Grove, N. 12 (Nos. 894T and 4917);

RECOMMENDED that the licences in respect of the temporary buildings set out in the list submitted by the Borough Surveyor (including Nos. 894T and 4917) be renewed for the respective periods indicated therein.

(2) Coffee Stalls.—It was reported that the temporary building licences in respect of the under-mentioned coffee stalls would expire on the 31st December, 1936.

Plan No.	Name	Premises
893	W. Last	Coffee stall, High Road, N. 20 (near "Hand and Flower" Public House).
4351	R. Payne	Coffee stall, High Road, N. 20 (near old forge).
6445	J. Whybrow	Coffee stall, in front of 11, Rosemont Terrace, N. 12.
—	F. Pressland	Coffee stall, Great North Road, corner of Summers Lane, N. 12.

RECOMMENDED that the licences in respect thereof be renewed for the period ending 31st December, 1937, on terms the same as at present in force.

Consideration of Plan No. 875 (Mr. S. W. Edwards, Coffee stall adjoining Carrimore Works, N. 12) was deferred until the Council Meeting, as the Chief Sanitary Inspector was reporting to the Public Health Committee upon a matter concerning the stall.

126 **Plans:**

(*a*) Approved;

RECOMMENDED that the following plans be approved subject to the conditions severally mentioned by the Borough Surveyor in his report:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
*9791	3 lock-up shops with two maisonettes over	Nos. 103, 105 and 107, Ballards Lane, N. 3, at corner of Lovers Walk	Messrs. Goddard & Smith.
*9802	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	49, The Grove, N. 3	Mr. B. P. Borrett.
9803	Additional bathroom	"Holmwood," Hendon Avenue, N. 3	Lieut. Col. J. W. Abraham.
9805	Garage	At rear of 66, Nether Street, N. 12	Mrs. B. M. L. Coleman.
9808	Garage	Land, adjoining 2, Derwent Crescent, N. 12	Mr. W. S. Cook.
*9810	Tool shed	Rear of 9, Broughton Avenue, N. 3	Mr. H. Dennett.
9811	Conversion of 1st and 2nd floors into two self-contained flats	40, Lichfield Grove, N.3	Mr. T. H. Hill (Trustee).
9812	House and garage	Plot H.42, Winnington Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb, corner of Norrice Lea	Mr. H. A. Smith.
9813	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	5, Parkview Road, N. 3	Mr. H. C. C. Turner.
9814	House	Plot H.59, Norrice Lea, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. H. E. Brown.
9815	Laboratory	Adjoining Pattern Shop at works, Friern Park, N. 12	Messrs. Specialloid, Ltd.
*9816	Conversion of ground floor into shop with flat over	3, Rosemont Terrace, High Road, N. 12	Mr. R. J. Sugar.
9817	Greenhouse	Rear of 9, Etchingham Park Road, N. 3	Mr. C. S. Syrett.
*9818	Shelter for vehicles	Manor Farm, East End Road, N. 3	Messrs. R. Deards, Ltd.
9819	Garage	Rear of 55, Mountfield Road, N. 3, in Holmwood Gardens	Mr. G. Stringer.
9821	Garage	Rear of 86, Westbury Road, N. 12, in Westbury Grove	Mr. W. F. Waters.
9822	30 garages	Rear of 224, Long Lane, N. 3, in Nursery Avenue	Mr. H. J. Taylor.

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No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9823	Additional W.C.	House on plot 1094, Winnington Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Messrs. Robert Hart & Sons, Ltd.,
9825	Greenhouse	Rear of 55, Westbury Road, N. 12	Mr. J. Wolstenholme.
9826	House	In garden at rear of 1, Woodside Avenue, N. 12, in Woodside Grove	Mr. S. Woolfe.
9827	Alterations and additions	"Bishopsbourne," The Bishop's Avenue, N. 2	Mr. C. B. Newton.
†9828	House	Plot L.103, Lyttelton Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. S. Phillips.
9831	Garage	At side of 47, Lansdowne Road, N. 3	Mr. J. M. Sanders.
9832	Extension of garage	41, Kingsley Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. S. Baldry.

(*b*) Disapproved;

RECOMMENDED that the under-mentioned plans be DISAPPROVED for the reasons stated by the Borough Surveyor in his report:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9820	Garage	Rear of 9, Ingle Villas, Woodhouse Road, N. 12	Mr. C. H. Luxford.
9824	4 storey building comprising 6 shops on ground floor, Offices and showroom first floor and 6 maisonettes on second and third floors	Adjoining "The Cricketers" P.H., Great North Road, N. 12	Messrs. Fairhead & Sons, Ltd.
also (for consideration only)	3 shops on ground floor, 3 maisonettes on first and second floors. Outbuildings at rear	Ballards Lane, N. 12	Messrs. Fairhead & Sons, Ltd.
9829	2 lock-up garages	9, Durham Road, N. 2	Mr. J. Weeks.
9830	Alterations and additions	34, High Street, N. 12	Messrs. J. Hepworth & Son, Ltd.

* Referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

† Referred to the Middlesex County Council for consideration under the Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

127 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

A. J. BRIANT,
Chairman.

Street Trading Committee's Report.

2nd December, 1936.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Vice-Chairman), in the Chair, the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Briant, Councillors Burch, Norman and Wightman.

Non-Members: Alderman Wells and Councillors Mrs. Murphy and Wilmot.

128 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of meetings of the Committee held on the 22nd September and 9th November, 1936, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

129 **Stalls on Highways:**

It was reported that in accordance with instructions given at the last meeting of the Committee, proceedings were instituted against the persons in charge of several stalls for wilfully obstructing the passage of certain highways in the Borough, and also, where appropriate, against the owners of such stalls for aiding and abetting; further, that the summonses were heard at Highgate on the 4th November, 1936, when, with one exception (where the case was adjourned *sine die*), each of the defendants was convicted and ordered to pay the respective fines set out in the following list:—

Defendant.	Site of Stall.	Date of obstruction.	Result of Proceedings.
1. Chapman, Mrs. Jessie, 21, William Street, N. 12	Friern Park	29th August, 1936	Fined £2. 7 days to pay.
2. Miller, Edward, 22, Snells Park, Edmonton	Percy Road	29th August, 1936	Fined £2.
Booth, Mrs. Louisa, 52a, High Street, N. 12		Aiding and abetting	Fined £2 and £5 costs.
3. Miller, Edward	Percy Road	31st August, 1936.	Fined £2.
Booth, Mrs. Louisa		Aiding and abetting	Fined £2.
4. Miller, Edward	Percy Road	5th September, 1936	Fined £2.
Booth, Mrs. Louisa		Aiding and abetting	Fined £2.
5. Pollard, Sydney, 5, Bryan Place, Caledonian Road, N.	Stanhope Road	29th August, 1936	Fined £1. 7 days to pay.
Booth, Mrs. Louisa		Aiding and abetting	Fined £2 and £5 costs.
6. Carter, Arthur George Patrick, 35, Albert Street, N. 1	Stanhope Road	31st August, 1936	Summons not served. Adjourned *sine die*.
Booth, Mrs. Louisa		Aiding and abetting	do.
7. Pollard, Sydney	Stanhope Road	5th September, 1936	Fined £1. 7 days to pay.
Booth, Mrs. Louisa		Aiding and abetting	Fined £2.
8. Chapman, Mrs. Eliza, 7, William Street, N. 12	Hall Street	19th September, 1936	Fined £2. 7 days to pay.
9. Smith, Harry Walter, 66, Welbeck Road, East Barnet	High Road, N. 2	19th September, 1936	Fined £2. 7 days to pay.
10. Warrick, Albert Edward, 96, Brewery Road, N. 7	High Road, N. 2	19th September, 1936	Fined £2.

Mrs. Booth, whose fines and costs amounted to £20, was allowed 7 days in which to pay £10 and 14 days in respect of the remaining £10.

130 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the Town Clerk as entered in his Instruction Book be approved.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Public Libraries Committee's Report.

7th DECEMBER, 1936.

Present: Councillor Collis (Chairman), Councillor Hayter (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Pike, Councillors Brooksbank, Mrs. Legge and Wilmot.

Non-Members: Aldermen Briant, Pateman and Syrett, and Councillors Mrs. Murphy and Rutt.

131 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of meetings of the Committee held on the 5th October and 9th November, 1936, were taken as read confirmed and signed.

132 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of Requisitions (circulated) be approved.

133 **Public Library—Avenue House:**

(*a*) Statistics.—The Chief Librarian reported as under. (The figures in brackets are those reported for October, 1935) :—

(i) READERS.—The number of readers is now 5,457 (5,330).

(ii) STOCK.—The book stock now amounts to 19,321 (13,053).

(iii) LOANS.—The number of books lent during the month of October, 1936, was 20,308 (15,724). The following table shows the number of books lent from each class of the Library stock during October, 1935, October, 1936, and September, 1936:—

Class.	OCTOBER, 1935. Loans.	Per cent. of total.	OCTOBER, 1936. Loans.	Per cent. of total.	SEPTEMBER, 1936. Loans.	Per cent. of total.
General	51	.3	29	.2	36	.2
Philosophy	217	1.4	345	1.7	305	1.7
Religion	144	1.0	259	1.3	226	1.2
Sociology	475	3.0	718	3.5	611	3.4
Languages	309	2.0	286	1.4	264	1.5
Science	340	2.2	424	2.1	413	2.3
Useful Arts ...	826	5.3	997	4.9	955	5.3
Fine Arts	492	3.1	897	4.4	770	4.2
Music	353	2.2	291	1.4	289	1.6
Literature	689	4.4	1030	5.1	853	4.7
History and Travel ...	1894	12.0	2541	12.5	2318	12.8
Biography	776	4.9	905	4.4	784	4.3
Fiction	9158	58.2	11586	57.1	10287	56.8
Totals	15724	100.0	20308	100.0	18111	100.0
Days open	22		27		26	
Daily average ...	715		752		696	
Readers	5330		5457		5362	

(iv) CASH RECEIPTS.—The cash receipts during October amounted to £13 3s. 10d. (£15 12s. 4d.).

(*b*) Appreciation of Staff.—A letter dated 10th November, 1936, received from Mrs. J. E. Roberts, of 1, Denison Close, was submitted, expressing appreciation of the courtesy and helpfulness of the assistants at the Public Library.

(*c*) Rest and Reading Room.—It was reported that the North Finchley Congregational Church had offered to present to the Council a copy of the North Finchley News each month for exhibition in the rest and reading room;

RECOMMENDED that the offer be accepted with thanks.

(*d*) Offers of Volumes.—

RECOMMENDED that the following offers of volumes for use in the Public Library be accepted and that the thanks of the Town Council be conveyed to the respective donors :—

Donor.	Volume.
Captain Hume	A Catalogue of British Scientific and Technical Books.
R. Campbell Baines, Esq. ...	Steinbeck, J.—In dubious battle. Weekley, E.—Surnames. Colver, A. R.—I have been little too long.
The Institute of Chemistry of Great Britain and Ireland	Register of Fellows, Associates and Students, 1936.
The Registrar, University College, Hull	University College of Hull—Calendar, 1936-37.
Grand Union Canal Co. ...	The Waterways of England.

(*e*) Withdrawals from Stock.—

RECOMMENDED that the books referred to in the list (circulated) be withdrawn from stock for the reasons indicated therein.

134 **North Finchley District Library :**

(*a*) Resignation of Junior Assistant.—It was reported that Mr. H. T. J. O'Sullivan, who was recently appointed as a Junior Assistant, had tendered his resignation on being appointed to the staff of the Watford Public Library ; further, that with the authority of the Mayor, the vacancy had been advertised at a commencing salary of £65 per annum ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*b*) Tablet to commemorate opening.—

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the erection of a tablet, at an inclusive cost of approximately £40, commemorating the opening of the Library by the Mayor on the 14th November, 1936 ;

(ii) that the wording to be inscribed upon the tablet be in accord with the draft submitted to and amended by the Committee ; and

353 (iii) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee to make the requisite financial arrangements.

(*c*) Caretaker.—It was reported that the appropriate Sub-Committee had appointed Mr. H. W. Jackson, of 23, Manor Park Road, East Finchley, to the above position, on the terms approved by the Council, with effect as from and including the 9th November, 1936 ; further, that Mr. Jackson had passed satisfactorily a medical examination.

(*d*) Supply of newspapers and periodicals.—The Chief Librarian reported hereon ;

RECOMMENDED that the arrangement entered into temporarily with Burnside Limited for the supply of newspapers and periodicals to the North Finchley District Library, which arrangement is subject to a discount of 5 per cent. on daily and weekly papers, be continued for the period ending 30th September, 1937.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES (*contd.*).

(*e*) Junior Lending Library.—The Chief Librarian reported that owing to the popularity of the Junior Lending Library and to obviate crowding in the entrance hall he had arranged for this section of the Department to be opened at 12 noon each day instead of at 12.30 p.m. In connection therewith, the Chairman referred to a letter which he had received from Councillor A. N. H. Baines on the subject of parents being allowed to borrow books on behalf of their children, and it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the action of the Chief Librarian, as indicated above, be approved;

(2) that authority be given for the arrangement as to the altered time of opening of the Junior Lending Library to be continued; and

(3) that no objection be raised to parents returning their children's books and borrowing others during the hours that the Junior Lending Library is normally open.

(*f*) Additional Equipment.—The Chief Librarian reported that it was desirable that the following additional equipment should be provided at the Library as soon as possible:—

Screen to staff counter (estimated cost £31).

Notice board with strip lighting (estimated cost £10).

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that authority be given for the provision of the equipment in question; and

353(c)(ii) (ii) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee to make the requisite financial arrangements.

(*g*) Book stock.—It was reported that the sum provided in the current estimates for the purchase of books for the North Finchley Library had been expended but that, by reason of the demand, additional books would have to be purchased if the library were to continue efficiently to function.

It was also reported that part of the sum provided for the purchase of books for the Avenue House Library had been applied towards book purchase for the North Finchley Library and that a further sum of £350 would be sufficient to meet the needs of both Libraries to the end of the present financial year.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the Chief Librarian be authorised to expend a further sum of £350 on the purchase of books for the Public Libraries; and

353(d) (ii) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee to make the requisite financial arrangements.

(*h*) Registered readers and issues.—It was reported that the number of registered readers to the end of November, 1936, was 2,992 and the number of books issued 8,566.

(*i*) Cleaning.—The Chief Librarian reported as under:—

"As the cleaning of the North Finchley District Library is a little too much for the caretaker I suggest that a woman be employed for eight to ten hours per week to assist him. The Ruboleum floors require a great deal of cleaning and polishing in order to keep them in good condition."

RECOMMENDED that the suggestion of the Chief Librarian be approved and that he be authorised to arrange for assistance to be available to the caretaker at the rate of 10d. an hour.

135 **Public Libraries—Location Signs:**

Arising from a suggestion made by the Chief Librarian it was decided to recommend to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee that signs should be erected at the junction of East End Road with Regents Park Road and Ravensdale Avenue with High Road, at the expense of this Committee, indicating the location of the Public Libraries. 205

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

136 **District Libraries (New Buildings) Sub-Committee:**

The report of a meeting of the above Sub-Committee held on the 2nd December, 1936, was submitted and considered. Arising thereon—

(*a*) It was reported that in accordance with the reference from the Town Council at its meeting on the 26th October, 1936 (Minute No. 2205 (b)), the Sub-Committee had fully considered the whole question of the letting of the Lecture Hall at the North Finchley District Library.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that resolutions nod. 1, 2 and 3 contained in Minute No. 2205 (b) 1935/36 be rescinded;

(ii) that the Lecture Hall may be let for lectures, exhibitions and non-political meetings associated with Finchley, between the hours of 2 p.m. and 10 p.m. each day from Monday to Saturday;

(iii) that for the time being the charge per session of four hours, or part thereof, be fixed at 10/-, plus 2/6d. payable to the caretaker;

(iv) that the charge for the use of the lantern, including the services of an operator, be fixed at 12/6d., out of which the operator be paid by the Council at the rate of 2/6d. an hour in the event of his or her services being required outside the normal working hours; and

(v) that the Chief Librarian, after consultation with the Chairman of the Committee, be authorised to deal with all applications which may be received for the use of the Lecture Hall for the purposes and on the terms above-mentioned.

(*b*) It was reported that an enquiry had been made by the Editor of "The Lantern" as to whether the Lecture Hall would be available on Sunday evenings for meetings of a religious nature.

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Hall will not be available for Sunday letting.

(*c*) It was further reported that the Chief Librarian had intimated that it would be appreciated if arrangements could be made for the Association of Assistant Librarians to have the free use of the Lecture Hall, on a date to be selected in the near future, for the purpose of a meeting.

RECOMMENDED that the Association be granted the free use of the Hall for one session on a date to be selected, subject to all arrangements being made to the satisfaction of the Chief Librarian.

137 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books be approved.

A. C. D. COLLIS,

Chairman.

Parks and Open Spaces Committee's Report.

7th DECEMBER, 1936.

Present: Alderman Wells (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Pateman and Syrett, and Councillors Collis, Connorton, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy and Rutt.

Non-Members: Alderman Briant and Councillors Steward and Wilmot.

138 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of meetings of the Committee held on the 6th and 15th October and 9th November, 1936, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

139 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

140 **Open Spaces Sub-Committee:**

The above Sub-Committee was constituted for the ensuing year as follows:—

The Mayor } Ex-Officio.
The Deputy Mayor }
Alderman Pateman.
,, Wells.
Councillor Brooksbank.

141 **Arden Playing Field—Minor Counties Championship Matches:**

The Town Clerk reported that an application had been received from the Finchley Cricket Club for permission to use the above playing field on the 19th and 20th May and 21st and 22nd July, 1937, for the purpose of the Minor Counties Championship Matches of the Middlesex County Cricket Club v. Glamorgan and Surrey, respectively, and that as a decision had to be given prior to the meeting of the Committee the Chairman had authorised him to reply to the effect that no objection would be raised to the use of the playing field on the occasions in question subject to the same conditions as applied to the matches last season;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the action taken be approved;

(2) that the Arden Playing Field be closed to the public on the dates in question and that the Middlesex County Cricket Club be permitted to make a charge for admission thereto;

(3) that the Town Clerk give the necessary notice as to the closing of the ground at the appropriate time; and

(4) that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to arrange for—

(*a*) the use of the Town Council's petrol roller on the ground immediately prior to the matches;

(*b*) the loan of rope for use around the pitch during intervals in the play; and

(*c*) the erection of flag bunting around the ground.

142 **Brookside Walk:**

(*a*) Tennis Courts.—The Committee considered communications, dated 21st September and 7th December, 1936 (circulated), from the Church End Congregational Church Tennis Club in regard to the tennis courts occupied by them at above and the Town Clerk reported as to the terms of the lease. After very full consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED that the Club be informed that the Town Council cannot see their way to depart from the terms of such lease.

(*b*) Fencing.—The Borough Surveyor submitted a petition signed by 35 residents in Brentway asking the Town Council to provide a gateway in the new fencing at the rear of their premises giving access to the Brookside Walk ;

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to provide one gate as requested at an estimated cost of £10.

143 **Brookside Walk—Proposed Tunnels under Regents Park Road and Finchley Avenue :**

The Borough Surveyor submitted estimates of the cost of constructing tunnels at above. As regards Regents Park Road the Borough Surveyor intimated that a temporary scheme whereby the existing culvert would be used, could be carried out at an estimated cost of £310 and he was instructed to approach the Middlesex County Council with a view to ascertaining whether that Authority would consent to the proposal. As regards Finchley Avenue it was decided to consider the matter in conjunction with the annual estimates ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

144 **Lyttelton Playing Fields :**

(*a*) Tennis Courts.—An application was submitted from the Acorn Club, Ltd., for the renewal of their tenancy of two hard tennis courts at above for the year ending 31st December, 1937 ;

RECOMMENDED that such application be granted at a rental to be agreed at a later date and subject to the usual conditions.

(*b*) Assessments.—It was reported that a proposal had been made by the Rating Authority for the increase of the assessment on the above from Gross £156, Rateable £140 to Gross £178, Rateable £162 by reason of the addition of a hockey pitch and temporary football pitch ;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised thereto.

(*c*) Fencing.—The Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

> "It is anticipated that the fencing of this open space will be completed by the time of your meeting, but if it is the intention of the Committee to make provision for entirely closing the Lyttelton Playing Fields to the public, a further gate should be provided at the east end of the playing fields at Norrice Lea."

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the erection of the additional gate at the point in question, at an estimated cost of £18.

(*d*) Football Pitch—Old Fincunians' F.C.—The Borough Surveyor submitted an application from the above Club for permission to sub-let their pitch for short periods each week to the Leas House School ;

RECOMMENDED that such application be granted.

(*e*) First-Class Football Pitch.—An application was submitted on behalf of the Old Finchleians' Football Club for the tenancy of the above pitch for the 1937/8 season ;

RECOMMENDED that such application be granted on terms to be agreed at a later date.

145 **Children's Play Ground—Percy Road :**

In accordance with instructions the Town Clerk submitted draft bye-laws restricting the use of the apparatus at above to children not exceeding 12 years of age and the Town Clerk was instructed to submit the same as slightly amended by the Committee to the Ministry of Health for consideration ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

146 **Coronation Summer Flower Show—16th and 17th July, 1937—Royal Horticultural Hall, Westminster:**

It was reported that the London Gardens Society had asked the Town Council to enter exhibits in the above show for the following class:—

"Display of Flowers and/or Foliage from Municipal Authorities within the Metropolitan Police Area, excluding Metropolitan Boroughs."

The Committee viewed with favour the proposal, but in view of the possible heavy demands which might be made upon the Department during the summer of 1937, the matter was left to the discretion of the Chairman of the Committee and the Parks Superintendent;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

147 **Land—Broughton Avenue, adjoining Windsor Open Space:**

The Town Clerk reported that the owner of the above land was now prepared to convey same to the Town Council for the sum of £2,250, subject—

(*a*) to his legal costs in connection with the matter being paid by the Town Council; and

(*b*) in the event of the purchase not being completed before the 1st February, 1937, to interest at the rate of £5 per cent. being paid on the purchase price from that date until the date of completion.

It was also reported that the District Valuer was prepared to approve such figure;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the offer be accepted subject to contract, to the above-mentioned conditions and to the consent of the Minister of Health being received to the necessary loan; and

(2) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee to make the necessary financial arrangements.

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148 **Supply of Flowers—Public Libraries:**

The Committee considered a request from the Public Libraries Committee that flowers might be supplied regularly to each of the Public Libraries, and instructions were given to the Borough Surveyor to arrange accordingly;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

149 **Victoria Recreation Ground:**

An application, dated 6th December, 1936, was submitted from the Finchley Victoria Bowling Club for the use of the bowling green next season;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the terms and conditions upon which the Club had the exclusive use of 4 rinks on the above green and the use in common with the public of the remaining rinks last season be renewed for the coming season;

(2) that the green be opened for play, weather permitting, on Saturday, the 24th April, 1937, and closed on Saturday, the 2nd October, 1937; and

(3) that the Club be granted the exclusive use of the green from 3 p.m., on Wednesday, the 2nd September, 1937, for a County Match to be arranged by the London Parks Bowling Association and also, if required, on one other day to be approved by the Chairman of the Committee.

150 **Glebe Land:**

(*a*) Land rear of Tablet.—The Borough Surveyor reported that the filling in of this land was nearing completion and the Committee were of opinion that the land might at some future date be laid out as a miniature golf course. In the meantime, however, the Borough Surveyor was authorised to use the land temporarily as a nursery garden;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*b*) Land between Tennis Courts and Open Air Pool Car Park.—

RECOMMENDED that the above land be put into use as a putting green from the commencement of next summer.

(*c*) New Bowling Green.—

(i) Access.—The Borough Surveyor reported that there was an unexpended balance on the loan for the construction of the above bowling green and suggested that this might be utilised for the construction of a pathway giving access to the green from the Great North Road.

The Borough Surveyor was instructed to report at the meeting of the Finance Committee as to the amount of such balance and the estimated cost of the construction of the path;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the carrying out of the necessary works and that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee to make the necessary financial arrangements. 358(a)

(ii) Proposed Pavilion.—The Borough Surveyor submitted drawing No. 10536 for the construction of a pavilion to serve the new bowling green, in respect of which provision had been made in the current estimates for loan charges on an expenditure of £1,100, the estimated cost of the scheme;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that such plan and estimate be approved;

(2) that authority be given for the carrying out of the works and that advertisements be issued inviting tenders therefor; and

(3) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee to make the necessary financial arrangements. 358(b)

151 **Northway Gardens—Housing Accommodation for Attendant:**

The Borough Surveyor submitted drawing No. 10147 and estimate in respect of the erection of housing accommodation at above over the new convenience building at an estimated cost of £750 and intimated that provision therefor had been made in the current estimates by way of loan;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that such plan and estimate be approved;

(*b*) that authority be given for the carrying out of the work and that tenders be invited therefor;

(*c*) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee to make the necessary financial arrangements; and 359.

(*d*) that the Town Clerk make application to the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and the Middlesex County Council for their consent to the proposal under the terms of the Conveyance and the Contribution Agreement, respectively, and that authority be given for payment of the Commissioners' fee in connection therewith.

PARKS AND OPEN SPACES (*contd.*).

152 **Woodhouse Open Space—Fountain:**

A communication was submitted from the Metropolitan Drinking Fountain and Cattle Trough Association stating that there was a universal desire among Municipal Authorities to replace the old pattern cup and chain drinking fountain by a more modern structure of the "bubble" type and asking if the Town Council would be prepared to co-operate with the Association by bearing the cost of converting the fountain at above. It was intimated that if a full response to the invitation were received it was anticipated that the maximum cost of the appliance would not exceed £5 a fountain;

RECOMMENDED that the Association be informed that the Town Council will be prepared to bear the cost of the conversion of the fountain in question.

153 **Brook Farm:**

(*a*) Dressing Cubicle No. 8.—Adverting to Minute No. 1958 (c) (ii) the Borough Surveyor reported that he had been unable to obtain any reply from the Hampstead Harriers who had been allocated the tenancy of the cubicle, and that in the circumstances he had allowed the Shaftesbury Harriers to use the cubicle on Saturday, the 21st November, at a charge of 3/-;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken by the Borough Surveyor be approved.

(*b*) Football Pitch No. 9.—A communication was submitted from the Finchley Athletic Football Club asking for permission to sub-let the pitch occupied by them at above;

RECOMMENDED that such application be granted.

154 **Land, North Side of Totteridge Lane, West of Railway Station:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that, in accordance with instructions, he had negotiated with the owners for the purchase of the above land for open space purposes but that it had since been disposed of.

155 **Parks and Open Spaces—Receipts:**

The Borough Treasurer's statement of the weekly receipts for tennis, bowls, etc., during the months of October and November, 1936, was submitted.

156 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

VYVYAN WELLS,

Chairman.

Valuation Committee's Report.

8th DECEMBER, 1936.

Present: The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Connorton, Rutt and Wightman.

Non-Member: Alderman Briant.

157 **Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor H. A. Rutt be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

158 **Vice-Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor J. Connorton be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

159 **Minutes:**

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

160 **Central Electricity Board's Undertaking:**

It was reported that the Central Electricity Board was in occupation of cables within the Borough which extended from the Hornsey boundary to the Regulators at the Electricity Works; that the question of the assessment of these cables had been discussed at a Conference held by the Middlesex County Council and that it was understood that the cables of the Board would now be rateable.

It was also reported that no agreed value was likely to be obtained during the currency of the present Rate;

RECOMMENDED that a *pro forma* proposal be made for the assessment of the cables in Finchley, but that the North Middlesex Assessment Committee be requested to defer consideration of the proposal until actual values are obtained.

161 **Railways (Valuation for Rating) Act, 1930—"Let-Out" Properties:**

The Valuation Officer reported upon a Conference held at the County Valuation Office on the 21st October, 1936, from which it appeared that, consequent upon the House of Lords' decision on Railway Assessments, the "let-out" properties should now be separately rated;

RECOMMENDED that *pro forma* proposals be made in respect of the "let-out" properties attached to the London and North Eastern Railway Company's premises within the Borough and that the North Middlesex Assessment Committee be requested to defer consideration thereof until actual values are obtained.

162 **London Passenger Transport Board—Trolley Bus Depôt;**

The Valuation Officer reported that additions had been made to the above premises;

RECOMMENDED that the County Valuation Committee be asked to obtain from the Valuers dealing with the assessment of the above Undertaking a revised assessment on the Trolley Bus Depôt.

VALUATION (*contd.*).

163 **North Middlesex Assessment Committee:**

(*a*) Decisions.—It was reported that proposals made by Ratepayers were heard by the Assessment Committee on the 9th October, 1936, when the following decisions were arrived at:—

"St. Aubyns," Upper Cavendish Avenue	Reduced from Gross £ 77, Rateable £ 62. to " £ 74, " £ 59.
Express Ale Stores, 42, Church Lane	Reduced from Gross £110, Rateable £ 88. to " £100 " £ 80.
"Springfield," Woodside Avenue	Reduced from Gross £184, Rateable £150. to " £170 " £138.
79, Holden Road	Reduced from Gross £102, Rateable £ 82. to " £100 " £ 80.
5, St. Mary's Avenue	Reduced from Gross £137, Rateable £111. to " £125 " £101.
"Hillcrest," 42, Allandale Avenue	Reduced from Gross £102, Rateable £ 82. to " £100 " £ 80.
5 hard tennis courts and pavilion adjoining "The Limes," Oakfield Road 244, Ballards Lane 221, Regents Park Road. 140, High Road, Shop and Upper part Smithy, Albert Place, Ballards Lane	Confirmed.
Workshop, 9, Castle Mews	From Gross £20, Rateable £12. to N.A.V. £12, Rateable £ 3.

(*b*) Proposal List No. 11.—It was reported that the proposals contained in the above List were considered by the Assessment Committee at its meeting on the 23rd October, 1936, and were approved without alteration.

HAROLD A. RUTT,
Chairman.

Housing Committee's Report.

8th DECEMBER, 1936.

Present: Councillor Mrs. Legge (Chairman), Councillor Connorton (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant and Pike, and Councillors Burch, Grocott and Mrs. Murphy.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pateman and Syrett, and Councillor Rutt.

164 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of meetings of the Committee held on the 15th September and 9th November, 1936, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

165 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

166 **Sub-Committees—Re-appointment of:**

The following Sub-Committees were re-appointed for the ensuing year as indicated:—

Sub-Committee re Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme:—

The Mayor
The Deputy Mayor } Ex-Officio.
Alderman Briant.
,, Pike.
Councillor Mrs. Legge.

Workmen's Dwellings Letting Sub-Committee:—

The Mayor
The Deputy Mayor } Ex-Officio.
Councillor Grocott.
,, Mrs. Legge.
,, Mrs. Murphy.

167 **Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme—Mowbray and Nos. 1, 2, and 3, Sayers Cottages:**

It was reported that the Conveyance of the above properties to the Council was completed on the 5th November, 1936.

168 **Finchley Compulsory Purchase Order, 1936—Dunkley's Yard:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"I have to report that the Minister of Health on the 19th September, 1936, issued the Finchley (Willow Walk) Housing Confirmation Order, 1936, confirming the above Order made by the Town Council. A notification to that effect was actually received from the Ministry on the 30th September, 1936, and all formalities have now been completed. The statutory period for objections to the validity of the Order expired on the 21st November, 1936, and as I am not aware that any such objection has been made, it would appear that the Order finally became operative on that date. Section 11 (4) of the Housing Act, 1930, provides in effect that an Order which has become operative may not be questioned in any legal proceedings whatever."

169 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

It was reported that since the last ordinary meeting of the Committee, the chain link fencing surrounding the shrubbery in front of Nos 218/220, Summers Lane, had been damaged and that the matter had been dealt with.

HOUSING (*contd.*).

170 **Third Party Claims:**

It was reported that two claims had been received since the last ordinary meeting of the Committee and that the usual steps had been taken in connection therewith.

171 **Housing Act, 1936:**

The Committee had before them reports by the Town Clerk and the Borough Treasurer on the provisions of the above Act.

After consideration it was decided that the reports be referred to the Public Health Committee for consideration insofar as that Committee was affected thereby.

172 **Institute of Housing:**

Arising from an invitation received from the London Area Branch of the above Institute, Councillor Mrs. Murphy was appointed on behalf of the Town Council to attend the meeting of the Branch to be held in London on the 12th December, 1936;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

173 **Making up of Castle Way:**

The Borough Surveyor submitted drawings Nos. 10470 and 10470a, together with an estimate amounting to £839, for the making up of Castle Way. He stated that of this sum, £500 had already been provided by appropriation from the proceeds of the sale of land to the Halliwick Manor Estates and that the balance of £339 would be a charge on the Housing Scheme; further, that the Town Council were the only frontage owners concerned;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the drawings and estimate above referred to be approved so far as this Committee is concerned;

(2) that the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee be asked to take such steps as may be necessary with a view to the making up of the road; and

3601. (3) that the matter be brought to the notice of the Finance Committee.

174 **Proposed Erection of Houses:**

(*a*) Land at Central Depôt;

(*b*) Land fronting North Circular Road, adjoining Housing Scheme No. 6:

The Borough Surveyor reported that in accordance with instructions he had considered the question as to which of the above sites would be the more suitable for the erection of six houses to accommodate large families at present living in overcrowded conditions and was of opinion that the land at the Central Depôt would be the more appropriate. He pointed out, however, that if that area were utilised, it would be necessary to obtain from the Electricity Committee an equivalent area for depôt purposes.

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It was thereupon decided to ask the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee to surrender to this Committee the area of land required for housing purposes and instructions were given to the Borough Surveyor to submit a plan thereof at the meeting of the Council;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the action taken be approved;

(2) that, in anticipation of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee agreeing to the above request, the Borough Surveyor be instructed to prepare and submit to this Committee at a special meeting to be held in January, 1937, plans for the erection of six houses on the land in question, together with a detailed estimate of the cost involved ; and

(3) that the Borough Treasurer be instructed to report in due course as to the necessary re-allocation of loan charges in connection with the land in the event of the Highways and Fire Brigade and Electricity Committees both being in agreement with the above proposals.

175 **Proposed Footpath from Housing Estate, North Circular Road to Summers Lane:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that as the above footpath would be used mainly by school children it appeared to him to be desirable that an alternative route to Summers Lane should be provided crossing the Council's Sewage Farm. The Committee were in accord with the suggestion and it was decided (a) to refer the matter to the Public Health and Allotments Committees with a view to their co-operation being obtained, and (b) to ask the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee to carry out the necessary work at the appropriate time ; see H'way P.H allots

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

176 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the Town Clerk as entered in his Instruction Book be approved.

MARY E. LEGGE,
Chairman.

Children's Safety Committee's Report.

(Special Meeting.)

9th DECEMBER, 1936.

Present: Councillors Grocott, Rutt, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy; Mr. Cowen.

Non-Member: Councillor Wightman.

177 **Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor H. A. Rutt be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing Municipal Year.

178 **Vice-Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor F. J. Grocott be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing Municipal Year.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Highways and Fire Brigade Committee's Report.

9th DECEMBER, 1936.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), Councillor Baines (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant and Pateman, and Councillors Burch, Connorton, Grobel and Wightman.

Non-Members: Alderman Wells and Councillors Caine, Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Murphy.

179 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of meetings of the Committee held on the 7th and 14th October and on the 9th November, 1936, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

180 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

181 **Street Accidents:**

The Returns received from the Police Authorities were submitted, from which it appeared that the number of street accidents which had occurred in the Borough during the months of September and October, 1936, as compared with the corresponding periods for the previous year, was as follows:—

	Fatal.	Non-Fatal.		Total.
		(a) Personal Injuries.	(b) Damage to property.	
September, 1935	1	38	62	101
September, 1936	2	33	61	96
October, 1935	—	44	59	103
October, 1936	—	48	98	146

Particulars received from the Ministry of Transport regarding road accidents in the Metropolitan Police District were also submitted.

182 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

It was reported that the under-mentioned properties of the Town Council had been damaged since the last ordinary meeting of the Committee:—

Side Pole No. 66—High Road, East Finchley.
Lamp Column—Totteridge Lane.
Lamp Column—High Road, North Finchley.
Lamp Column—Granville Road, corner of Chislehurst Avenue.
Lamp Column—North Circular Road.
Lamp Column—Lichfield Grove.
Pedestrian Crossing Beacon—Regents Park Road, junction with East End Road.

183 **Third Party Claims:**

It was reported that a number of claims had been received and dealt with.

184 **Stopping Places for Omnibuses and Trolleybuses:**

(*a*) A communication was submitted from the Ministry of Transport, referring to the inspection, at which the Town Council were represented, of the stopping places for omnibuses and trolleybuses in Ballards Lane at Church End Railway Station, and stating that, after consulting the London and Home Counties Traffic Advisory Committee, the Minister had decided that the following stopping place should be put into operation for an experimental period commencing on the 18th November, 1936:—

In Ballards Lane:—

South-bound omnibuses and trolleybuses to stop at the entrance to No. 2 (Premises of Messrs. F. W. Bullen & Son (Holloway) Ltd.).

It was added that it was proposed to review the working of the stopping place in question at the end of three months, and that if the Town Council desired to furnish the Minister with any observations thereon, they should do so before the expiration of that period.

(*b*) The Borough Surveyor reported that he had received a communication from the London Passenger Transport Board in connection with the suggested alteration; that the footpath was 8 ft. 4 ins. wide at the point in question, and that the new sign was fixed on the 18th November, 1936.

185 **Pedestrian Crossings:**

Reference was made to a communication received from Miss A. Parker, enclosing copy of a letter which appeared under her name recently in the "Finchley Press," and suggesting the provision of a small island in the centre of each pedestrian crossing in Ballards Lane and Regents Park Road;

RECOMMENDED that Miss Parker be informed that, so soon as the tram lines have been removed, it is the intention of the Town Council to take up with the Authorities concerned the matter to which she refers so far as regards Regents Park Road, and that it be pointed out to her that the provision of islands in Ballards Lane would not be practicable, having regard to the existing width of the road.

186 **Cromwell Hall Estate:**

A communication was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the Cromwell Hall Residents' Association, enclosing a list of suggestions as indicated below which the Association hoped would receive sympathetic consideration by the Town Council:—

"(*a*) 'No Through Road'	Numerous vans and other vehicular traffic enter the Estate under the impression that there is a direct route to the Hampstead Garden Suburb. It is thought that the erection of a 'No Through Road' notice would emphasise the fact that the entrance to the Estate is also the only exit.
(*b*) Cycling through the Passages or Rights of Way	The erection of notices prohibiting cycling through the rights of way leading from the Estate would no doubt be an effective method of dealing with quite a common occurrence.
(*c*) Grass Verges and Islands	We are gratified to report that the grass verges are now being regularly cut and trimmed, but the Islands, both in Deansway and Abbots Gardens, are badly in need of attention. For some time past the Islands have been neglected and are now much overgrown with weeds and generally are in a very bad state.

(*d*) Street Lighting

We feel we are well served with the actual number of lights provided, but one spot at the foot of the incline in Abbots Gardens, where there is a large Island in the centre of the road, we feel should be the subject of an early inspection. The lights here are so placed that the Island is practically invisible after dark as it has neither light upon or behind.

Regarding the extinction of all lights at 1 a.m. we feel that this blacking out constitutes a danger owing to the unique lay-out of Abbots Gardens with six Islands in the centre of the road, also the absence of any lighting after the hour mentioned might be interpreted as an invitation to burglars. Might we suggest that leaving certain lights burning at a few strategic points would meet the case."

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that as regards (a), authority be given to the Borough Surveyor to arrange for the erection of the notice in question;

(2) that as regards (b), the Borough Surveyor be instructed to arrange for the erection of notices on those portions of the rights of way which form part of public footpaths;

(3) that as regards (c), the Association be informed that the matter is one which has now received attention by the Borough Surveyor; and

(4) that as regards (d), the Borough Surveyor be instructed to make an inspection of the lighting at the point in question, and report on the matter at next meeting.

187 **Sky Signs:**

The following extract from the Minutes of a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association held on the 26th October, 1936, was submitted:—

"Mr. Skinner, Brentford and Chiswick, directed attention to the rapid growth in the number of neon signs fronting the highways conflicting in colour with the official traffic signals and rendering the latter in many instances difficult of detection, and it was

RESOLVED that the constituent authorities be recommended to support the Middlesex County Council in their efforts to obtain legislation to prohibit the indiscriminate exhibition of neon signs on highways which conflict as to colour with traffic signals."

RECOMMENDED that the resolution in question be supported by the Town Council.

188 **Improvement—Nos. 65/76, High Street, North Finchley:**

It was reported that the following resolution had been passed by the Highways Committee of the Middlesex County Council on the 14th October, 1936, in regard to this matter:—

"That the Highways Committee approves of the Finchley Town Council being reimbursed the sum of £32 12s. 0d. in respect of legal costs and the sum of £45 6s. 10d. in respect of paving works in connection with the Agreement entered into with the owners, for the re-building of Nos. 64/76, High Road, Finchley."

189 **Proposed Re-naming and Re-numbering—High Road, East Finchley, High Road and High Street, North Finchley, and High Road, Whetstone:**

The Town Clerk reported that the statutory notices in connection with the suggested alteration in the name of the above streets to "High Road" had been posted, and that, subject to any objections that might be raised, the Committee would be in a position at their next meeting to recommend that the necessary Order be made.

The Borough Surveyor intimated that he hoped to be in a position at next meeting to submit the re-numbering plan.

190 **Automatic Traffic Control Signals:**

(*a*) Junction of The Barnet Bye-Pass and The Bishop's Avenue.—A communication, dated 27th October, 1936, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council, stating that the County Highways Committee at its meeting on the 14th October, 1936, confirmed the action taken by its Chairman during the vacation in approving the erection of traffic control signals at the above-mentioned road junction, at an estimated cost of £1,810, subject to the Ministry of Transport's grant of 60 per cent. and to the Town Council meeting a moiety of the balance of the cost in respect of The Bishop's Avenue, and to the cost of maintenance and lighting being borne in similar proportions.

It was reported that the Town Council had already agreed that no objection be raised to the carrying out of the work, subject to no cost falling upon the Council until such time as The Bishop's Avenue had been taken over as a highway repairable by the inhabitants at large, but that the question of the maintenance and lighting of the signals needed consideration;

RECOMMENDED that the County Council be informed that the Town Council will be prepared to bear a proportion of the cost of the maintenance and lighting of the signals on the basis indicated.

(*b*) Barnet Bye-Pass.—A letter, dated 8th October, 1936, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council, stating that his Improvements Sub-Committee at a recent meeting considered the Town Council's letter of the 31st July last, regarding the proposed erection of traffic control and pedestrian signals along the Barnet Bye-Pass, when the County Engineer and Surveyor intimated that no provision had been made in the estimates for the current year to cover the cost thereof; that it was therefore referred to the County Engineer to approach the Ministry of Transport with a view to obtaining their approval to the provision of traffic signals, and to ascertain the attitude of the Ministry upon the question of a grant from the Road Fund.

191 **Slab Paving Works—Hendon Lane:**

A letter, dated 28th October, 1936, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council, stating that the County Highways Committee had had under consideration the County Engineer and Surveyor's Report upon the slab paving works carried out along Hendon Lane from Dollis Avenue to No. 20, Hendon Lane; that they had noted that the work was completed on the 27th November, 1935, at a total cost of £348 16s. 2d., which exceeded the estimate by £3 16s. 2d., and had decided to approve this small additional expenditure.

192 **Hackney Carriage Standings:**

It was reported that the Commissioner of Police had written stating that he had decided to cancel the hackney carriage standing in Falloden Way and to re-appoint it in Northway at its junction with Falloden Way, and enclosing for the information of the Town Council copies of the Regulations governing the cancellation and re-appointment of the standing.

193 **Acquisition of Nos. 1 and 2, The Cottages, Oakleigh Road, Whetstone:**

A letter, dated 16th October, 1936, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council, stating that his Highways Committee at their last meeting approved of the prescription of a frontage line along Oakleigh Road in pursuance of Section 30 of the Middlesex County Council Act, 1934, in connection with the acquisition of Nos. 1 and 2, The Cottages, required for the future widening of the road.

194 **Proposed Island—Tally Ho! Corner:**

It was reported that the following resolution had been passed by the County Highways Committee on the 14th October last in regard to this matter:—

"That an intimation be given to the Finchley Town Council that the County Council approves of the Local Authority constructing an island at the junction of the Great North Road and Ballards Lane, Finchley, at a cost not exceeding £200, including the cost of installing the temporary island, subject to an appropriate grant being made by the Ministry of Transport."

The Borough Surveyor intimated that instructions had been given for the work to be put in hand.

195 **Proposed Improvement—Junction of Squires Lane and Bow Lane:**

It was reported that the following resolution had been passed by the County Highways Committee on the 14th October last in regard to this matter:—

"That the following resolution adopted by the County Council at its meeting on the 25th July, 1935, be rescinded:—

'That an intimation be given to the Finchley Town Council that the County Council approve of the Local Authority accepting the offer of the owners to dedicate land on the west side of the Great North Road adjoining the corner of the junction with Squires Lane and approve of the Local Authority carrying out, in accordance with the Co-ordination Agreement, paving works in connection with the dedication and also at the junction of Squires Lane and Bow Lane, at an estimated cost of £535, including legal costs, subject to an appropriate grant in aid being made by the Ministry of Transport.'

That an intimation be given to the Finchley Town Council that the Highways Committee approves of the Local Authority carrying out, in accordance with the Co-ordination Agreement, the amended widening scheme in connection with the dedication of land at the junction of Bow Lane, Squires Lane and the Great North Road, Finchley, at a cost not exceeding £200, subject to a grant in aid being made by the Ministry of Transport."

196 **Highways (Works) Sub-Committee:**

The above Sub-Committee was constituted for the ensuing year as follows:—

The Mayor
The Deputy Mayor } Ex-Officio.
Alderman Briant.
Councillor Baines.
,, Rutt.

197 **Parking of Lorries—Lincoln Road:**

Reference was made to a petition signed by a number of residents in Lincoln Road on the above subject, and also to a further communication received from Mr. Freshwater.

The Town Clerk reported that he had been in communication with the Commissioner of Police, who had assured him that the matter continued to received the attention of the local Police, but that the position remained as stated in his letter of the 21st August, 1936.

He intimated that he had also taken up the matter with the Ministry of Transport, who had pointed out that the question of vehicles standing upon portions of the highway which were not appointed as official parking places was one for the Commissioner of Police; that the Divisional Road Engineer had, however, been asked to confer with the Borough Engineer and representatives of the Commissioner in order to ascertain whether it was desirable to appoint a parking place at a suitable site to accommodate the vehicles in question.

The Borough Surveyor intimated that the conference above referred to would shortly take place, and he was instructed to report the result thereof at the Council Meeting.

198 **Private Street Works:**

(*a*) 28th Batch—Broughton Avenue.—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Contractors, Messrs. P. Gallagher, Ltd., commenced work on the above street on the 24th November, 1936.

(*b*) Argyle Road—Remaining Portion.—A communication, dated 4th November, 1936, was submitted from Messrs. Rye & Eyre as follows, and the Town Clerk reported that same had been brought to the notice of the Inspector at the Public Inquiry :—

"With reference to the Inquiry to be held by the Minister of Health on Friday next on the Council's application for a loan of £634 we are writing on behalf of Mrs. Dorothy Grizzard, the owner and occupier of 27, Westbury Road, to notify you that in her view the only necessity for making up Argyle Road arises in consequence of the development of and for the benefit of adjoining land and therefore it is unfair that the expense should be borne by the frontagers of Argyle Road. The attention of the Minister should therefore be brought to these facts, and that our client sees no necessity for the loan.

We are further instructed to point out that this is a case in which a contribution should be made by the Council, as and when the road is made up."

RECOMMENDED that no further action be taken in the matter.

(*c*) 29th Batch.—

(i) The Leys.—A communication, dated 9th November, 1936, was submitted from the Ministry of Health, forwarding, for the information of the Town Council, copy of correspondence which had passed between Mr. J. W. Easton and the Department in connection with the making-up of The Leys.

(ii) Blandford Close.—A petition signed by 15 residents in Blandford Close was submitted, objecting to the red paving bricks specified in the statutory notice, and suggesting that a grass verge should be substituted therefor ;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the matter is one which should be raised at the Public Inquiry which will in due course be held by the Ministry of Health into the application for sanction to the necessary loan.

(iii) Deansway (1st Portion).—A Petition signed by 8 residents in Deansway was submitted, objecting to the proposal to make up the first portion of Deansway on the following grounds :—

"1. The estimated cost of 38/11d. per foot for making up the road is exorbitant and out of all proportion to the work entailed, especially in view of the fact that the road was to some extent made up in about 1929.

2. The estimated cost of making up the 2nd portion of Deansway is only 26/6d. per foot.

3. The cost of laying out the centre island should not be borne by us."

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the matter is one which should be raised at the Public Inquiry.

(iv) Widecombe Way.—The Borough Surveyor reported receipt of communications from Mr. W. G. Fuller, of 16, Widecombe Way, with regard to the provision of grass verges on the footways in this street instead of red bricks, and intimated that a memorial signed by 23 residents on the matter had also been received ;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the matter is one which should be raised at the Public Inquiry.

(*d*) 30th Batch.—

RECOMMENDED that the remaining portion of Chandos Road be included in the above-mentioned batch.

199 **Scavenging—New Road between Lichfield Grove and The Avenue :**

The Town Clerk reported that in April last the Town Council had decided to undertake the scavenging of the above-mentioned road upon terms to be agreed ; that a draft agreement had now been prepared, and that the Borough Surveyor had suggested that the charge be fixed at the rate of £24 per annum ;

RECOMMENDED that this charge be approved by the Town Council, and that the developers be notified accordingly.

200 **Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935:**

(*a*) The Town Clerk reported upon correspondence which he had received from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council with regard to the question of imposing time limits upon consents issued under the above Act.

He intimated that the County Council had consulted Counsel, and that it would appear that he was of the opinion that the inclusion in consents under the Act of a restriction imposing a time limit during which the buildings must be commenced would be a reasonable condition; further, that the County Highways Committee had decided in future to impose a condition on all consents issued under Section 2 of the Act, with the exception of those coming within the provisions of Section 7 (1) (b) in the following terms:—

"That this consent shall become void so far as it is applicable to the erection of buildings unless within three years from the date hereof the construction of such building has been substantially commenced."

RECOMMENDED that a similar course be adopted by the Town Council.

(*b*) The Committee considered the under-mentioned plans:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9791	3 lock-up shops with 2 maisonettes over	Nos. 103, 105 and 107, Ballards Lane, N. 3, at corner of Lovers Walk	Messrs. Goddard & Smith.
9802	Conversion of house into 2 self-contained flats	49, The Grove, N. 3	Mr. B. P. Borrett.
9810	Tool shed	Rear of 9, Broughton Avenue, N. 3	Mr. H. Dennett.
9818	Shelter for vehicles	Manor Farm, East End Road, N. 3	Messrs. R. Deards, Ltd.

RECOMMENDED that the consent of the Town Council, as the Highway Authority, be given to the proposals in question under the provisions of Section 2 (1) of the Act, subject, if applicable, to the condition mentioned in (a) above.

201 **De-Restriction of Roads in London Traffic Area:**

It was reported that, at the last meeting of the Town Council, a letter received from the Pedestrians' Association enquiring whether the Town Council would be prepared to take part in a Deputation to the Minister of Transport on the above subject had been referred to the Committee for consideration; that a notification was subsequently received to the effect that the Minister of Transport had asked Captain Austin Hudson, M.P., Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister, to receive the Deputation on the 4th December, 1936, and that the Mayor kindly arranged to attend.

The Town Clerk submitted a report of the proceedings which had since been received from the Pedestrians' Association, and the Mayor reported generally on the matter.

202 **Proposed Improvement—Ballards Lane, Junction with Granville Road:**

A letter, dated 27th November, 1936, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council, stating that the County Council had had under consideration the offer made by Messrs. Courage & Co. to dedicate the forecourt of the new building at the junction of Granville Road and Ballards Lane, and had approved of the Town Council accepting the offer and carrying out the paving works at a cost not exceeding the estimate.

203 **Proposed Improvement—Great North Road in Front of "Woodlands":**

A letter, dated 27th November, 1936, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council, stating that the County Council had had under consideration the offer made by the owner to dedicate a piece of land in front of "Woodlands" on the east side of the Great North Road, Finchley, subject to paving blocks and wood block crossing being constructed, at an estimated cost of £109, and had approved of the Town Council accepting the offer and carrying out the necessary works at a cost not exceeding the estimate.

204 **Widening—Hendon Lane:**

A letter, dated 2nd December, 1936, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council, suggesting that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to prepare a scheme for this improvement so that the matter could be brought before the County Highways Committee.

Instructions were given to the Borough Surveyor to arrange accordingly.

205 **Public Libraries—Location Signs:**

The Committee considered a reference from the Public Libraries Committee hereon;

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RECOMMENDED that authority be given to the Borough Surveyor to arrange for the erection of signs at the junction of East End Road with Regents Park Road and at the junction of Ravensdale Avenue with the High Road, indicating the location of the Public Libraries, subject (a) to the Public Libraries Committee bearing all expense in connection therewith and (b) to lamp standards being available for the purpose.

206 **Wayleaves:**

(*a*) The under-mentioned applications from the Post Office Authorities were submitted:—

Underground Lines:—

(i) North side of Arden Road, N. 3, from outside Nos. 54/56 to outside Nos. 58/60.

(ii) South-west side of Nethercourt Avenue, from outside Nos. 37/39 to outside Nos. 41/43;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that such applications be approved, subject to the actual positions of the lines being agreed by the Borough Surveyor, and to the works being carried out to his satisfaction;

(*b*) that as regards (ii), the cost of trenching and reinstatement be borne by the Town Council.

(*b*) The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"Underground line, east side of Oakwood Road, from outside Nos. 11/13 to outside Nos. 9/11 with a telegraphic post to carry wires at the latter point. With reference to Minute No. 2249 (b) I ascertained from the Post Office Department that the cost of placing the whole of the lines in this road underground would involve a contribution by the Town Council of £200, and Alderman Briant on the 30th October last authorised me to give the necessary consent to the application, including the erection of the pole."

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

207 **Electric Main Applications:**

(*a*) The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager has forwarded me the following list of twenty-three overground disconnecting boxes which are being erected in accordance with the authority given by Minute No. 2424:—

Holden Road, outside "Roseneath."
Holden Road, outside "The Garth."
Holden Road, middle (Dwarf).
The Bishop's Avenue, Great North Road.
Castle Road—Great North Road.
Stanhope Road—Great North Road.
Friern Park—Great North Road.
Long Lane—North Circular Road.
Briarfield Avenue—North Circular Road.
Rosemary Avenue—North Circular Road.
Windermere Avenue—East End Road.
Squires Lane—Briarfield Avenue.
Station Road—Squires Lane.
Squires Lane, outside Power Station.
Squires Lane—Long Lane.
Long Lane—Dukes Avenue.
Hervey Close—Claigmar Gardens.
Hervey Close—Ballards Lane.
Middle of Station Road.
Sylvan Avenue—Lichfield Grove.
Woodhouse Road—Grove Road.
Lichfield Grove, by Glenhill Close.
East End Road, by Stanhope Court.

(*b*) It was reported that the following applications for cable extensions had also been received :—

20th October, 1936	From Specialloids Factory in Friern Park, along Friern Park, crossing the Great North Road, down Percy Road to Sub-Station at the end of this latter road.
22nd October, 1936	Long Lane, from Dukes Avenue to the North Circular Road; Squires Lane, from Long Lane to Manor View; Manor View, from Squires Lane to East End Road; East End Road, from Manor View to Windermere Avenue; Lichfield Grove, from Manor View to Sylvan Avenue; Station Road, from Squires Lane to a point about midway between that road and Ballards Lane; Rosemary Avenue, from Squires Lane to the North Circular Road; Hervey Close, from Ballards Lane to Glaigmar Gardens.
23rd November, 1936	From existing main in Lodge Lane down William Street.
15th October, 1936	Cable extension in new road known as "Glenhill Close," off Lichfield Grove, now being developed by Messrs. Payne & Co.
15th October, 1936	Cable extensions across Hill Top, throughout Ludlow Way and across Ossulton Way, with a disconnecting box at the junction of Ludlow Way and Ossulton Way.

RECOMMENDED that the applications in question be granted.

208 **Pillar Box Application :**

The Borough Surveyor reported receipt from the Post Office Authorities of an application for permission to erect a pillar box in the Great North Road, near Walfield Avenue ;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the proposal, subject to the exact position of the pillar box being agreed by the Borough Surveyor.

209 **Plan No. 9791—3 Lock-up Shops with Two Maisonettes Over—Nos. 103, 105 and 107, Ballards Lane, N. 3, at Corner of Lovers Walk—Messrs. Goddard and Smith :**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the above-mentioned plan had been considered by the Town Planning Committee at their last meeting, who were recommending that same be approved, and that the developers were prepared to dedicate to the Town Council free of cost on the usual terms a strip of land approximately 6 feet wide between the back line of the footpath and the new building line ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, subject to the approval of the Middlesex County Council, the offer be accepted;

(2) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in connection with the Conveyance; and

(3) that, if necessary, payment of reasonable legal costs be approved.

210 **Proposed Church Hall—Junction of East End Road and Stanhope Avenue, N. 3:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the Town Planning Committee at their last meeting had had before them a tentative plan submitted by Messrs. C. W. B. Simmonds, Ltd., showing a proposed Church Hall and Primary Hall with other offices at the junction of East End Road and Stanhope Avenue; further, that the plan showed a small portion of land at the said junction to be thrown into the highway;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that, subject to the approval of the Middlesex County Council, the offer be accepted;

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in connection with the Conveyance; and

(*c*) that, if necessary, payment of reasonable legal costs be approved.

211 **Proposed Widening—Dunger Place, N. 12:**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon an offer which had been made by the Clayhall Park Estates, Ltd., to convey to the Town Council a strip of land in the above road as shown on deposited plan No. 9609, subject to the Town Council indemnifying them against the payment of roadmaking charges;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the offer be accepted;

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in connection with the Conveyance; and

(*c*) that, if necessary, payment of reasonable legal costs be approved.

212 **Roadside Shelters:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"Adverting to Minute No. 2001, I have been in communication with the London Passenger Transport Board and a letter under date 13th October, 1936, has been received as follows:—

'Referring to the interview granted our representative this morning, we confirm the undertaking verbally given that we shall be pleased to provide one of our standard type roadside shelters in the grounds of St. Mary's School, Church End, conditional upon your Council securing the necessary easement and carrying out the work of setting back fencing and also to provide a similar shelter on the suggested site near Athenæum Road, Whetstone.'

A further letter dated the 4th November, 1936, has been received asking what progress has been made with regard to the matter."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that, with regard to the suggested shelter in the grounds of St. Mary's Schools, the Town Clerk be authorised to take up the matter with the Parochial Church Council; and

(*b*) that the suggested site for a shelter near Athenæum Road, Whetstone, be approved.

213 **Bye-Laws re Fouling of Footpaths by Dogs:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that he had received a supply of notices relative to the fouling of footpaths by dogs, and that he would be glad to know whether the Committee desired that such notices should be reproduced on a smaller scale and placed on boards on lamp posts, etc., to give greater publicity to the matter throughout the Borough;

RECOMMENDED that he be instructed to arrange accordingly, subject to the notices in question being only slightly reduced in size.

214 **Suggested Pedestrian Crossing—Ballards Lane by Methodist Church:**

The Borough Surveyor reported receipt of a communication from Mr. J. H. Bennetts, on behalf of the Methodist Church, Ballards Lane, asking the Committee to consider the possibility of placing a Belisha crossing in Ballards Lane opposite to the Church premises.

In view of the existing crossings in this neighbourhood, it was

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council regret that they cannot see their way to take any action in the matter.

215 **Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922:**

(*a*) Retirements.—

(i) Roads Superintendent—Mr. A. Bayliss.—It was reported that Mr. A. Bayliss, the Roads Superintendent, would reach the retiring age of 65 on the 31st March next.

The Committee decided to suggest to the General Purposes Committee that, as from and including the 1st April, 1937, Mr. Bayliss be granted a superannuation allowance, and that such allowance be calculated on a basis of one-sixtieth of the average amount of his salary for the five years ending 31st March, 1937, in respect of each year of his service, in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

Arising on the above, the Committee considered the question of the appointment of a successor to Mr. Bayliss, and decided to suggest to the General Purposes Committee that Mr. S. H. Barnett, the Assistant Roads Superintendent, be appointed to the position.

The question of the salary proposed to be paid to him was not discussed, as it was thought that this matter could be dealt with at a later date.

(ii) Labourer Thomas Hillier.—The Borough Surveyor reported that the second period of extension granted to the above employee would expire on the 31st December, 1936, and that he had asked to be retained in the service of the Town Council for a further period.

The Committee decided to suggest to the General Purposes Committee that Mr. Hillier's services be retained for a further period of 12 months.

(*b*) Vacant Designated Posts.—The Borough Surveyor suggested that the undermentioned employees be appointed to fill the vacant designated posts set opposite to their respective names:—

Name.	Designated Post.
Vize, E. A.	Mechanic—Borough Surveyor's Department.
Stephens, W. H.	Scavenger— ,, ,, ,,
Waterhouse, A. G.	Scavenger— ,, ,, ,,
Oakley, W. J.	Scavenger— ,, ,, ,,

The Committee decided to suggest to the General Purposes Committee accordingly, subject to the employees in question passing the necessary medical examination.

216 **Private Streets—Swan Lane Extension:**

The Committee considered the question of the taking over of the above street as a highway repairable by the inhabitants at large which, it was reported, had been made up to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that whereas the above-named street situate within the Borough of Finchley not being at the date hereof a highway repairable by the inhabitants at large, has been sewered, levelled, paved, metalled, flagged, channelled and made good and provided with proper means for lighting to the satisfaction of the Town Council, and the Town Council being of opinion that the said street ought to become a highway repairable by the inhabitants at large, the said street be and the same is hereby declared to be a highway repairable by the inhabitants at large from the date of the notices hereinafter mentioned; and

(*b*) that the Town Clerk be and he is hereby instructed and authorised to sign and affix the necessary notices in accordance with the provisions of the Public Health Acts, 1875 to 1925, and the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908; provided that if within one month after the putting up of such notices the owners, or a majority in number or value of the owners of the said street shall by notice in writing object to the same becoming a highway so repairable the same shall not become a highway so repairable.

217 **Proposed Shrubs—Carlyle Close, Hampstead Garden Suburb:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the Coombs Construction Co., Ltd., had written enquiring whether, if they planted an unfenced verge approximately 5 feet wide in Carlyle Close with flowering shrubs, it would be acceptable to the Town Council when taking over the street;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded in the affirmative.

218 **Forecourts—52, 54 and 56, Market Place, Falloden Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"I have received a letter dated the 5th November, 1936, from Mr. J. F. Farrell stating that he holds a 99 years lease for these three premises, which lease he has sub-leased to Messrs. Kentish & Sons, who in turn have sub-leased to Messrs. Reys Motors, Ltd., and that he is prepared to surrender such forecourts to the Town Council provided they make them up as part of the highway. Mr. Farrell states he is prepared to waive all his rights in the forecourts and encloses letters from Messrs. Kentish & Sons, and Messrs. Reys Motors, Ltd., waiving their rights. The premises are situate in Kingsley Way at the junction of Falloden Way and the frontage in the latter road would, of course, be a matter for the County Council. The estimated cost is £75, plus legal costs £75, making a total of £150."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the offer be accepted, subject to the freehold interest being secured;

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in connection with the Conveyance;

(*c*) that if necessary payment of reasonable legal costs and Surveyors' fees be approved; and

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(*d*) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee with a view to their making the necessary financial arrangements.

219 **Proposed Re-naming—Conisbee Road, N. 20:**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon a request which had been received in connection with the above;

RECOMMENDED that, with a view to an Order being made by the Town Council under Section 18 of the Public Health Act, 1925, notices be posted at each end of the thoroughfare now known as Conisbee Road, Whetstone, or in some conspicuous position in such street, of the Town Council's intention to alter the name of the street to "Derwent Crescent."

220 **Naming of Streets:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the developers had suggested that the new road off Nether Street, opposite Fursby Avenue, be named "Western Court," and that a letter had been received from Mr. J. C. S. Soutar, asking that the new road between houses known as "Fairhill" and "Green Trees," The Bishop's Avenue, be named "Bishop's Grove";

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the proposals.

221 **Castle Way—Proposed Making up of:**

The Committee considered a reference from the Housing Committee hereon;

RECOMMENDED that advertisements be issued inviting tenders for the carrying out of the necessary works.

222 **Appropriation of Land for Housing Purposes—Central Depôt:**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon a reference from the Housing Committee hereon; (Hous 174) (Elect 275.

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised by this Committee to the transfer to the Housing Committee of the land required for housing purposes, provided the Electricity Committee are willing to surrender to this Committee an equivalent area of the adjoining land.

223 **Proposed Footpath from Housing Estate, North Circular Road to Summers Lane:** See Housing 17 P.H. 24 Allots - 30

The Borough Surveyor reported hereon;

RECOMMENDED that the appropriate Committees be informed that this Committee will be prepared to arrange for the construction of the footpath in question so soon as all necessary consents have been obtained.

224 **Fire Brigade:**

(*a*) Fire Brigade Sub-Committee.—The following report of a meeting of the above Sub-Committee held on the 17th November, 1936, was submitted:—

Present: The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), and Councillors Baines and Rutt.

1 **Chairman:**

Councillor Rutt was appointed Chairman of the Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

2. **Appointment of Second Officer of the Fire Brigade:**

In accordance with the authority delegated to them, the Sub-Committee interviewed six candidates for the above and appointed Mr. E. G. Hobbs of Enfield Fire Brigade upon the terms already agreed by the Town Council, subject to his passing the necessary medical examination, with effect from the 1st December, 1936.

3 **Housekeeper—Single Firemen's Quarters:**

The Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade reported that the housekeeper had been absent from duty owing to illness for a prolonged period. The Town Clerk was instructed to terminate her services forthwith and authority was given to the Chairman and the Chief Officer to fill the position at a wage of 25s. a week, subject to report;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

HAROLD A. RUTT,
Chairman.

RECOMMENDED that the Report be adopted.

(*b*) Appointment of Second Officer of the Brigade.—It was reported that an enquiry had been received from Mr. E. G. Hobbs, the newly appointed Second Officer, as to whether the cost of the removal of his personal effects from Enfield to Finchley, amounting to £3, would be defrayed by the Council, and that, after consulting the Chairman of the Committee, a reply had been forwarded to Mr. Hobbs in the affirmative;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*c*) National Fire Brigades' Association.—A print of the proceedings of the Autumn Conference held at Malvern on the 30th September and 1st and 2nd October, 1936, was submitted.

(*d*) Damage to Town Council's Property.—It was reported that the Talbot Ambulance was damaged slightly by an unknown vehicle on the 26th October and on the 1st December, 1936, and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

(*e*) Fire Alarm Circuit—Kiwi Polish Co., Pty., Ltd.—It was reported that notice had been received from the Kiwi Polish Co. of their desire to terminate the agreement entered into in connection with the Fire Alarm circuit installed at the premises formerly occupied by them in Ballard Lane.

(*f*) Chief Officer's Report.—The Chief Officer of the Brigade reported as follows:—

(i) Fires.—That a number of fires, as shown in the list circulated, had occurred between the 21st September and the 20th November, 1936.

(ii) Ambulance Calls.—That the following ambulance calls had been received between the 21st September and the 20th November, 1936:—

Private Removals.	Accidents. Motor.	Accidents. Other.	Illness in street.	Not required on arrival.	Hoax calls.	Total.
76	31	12	8	10	0	137

(iii) Music and Dancing Licences—Fire Appliances.—That the fire appliances had been inspected at a number of halls, and that the usual certificates had been issued.

(iv) Visitors—New Fire Station.—That members of the Barking Corporation visited the new Fire Station on the 21st October, 1936, and were received by the Mayor, and that members of the Middlesex Surveyors' Association visited the Station on the 8th October, 1936, and were received by the Mayor and the Borough Engineer and Surveyor.

(v) Ambulance.—That a communication, dated 18th October, 1936, had been received from Mr. M. J. Archbold, of 71, Durham Road, from which the following was an extract:—

> "May I take this opportunity of thanking you for the prompt and efficient service rendered, and also express my thanks to the Ambulance crew for their extreme courtesy in a rather trying circumstance."

(vi) Second Officer.—That Second Officer E. G. Hobbs commenced duty on the 1st December, 1936.

(vii) Housekeeper—Single Firemen's Quarters.—That the Chairman of the Committee had authorised the appointment of Miss F. Hillier, of 111, Squires Lane, N.3, to the above position, on the usual terms, and that she commenced duty on the 24th November, 1936;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

225 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

HAROLD A. RUTT,
Chairman.

Public Health Committee's Report.

10th DECEMBER, 1936.

Present: Councillor Jones (Chairman), Councillor Grobel (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant and Pike, and Councillors Collis, Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Murphy.

Non-Member: Alderman Pateman.

226 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of meetings of the Committee held on the 8th October and 9th November, 1936, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

227 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

228 **Medical Officer's Report:**

The report (circulated) of the Medical Officer of Health for the nine weeks ended 28th November, 1936, was submitted and approved.

Arising thereon, it was reported—

Children Act, 1908, and Children and Young Persons Act, 1932:

Statistics.—That at the time of the last report there were 16 mothers and 56 children on the register; that since then 18 children had been added and 30 removed and that one child had attained the age of nine years, leaving 16 mothers and 43 children on the register.

229 **Sanitary Inspector's Report:**

This was submitted. Arising therefrom, the Inspector reported as follows:—

(1) Buildings without sufficient Closet Accommodation.—

(*a*) Melrose, 197, High Road, N. 2.—That the above-named dwellinghouse was not provided with sufficient closet accommodation; that the house was occupied by two separate families and that there was one water closet provided on the premises; further, that the said water closet was entered directly from the scullery and that its position was most unsatisfactory for use by two separate families;

RECOMMENDED that a notice be served under Section 39 (3) of the Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1907, requiring the provision at the premises of an additional proper and sufficient water closet.

(*b*) Specialloid, Ltd., Works, Friern Park, N. 12.—That an additional water closet had now been provided at the above premises as required by the Town Council.

(2) Paving of Passages (Section 20, Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908).—

(*a*) Passage rear of Nos. 102 to 114 (even inclusive), High Road, N. 2, and at the west side of No. 1, Leicester Road.—That the passage belonging to the above-named premises and used in common by the occupiers thereof was in bad condition;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that notices be served upon the respective owners requiring them to execute the works specified by the Inspector in his report; and

(2) that failing compliance, proceedings be taken for recovery of the penalties mentioned in Section 20 of the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908.

(*b*) Passage at the rear of Nos. 6 to 18d (even inclusive), Ballards Lane, and at the west side of No. 1, Hervey Close;

Passage at the rear of Nos. 20 to 36b (even inclusive), Ballards Lane, and at the west side of No. 2, Hervey Close.—

That the passages belonging to the above-named premises, and used in common by the occupiers thereof, were in bad condition;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that notices be served upon the respective owners requiring them to execute the works specified by the Inspector in his report; and

(2) that failing compliance, proceedings be taken for recovery of the penalties mentioned in Section 20 of the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908.

(3) Housing Acts, 1925–1935.—

(*a*) 8, Fallow Court Avenue, N. 12 (First Floor);

318, High Road, N. 2;

17, Grosvenor Road, N. 3 (Ground Floor).—

That the above dwellinghouses had now been entered in accordance with the instructions of the Town Council and that the rooms therein had been measured.

(*b*) Demolition Order—2, Rustic Cottages, Dunger Place, N. 12.—That the above dwellinghouse had now been vacated.

(*c*) Entries in Rent Books.—That the following summary showed the position at the 30th November, 1936, with respect to applications received from owners of dwellinghouses for information as to the "permitted number" of persons who might occupy the said dwellings:—

Number of dwellinghouses for which applications had been received	2530
Number of such dwellinghouses which had been measured:—	
Houses	2219
Rooms	12786
Number of such dwellinghouses for which certificates had been issued	2219
Number of such dwellinghouses requiring measurement	311

(*d*) Overcrowding.—That the following summary showed the position on the the 30th November, 1936, with respect to the overcrowded families in the Borough:—

Number of overcrowded families recorded as a result of the Survey:—	
In Private Houses	97
In Council Houses	29
	126
Number of cases of overcrowding abated since the Survey:—	
In Private Houses	62
In Council Houses	11
	73

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New cases of overcrowded families recorded since the Survey :—

In Private Houses	9
In Council Houses	1
	10

Number of cases of overcrowded families outstanding on the records :—

Survey List :—		
Private Houses	35	
Council Houses	18	53
Supplementary List :—		
Private Houses	9	
Council Houses	1	10
		63

(4) Complaints.—That since the 2nd October, 1936, the following complaints had been received and dealt with :—

re Condition of house	32
,, Overcrowding	1
,, Blocked or defective drains	7
,, Accumulation of refuse	9
,, Burning of refuse	2
,, Water in cellar	2
,, Accumulation of water in side entrance	1
,, Insects	1
,, Keeping of animals	1
,, Noise from bakehouse	1
,, Weeds and overhanging branches	1
,, Position of dustbin	1
,, Use of sheds	1
,, Shops Acts	1
	61

(5) Shops Acts, 1912 to 1934—Failure to provide for—

(*a*) Assistants' half-holiday ;

(*b*) Proper meal times for assistants ;

(*c*) Posting up notice prescribed by the Shops Acts.

"Eddies" Snack Bar, adjoining Carrimore Works, High Road, N. 12.—That the proprietor of the above premises had been written to and required to comply with the provisions of the Shops Acts with respect to the assistants' weekly half-holiday, arrangements for proper meal times for the assistants and the posting up in the shop of the notice prescribed by the Shops Acts in regard to the assistants' half-holiday ; that letters were sent to the proprietor on the 1st and 29th September, 1936, but that no reply had been received and the infringements continued ; further, that the temporary licence in respect of the building would expire on the 31st December, 1936, and that at the last meeting of the Town Planning Committee the further consideration of the question of renewing the licence was deferred until the meeting of the Town Council.

The Committee were of opinion that, in the circumstances above referred to, the licence should not be renewed after its expiry on the 31st December, 1936.

(6) Unsound Food.—That the diseased or unsound meat, particulars of which were submitted, had been destroyed since last meeting.

(7) Milk and Dairies Acts—Milk and Dairies Order, 1926 — Registration.—That applications had been received from the under-mentioned traders to be registered as retail purveyors of milk within the Borough, namely :—

Harry James Taylor, 224, Long Lane, Finchley, N. 3.

Colman Myer Polinski (trading as Myers Stores), 41, Market Place, Lyttelton Road, N. 2;

RECOMMENDED that the applications be granted.

(8) Milk (Special Designations) Order, 1936.—

(*a*) Samples.—That samples of designated milk had been taken and submitted for bacteriological examination and that the same complied with the prescribed bacterial standards.

(*b*) Licences.—That applications had been received from the under-mentioned dealers for licences under the above Order as follows :—

(i)

Special Designation.	Name of Dealer.	Shop or premises from which milk will be sold.
Tuberculin Tested	A.1 & Dollis Dairies, Ltd.	42, High Street, North Finchley.
,,	A.1 & Dollis Dairies, Ltd.	119, Ballards Lane, Finchley, N.3.
,,	Farm Dairies, Ltd.	35, Church Lane, N. 2.
,,	London Co-operative Society, Ltd.	99, High Street, North Finchley, N. 12
,,	United Dairies (London), Ltd.	Depôt, Frederick's Place, N. 12.
,,	United Dairies (London), Ltd.	39, High Road, East Finchley, N. 2.
,,	Express Dairy Company, Ltd.	College Farm, Finchley, N. 3. (Bottling Establishment).
,,	Express Dairy Company, Ltd.	69, Ballards Lane, N. 3.
,,	Express Dairy Company, Ltd.	78, High Street, N. 12.
,,	Norman D. Blake	134, Weston Park, N. 8. (Supplementary Licence).
Accredited	A.1 & Dollis Dairies, Ltd.	42, High Street, North Finchley.
,,	A.1 & Dollis Dairies, Ltd.	119, Ballards Lane, N. 3.
Pasteurised	Farm Dairies, Ltd.	35, Church Lane, N. 2.
,,	London Co-operative Society, Ltd.	99, High Street, N. 12
,,	United Dairies (London), Ltd.	98, High Street, North Finchley, N. 12.
,,	United Dairies (London), Ltd.	39, High Road, East Finchley.
,,	United Dairies (London), Ltd.	2, Hendon Lane, Finchley, N. 3.
,,	United Dairies (London), Ltd.	6, Market Place, Falloden Way, N.W. 11.
,,	United Dairies (London), Ltd.	134, High Road, East Finchley, N. 2.

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Special Designation.	Name of Dealer.	Shop or premises from which milk will be sold.
Pasteurised	United Dairies (London), Ltd.	Depôt, Frederick's Place, N. 12.
"	United Dairies (London), Ltd.	40, Church Lane, East Finchley, N. 2.
"	Express Dairy Company, Ltd.	69, Ballards Lane, N. 3.
"	Express Dairy Company, Ltd.	362, Regents Park Road, N. 3.
"	Express Dairy Company, Ltd.	21, Market Place, Falloden Way, N.W. 11.
"	Express Dairy Company, Ltd.	78, High Street, N. 12.
"	Hardy & Giblett, Ltd.	181, Woodhouse Road, N. 12. (Supplementary Licence).

(ii)

Special Designation.	Name of Dealer.	Premises where process of pasteurising is carried on.
Pasteurised	A.1 & Dollis Dairies, Ltd.	A.1 Dairy Farm, High Road, N. 20.
"	Express Dairy Company, Ltd.	College Farm, Finchley, N. 3.

RECOMMENDED that the applications be granted, subject as regards those applications set out in (i) above to the licences of the producers being in order.

(9) Applications for Use and Occupation of Slaughterhouses.—That applications for licences for the use and occupation of existing slaughterhouses had been received from the under-mentioned traders, namely :—

Name of Applicant.	Situation of Slaughterhouse.	Date of expiration of present licence.
Robert Henry Friday	Rear of 6, The Broadway, High Road, N. 20	31st December, 1936.
Arthur William Mudd	Rear of 33, Market Place, East Finchley	"
S. Pulham & Sons, Ltd.	High Road, East Finchley immediately south of Wellington House	"
John Edward Semple	Rear of 7, Ballards Lane, N. 3	"
Thomas Anderson Vivers	Park Farm, East End Road, East Finchley	"

RECOMMENDED that licences be granted to the above-mentioned applicants for the twelve months ending 31st December, 1937, for the use and occupation of slaughterhouses on the premises set opposite to their respective names.

(10) Slaughter of Animals Act, 1933 (Section 3)—Licensing of Slaughtermen.—

(i) Application for Licence.—That an application had been received from Mr. K. C. Ogles, of 219, Sidney Road, N. 10, who was employed by Mr. A. W. Mudd, for a licence to slaughter animals in a slaughterhouse or knacker's yard;

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted for the period ending 31st December, 1937, subject to payment of a fee of 1/-.

(ii) Renewal of Licences.—That applications had been received from the undermentioned persons for the renewal of their licences to slaughter animals in slaughterhouses or knackers' yards:—

Name of Person.	Address.	Employer.
George Richard Albrow	16, Beresford Road, East Finchley, N. 2	S. Pulham & Sons, Ltd.
Charles Andrews	5, Oakley Cottages, High Road, N. 20	J. Semple.
William Alexander Cooper	9, Holly Terrace, Swan Lane, Whetstone	S. Pulham & Sons, Ltd.
Basil Reginald Frank Curtis	20, Donovan Avenue, Muswell Hill, N. 10	S. Pulham & Sons, Ltd.
Hubert James Hoskin	41, Leslie Road, East Finchley, N. 2.	S. Pulham & Sons, Ltd.
Clement James	30, Trinity Road, East Finchley, N. 2	T. A. Vivers.
George Edward Lilley	11, Pemberton Terrace, Upper Holloway, N. 19	A. W. Mudd.
Eric Playle	12, Avenue Road, North Finchley, N. 12	J. Semple.
Albert E. Reeve	19, Avenue Road, North Finchley, N. 12	S. Pulham & Sons, Ltd.
Stanley Robert Smith	31, Market Place, East Finchley, N. 2	A. W. Mudd.
Charles A. Turner	152, Weirdale Avenue, Whetstone	S. Pulham & Sons, Ltd.
William Tuvey	117, Leslie Road, East Finchley, N. 2	T. A. Vivers.

RECOMMENDED that the applications be granted for the period ending 31st December, 1937, subject to payment of a fee of 1/- in each case.

(11) Petroleum (Consolidation) Act, 1928.—

(*a*) Blaker Motor & Welding Co., Ltd., Depôt, Hamilton Road, N. 2.—That an application had been received from the Blaker Motor & Welding Co., Ltd., for a licence to keep 500 gallons of petroleum spirit in bulk and that it was proposed to keep the petroleum spirit in an underground storage tank placed in the position shown on Plan No. 23 submitted by the applicants;

RECOMMENDED that the licence now submitted be granted to the above-mentioned applicants for the period ending 30th June, 1937, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Inspector.

PUBLIC HEALTH (*contd.*).

(*b*) The Lendown Car Mart, 407, Nether Street, N. 3.—That in July, 1936, Mr. L. B. Down, the occupier of the above premises was granted a licence by the Town Council to keep 500 gallons of petroleum spirit in bulk; that the storage installation had not been constructed and that an application, dated 19th November, 1936, had now been received from George Osborne, Ltd., on behalf of Mr. Down, for the Council's consent to vary the original proposal; that the variations were shown on Plan No. 24 submitted by the applicant and that certain details were confirmed in a letter, dated 24th November, 1936, received from George Osborne, Ltd.; further, that the applicant now desired to instal a multiple petrol pump and two triple compartment storage tanks and to increase the amount of petroleum spirit to be kept from 500 gallons to 1,800 gallons;

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted in substitution for that approved by the Council in July last, and that the licence now submitted be issued to the above-mentioned applicant for the period ending 30th June, 1937, subject to the conditions mentioned in the report of the Inspector.

(*c*) Simms Motor Units, Ltd., The Grange Works, Oak Lane, Finchley, N. 2.—That an application had been received from Mr. G. T. Morris, Architect, on behalf of Simms Motor Units, Ltd., for the Town Council's consent, under Clause 25 of their petroleum spirit licence to erect at the above premises a building within twenty feet of the petroleum spirit store; further, that the proposed building was shown on the amended plan No. 9775 submitted by the applicant;

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted so far as this Committee is concerned.

230 **Maternity and Child Welfare Sub-Committee:**

It was reported that a meeting of the above Sub-Committee had been held on the 10th December, 1936, and the following report was submitted:—

"Present: The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Collis, Jones, Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Murphy; also Mrs. Healing, Mrs. Reeves and Mrs. Robinson.

Non-Member: Alderman Pateman.

(*a*) Chairman.—Councillor Jones was appointed Chairman of the Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

(*b*) Requisitions.—

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved, subject to the addition of the following item:—

North Finchley Welfare Centre—Hessian Floor Covering ... £2 0s. 0d.

(*c*) Milk Sub-Committee.—

RECOMMENDED that the above Sub-Committee be re-constituted for the ensuing year as follows:—

The Mayor
The Deputy Mayor } Ex-Officio.
Mrs. Healing.
Mrs. Reeves.
Mrs. Robinson.

(*d*) Medical Officer's Report.—The report (circulated) of the Medical Officer of Health for the 13 weeks ended 28th November, 1936, was submitted and approved.

Arising thereon, the Medical Officer of Health reported upon a letter which he had received from the Chapel Steward of the Finchley Methodist Church, requesting the Council to agree to an increase in the annual rental paid to the Church Authorities for the use of the Primary Department of the Church as an Infant Welfare Centre. It was stated that the rent at present paid was £52 per annum, exclusive of rates.

After consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Town Council agree to an increase in the net rent of £10 per annum with effect as from and including the 1st April, 1937; and

(2) that the Solicitor be instructed to take such steps as may be necessary to give effect to this arrangement.

J. HUGH JONES,
Chairman.

RECOMMENDED that the report be received and adopted.

231 **Maternity Accommodation Sub-Committee:**

RECOMMENDED that the above Sub-Committee be constituted for the ensuing year as follows:—

The Mayor
The Deputy Mayor } Ex-Officio.
Alderman Briant.
,, Pike.
Councillor Jones.
,, Mrs. Legge.
Mrs. Reeves.

232 **Annual Report for 1936 of the Medical Officer of Health:**

A circular letter, dated 16th October, 1936, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted requesting that the Town Council would direct that the Annual Report for 1936 of the Medical Officer of Health be drawn up on the lines therein indicated;

RECOMMENDED that the Medical Officer of Health be instructed accordingly.

233 **Milk (Special Designations) Order, 1936:**

A circular letter (No. 1580), dated 5th November, 1936, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted enclosing a copy of a revised edition of Memorandum 139—Foods which dealt with the question of bacteriological tests for graded milk.

It was reported that copies of the letter and of the enclosure had been referred to the Medical Officer of Health and the Chief Sanitary Inspector.

234 **Shops (Hours of Closing) Act, 1928:**

A letter, dated 27th November, 1936, received from the Home Office was submitted stating, for the information of the Town Council, that the Secretary of State had made an Order under the powers conferred upon him by Section 7 (1) of the Shops (Hours of Closing) Act, 1928, suspending the operation throughout England and Wales of the provisions of that Act relating to general closing hours from Friday, 18th December to Thursday, 24th December, 1936, both days inclusive.

It was pointed out that the Order also had the effect of suspending the operation during the period in question of evening closing orders made under the Shops Act, 1912; that it did not, however, suspend the operation of the provisions relating to the closing of shops on the weekly half-holiday, and that a shopkeeper would not therefore be entitled to remain open on the weekly half-holiday before Christmas, except under the conditions laid down in the Act of 1912, nor did the Order in any way affect the operation of the provisions of the 1912 and 1934 Acts relating to the shop assistants' half-holiday, and the regulation of hours of young persons; further, that the provisions of the Licensing Acts in regard to the sale of intoxicating liquor would also not be affected.

PUBLIC HEALTH (*contd.*).

235 **Maternity Accommodation :**

Referring to Minute No. 1350 (1935/36) it was reported that the letter, dated 6th April, 1936, received from the Middlesex County Council had been considered at a further Conference between representatives of the Councils of Finchley, Hornsey and Wood Green held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on the 22nd October, 1936, when the following resolution was passed :—

> "That the Honorary Secretary be instructed to inform the Middlesex County Council that the proposal to provide additional beds at the North Middlesex County Hospital is not one which will relieve the position adequately insofar as cases from the Boroughs of Finchley, Hornsey and Wood Green are concerned, and to enquire (i) when and where the 160 beds referred to in the letter from the County Council are likely to be provided, and (ii) whether the agreement between the Hertfordshire County Council and the Middlesex County Council for the admission of Maternity cases to the Wellhouse Hospital which expires in 1937 will be renewed."

It was further reported that the resolution had been approved by the Councils of Hornsey and Wood Green, whereupon it was

RECOMMENDED that the resolution be approved so far as this Council is concerned.

236 **Midwives Acts, 1902–1936 :**

Referring to Minute No. 2024 (4) (a), a letter, dated 27th October, 1936, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted as follows :—

> "I am directed by the Minister of Health to refer to your letter of the 9th instant, relative to the application made by the Town Council for an Order under Section 62 of the Local Government Act, 1929, directing that the Town Council shall become the Local Supervising Authority under the Midwives Acts, 1902 to 1936, for the Borough in place of the County Council.
>
> The Minister has given careful consideration to this application, and he desires me to explain that now that the Midwives Act, 1936, is in operation, the most important factor to be considered in connection with such an application is the number of cases attended each year by midwives in the homes of patients within the Borough. Having regard to the small number of such cases in Finchley, the number of salaried midwives required in the Borough will be too few to justify the establishment of a separate service for the Borough. The Minister does not propose, therefore, to issue an Order."

A letter, dated 5th December, 1936, received from the Middlesex County Council was also submitted stating that the County Council was now proceeding to formulate its proposals for carrying out its obligations under the Midwives Act, 1936, and would be glad to be informed by not later than the 19th December, 1936, whether the Town Council were desirous of participating in the new service if the County Council should wish to avail itself of such co-operation.

The letter further stated that it would be appreciated that the present enquiry was of a preliminary nature only and that there was no necessity at this juncture to consider the actual details of any arrangements which might be made with the Council. It was pointed out, however, that any co-operation between the Council and the County Council would, of course, be subject to mutually satisfactory financial and other terms being arranged.

Enquiry was therefore made (a) whether the Council would be willing to act as the County Council's agents for the whole or any part of the Borough, or (b) whether the Council considered that any part of its area should be served by any voluntary organisation under arrangements entered into between that organisation and the County Council.

After hearing a report by the Medical Officer of Health on the matter, it was decided to inform the Middlesex County Council that there were no voluntary organisations employing midwives in the Borough and that the Town Council would be prepared to act as the agents of the County Council for the whole of the Borough, subject to satisfactory financial and terms being arranged ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

237 **Purchase of Land in Oak Lane for Erection of Health Centre:**

It was reported that the Ministry of Health had now issued its consent to the raising of a loan for the purchase of a piece of land in Oak Lane for the erection thereon of a health centre and for the work of constructing an entrance roadway to the premises of Simms Motor Units, Ltd.

In a covering letter, dated 12th November, 1936, it was stated that the Minister would be prepared to issue his consent to the raising of a loan in respect of the cost of diverting the drain which ran across the land if and when the Council found it necessary to carry out this work.

Arising thereon, the Borough Surveyor reported that he was of opinion that the drain need not be diverted until the site was built upon and that the sum required for the diversion could be included in the cost of the work and in any application for consent to the raising of a loan.

238 **Middlesex County Council Act, 1934:**

A letter, dated 3rd November, 1936, received from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council was submitted, enquiring whether the Town Council had considered the question of making bye-laws under Section 57 (Bye-laws as to camping grounds), Section 68 (Bye-laws as to establishments for massage or special treatment) and Section 78 (Bye-laws as to hairdressers' and barbers' premises) of the Middlesex County Council Act, 1934. The writer added that if he could be of any assistance to the Council in suggesting the form of any bye-laws made under the statutory provisions above referred to, he would be only too happy to do so.

The Town Clerk reported that he had obtained from the Ministry of Health copies of the model Bye-laws with respect to camping grounds and hairdressers' and barbers' premises and that these had been referred to the Sanitary Officers.

After hearing a report by the Officers in question on the matter, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that Bye-laws be made with respect to camping grounds and hairdressers' and barbers' premises and that the Town Clerk be instructed to submit a draft of such bye-laws to this Committee at next meeting; and

(2) that the Middlesex County Council be informed (i) of the action proposed to be taken, and (ii) that it is not the intention of the Council to make Bye-laws with respect to establishments for massage or special treatment.

239 **Maintenance of Patients in Isolation Hospitals:**

It was reported that at a Conference held at the Guildhall, Westminster, on the 9th October, 1936, between representatives of the Middlesex County Council and of the several Local Authorities, Hospital Boards and Joint Hospital Committees in the County, the question of the action to be taken in regard to the treatment of in-patients at County Hospitals and Institutions who might develop infectious diseases was considered and it was agreed that the most appropriate procedure would be for such persons to be removed to one or other of the infectious diseases hospitals in the County upon the basis of the County Council paying the actual cost; further, that the resolution adopted at the Conference was as follows:—

> "That, in order to provide equitable financial arrangements as between the County Council and the several Borough and District Councils in the County, in connection with the treatment of in-patients in County Hospitals and Institutions who may be suffering from infectious disease, this Conference is of opinion that arrangements should be entered into between the County Council and the Authorities having the management of the isolation hospitals in the County, upon the basis of the Authorities receiving such cases irrespective of the place of residence of the patients and so far as accommodation is available, upon payment by the County Council of the actual cost, subject to the financial details being approved by the respective Authorities."

PUBLIC HEALTH (*contd.*).

It was also reported that in a letter which had been addressed by the County Council to the Clerk of the Finchley, Hornsey, Wood Green and Friern Barnet Joint Hospital Committee, enquiry was made as to whether the Committee were prepared to enter into the necessary agreement; further, that as the scheme for the provision of adequate hospital accommodation for the treatment of infectious disease stated that the Councils of Finchley, Hornsey, Wood Green and Friern Barnet should provide accommodation for patients from their respective districts, a copy of the letter above referred to had been sent to each of the Authorities concerned.

240 **Refuse Collection Contract—Robert Deards, Ltd.:**

(*a*) Sureties.—The Town Clerk reported that the Contractors, Robert Deards, Ltd., had asked that they might substitute the names of Mr. D. C. Tompson and Mr. T. Dalzell as sureties in place of the sureties they gave when tendering, and that on the instructions of the Mayor and the Chairman of the Committee, he had agreed to the request after having verified the references of the gentlemen in question.

(*b*) Type of Vehicle to be Used.—The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

> The new contractors for the collection of house and trade refuse have selected, subject to your approval, a "Dennis" 15 cubic yard moveable floor, low loader vehicle for their contract which commences on the 1st April next. I am of opinion that this is one of the finest vehicles on the market and as Messrs. Deards are anxious to place the order and so ensure delivery in time, after consulting the Chairman of the Committee, I have notified them that no objection will be raised to their proposal.

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

241 **Third Party Claim:**

It was reported that one claim had been received since the last ordinary meeting of the Committee and that the same had been dealt with.

242 **Sewage Disposal Works—Widening of Colney Hatch Lane—Friern Barnet Town Planning Scheme No. 1:**

It was reported that the Town Council were represented at the Public Inquiry into the application of the Friern Barnet Urban District Council for the approval of the Minister of Health to the above-mentioned scheme which was held on the 12th November, 1936; that reference was made to the Town Council's objection to the widening of Colney Hatch Lane so far as the sewage disposal works was concerned, when it was suggested that the Inspector should convene a conference between representatives of the County Council, the Friern Barnet Council and the Town Council for the purpose of settling the matter.

243 **Housing Act, 1936:**

It was reported that at the last meeting of the Housing Committee reports by the Town Clerk and the Borough Treasurer on the provisions of the above Act were referred to this Committee for consideration.

Arising thereon, the Sanitary Officers reported that the matters referred to in the reports affecting the Committee were receiving attention.

244 **Public Baths:**

(*a*) Squires Lane—Monthly Statement.—A statement (circulated) was submitted, showing the number of bathers and receipts for the nine weeks ended 29th November, 1936.

(*b*) Open Air Pools—Letting of Flat.—The Borough Surveyor reported hereon, and it was

RECOMMENDED that the existing arrangement, whereby the above flat is let to Mr. W. J. Eacott, at a rental of 5/- per week, inclusive of rates, be continued, on the understanding that during his tenancy he carries out the duties of Caretaker in connection with the premises.

245 **Sewage Analysis:**

It was reported that a sample of sewage effluent was taken from the High and Low Level Outfalls by the Lee Conservancy Board on the 30th October, 1936, and the analysis figures of the check sample were submitted.

246 **Sewer Floodings—Vivian Way;**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"There are two houses in Vivian Way which are affected by soil sewer floodings during every severe storm. No complaints have been received until recently as the houses are new and have not been sold; they are now, however, let. The drains discharge into a sewer which is liable to surcharging but apparently without causing inconvenience elsewhere. I think it is desirable that these two houses should be connected by a fresh line of pipes to another sewer at a cost of £175, as this will obviate the present complaints, and I do not think the matter should wait until the surcharged sewer is enlarged as this would entail very heavy expenditure which I am of opinion you would not be justified in incurring for probably a number of years."

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that authority be given for the carrying out of the work; and

(2) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee with a view to their making the requisite financial arrangements. 355

247 **Collection of Refuse—"Tots":**

The Borough Surveyor reported that in accordance with instructions he had made further enquiries with respect to this matter and that he was of opinion that if two labourers were engaged systematically to sort the refuse at the Destructor an adequate return would be forthcoming from the sale of marketable materials.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be authorised, as from the 1st April next, to arrange for the refuse to be sorted and for the marketable materials to be sold.

248 **Extensions to Refuse Destructor:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the scheme for the extensions to the Refuse Destructor approved by the Council in June last made provision for four new cells and sufficient space for two more and that he was of opinion that it would be desirable as well as economical to instal these two additional cells at the present time at an extra cost of £450.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that authority be given for the carrying out of the additional work; and

(2) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee with a view to their making the requisite financial arrangements. 356

PUBLIC HEALTH (*contd.*).

249 **Proposed Footpath from Housing Estate, North Circular Road to Summers Lane:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that as the above footpath would be used mainly by school children, it appeared to him to be desirable that an alternative route to Summers Lane should be provided crossing the Council's Sewage Farm; further, that the Housing Committee were in agreement with this view and that, at the request of that Committee, the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee had agreed to carry out the necessary work, if and when all requisite consents were obtained.

75 Housing
123 Highways
309 allots.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the proposal so far as this Committee is concerned.

250 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

J. HUGH JONES,
Chairman.

Education Committee's Report.

14th DECEMBER, 1936.

Present: Councillor Grocott (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor Langlands), Alderman Syrett, County Councillor Boggon, Councillors Burch, Jones, Steward and Wilmot; Miss Davey, Mrs. Miall, Mr. Merry.

Non-Members: Councillors Mrs. Legge and Rutt.

251 **Accounts:**

Accounts, amounting to £4,850 0s. 0d., have been examined and passed to the Finance Committee for payment.

252 **School Attendance:**

School attendance returns for the months of October and November, 1936, are set out below:—

OCTOBER, 1936.

School.	Average No. on Books.	Average Attendance.	Percentage.
Alder Senior	329	302	91.7
Alder Infants	123	106	86.1
Northside Senior	241	215	89.2
Northside Junior	447	406	90.8
Manorside Senior	281	262	93.2
Manorside Junior	522	475	90.9
Martin Junior	448	407	90.8
Summerside Junior	507	472	93.0
St. Mary's Junior	473	420	88.7
St. John's Junior	277	232	83.7
Christ Church Senior	203	189	93.1
Holy Trinity Junior	286	259	90.5
Our Lady of Lourdes Mixed	273	245	89.7
Totals	4,410	3,990	90.4

NOVEMBER, 1936.

School.	Average No. on Books.	Average Attendance.	Percentage.
Alder Senior	312	287	91.9
Alder Infants	127	105	82.6
Northside Senior	230	204	88.6
Northside Junior	455	393	86.3
Manorside Senior	274	258	94.1
Manorside Junior	526	458	87.0
Martin Junior	446	397	89.0
Summerside Junior	512	474	92.5
St. Mary's Junior	482	429	89.0
St. John's Junior	276	233	84.4
Christ Church Senior	196	182	92.8
Holy Trinity Junior	291	236	81.1
Our Lady of Lourdes Mixed	274	227	82.8
Totals	4.401	3,883	88.2

253 **Works and Accounts Sub-Committee—Chairman:**

Mr. D. A. A. Merry has been appointed Chairman of the Works and Accounts Sub-Committee for the ensuing Municipal Year.

254 **Wear and Tear Repairs:**

(1) Holy Trinity School.—The Managers propose to carry out decorations to the school at an estimated cost of £29 18s. 0d. and they ask the Authority to make their usual contribution towards this expenditure.

RECOMMENDED that the Education Authority contribute five-sixths of not more than £29 18s. 0d., the estimated cost of repairs and decorations to be effected by the Managers of Holy Trinity School.

(2) St. Mary's School.—The Managers have carried out repairs to stoves in the several classrooms, at a cost of £20 18s. 1d.

RECOMMENDED that the Education Authority contribute two-thirds of £20 18s. 1d., the cost of repairs to stoves effected by the Managers of St. Mary's School.

255 **Music and Dancing Licence—Summerside School:**

The County Council Licensing Committee have added the following new condition to the Music and Dancing Licence for Summerside School:—

"The Licensee shall either be present or shall nominate a responsible person to be in charge of the licensed premises during all public entertainments."

RECOMMENDED that the Caretaker for the time being of Summerside School be nominated to be in charge of Summerside School during all public entertainments.

256 **Children Living in Coppetts Close—Transport:**

With reference to Council Minute No. 2325, October, 1936, a reply has been received from the London Passenger Transport Board to the effect that the Board are unable to extend the concessions at present in force so that children under fourteen years of age living in Coppetts Close can travel on the No. 112 'buses to and from Squires Lane at similar rates to those charged on trams and trolleybuses.

Arrangements have been made for the Chairman of the Education Committee and the Director of Education to confer with a representative of the L.P.T.B. on this matter.

257 **St. Mary's Junior School—Appointment of Headmaster:**

The Managers of St. Mary's School have appointed Mr. W. E. Cooper as Headmaster of the School, as from 1st October, 1936. Mr. Cooper was formerly an assistant master on the staff of St. Mary's School.

RECOMMENDED that the consent of the Authority be given to the appointment, by the Managers of St. Mary's School, of Mr. William E. Cooper as Headmaster of St. Mary's Junior School, in full-time service, exclusively in the capacity of a teacher, upon the terms and subject to the conditions of Scale IV. of the Burnham Arbitration Award and the decisions of the Board of Education relating thereto, or upon the terms and subject to the conditions of any other Scale of Salaries that may be adopted by the Council, and to Article 17 (c) of the Education Code, 1926, and to the conditions of appointment of the Authority in force from time to time. The engagement to date from 1st October, 1936, and to be terminable by three months' notice in writing on either side.

258 **Teaching Staff—Resignations:**

(1) Manorside Junior School.—Miss A. I. Jones, an assistant mistress at Manorside Junior School, submitted her resignation on 30th October, 1936, and this took effect on 30th November, 1936.

(2) Holy Trinity School.—Miss L. W. Dyer, an assistant mistress at Holy Trinity School, has submitted to the Managers her resignation to take effect on 31st December, 1936.

259 **Holy Trinity School—Appointment:**

RECOMMENDED that the consent of the Authority be given to the appointment, by the Managers of Holy Trinity School, of Mr. Stanley W. D. Escott (in the place of Miss L. W. Dyer, resigned) as a certificated assistant master in full-time service, exclusively in the capacity of a teacher, upon the terms and subject to the conditions of Scale IV. of the Burnham Arbitration Award and the decisions of the Board of Education relating thereto, or upon the terms and subject to the conditions of any other Scale of Salaries that may be adopted by the Council, and to Article 17 (c) of the Education Code, 1926, and to the conditions of appointment of the Authority in force from time to time. The engagement to commence on 1st February, 1937, and to be terminable by one month's notice in writing on either side.

260 **Board of Education Circular 1451—Coronation Holidays:**

Circular 1451, dated 30th October, 1936, has been received from the Board of Education stating "His Majesty the King has expressed the hope that his Coronation may be marked by an extra holiday being given to the boys and girls in all schools."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the public elementary schools be granted three days holiday, on May 12th, 13th and 14th;

(*b*) that full salary be paid, from May 12th to 14th, inclusive, to supply teachers who would normally be on duty on these days.

261 **Summerside School—Additions:**

A letter, dated 25th November, 1936, has been received from the Board of Education stating that the Board approve, so far as their requirements are concerned, the plans and estimated expenditure in connection with the proposed enlargement of Summerside School and the provision of the proposed furniture.

262 **Children under Five Years of Age—Nursery Classes:**

With reference to Council Minute No. 2330, October, 1936, a memorandum on the question of the provision of Nursery Classes was circulated with the agenda for the December, 1936, meeting of the Education Committee.

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that Nursery Classes be established in Finchley where and when desirable;

(*b*) that a sub-committee, consisting of the following members, be appointed to prepare and submit to the Education Committee a scheme for the provision of Nursery Classes in connection with the Council Schools:—

The Mayor } Ex-Officio.
The Deputy Mayor }
The Chairman of the Education Committee.
The Vice- Chairman of the Education Committee.
Alderman Syrett.
Councillor Wilmot.
Miss Davey.
Mrs. Miall.

EDUCATION (*contd.*).

263 **St. John's School—Report by H.M. Inspector:**

A copy of a report on St. John's C. of E. School, by H.M. Inspector, Mr. A. F. Watts, was circulated with the agenda for the December, 1936, meeting of the Education Committee.

264 **Our Lady of Lourdes School—Afternoon Sessions:**

At the request of the Managers, the Committee have agreed to the afternoon session at Our Lady of Lourdes School commencing at 1.30 p.m., instead of at 2.0 p.m., and finishing at 4.0 p.m., instead of at 4.30 p.m., during the months of December, 1936, January and February, 1937.

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

265 **Physical Training—Co-operation with the Middlesex Education Committee:**

At a conference of representatives of Education Authorites in the County of Middlesex held on the 23rd November, 1936, it was agreed that the following suggestions should be placed by representatives before their respective Authorities for their approval or otherwise:—

(1) That the best results can only be secured by a unified organisation within a given area under which the Organisers appointed would deal with the physical education of children and young persons in schools and institutes of all types and of young people connected with the various organisations.

(2) That, as a beginning, the Administrative County should be divided into seven areas for the purpose of an organised scheme of physical education for children and young persons and that two Organisers (one man and one woman) should be appointed for each of these areas, with one or more assistant Organisers in the case of some of the larger areas.

Note.—Area No. 3 comprises Hendon, Hornsey and Finchley.

(3) That arrangements for the appointment of the Organisers, and any assistants to be employed by the Authorities included in each area, be made by a Joint Committee representative of the Authorities included in that area and the County Education Authority, that, on the understanding that the administration of the scheme in each area be carried out locally, all the Organisers be placed on the pay roll of the County Education Authority and that the expenditure in respect of the salaries and other expenses of Organisers and any assistants in each area be apportioned amongst the Authorities in that area on the basis of services rendered.

(4) That a Sub-Committee consisting of Officers of the Autonomous Elementary Education Authorities and of the County Education Authority be appointed to make recommendations (1) as to a suitable uniform scale of salaries for Organisers employed in the County, (2) as to other matters connected with the detailed administration of the scheme.

RECOMMENDED that the Education Authority agree in principle to the suggestions (1) to (4), inclusive, set out above.

266 **Joint Special School—Messrs. Simms Motor Units, Ltd.:**

Messrs. Simms Motor Units, Ltd., wish to put five windows in their boundary wall overlooking the Joint Special School. The Managers of the School raise no objection to the proposal.

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council, as a joint owner of Oak Lodge Special School, consent to the erection of five windows in the boundary wall of Messrs. Simms Motor Units, Ltd., overlooking the Special School, subject—

(*a*) to the Company entering into an agreement in a form to be approved by the Solicitor;

(*b*) to the Hornsey and Wood Green Corporations giving their consent.

267 **School Attendance Sub-Committee—Date of Meetings:**

RECOMMENDED that future meetings of the School Attendance Sub-Committee be held on the ~~fourth~~ Monday in ~~the month~~ third week before the meeting of the Town Council, at 7.15 p.m., instead of at 7.30 p.m., on the first Monday in the month before the meeting of the Town Council.

F. J. GROCOTT,
Chairman.

Electricity Committee's Report.

15th DECEMBER, 1936.

Present: Councillor Baines (Vice-Chairman) in the Chair, the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant, Pateman, Pike and Syrett, and Councillors Burch and Grobel.

Non-Members: Councillors Mrs. Legge and Rutt.

268 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of meetings of the Committee held on the 12th October and on the 9th November, 1936, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

269 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved, subject to item No. 8767—600 gallons petrol—being amended to read £35 0s. 0d.

270 **Coal:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that the present stock of coal was about 453 tons as compared with 478 tons at last meeting; that the Contractors had commenced delivery of the coal for which a contract had recently been entered into, but that in view of the limited space available and the uncertainty of the requirements during the coming winter months, the rate of delivery was being restricted; further, that the Chief Engineer of the London and Home Counties Joint Electricity Authority had advised that the Town Council might be called upon to generate approximately 500,000 units during the winter period.

271 **Output and Maximum Demand:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

"The following comparisons indicate the rapid growth of the maximum demand and increase in output over that for the previous year. This information will, in the future, be given in each monthly report:—

	1935.	1936.	% Increase.
Units purchased during November	2,050,845	2,437,355	19%
KW. of maximum demand during November	7,380	8,383	13.6%
Units purchased April 1st—November 30th	9,733,387	11,418,469	17%
Highest M.D. recorded	8,423	8,383 (to November)	— "

272 **Boilers:**

It was reported that the Boiler Insurance Company's Inspector had examined No. 5 water-tube boiler and super-heater externally; that the Inspector had drawn attention to slight leakages which were receiving attention, and had reported that the boiler and super-heater would then be in satisfactory condition for service.

273 **Supply of Uniforms, etc.:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that it would appear desirable that consideration should be given to the provision of uniforms and caps for all Inspectors, meter fixers, meter readers, motor drivers and general service men in the Department, and that considerable savings would be effected by the provision of mackintoshes for the jointing staff and permanent labourers engaged on outside work.

The Committee were in accord therewith, and it was

RECOMMENDED that advertisements be issued inviting tenders for the articles in question, and that the advertisement be combined with that relating to the supply of firemen's uniforms.

274 **Showrooms—Window Display Scheme:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported hereon;

RECOMMENDED that he be authorised to arrange with the Electrical Development Association for a showroom window display scheme to be carried out for a period of one year at each of the two showrooms proposed to be opened by the Town Council, at a cost of £40 6s. 0d. in each case.

275 **Land Adjacent to Electricity Works:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

> "The Director of Education advises that the Education Committee desire to notify the Electricity Committee that, in the event of the piece of land in the north-east corner of the Electricity Works being surplus to their requirements, the Education Committee would like to consider the question of its transference to the local Education Authority for the purpose of a school playing field. A plan will be exhibited at the meeting."

Housing & Ways.

Arising on the above, the Town Clerk intimated that, at the last meeting of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee, the Borough Surveyor had reported upon a reference from the Housing Committee with regard to the appropriation of certain land at the Central Depôt for housing purposes, and that the Committee were recommending that no objection be raised to the transfer to the Housing Committee of the land required for housing purposes, provided the Electricity Committee were willing to surrender to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee an equivalent area of the adjoining land.

The Committee were of opinion that the portion of the land in their occupation referred to by the Director of Education was surplus to requirements, and should be surrendered for other purposes on the usual financial basis. It was therefore agreed that it be left to the Town Council to decide for what purpose the land should be appropriated.

276 **Service Cables:**

Reference was made by the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager to the Town Council's recent resolution to lay up to 60 feet of service cable on private property free of cost;

RECOMMENDED that publicity be given to this decision by the following methods:—

(*a*) circularising the local builders;

(*b*) forwarding an appropriate slip with certificates of search in the Local Land Charges Register; and

(*c*) overprinting the forms of application for supply of electricity.

277 **External Iron Fire Escape Staircase:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that, owing to the development of the Consumers' Department, and the enlargement of the present office, it had become necessary, in the interests of safety, to provide an emergency iron staircase at a cost not exceeding £50;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for this expenditure to be incurred and for same to be defrayed out of revenue.

ELECTRICITY (*contd.*).

278 **Lamps on Loan to Consumers:**

It was reported that, in cases where a temporary supply by means of Direct Current was necessary for a short period pending the introduction of Alternating Current supplies to new property, arrangements were being made to lend to consumers 250 volt lamps temporarily until the 230 volt supply was available;

RECOMMENDED that such action be approved.

279 **Salaries of Technical Staff:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that a communication had been received from the Electrical Power Engineers' Association asking the Town Council to increase the salaries of certain members of the technical staff in accordance with the terms of the Schedule of the National Joint Board; further, that he disagreed with the basis upon which the claim was formulated and had now been notified that the Association agreed with his views and were prepared to accept an alternative basis.

He added that the effect of this would be that, when the new sub-station equipment, now on order, was in commission, the Undertaking would be advanced into another Class under the Schedule, with a consequent increase in salary to the men concerned.

280 **Replacement of Obsolete Service Equipment:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that a number of services had been in existence for 25 or 30 years—some even longer, and in the ordinary course would need renewal; that apart from these, the increased use of electricity for domestic purposes would, in certain cases, necessitate larger services.

He added that, if possible, the renewal of the older services would be dealt with on a rota system and that a scheme would be prepared as soon as possible.

281 **Applications for Supply:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager submitted the following report:—

Total number of applications received for supply	15,108	=	39,244 kw.
Number reported at last meeting	14,889	=	38,113 kw.
	219	=	1,131

282 **Domestic Tariff:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

	September.	November.		
Total enquiries received	1,337	1,512	=	175 increase.
Application forms completed	870	1,053	=	183 ,,

283 **Mains:**

(*a*) **RECOMMENDED** that authority be given for mains to be laid as under-mentioned:—

	Estimated Cost. £
Deansway (West side), from Edmunds Walk to Brim Hill	95
William Street	65
Kingsley Way (from Holne Chase) and Neville Drive (to Spencer Drive)	536
East End Road (North of Ossulton Way)	102

(*b*) It was reported that, as a matter of urgency, mains had been laid as follows:—

	Estimated Cost. £
Aylmer Road (North side), The Bishop's Avenue (towards Bancroft Avenue)	378
Winnington Road (Holne Chase to Lyttelton Road), The Bishop's Avenue	948
Ossulton Way (Holyoake Walk to Lyttelton Road)	523
Percy Road, Friern Park (South side) to Specialloid's	591
Aylmer Road and Bancroft Avenue (completing loop)	278

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*c*) Arising on (b) above, the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows :—

> "In the case of the supply to Specialloid, Ltd., this cable will be energized by A.C., and the intention is to change over the lighting and heating.
>
> In the other four cases, the cables were laid to supply new property with Alternating Current, and I shall be glad to receive your approval to this work."

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

(*d*) It was reported that, since the last ordinary meeting, mains had been laid as follows :—

Holyoake Walk (Low Tension only).
Linden Lea, Norrice Lea, Holne Chase (part), Rowan Walk, Chalton Drive, Church Mount, Spencer Drive (Carlyle Close to Neville Drive).
The Bishop's Avenue (part), Bancroft Avenue (part), High Road, East Finchley, to Cherry Tree Wood Sub-Station.
Winifred Place.
Percy Road.
Ludlow Way.
Emersons.
Simms Motor Units, Ltd.

284 **Complaint re Excavation :**

It was reported that a complaint regarding excavation work at Market Parade, North Finchley, had been made by Mr. H. W. Davison and that same had been dealt with.

285 **Tenders :**

(*a*) Supply, Delivery and Erection at the Electricity Works of Unclimbable Metal Fencing, Gates, etc.—The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported upon the tenders received in connection with the above ;

RECOMMENDED that the tender of Messrs. W. Bain & Co., Ltd., the lowest, at the sum of £538, be accepted, subject to Contract.

(*b*) The Purchase of all Existing Motor Vehicles now in Use by the Electricity Department and the Supply and Delivery to the Electricity Works of—

(i) Petrol Motor Vehicles ; and

(ii) Battery Driven Electric Vehicles.

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported upon the tenders received in connection with the above ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that as no *bona fide* tender was received in respect of the electric vehicles, fresh advertisements be issued, and that authority be given for the return of the deposits received ;

(2) that, in view of the report made by the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager (which report be entered on the Minutes of the Town Council), Parts (i) and (iii) of the tender of Messrs. Stewart & Ardern, Ltd., as under-mentioned be accepted, subject to Contract :—

	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
(i) Five 8 h.p. Morris 4-door saloons (fixed head)	652	5	0			
Allowance for 4 existing cars	55	0	0			
				597	5	0
(iii) Two Morris 2-ton 4 cylinder open lorries	430	7	0			
Allowance for existing Ford Lorry	18	0	0			
				412	7	0

(3) that a further report be made to the Committee at a later date regarding the purchase of the 15 cwt. vans so soon as there has been an opportunity of comparing the running costs of these with electric vehicles.

286 **Suggested Revision of Alternative Two-Part Domestic Tariff :**

This matter was carefully considered by the Committee in conjunction with a report of the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, in lieu of the uniform percentage of 10 per cent. on the rateable assessment, the following scale apply as from the commencement of the meter readings for the March quarter, 1937 :—

Nett Assessments up to and including £60	10 per cent. per annum.
Nett Assessments from £61 to £100 inclusive	10 per cent. per annum on the first £60 and 7½ per cent. per annum on the remainder.
Nett Assessments from £101 to £175 inclusive	10 per cent. per annum on the first £60, 7½ per cent. per annum on £61–£100 and 5 per cent. per annum on the remainder.
Nett Assessments exceeding £175	10 per cent. per annum on the first £60, 7½ per cent. per annum on £61–£100, 5 per cent. per annum on £101–£175 and 2½ per cent. per annum on the remainder.

(2) that the tariff apply only to property rated as private residences and, in the case of a building divided as to rating assessment between private residence and business premises only that portion described as being a private residence be eligible for the tariff ;

(3) that the tariff be adopted for a minimum period of one year ;

(4) that the tariff may be adopted by existing or new consumers either—

(*a*) as from the commencement of any quarter, or

(*b*) at any time during the quarter.

In the case of a consumer adopting the tariff during the currency of a quarter, the consumer to have the option of—

(*a*) having his account rendered on the ordinary tariff up to the date on which he adopts the two-part tariff and being charged a proportionate amount of the fixed charge, plus ½d. a unit in respect of the remainder of the quarter ; or

(*b*) having the whole consumption for that quarter charged at ½d. per unit and the full quarter's fixed charge added to the quarterly account ;

(5) that the fixed charge component of the tariff be not payable in advance as at present, but that it be added to each current quarterly account ;

(6) that in the case of any consumer either commencing the tariff or ceasing to occupy the premises during the currency of any quarter the fixed charge be proportioned accordingly ;

(7) that for the purposes of this tariff no house shall be deemed to have a nett rateable assessment below £25 per annum ;

(8) that, where premises are utilised for business and private uses and the rating assessment is not divided, the Valuation Officer be authorised to make an apportionment for the purposes of this tariff;

(9) that the Town Clerk be instructed to give public notice and also notice to the Consumers of the revised tariff.

287 **Suggested Revision of Domestic Power Tariff:**

This matter was carefully considered by the Committee in conjunction with a report of the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, so far as domestic consumers are concerned, the present tariff be withdrawn and that supplies be offered for domestic power heating and cooking, at a flat rate of 1d. per unit throughout the year;

(2) that the foregoing revised tariff operate as from the commencement of the June quarter, 1937;

(3) that the Town Clerk be instructed to give public notice and also notice to the Consumers of the Town Council's intention to make the above-mentioned revision in the charges for electricity.

288 **Domestic Development:**

The Committee considered carefully a report presented by the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager hereon, and the following members of the Committee were appointed to meet three representatives of the Chamber of Commerce and the wiring contractors in the Borough for the purpose of discussing confidentially the proposals placed before the Committee:—

The Mayor.
The Deputy Mayor.
Alderman Syrett.
The Chairman of the Committee.
The Vice-Chairman of the Committee.
Councillor Hayter.

289 **Accounts and Works Sub-Committee:**

It was reported that a meeting of the Sub-Committee had been held on the 9th December, 1936, and a report of the proceedings thereat was submitted.

Arising thereon, it was reported—

(1) Chairman.—That Councillor Caine had been appointed Chairman of the Sub-Committee.

(2) Accounts and Requisitions.—That the Sub-Committee had passed for payment the accounts submitted and had approved the requisitions, subject to the following modification:—

> "The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager was instructed to obtain the supply of petrol for all vehicles used by the Department from the pump installed at the Central Depôt and to report to the full Committee upon the subsequent adjustment in the sum requisitioned. He was also instructed to report at the next meeting of the Sub-Committee upon the question of installing a petrol pump at the works."

(3) Supply to Messrs. Simms Motor Units, Ltd.—That in connection with the recent negotiations herein, Messrs. Simms Motor Units, Ltd., had stated that they were not now prepared to grant the Town Council an option to renew the lease of the room at their works for use as a sub-station for a further period of seven years, and that after hearing a report by the Borough

Electrical Engineer and Manager and having regard to all of the circumstances, the Sub-Committee had instructed the Town Clerk to agree to the withdrawal of the option ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

290 **Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1936 :**

Prints of the following were submitted :—

(*a*) 16th Annual Report of the Electricity Commissioners ;

(*b*) Return of Engineering and Financial Statistics, 1934/35.

291 **Coronation Celebrations :**

It was reported that the Coronation Celebrations Committee had asked the Committee to be good enough to consider and deal with the question of illuminations generally in connection with the Celebrations ;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the Coronation Celebrations Committee be informed that the Committee will be prepared, free of charge, to loan to them the equipment at present in stock, arrange for the fixing thereof, and supply the necessary electrical energy ; and

(*b*) that the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager be authorised to arrange for the replacement of lamps and wiring where necessary.

292 **Electric Vehicles :**

A letter, dated 25th November, 1936, was submitted from Electricars, Ltd., stating that they regretted to learn that the Town Council could not grant their request for an extension of time in which to submit a quotation for the above vehicles, and that they presumed that their deposit of £1 would be refunded in due course ;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

293 **Membership of District Joint Industrial Council :**

The Town Clerk reported that the Town Council decided some time ago to become members of the Joint Industrial Council (Area 10) of the Electricity Supply Industry, subject to the consent of the Electricity Commissioners being received to the payment of the appropriate annual subscription ; that on communicating with the Electricity Commissioners on the matter, a letter had been received from them stating that, with the object of obviating the necessity for separate applications on the part of each authority in the area of the District Council, the general consent of the Commissioners to the payment of subscriptions on a specified basis had been furnished to the Joint Secretary of the Employers' side of the Council.

The Town Clerk also reported that a letter, dated 10th December, 1936, had been received from the Hon. Secretary, Employers' side, of the District Council, stating that the Council would welcome the Town Council as members of the organisation.

294 **Electricity Supply :**

A communication, dated 3rd November, 1936, was submitted from Messrs. Merz and McLellan stating that they had been asked by the Consolidated Edison Company of New York to prepare a report comparing the development of electricity supply in that City with that in the London area ; that they were most anxious that the figures which they used should be accurate and that it would be of considerable assistance to them to have the most up-to-date figures which had been published for the Council's

Electricity Undertaking, and that they would therefore appreciate it if they could be supplied with a copy of the latest report of the Borough Electrical Engineer and of the Accounts of the Undertaking for the year 1935/36, for which they would be pleased to pay any charges involved;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for a copy of the last published Accounts and Report to be furnished to Messrs. Merz and McLellan and that no charge be made therefor.

205 **Flat—66a, High Street, North Finchley:**

It was reported that the above flat recently became vacant and that particulars were submitted to a number of local agents; further, that the premises were subsequently let to a Mrs. Pearce, who entered into occupation on the 2nd November, 1936.

206 **Electricity Distribution:**

(*a*) It was reported that a print of a report issued by the Association of Municipal Corporations on the above subject had been forwarded to each member of the Town Council.

(*b*) The Town Clerk reported that Parliamentary Agents had forwarded to him a copy of the following question which was put to the Prime Minister in the House of Commons on the 9th November, and of his reply:—

"Mr. Ede asked the Prime Minister whether it is proposed to find time during the current Session for legislation dealing with the distribution of electricity?

The Prime Minister: The Hon. Member will have noticed that a full programme of legislation is already promised for this Session, and I cannot undertake at present that it will be possible to add to it. But the Government are alive to the importance of the recommendations made by the Committee for the re-organisation of the supply of electricity and have the matter closely before them."

further that they had also sent to him a copy of the following question which was put to the Minister of Transport by Lt.-Col. A. P. Heneage on the 11th November, and of his reply:—

"Lieut.-Colonel Heneage, asked the Minister of Transport, whether having regard to the new proposals contained in the report of the Committee on Electricity Distribution; dated the 8th May, 1936, he is now prepared to publish the evidence given before the Committee?

Mr. Hore-Belisha: Evidence was taken by the Committee on the understanding that it would be regarded as confidential.

Lieut.-Colonel Heneage: While I recognise the difficulties of the Minister, may I ask him to recognise the difficulties of the districts and others in this matter?

Mr. Hore-Belisha: If my hon. and gallant friend can suggest any manner in which I can assist him or them, I shall be only too pleased."

(*c*) It was reported that the following motion was moved in the House of Commons by Mr. Robert Taylor, M.P., on the 25th November, 1936:—

"That this House, believing that the national ownership and control of the Electricity Supply Industry is an essential step in a programme of nationally-planned economic development, is of opinion that electricity generation and distribution should be brought under national ownership and control and that there should be established a national electricity authority responsible for securing the efficient direction and management of the industry, subject to such ministerial and other direction as may be provided for by statute."

that an amendment was moved by Mr. Herbert Williams, M.P., the effect of which was as follows:—

"To leave out from "House" to the end of the question, and to add instead thereof:—
believes that the best basis for the reform of electrical distribution is contained in the report of the Committee on this subject, and expresses the hope that, as soon as Parliamentary time is available, the Government will introduce a Bill based on this report."

further, that the following was copy of a communication subsequently received from Parliamentary Agents on the matter:—

ELECTRICITY (*contd.*).

"Enclosed we send you copy of the report of the debate in the House of Commons yesterday on this subject. You will observe that a motion on the nationalization of electricity supply was rejected, and an amendment in favour of a report of the Committee was talked out."

It was intimated that, prior to the debate in the House, the matter was taken up with the Member of Parliament for the Finchley Division, who was also supplied (*inter alia*) with a copy of the report issued by the Association of Municipal Corporations.

(*d*) A communication was submitted from the Town Clerk of Chepping Wycombe forwarding copy of the following resolution passed by his Council :—

"1. That this Council, having considered the Report of the Parliamentary Committee on Electricity Distribution of May, 1936, is of opinion that some of the recommendations contained therein have not sufficient regard to the equitable rights of consumers in general, and particularly of consumers in the small areas where the Local Authorities have rights of purchase about to mature, and requests the Association of Municipal Corporations to consider the advisability of arranging a Conference of Representatives of Local Authorities to discuss the probable effect of any Act of Parliament based on the Committee's recommendations, and to take such action as the Conference shall determine.

2. That the Town Clerk circularise this resolution amongst all Local Authorities who are affected in a similar way to this Borough."

He stated that he had not been able to ascertain the names of local authorities who were affected in a similar way to his Council but that, if the Town Council were in a somewhat similar position or for other reasons would like to support his Council's resolution, it might be of advantage to the local authorities concerned if they were to do so.

RECOMMENDED that the resolution set out above be supported by the Town Council.

297 **Electricity Supply—Cutting off Notices :**

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that, in future, notices to consumers in connection with the "cutting off" of electricity supply be signed by the Borough Treasurer instead of by the Town Clerk ; and

(*b*) that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the necessary authority in the matter.

298 **Sanctions to Loans :**

It was reported that the sanction of the Electricity Commissioners had been received to the under-mentioned loans :—

Purpose.	Amount.	Period for repayment (not exceeding) years.
	£	
(*a*) Provision of ventilators in certain sub-stations	201	10
(*b*) Provision of additional mains	35,666	25
(*c*) Extension of mains ..... £3,137 Provision of plant (sub-station equipment) and kiosk £7,310	10,447	25
(*d*) Provision of mains equipment (tools, etc.)	502	20
(*e*) Provision of unclimbable fencing and entrances at the Power Station	1,004	7
		15

With regard to (b) above, it was intimated that the Commissioners had omitted from their sanction the amount of £3,108 (including £11 loan costs) in respect of re-connecting services, and had suggested that, in all the circumstances, such expenditure would be more properly defrayed otherwise than from loan account.

The Committee were of opinion that a further effort should be made to secure the sanction to the borrowing of this sum, and the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager and the Borough Treasurer were instructed to interview the Commissioners on the matter and report.

299 **Change Over of Supply :**

(*a*) Ingram Avenue, Spaniards Close and Neville Drive—Proposed Loan—£854.—A letter, dated 19th November, 1936, was submitted from the Electricity Commissioners stating that they were not in a position to issue a formal sanction to the borrowing of the above-mentioned sum until the necessary consent to the change of system of supply had been obtained, but that they were satisfied generally with the proposals of the Council from an engineering point of view. They asked that they might be furnished with information showing how the estimated amount of £850 had been arrived at as soon as such particulars were available.

(*b*) Whetstone District—Proposed Loan — £11,036.—A communication, dated 30th October, 1936, was submitted from the Electricity Commissioners stating that they would be unable to issue a formal sanction to the borrowing of the above-mentioned sum until the necessary consent to the change of system of supply had been given, but that as soon as such consent had been given they would be prepared to issue their formal sanction to the borrowing of a sum of £10,875 repayable as follows :—

Purpose.	Amount. £	Period. years.
Mains and Services	5,300	25
Plant (sub-station equipment)	2,178	20
Works consequent upon change of system of supply :—		
Changing consumers' apparatus	3,397	7
	£10,875	

It was added that, with regard to the balance of the amount of the application, it was understood that the site required for a sub-station had not yet been fixed and that further consideration would be given to the application in this respect upon receipt of the necessary particulars ;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to enter into negotiations for the acquisition of a suitable site for the purpose in question.

(*c*) The Town Clerk reported that a communication, dated 15th December, 1936, had been received from the Electricity Commissioners forwarding their formal consent to an alteration in the system and pressure of supply given to consumers under the provisions of the Finchley Electric Lighting Order, 1899.

He pointed out that the Commissioners had drawn attention to the Regulations, dated 23rd December, 1908, made under the Factory and Workshop Acts, 1901 and 1907, relating to the Distribution and Use, etc., of electrical energy on premises subject to the provision of those Acts and had pointed out that the proposed change would have the effect of causing to apply to such premises those Regulations mentioned in Exemption 1 (a) of the code from which they had hitherto been exempt ; that they had also enclosed for the information of the Town Council copy of a letter received from Mr. N. Waller, of 5, Holden Road, North Finchley, with regard to the proposed alteration, together with a copy of their reply.

ELECTRICITY (*contd.*).

300 **Insurance of Workmen—Accidents:**

It was reported that the under-mentioned employees had met with accidents since the last ordinary meeting of the Committee, and that the usual action had been taken in the matter:—

E. Johnson.
F. Jarvis.
J. Teasdale.
W. Pledger.
G. Kent.

301 **60/68, Ballards Lane—Late Kiwi Polish Factory:**

A communication was submitted from Messrs. Charles Sparrow & Son stating that the above site was shortly to be developed and that their clients had decided to erect four shops with showrooms over on the land, and that it occurred to them that the Town Council might be interested in acquiring one of these shops for the purpose of an electricity showroom. They added that the rent of each shop would be £400 per annum on a 21 years' lease, the tenant paying all outgoings;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken in the matter.

302 **Holne Chase Sub-Station:**

The Town Clerk reported that it had been suggested that it would be desirable for an Agreement to be entered into with Mr. Fergusson for tenancy of the flat occupied by him at the above Sub-Station;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for arrangements to be made accordingly on the basis of a weekly tenancy.

303 **Sale of Electricity Fittings**

A letter, dated 11th December, 1936, was submitted from the Town Clerk of Eastbourne, forwarding a summary of the replies received by him to his recent questionnaire on the above subject;

RECOMMENDED that a copy thereof be forwarded to each member of the Town Council.

304 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

A. N. H. BAINES,
Chairman (*pro tempore*).

Allotments Committee's Report.

15th DECEMBER, 1936.

Present: Alderman Wells; and Councillors Brooksbank, Collis and Grocott, and Messrs. Rolfe, Sunderland and Tayler.

Non-Member: Alderman Pateman.

305 **Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Councillor Brooksbank be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

306 **Vice-Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Mr. W. J. Rolfe be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

307 **Minutes:**

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

308 **Allotments:**

(*a*) Woodhouse.—A letter was submitted from the Woodhouse Allotments, Limited, stating that it had recently been found necessary to incur an expenditure of £10 1s. 5d. in respect of repairs to gates and fencing at above, and suggesting that, as these repairs were rendered necessary largely by reason of the fact that when the fences were originally erected wire nails were used instead of galvanised nails with the result that every paling had required to be re-nailed in addition to the renewing of broken palings, the Town Council might consider bearing one half of the cost involved.

After due consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED that the Association be informed that the Town Council cannot see their way to accede to their request.

(*b*) Brook Farm.—

(i) It was reported that the new tenant of plot No. H.4 at above had asked that he might have the use of the plot rent free for a period of one year owing to it being very much overgrown;

RECOMMENDED that such request be granted.

(ii) Arising out of Recommendation 2 of Minute No. 2082 the Borough Surveyor reported that he had, as instructed, negotiated with the County Valuation Officer in regard to the value of the open space land proposed to be appropriated for allotment purposes and intimated that the value proposed was £250, which he considered to be fair;

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that such valuation be accepted and that in the event of the consent of the Minister of Health being received to the appropriation of the land in question a sum of £62 10s. 0d. be paid to the Middlesex County Council in accordance with the terms of the above-mentioned Minute; and

(ii) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee to make the necessary financial arrangements.

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(*c*) Vacant Plots.—Particulars hereof were submitted.

ALLOTMENTS (*contd.*).

309 **Proposed Footpath—North Circular Road to Summers Lane:**

The Borough Surveyor submitted drawing No. 10359 in connection with the above and reported that the proposal would involve one unoccupied plot adjacent to the houses in Sunnyway.

Housing 3 Ways 49 P.H.

The Committee were in accord with the proposal, but in view of the fact that the allotment land in question was leased to the North Finchley Allotment League, the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Committee were authorised to meet representatives of the Allotment League for the purpose of discussing the matter and to report;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the proposal so far as this Committee is concerned subject to satisfactory arrangements being made with the North Finchley Allotment League, Ltd.

310 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books be approved.

W. L. BROOKSBANK,

Chairman.

General Purposes Committee's Report.

16th DECEMBER, 1936.

Present: The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant, Syrett and Wells, and Councillors Collis, Jones and Rutt.

Non-Member: Alderman Pateman.

311 **Chair:**

The Chair was occupied by the Mayor, *pro tem.*

312 **Appointment of Chairman:**

RESOLVED (Alderman Syrett voting against) that Councillor Langlands, the Deputy Mayor, be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

The Mayor thereupon vacated the Chair in favour of Councillor Langlands.

313 **Appointment of Vice-Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Alderman Briant be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the ensuing year.

314 **Minutes:**

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

315 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

316 **Local Government Act, 1929—Review of County Districts:**

A communication, dated 1st December, 1936, was submitted from the Ministry of Health forwarding, for the information of the Town Council, a copy of the following letter which the Minister had addressed to the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council:—

> "I am directed by the Minister of Health to refer to the last paragraph of his letter of the 31st December last, and to state that he now proposes to proceed with an Order to operate on the 1st April next to give effect to the outstanding boundary adjustments between the Friern Barnet Urban District and the Boroughs of Finchley and Hornsey."

317 **Brochure:**

It was reported that, in March last, it was decided that a brochure giving information as to the various facilities provided by the Town Council should be published early in 1937.

After reviewing the position, and having regard to the fact that the charges for the hire of cricket and football pitches were under revision as also certain of the charges for the supply of electricity, it was

RECOMMENDED that publication of a brochure be deferred for a period of 12 months.

318 **Land—Frith Lane:**

A letter, dated 24th November, 1936, was submitted from the Ministry of Health, referring to the proposed leasing of the above-mentioned land to the Finchley Local Association of Boy Scouts, and stating that, as this property was acquired under the provisions of Section 69 of the Public Health Act, 1925, the Minister's formal consent to the lease was not necessary.

It was reported that the Association had accepted the terms proposed by the Town Council, and had asked that their best thanks might be conveyed to the Town Council for their kindness in granting the lease.

319 **Charity Commission—Sale of Property known as "Glenhurst," Friern Park, North Finchley:**

Notice received from the Charity Commissioners in connection with the suggested sale of the above-mentioned property was submitted.

320 **Supply of Gas:**

It was reported that the Southgate and District Gas Company had given notice, pursuant to Section 6 of the Gas Undertakings Act, 1934, that until further notice they were prepared to supply gas to persons who were entitled to a supply of gas, and who did not enter into a special contract for the supply thereof, at the price of 9.7d. per therm.

321 **Telephone Service—Municipal Offices:**

(*a*) The Town Clerk reported that he would be glad of instructions to arrange for the installation of an additional exchange line, at a rental of £1 8s. 0d. a quarter;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

(*b*) It was reported that the Medical Officer of Health had intimated that an additional internal telephone extension was required for his Department, and that the extra charge would be 8s. a quarter;

RECOMMENDED that this expenditure be approved.

322 **The Finchley Charities—Representative Trustees:**

A communication, dated 6th November, 1936, was submitted from the Clerk of the Finchley Charities, pointing out that in consequence of the death of Mr. P. H. Chambers, there was a vacancy in the office of representative trustee;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. Ronald G. Thackrah be appointed to fill the vacancy, provided he is willing to serve.

323 **Finchley Memorial Hospital:**

A letter was submitted from the Secretary to the Finchley Memorial Hospital, expressing the hope that the Town Council would be able to repeat the generous contribution which they had made last year to the funds of the hospital;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that a contribution of £200 be made by the Town Council; and

(*b*) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee with a view to their making the necessary financial arrangements.

324 **Proposed Soya Bean Growers Research and Development Society:**

Reference was made to a communication received from Mr. J. Mason, expressing the hope that the Town Council would join in next year's soil test and become a Founder Member of the above Society;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken in the matter.

325 **Rear Lamps on Pedal Cycles:**

A communication, dated 15th October, 1936, was submitted from the Ministry of Transport, stating that the Minister had noted the views of the Town Council on the above subject.

326 **The Hospital Saving Association:**

It was reported that the Branch Secretary of the Hospital Saving Association had written enquiring whether the Town Council would allow contributions for the Hospital Saving Association to be deducted from the wages of certain of the Council employees.

After hearing a report by the Borough Treasurer, it was

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded in the affirmative, and that the Borough Treasurer be authorised to make the necessary arrangements.

327 **Public Assistance—Unemployment Insurance, etc.:**

A letter, dated 17th October, 1936, was submitted from the Town Clerk of Cardiff, asking for the Town Council's support to the following resolution passed by his Council:—

"That this Council urge the Government to accept full financial responsibility for all unemployment relief and that a copy of the resolution be forwarded to the Prime Minister, the Minister of Health, the local Members of Parliament, and all County and County Borough Councils."

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken in the matter.

328 **Assessment Committees and Guardians Committees—Travelling Expenses:**

A communication, dated 31st October, 1936, was submitted from the Secretary to the Urban District Councils' Association, stating that he had been instructed by the Executive Council of the Association to bring to the notice of the Town Council the following resolution which was unanimously passed at the last Annual Conference of Urban District Councils of England and Wales:—

"That this Conference regrets that no action has been taken by the appropriate Government Department or any promise made by them to introduce legislation at an early date to authorise a local authority to bear the reasonable travelling expenses properly incurred by representatives appointed by them or on their nomination on Assessment Committees or public or quasi-public bodies when attending meetings of such Committees or bodies held outside the area of the local authority represented by them and (a) that all Urban District Councils be urged to make representations to their local Members of Parliament on the matter, (b) that the Secretary be instructed to circularise all Urban District Councils in England and Wales on the subject, and (c) that the Vice-Presidents of the Association be requested personally to urge the Minister of Health to take action in the matter."

It was reported that the Secretary had also written pointing out that the matter was raised in the House of Commons recently, when the following motion was agreed without a division:—

"That, in the opinion of this House, provision should be made for the payment of the travelling expenses incurred by members of urban district councils and rural district councils in attending outside their areas meetings of assessment and other committees in the discharge of their public duties."

RECOMMENDED that the resolution passed by the Urban District Councils' Association be supported by the Town Council.

329 **Loyal Addresses to His Majesty the King:**

A communication, dated 29th October, 1936, was submitted from the Secretary to the Association of Municipal Corporations, stating that, at a recent meeting of the Council, the following report of the General Purposes Committee was adopted:—

"Hitherto it has been the practice on the occasion of the Coronation of the Sovereign for many and, indeed, we think most, of the municipal corporations throughout the country to present Loyal Addresses. We have given the matter some consideration, and have come to the conclusion that instead of Addresses being presented by individual corporations, it would be better for the Association to present one expressly on behalf of the constituent members, and we trust that the adoption of this course would be acceptable to His Majesty the King.

We accordingly recommend that a Loyal Address be presented to His Majesty the King on behalf of the municipal corporations and metropolitan borough councils in England and Wales, and that the members of the Association be informed thereof."

The hope was expressed that the recommendation of the Committee would be followed by all members of the Association:

RECOMMENDED that the course suggested be adopted so far as the Town Council are concerned.

330 **All-in Wrestling at Arcadia:**

It was reported that the Hon. Secretary of the Church End Finchley Ratepayers' Association had written expressing, on behalf of the Association, their appreciation of the action of the Town Council in connection with the above.

331 **Municipal Offices—Maintenance, Winding and Regulation of Clocks:**

It was reported that Mr. F. Corbould, with whom an agreement had been entered into in connection with the above, had written requesting that the payment made to him might be increased by the sum of £2 per annum in consequence of four additional clocks having been provided;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed, with effect as from the 25th December, 1936.

332 **London Passenger Transport Board:**

A print of the Third Annual Report and Accounts of the London Passenger Transport Board was submitted;

RECOMMENDED that copies be obtained for circulation amongst the members of the Town Council.

333 **George Legge & Son, Limited v. Wenlock Corporation:**

A communication, dated 15th October, 1936, was submitted from the Secretary of the Association of Municipal Corporations as follows:—

"I am directed by the Law Committee to call your attention to the decision in this case, which is reported at page 363 of the October "Municipal Review."

The plaintiffs claim a declaration that a certain watercourse had become a sewer vested in the defendants, and that it was the duty of the latter to maintain it in repair. The water-course was a natural stream into which sewage from a number of houses had been drained for some years. In these circumstances the plaintiffs contended that the stream had become a sewer; the defendants, on the other hand, contended that having regard to Section 3 of the Rivers Pollution Prevention Act, 1876, which prohibits the discharge of sewage into a stream, it is not possible for a natural stream to change its character and become a sewer.

The High Court decided in favour of the plaintiffs, and the Corporation have appealed to the Court of Appeal.

Wenlock is a very small borough, and a penny rate produces only £85.

In these circumstances, having regard to the importance of the case to all local authorities, the Law Committee are of opinion that Members of the Association would be well advised to make some contribution towards the costs incurred by the Wenlock Corporation in their appeal.

If your Corporation are prepared to accede to this suggestion, or if you desire any further information in the matter, it would be well for you to communicate with the Town Clerk of Wenlock."

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk of Wenlock be informed that the Town Council will be prepared favourably to consider making a contribution towards the costs incurred by his Corporation in their appeal when the amount involved has been ascertained.

334 **Indexing of Council Minutes:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"The present basis of payment for indexing the Council Minutes is at the rate of 2¼d. a page. The quotation was accepted by the Urban District Council when the Minutes and Reports were printed on octavo paper.

When Finchley became a Borough, the Reports and Minutes were printed in foolscap form.

The indexing of the Minutes of the Borough Council has been commenced, but in view of the increase in the size of pages, an application has been received for a corresponding increase in the rate of payment.

The Minutes which are at present being indexed and which are the subject of the application are for the years 1933-34, 1934-35 and 1935-36.

As from the commencement of the present municipal year, the Minutes will be indexed in my Department as part of the normal duties of a member of the staff."

RECOMMENDED that, in the circumstances, the payment as regards printed pages be increased to 4d. a page.

335 **Automatic Fire Alarms:**

A letter was submitted from Associated Fire Alarms, Ltd., again drawing attention to their system of automatic fire alarms;

RECOMMENDED that same be referred to the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade for consideration.

336 **Testing Station—Boreham Wood, Elstree:**

A communication was submitted from the Secretary of the Fire Offices Committee with regard to a new testing station which had been constructed by his Committee at Boreham Wood, Elstree, designed largely for testing the fire resisting qualities of elements of structure such as walls, floors, columns, beams, etc., and enclosing a brochure descriptive of the station and of the purposes for which it was built.

It was reported that the matter had been referred to the Borough Surveyor, who would take advantage of the facilities available should occasion arise.

337 **Coronation Celebrations:**

A communication, dated 2nd December, 1936, was submitted from the Hon. General Secretary of the Finchley Burgesses Committee as follows:—

"At a meeting of the Finchley Burgesses Committee held on the 26th November, 1936, it was decided to ask for the consent of the Town Council and the Chief Officers concerned, for members of the Town Council's Staff to act as Honorary Secretaries to the several Sub-Committees appointed in connection with the consideration of the programme of Coronation Celebrations.

It should be pointed out that although a good deal of the work would be done during evenings and week-ends, it would be necessary for part of the work to be done during ordinary office hours.

The work could not be confined to those members of the Staff appointed as Honorary Secretaries as it would be necessary for other members of the Staff to give assistance when required.

It would also be necessary for the offices and equipment of the Town Council to be used."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council consent to the arrangement proposed; and

(*b*) that the Chief Officers be informed that favourable consideration will be given to any application which it may be found necessary for them to make for temporary clerical assistance.

338 **Safes:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"The question of safe accommodation is once again becoming urgent, and as there is no more room for additional safes, I suggest that one of the smaller safes be sold and a large one put in its place. At the same time, in order to make the fullest use of the new safe, I am of opinion that the Small Dwellings Deeds should be transferred to the Bank.

Owing to the large number of Deeds now being entered into by the Corporation and to the increase in volume of the Minutes, I am afraid that the new safe will not satisfy the needs of the Department for much more than one year, and it may therefore be necessary to transfer other Deeds to the Bank in due course."

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be authorised to arrange (i) for the Small Dwellings Deeds to be transferred to the Bank; (ii) for a quotation to be obtained for a new safe; and (iii) for an offer to be obtained for the small safe.

339 **Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922:**

(*a*) Retirements.—The Committee considered a statement presented by the Town Clerk in connection with the above;

RECOMMENDED that the recommendations of the Committee as shown in the last column of the under-mentioned statement be adopted:—

Name of Officer or Servant.	Department and Position.	Date due to Retire.	Committee's Recommendation
(1) Bayliss, A.	Borough Surveyor's Department—Roads Superintendent.	31st March, 1937	That, as from and including the 1st April, 1937, Mr. Bayliss be granted a superannuation allowance and that such allowance be calculated on a basis of one-sixtieth of the average amount of his salary for the five years ending 31st March, 1937, in respect of each year of his service in accordance with the provisions of the Act.
(2) Sheldrake, J.	Caretaker—Northside School	2nd January, 1937	That, as from and including the 3rd January, 1937, Mr. Sheldrake be granted a superannuation allowance, and that such allowance be calculated on a basis of one-sixtieth of the average amount of his wages for the five years ending 2nd January, 1937, in respect of each year of his service in accordance with the provisions of the Act.
(3) Hillier, T.	Borough Surveyor's Department—Labourer	31st December, 1936 (by second extension). N.B. Consents to continue in Town Council's service.	That Mr. Hillier's services be retained until the the 31st December, 1937.

(*b*) Vacant Designated Posts.—

RECOMMENDED that the persons named in column 1 of the following statement occupy, as from and including the dates mentioned in column 3, the posts set opposite to their respective names :—

Name. (1).	Designated Post. (2).	Date from which to occupy post. (3).
Thomson, D. C.	Deputy Borough Electrical Engineer	1st January, 1937.
Kirby, H. C.	Messenger	4th January, 1937.
Dunn, J. C.	Caretaker—Northside School	3rd January, 1937.
Vize, E. A.	Mechanic—Borough Surveyor's Department	31st December, 1936.
Stephens, W. H.	Scavenger—Borough Surveyor's Department	31st December, 1936.
Waterhouse, A. G.	Scavenger—Borough Surveyor's Department	31st December, 1936.
Oakley, W. J.	Scavenger—Borough Surveyor's Department	31st December, 1936.

(*c*) Additional Designated Post.—

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, subject to the approval of the Minister of Health, the post of Accountancy Assistant in the Borough Treasurer's Department be designated as an established post under the Act ; and

(2) that such post be occupied by Mr. A. H. Bedding, as from and including the 1st January, 1937.

(*d*) Drain Tester and Labourer—J. Roberts.—A communication was submitted from Mr. J. Roberts expressing appreciation of the consideration shown to him in connection with his superannuation allowance.

340 **Staff :**

(*a*) Absence through Illness.—The names of those members of the Staff who had been absent through illness since last meeting were submitted, together with the necessary medical certificates.

(*b*) Appointment of Temporary Telephone Operator.—It was reported that it had been found necessary, during the absence of the Telephone Operator, to engage a temporary operator for a period of four weeks at a cost of £2 a week ;

RECOMMENDED that this expenditure be approved.

(*c*) Assistant Solicitor—Town Clerk's Department.—The Town Clerk reported that Mr. R. W. Storr had recently taken his M.A. degree ;

RECOMMENDED that the congratulations of the Town Council be extended to him thereon.

General Purposes (*contd.*).

(*d*) Appointment of Roads Superintendent.—It was reported that, in view of the impending retirement of Mr. A. Bayliss, the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee had suggested that Mr. S. H. Barnett, the Assistant Roads Superintendent, be appointed to the position; further, that the question of the salary proposed to be paid to him had not been discussed, as it was thought that this matter could be dealt with at a later date;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that as from and including the 1st April, 1937, Mr. S. H. Barnett be appointed to the position of Roads Superintendent;

(*b*) that the consideration of the question of the salary to be paid to him be deferred pending receipt of the views of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee thereon.

(*e*) Borough Surveyor's Department—Temporary Architectural Assistant—Mr. R. F. Fairhurst.—The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. R. F. Fairhurst, one of the temporary architectural assistants in his department, had tendered his resignation, having been appointed Senior Architectural Assistant to the County Borough of Derby; that on the authority of the Mayor, advertisements had been issued inviting applications to fill the vacancy at the same salary as that at which Mr. Fairhurst was engaged, namely, at the rate of £382 4s. 0d. per annum, *i.e.*, £7 7s. 0d. a week, and that the applications were returnable on Wednesday, the 23rd December, 1936;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the action taken be approved; and

(*b*) that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and the Chairman of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee be authorised to make the appointment, subject to report.

341 **Water Charges:**

A letter, dated 14th December, 1936, was submitted from the Secretary of the Finchley Chamber of Commerce, drawing attention to certain provisions in the Metropolitan Water Board Act, 1927, whereby a rebate of water rate was allowed in respect of premises used solely for business purposes, and asking that the matter might be taken up with the Barnet District Gas and Water Company with a view to similar arrangements being made within the area of their supply;

RECOMMENDED that same be referred to the Legal and Parliamentary Committee for consideration, and that such Committee be informed that the matter referred to is one which would appear to be worthy of investigation.

342 **Alexandra Park:**

A communication, dated 15th December, 1936, was submitted from the Secretary to the Alexandra Park Trustees enclosing, in accordance with the provisions of Section 27 of the Alexandra Park and Palace (Public Purposes) Act, 1900, a copy of the audited accounts of the Trust for the financial year ended 30th April last, together with a copy of the District Auditor's Report thereon.

343 **Air Raid Precautions:**

A communication, dated 15th December, 1936, was submitted from the Divisional Secretary of the Finchley and Friern Barnet Division of the British Red Cross Society, stating that his Committee proposed to hold a course of lectures in First Aid in chemical warfare, commencing on the 11th January next; that the lectures would be given by an official lecturer of the British Red Cross Society, who would receive the usual fee of £1 1s. 0d. per lecture and travelling expenses.

He added that although it would be open to members of the public to attend the course, the expenses incurred for the lecturer, printing, postages, etc., would be a charge on the funds of the Division, and that his Committee would therefore be glad to know whether the Council would assist to the extent of defraying the lecturer's expenses, which should not exceed ten guineas; further, that they would also be very much obliged if the Council could provide another ten chairs for the Detachment's room at Avenue House, the present number being barely adequate;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the Town Council agree to defray the expenses in question up to a sum not exceeding £10 10s. 0d.; and

(*b*) that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the provision of the additional chairs desired.

344 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

W. C. LANGLANDS,
Chairman.

Finance Committee's Report.

17th DECEMBER, 1936.

Present: Alderman Syrett (Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Burch, Norman and Rutt.

Non-Members: Alderman Wells and Councillors Collis and Mrs. Legge.

345 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of meetings of the Committee held on the 15th October and 9th and 16th November, 1936, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

346 **Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts:**

(*a*) Advance—£620.—

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that, subject to satisfactory references being received, an advance with interest at the appropriate rate in force at the date of completion of the Mortgage be made to the applicant whose name is set out below :—

No.	Name.	Property.	Nature of Interest.	Amount applied for £	Period for repayment. Years.	Purchase price. £	Valuation. £
984	Smith, F. (Mrs.)	55, Eton Avenue, N.12	F	620	20	775	775

(2) that the Town Clerk take up from the Public Works Loan Board the sum of £620, being the amount of such advance;

(3) that the Town Clerk be authorised to approve the Order for Certificate;

(4) that the Corporate Seal be affixed thereto and to the Receipt therefor;

(5) that in the event of Messrs. Chambers, Garnett & Chambers acting for the Purchaser, no objection be raised to the application thereto of the revised scale of charges as provided for by the Solicitors' Practice Rules, 1936;

(6) that the fee of the Public Works Loan Board be paid by the Town Council.

In accordance with the authority delegated to this Committee, it was

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Public Works Loan Board for advance to the Town Council of the sum of £620.

(*b*) Legal Charges.—The Town Clerk reported the views of the Finance Accounts and General Sub-Committee hereon, and instructions were given to him to communicate with Messrs. Chambers, Garnett & Chambers asking them to make application forthwith to the Law Society under Rule 5 of the Solicitors' Practice Rules, 1936, for a waiver of the provisions of those rules so as to permit of the existing scale of charges, agreed with the Council in 1924, being continued;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*c*) Approved Advances.—The Borough Treasurer reported that, including the sum recommended at this meeting, advances amounting to £663,395 had been approved.

(*d*) Advances Repaid.—The Borough Treasurer reported that, in the under-mentioned cases, the principal outstanding had been paid, together with all interest charges:—

Mortgage No.	Rate of Interest.	Proprietor.	Premises.
81	5¼%	Chignell, F. G.	24, Brent Way.
805	5¼%	Hammond, E. H. and R. O. (Mrs.)	33, Abingdon Road.

(*c*) Advances Outstanding.—The Borough Treasurer reported that the number of advances now outstanding was 480, representing a sum of £194,205.

347 **Insurances:**

It was decided (i) not to re-appoint the Insurances Sub-Committee, and (ii) that in future the question of insurances be dealt with by the Finance Accounts and General Sub-Committee.

348 **Consents to Loans:**

The Town Clerk reported the receipt from the Ministry of Health of the under-mentioned consents to loans:—

Purpose.	Amount. £	Period for repayment. (Not exceeding).
(*a*) Construction of Ladies' Bowling Green Victoria Recreation Ground	1,004	20 years.
(*b*) Purchase of land for erection of Health Centre, Oak Lane	1,151	60 ,,
(*c*) Construction of entrance roadway to premises of Simms Motor Units, Ltd., Oak Lane	340	20 ,,
(*d*) Surface Water Sewer Works, Lichfield Grove, and between Wentworth Avenue and Moss Hall Grove	3,765	30 ,,

It was further reported that arising on (b) and (c) above, the Ministry had intimated in a covering letter, dated 12th November, 1936, that the Minister would be prepared to issue his consent to the raising of a loan in respect of the cost of diverting the drain which ran across the land if and when the Council found it necessary to carry out the work.

349 **Electricity Undertaking—Sanctions to Loans:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had received from the Electricity Commissioners sanctions to the raising of the under-mentioned loans in connection with the Electricity Undertaking:—

Purpose.	Amount. £	Period for repayment. (Not exceeding).
(*a*) Provision of ventilators in certain sub-stations	201	10 years.
(*b*) Provision of additional mains	35,666	25 ,,
(*c*) Extensions of mains £3,137	10,447	25 ,,
Provision of plant (sub-station equipment) and kiosk ... £7,310		20 ,,
(*d*) Provision of unclimbable fencing and entrances at the Power Station	1,004	15 ,,
(*e*) Mains equipment (tools, etc.)	502	7 ,,

350 **Celebration of the Coronation of His Majesty the King:**

A circular letter (No. 1579) received from the Ministry of Health was submitted, stating that the Minister had decided to issue a general sanction enabling local authorities to incur reasonable expenditure in connection with the local celebration of the Coronation of His Majesty the King in so far as such expenditure was chargeable in accounts subject to audit by a District Auditor.

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The letter further stated that the Minister was unable to advise individual authorities whether any particular kind of expenditure might be incurred or as to the amount which might properly be expended by any particular authority. The effect of the sanction would be to prevent the disallowance by the District Auditor at the audit of reasonable expenses incurred thereunder. Any question whether any particular item of expenditure was or was not covered by the sanction would in the first instance be for the Auditor to consider.

351 **Loans—Discontinuance of Addition of Loan Costs :**

The Borough Treasurer drew attention to the fact that loans sanctioned in pursuance of statutory borrowing powers would in future be met out of the loans pool and that it would therefore be unnecessary to include an item in respect of costs in any resolution authorising a loan application to be made.

352 **Land at Central Fire Station :**

A letter, dated 17th November, 1936, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted, stating that the Minister would raise no objection to the proposal of the Town Council to defray the expenditure of £350 for the provision of a children's playground and a one rink grass bowling green at above, out of the unexpended balance of the loan of £32,799 for the erection of the fire station.

353 **Unforeseen Expenditure :**

The Committee had before them references from the under-mentioned Committees with regard to the matters respectively indicated below :—

	Committee.	Matter.	Cost Involved. £
	(*a*) Education (Meeting—16th November, 1936)	Repairs and decorations to 46, Percy Road	65
134 b.	(*b*) Public Libraries	Tablet to commemorate opening of North Finchley District Library	40 (see ii below)
135 f.	(*c*) Public Libraries	Additional equipment, North Finchley District Library	41
135(g)	(*d*) Public Libraries	Book purchase, Public Libraries	350
218.	(*e*) Highways and Fire Brigade	Forecourts, 52, 54 and 56, Market Place, Falloden Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb	150

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the Town Council approve supplemental estimates in respect of the items of expenditure referred to in (a), (c), (d) and (e) above ; and

(ii) that as regards the item of expenditure referred to in (b) above, the Town Council approve a supplemental estimate for **£30,** and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to arrange for this figure not to be exceeded.

354 **Tithe Act, 1936 :**

It was reported that a circular letter (No. 1581) received from the Ministry of Health in regard to the above had been referred to the Borough Treasurer.

355 **Sewer Floodings—Vivian Way :**

276 The recommendations of the Public Health Committee hereon were reported and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the proposed expenditure of £175 be met out of item 77 (Repairs to Sewers) in the current estimates.

356 **Extensions to Refuse Destructor:**

The recommendations of the Public Health Committee in regard to the above were reported and considered; 248

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the following resolution passed by the Council on the 22nd June, 1936, and contained in Minute No. 1614 be rescinded and that the recommendation set out in (ii) below be substituted therefor:—

"That the Town Clerk make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £13,310, made up as hereunder mentioned:—

	£
Works	13,210
Loan costs	100
	£13,310"

(ii) that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £13,660 in respect of extensions to the refuse destructor.

357 **Land—Broughton Avenue, adjoining Windsor Open Space:**

The recommendations of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee in regard to the above were reported and considered; 147

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £2,320, made up as hereunder mentioned:—

	£
Cost of acquisition	2,250
Estimated legal charges and stamp duty	70
	£2,320

358 **New Bowling Green—Glebe Land:**

(*a*) Access.—The recommendations of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee were reported and arising thereon the Borough Surveyor intimated that the unexpended balance of the loan for the construction of the bowling green was approximately £75, which amount would, it was anticipated, cover the cost of constructing a pathway giving access to the green from the Great North Road. 150(c)

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that, subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health, the unexpended balance of the loan be utilised for the purpose in question.

(*b*) Proposed Pavilion.—The recommendations of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee hereon were reported, and it was 150(c2)

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £1,100 for the construction of a pavilion to serve the new bowling green on the Glebe Land.

FINANCE (*contd.*)

359 **Northway Gardens—Housing Accommodation for Attendant :**

The recommendations of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee hereon were reported and considered ;

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RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £770, made up as hereunder mentioned :—

	£
Cost of construction of accommodation for attendant at Northway Gardens	750
Estimated legal and Surveyors' charges	20
	£770

360 **Finchley Memorial Hospital :**

The recommendations of the General Purposes Committee hereon were reported and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that no objection on financial grounds be raised to the proposal to contribute a sum of £200 to the Finchley Memorial Hospital.

361 **Making up of Castle Way :**

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The recommendations of the Housing Committee were reported and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that no objection on financial grounds be raised thereto.

362 **Proofs of Debt—Signing of :**

The Town Clerk submitted the following extract from a letter, dated 26th November, 1936, received from the Borough Treasurer :—

> "In conversation with the Deputy Town Clerk recently on the subject of bankruptcies and liquidations in which the Corporation are concerned as creditors, it came to my notice that proofs of debt are completed in my Department and submitted to you for signature. I do not know whether you attach any importance to the point, but it would, I think, be more convenient if the proofs were signed by me as Treasurer."

After hearing the views of the Town Clerk on the matter, it was

RECOMMENDED that, in future, proofs of debt be signed by the Borough Treasurer.

363 **Allotments—Brook Farm—Use of Portion of Open Space :**

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The recommendations of the Allotments Committee in regard to the above were reported and considered, and it was decided

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(i) that the question of making the requisite financial arrangements be considered further by this Committee at next meeting ; and

(ii) that the Borough Treasurer be instructed to report on the matter thereat ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

364 **Petty Cash Accounts :**

The Borough Treasurer reported that with the co-operation of the Chief Officers, all the departmental Petty Cash Accounts had now been placed on an imprest basis which was cleared monthly, and that an experimental set of uniform rules governing Petty Cash Disbursements had been brought into operation in all departments.

365 **Abstract of Accounts :**

The Borough Treasurer reported that the Abstract of Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1936, was published on the 2nd November, 1936 ; further, that the accounts had not then been audited by the District Auditor, but that the Audit was, however, commenced on the 26th October and completed on the 7th December.

366 **Rates :**

Summonses.—The Borough Treasurer reported hereon, and it was

RECOMMENDED that, in future, rate summonses be served by registered post instead of by hand as at present.

367 **Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants :**

The Borough Treasurer reported that the Council of the above Institute had invited nominations for election to Honorary Membership of the Institute for the calendar year 1937 ;

RECOMMENDED that the Chairman of this Committee be so nominated on behalf of the Town Council.

368 **Fire Brigade Pensions Fund :**

The Borough Treasurer reported that the balance standing to the credit of this fund at 30th September, 1936, was £1,216 12s. 11d. and that the present annual income was about £350 and the expenditure approximately £50 ; further, that the balance whilst at the Bank earned interest at 2 per cent. per annum, but that it appeared, however, that this surplus should either be invested in trustee securities or used by the Council for authorised borrowing purposes in the manner provided for by Section 20 (3) of the Fire Brigade Pensions Act, 1925. The Borough Treasurer also reported upon the advisability of having an actuarial investigation of the Fund as at the 31st March next.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that a sum of £1,200 be paid into the Council's Loans Account, and that for the time being the rate of interest to be paid by the Loans Account to the Pensions Fund be fixed at 3¼ per cent. per annum ; and

(ii) that the Borough Treasurer be instructed to arrange for an actuary to examine and report upon the condition of the Fire Brigade Pensions Fund as at the 31st March next.

Arising on recommendation (ii) above, the Borough Treasurer was instructed to obtain particulars of the actuary's fee for carrying out the work and to submit the same at the meeting of the Town Council.

369 **Temporary Loan :**

The Borough Treasurer reported that he had received notice from the County Accountant of Essex, requiring repayment on the 8th January, 1937, of the Loan of £30,000 which was borrowed from the Essex County Council on the 1st August, 1936 ;

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Treasurer be instructed to arrange accordingly.

FINANCE (*contd.*)

370 **Burglary Insurance :**

The Borough Treasurer intimated that as a result of consultation with the Chief Officers of the Council, he had arranged for a number of properties, recently uninsured against burglary, to receive temporary cover ;

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the action taken be approved ; and

(ii) that the matter be referred to the Finance Accounts and General Sub-Committee with a view to the properties being permanently covered, if necessary.

371 **Cricket and Football Pitches—Letting of :**

In accordance with the instructions of the Town Council at its meeting in September last (Minute No. 2132), the Borough Treasurer submitted a detailed report on the charges made by the Council for the hire of cricket and football pitches.

After full consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED that the report be referred to the Parks and Open Spaces Committee with a suggestion that that Committee should apprise this Committee of any recommendations proposed to be made as to charges for the use of cricket and football pitches.

372 **Estimates—Year ending 31st March, 1938 :**

The Borough Treasurer made certain suggestions as to the form in which the estimates for the above period should be presented to the Committees concerned. After consideration of such suggestions, the Committee were in agreement therewith and instructed the Borough Treasurer to proceed in the manner proposed.

373 **Rate Collection for Period 1st October to 30th November, 1936 :**

The following statement was submitted by the Borough Treasurer :—

	£		£
Arrears of former Rates	6,249	Amount of Rate collected to 30th November, 1936	72,304
Estimated Product of Rate—half-year 1st October, 1936, to 31st March, 1937	191,455	Rate outstanding	131,626
Additions to Rate—new assessments, etc.	6,226		
	£203,930		£203,930

374 **Loans Account :**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement of transfers to be made from the above account on the 31st December, 1936, in the exercise of the Statutory borrowing powers described :—

General Rate Fund Capital.

Date of Sanction.	Amount of Sanction. £	Period. years.	Particulars.	Amount of transfer. £
16/12/35	5,815	30	Sewage Disposal Works Sludge Digestion	13,100
	160	25		
	4,042	20		
	3,083	15		
4/ 2/36	1,110	15	Sewage Disposal Works Detritus Elevator	1,110
24 /8/36	16,363	10	Private Street Works Account No. 38	16,363
26/ 6/36	350	20	Ladies' Bowls Pavilion	350
13/ 1/36	1,010	20	Glebe Land Bowling Green	1010
—	—	—	Housing Bonds (to be redeemed 31/12/36)	2,020
				£33,953

Electricity Capital.

Date of Sanction.	Amount of Sanction. £	Period. years.	Particulars.	Amount of transfer. £
29/ 8/35	2,925	60	Extension 36—Land, Ballards Lane	2,925
19/ 3/36	30,225	25	Extension 37—Mains and Services	5,225 (balance).
27/ 6/36	13,580	20	Extension 38—Mains and Plant	13,580
28/ 8/36	5,267	20	Extension 42—E.H.T. Switchgear	5,267
2/11/36	35,666	25	Extension 47—Mains	10,000
				£36,997
			Total transfer	£70,950

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council approve the transfer from the Loans Account of the amounts above referred to.

375 **Receipts and Payments—November:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement:—

Fund or Account.	Receipts. £	Payments. £
General Rate Fund Revenue	44,964	31,166
Education Revenue	1,449	5,408
Electricity Revenue	10,115	4,999
Housing Revenue	1,877	—
General Rate Fund Capital	1,600	12,964
Electricity Capital	18	—
Superannuation Fund	1,236	288
	£61,259	£54,825

FINANCE (*contd.*)

376 **Statement of Bank Balances—16th December, 1936 :**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement :—

Fund or Account.	Debit. £ s. d.	Credit. £ s. d.
General Rate Fund Revenue		72,503 4 0
Education Revenue	468 3 2	
Electricity Revenue		26,896 3 8
Housing Revenue		6,260 14 2
General Rate Fund Capital	14,597 6 8	
Education Capital	103 18 7	
Electricity Capital		10,311 8 7
Loans	45,135 7 7	
Salaries		96 1 3
Advance	8,669 19 5	
Suspense		426 0 10
Totals	£68,974 15 5	£116,493 12 6
Net Balance		£47,518 17 1
Superannuation Fund		£7,110 8 11

377 **Summary of Accounts Approved and Recommended for Payment :**

The following is a summary of the Accounts included in the Interim Order on Treasurer, and in the Order on Treasurer to be submitted to the Council for approval :—

	Interim Order. £ s. d.	Council Order. £ s. d.	Total. £ s. d.
General Rate Fund Revenue	38,998 11 10	7,872 16 0	46,871 7 10
Education Revenue	4,007 18 0	1,004 1 5	5,011 19 5
Electricity Revenue	3,968 1 4	21,836 7 11	25,804 9 3
Housing Revenue	15 18 7		15 18 7
General Rate Fund Capital	2,298 13 5	1,145 0 5	3,443 13 10
Electricity Capital		4,284 8 5	4,284 8 5
Loans		30,126 2 6	30,126 2 6
Superannuation Fund	284 8 4		284 8 4
	£49,573 11 6	£66,268 16 8	£115,842 8 2

378 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

C. S. SYRETT,
Chairman.

Borough of Finchley.

Municipal Offices,

Finchley, N. 3.

19th January, 1937.

Sir (or Madam),

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an ORDINARY MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY will be held on MONDAY NEXT, the 25th day of JANUARY, 1937, at 8 o'clock in the afternoon at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, and all and several the members of the said Council are hereby summoned to attend.

The business to be transacted at such meeting is as follows :—

(1) Confirmation of the Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 30th day of December, 1936.

(2) To take into consideration and determine upon the expediency of opposing in the present session of Parliament the following Bill :—

Barnet District Gas and Water : "A Bill to authorise the Barnet District Gas and Water Company to construct new waterworks and to raise additional capital ; to adjust the boundaries of the Company's water limits ; to make better provision with respect to the repair and maintenance of pipes for the supply of water within the water limits ; to extend the Company's gas limits ; and for other purposes."

and also (if deemed expedient) to oppose such Bill and to pass such Resolutions as may be necessary or expedient in connection with the opposition to such Bill.

(3) To open the following tenders received after the time stipulated in the advertisement :—

Annual Supplies—

(*a*) Tarmacadam (Two).
(*b*) Cement (Two).
(*c*) Bituminous Compounds (Two).

(4) Tenders for : —

(a) Extensions to Refuse Destructor.

(b) Conversion of three hard tennis courts into "non-attention" type—Cherry Tree Wood.

(c) Surface Water Sewer Works—

(i) between Station Road and a point near East End Road ;

(ii) in Essex Park and in Nether Street from Wentworth Avenue to Moss Hall Grove.

(d) Works of road construction—Castle Way, North Finchley.

(e) Additions and Alterations—Manorside School.

(f) Private Street Works—29th Batch.

(g) Erection of an Attendant's flat with contingent works over existing Public Convenience at Northway Gardens.

(h) Provision of new shop fronts and interior work—Electricity Showrooms.

Hammond £2600.-
Wyeman 2679.
Brunsell 2896.
Pollard 3317.

(i) Supply of electric vehicles (Electricity Department).

(5) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(a) **Public Libraries** of the 4th January, 1937.

(b) **Town Planning** of the 4th January, 1937.

(c) **Valuation** of the 5th January, 1937.

(d) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 5th January, 1937.

(e) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 6th January, 1937.

(f) **Public Health** of the 7th January, 1937.

(g) **Education** of the 11th January, 1937.

(h) **Electricity** of the 12th January, 1937.

(i) **General Purposes** of the 13th January, 1937.

(j) **Finance** of the 14th January, 1937.

(k) **New Municipal Offices** of the 18th January, 1937 (if any).

(l) **Electricity (Special)** of the 19th January, 1937 (if any).

(6) Other Correspondence (if any).

(7) Reports of Officers (if any).

(8) Notice of Motion by Alderman C. S. Syrett :—

"That the Standing Orders be amended as follows :—

(a) That the following words, of Section 2, part one (see page 10)

"The Council may at any time appoint the immediate past Mayor a member of the General Purposes Committee, provided that he be a member of the Council"

be deleted and the following words be substituted

withdrawn

(*b*) The Council at each Annual Meeting shall appoint the immediate past Mayor, provided that he be a member of the Council, as Deputy Mayor for the ensuing year.

(*c*) In the event of the immediate past Mayor not being a member of the Council, then the last retired Mayor who is a member of the Council shall be deemed to be the immediate past Mayor for the purpose of this Standing Order.

(*d*) The Deputy Mayor shall be appointed Chairman of the General Purposes Committee whilst he holds the office of Deputy Mayor.

(9) To authorise the Corporate Seal to be affixed to certain documents (list to be circulated).

(10) Payment of Accounts.

(*a*) The Town Clerk to report that, since the last meeting of the Town Council, a Borough Treasurer's Interim Order for the sum of £11,066 15s. 7d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(*b*) Motion.—

"That an order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 14th January, 1937, amounting to a sum of £77,738 7s. 7d."

(11) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Council in Committee.

(12) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(*a*) **Public Libraries** of the 4th January, 1937.
(*b*) **Town Planning** of the 4th January, 1937.
(*c*) **Valuation** of the 5th January, 1937.
(*d*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 5th January, 1937.
(*e*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 6th January, 1937.
(*f*) **Public Health** of the 7th January, 1937.
(*g*) **Education** of the 11th January, 1937.
(*h*) **Electricity** of the 12th January, 1937.
(*i*) **General Purposes** of the 13th January, 1937.
(*j*) **Finance** of the 14th January, 1937.
(*k*) **New Municipal Offices** of the 18th January, 1937 (if any).
(*l*) **Electricity (Special)** of the 19th January, 1937 (if any).
(*m*) **General Purposes (Special)** of the 22nd January, 1937.

(13) Other Correspondence (if any).

(14) Reports of Officers (if any).

(15) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Town Clerk.

Questions.

Notice of any question intended to be asked at the Meeting of the Town Council must be given at the office of the Town Clerk not later than Twelve noon on the day of such Meeting.

Borough of Finchley.

At an Ordinary Meeting of the Council of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY, held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on WEDNESDAY, the 30th day of December, 1936.

PRESENT:

His Worship the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.).

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).

Aldermen—

A. J. Briant.
G. H. Pateman.
A. T. Pike.
C. S. Syrett.
Vyvyan Wells.

Councillors—

A. N. H. Baines.
W. L. Brooksbank.
P. H. Burch.
J. F. Kneale Caine.
A. C. D. Collis.
J. Connorton.
C. P. Grobel.
F. J. Grocott.
J. Hugh Jones, LL.B.
Mrs. M. E. Legge.
R. J. N. Norman.
H. A. Rutt.
Major H. W. Steward.
C. F. Wightman.
H. H. Wilmot.

379 **Prayers:**

The Mayor's Chaplain attended the meeting, and opened the proceedings with prayer.

380 **Apology for Absence:**

It was reported that Councillor Mrs. Murphy had expressed regret at her inability to attend the meeting.

381 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 23rd day of November, 1936, were presented, and it was

RESOLVED that such Minutes be taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a correct record of the proceedings.

382 **Message of Loyalty to King George the Sixth:**

His Worship the Mayor moved as follows:—

"That a message of loyalty in the following terms be forwarded through the Home Office to His Majesty King George the Sixth and that the Corporate Seal be affixed thereto:—

'To the King's Most Excellent Majesty.

May it please Your Majesty.

We, the Mayor, Aldermen and Councillors of the Borough of Finchley, in council assembled, desire on behalf of the inhabitants of the borough to convey to Your Majesty the assurance of our unswerving loyalty and allegiance on Your Majesty's accession to the Throne.

We further desire to express the fervent hope that, by the blessing of Almighty God, Your Majesty will be sustained in the high estate to which you have been called, and also that Your Majesty and the Queen may be blessed with good health and may long be spared to rule over us in peace and happiness.' "

The motion was duly seconded by the Deputy Mayor and, on being put, was carried unanimously, and it was

RESOLVED accordingly.

383 **Opening of Tenders Received after the Time Stipulated in the Advertisements:**

It was reported that one tender in respect of each of the following had been received after the time stipulated in the advertisements:—

(*a*) Construction of Bowling Green—Victoria Recreation Ground;

(*b*) Supply of Petrol Driven Vehicles;

RESOLVED that such tenders be opened, but not considered.

384 **Tenders:**

(*a*) Annual Supplies.

(*b*) Erection of Bowls Pavilion—Glebe Land.

The tenders received in connection with the above were submitted, and arising thereon, the Town Clerk reported that the envelope containing one tender in respect of (a) bore the name of the sender;

RESOLVED—

(1) that such tender be opened, but not considered; and

(2) that the remainder of the tenders be opened, and referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

385 **Reports of Committees:**

RESOLVED that the reports of the under-mentioned Committees be received and adopted as varied by the amendments (if any) set out and adopted:—

(*a*) **Town Planning** of the 2nd December, 1936.

Arising out of paragraph 117 (Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1—External Appearance of Buildings—Constitution of Tribunal of Appeal), it was reported that Mr. W. J. Cross had been approached with regard to the matter, and that he had expressed his willingness to serve on the Tribunal.

Arising out of paragraph 124 (a) (1), it was

Stanhope Ave

RESOLVED that "Avenue" be substituted for "Road" in the heading thereof.

Arising out of paragraph 125 (2) (Temporary Buildings—Renewal of Licences—Coffee Stalls), it was

RESOLVED that the question of the renewal of the licence in respect of the coffee stall adjoining Carrimore Works be considered in conjunction with the report of the Public Health Committee on the matter.

Arising out of paragraph 126 (a) (Plans—Approved), it was

RESOLVED that Plan No. 9816 be withdrawn from the list and that the matter be referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

(*b*) **Street Trading** of the 2nd December, 1936.

(*c*) **Public Libraries** of the 7th December, 1936.

Arising out of paragraph 134 (b) (North Finchley District Library—Tablet to commemorate opening), it was

RESOLVED that "of approximately £40" mentioned in the second line of recommendation (i) be deleted and the following substituted therefor:—"not exceeding £30."

(*d*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 7th December, 1936.

(*e*) **Valuation** of the 8th December, 1936.

(*f*) **Housing** of the 8th December, 1936, with the exception of paragraph 174 (Proposed Erection of Houses), which be dealt with in conjunction with paragraph 222 of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee's Report of the 9th December, 1936, and paragraph 275 of the Electricity Committee's Report of the 15th December, 1936.

(*g*) **Children's Safety** of the 9th December, 1936.

(*h*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 9th December, 1936, with the exception of paragraph 222 (Appropriation of Land for Housing Purposes—Central Depôt), which be dealt with in conjunction with paragraph 275 of the Electricity Committee's Report of the 15th December, 1936.

Arising out of **paragraph 197** (Parking of Lorries—Lincoln Road), it was reported that a further communication, dated 14th December, 1936, had been received from Mr. H. E. Freshwater as follows:—

"Further to previous correspondence regarding this complaint, I would inform you that the residents in this road are distinctly perturbed that there is no apparent indication that active steps have been taken by any of the authorities concerned to stop the nuisance in question.

Beyond a P.C. of acknowledgment I have not had a reply to my letter of the 4th November, and as I originally approached you in August last it is considered that ample time has been afforded the authorities concerned to take the necessary action to abate the nuisance.

Perhaps, therefore, you will be good enough to advise me if you have yet heard from the Ministry of Transport and if so, what measures are being taken? Also it would be appreciated if you will again raise this matter at the next Council Meeting with a view to ascertaining their decision as to whether we can anticipate effective action to preserve the residential amenities of the road.

There is no doubt that if the premises at No. 19 are retained for the present purpose there will be no safety for the residential character of any of the roads leading off the Great North Road with the consequent degeneration of the neighbourhood. You perhaps saw in the local paper of December 4th reference made by the Friern Barnet Council to a similar case in Mayfield Avenue, N. 12, and this shows how the wind is setting.

We trust that you will not allow this question to lapse, and I shall be glad to receive information at your early convenience."

Arising thereon, the Borough Surveyor reported that the suggested conference between the Divisional Road Engineer of the Ministry of Transport, representatives of the Commissioner of Police and himself had not yet taken place.

The view was expressed by Alderman Pike that, at such conference, the Borough Surveyor should be instructed to take up the matter very strongly, and to emphasise that the parking of lorries is taking place not only in Lincoln Road but also in other parts of the Borough, *e.g.*, at the junction of East End Road and Stanhope Avenue.

(*i*) **Public Health** of the 10th December, 1936.

Arising out of paragraph 229 (5), it was

RESOLVED that the licence in respect of the temporary building in question be not renewed after its expiry on the 31st December, 1936.

(*j*) **Education** of the 14th December, 1936, with the exception of recommendation (a) contained in paragraph 262 (Children under Five Years of Age—Nursery Classes), which be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

Arising out of paragraph 267 (School Attendance Sub-Committee —Date of Meetings), it was

RESOLVED that the words "fourth Monday in the month" in the second line of the recommendation be deleted and the following substituted therefor:— "Monday in the third week."

(*k*) **Electricity** of the 15th December, 1936.

Arising out of paragraph 275 (Land adjacent to Electricity Works), the matter was considered in conjunction with paragraph 174 of the Housing Committee's Report of the 8th December, 1936, and paragraph 222 of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee's Report of the 9th December, 1936.

It was moved by Councillor Caine and seconded by Alderman Syrett "that the portion of the land in the occupation of the Electricity Committee be appropriated for purposes of a school playing field, subject to any necessary consents being obtained."

On being put, the motion was carried, and it was

RESOLVED accordingly.

In the circumstances, it was further

RESOLVED that paragraph 174 of the Housing Committee's Report of the 8th December, 1936, and paragraph 222 of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee's Report of the 9th December, 1936, be not adopted.

Arising out of paragraph 276 (Service Cables), the Vice-Chairman of the Committee made a statement on the matter.

Arising out of paragraph 286 (Suggested Revision of Alternative Two-Part Domestic Tariff), it was

RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Committee be adopted subject, if necessary, to the consent of the Electricity Commissioners being obtained to the proposals.

Arising out of paragraph 287 (Suggested Revision of Domestic Power Tariff), it was

RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Committee be adopted subject, if necessary, to the consent of the Electricity Commissioners being obtained to the proposals.

(*l*) **Allotments** of the 15th December, 1936.

(*m*) **General Purposes** of the 16th December, 1936.

(*n*) **Finance** of the 17th December, 1936.

Arising out of paragraph 368 (Fire Brigade Pensions Fund), it was

RESOLVED that the question of the actuary's fee be considered by the Town Council in Committee.

386 **Death of Mr. R. Watson:**

A communication was submitted from Mrs. R. Watson, conveying to the Town Council her thanks and those of her family for the kind expression of sympathy with them in their recent bereavement.

387 **Electricity Supply Regulations, 1937:**

A letter, dated 17th December, 1936, was submitted from the Electricity Commissioners, forwarding a copy of the Electricity Supply Regulations, 1937, made by them for securing the safety of the public and for insuring a proper and sufficient supply of electrical energy.

It was pointed out that the new Regulations, which would apply as from the 1st January, 1937, to all electricity undertakers and their undertakings, represented broadly speaking a re-issue of the prior Regulations of 1934, with certain modifications, more particularly as regards their retrospective application, and attention was drawn to the provisions of Regulation 36 concerning the steps to be taken by undertakers within one month after they had become subject to the new Regulations;

RESOLVED that the matter be referred to the Electricity Committee for consideration.

388 **Local Government Act, 1929—Maternity and Child Welfare—Scheme for County Districts under Section 93:**

A letter, dated 15th December, 1936, was submitted from the Ministry of Health enclosing draft of a scheme which the Minister proposed to make under Section 93 of the Local Government Act, 1929, for the third fixed grant period, *i.e.*, the five years beginning on the 1st April, 1937.

It was asked that the observations of the Town Council on the draft scheme might be forwarded by the 15th January, 1937, and in the circumstances, it was

RESOLVED that the matter be referred to the Public Health Committee for consideration, with power to act.

389 **North Finchley District Library:**

A letter, dated 8th December, 1936, was submitted from Dr. J. Grimson, stating that a course of lectures under the Home Office Air Raid Precautions Scheme was being arranged by the Finchley Division of the British Medical Association for all Doctors, Dentists and Veterinary Surgeons in the Borough; that the course would consist of 12 lectures of one hour each (probably between 9 and 10 p.m.), commencing early in 1937, and asking that, as the persons concerned would be giving their time voluntarily in acquiring technical knowledge which would be given freely to the Burgesses should the need arise, the Town Council would allow the free use of the lecture hall at the above library for approximately 10 or 11 of such lectures.

Arising thereon, Alderman Pike reported that he had been informed that the course would now consist of six lectures of two hours each instead of 12 lectures of one hour each as stated above;

RESOLVED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council will be pleased to accede to the request.

390 **Licensing Acts:**

Notices were submitted:—

(*a*) from Mrs. Eliza Emily Phillips of intention to apply to the Justices for the transfer to her of the licence to sell beer, wines, spirits and sweets to be consumed "off" the premises situate at 121, High Road, East Finchley; and

(*b*) from Mr. John Edward Ward of intention to apply to the Justices for the transfer to Mr. Henry Parker of the licence to keep a house for public billiard playing at first floor, 17/19, High Street, N. 12.

RESOLVED that no action be taken thereon.

391 **Victoria Recreation Ground—Construction of New Bowling Green:**

A letter, dated 22nd December, 1936, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the Church End Finchley Ratepayers' Association, forwarding copy of the following resolution passed at a recent meeting of the Association:—

"*Re* removal of new pavilion for ladies' bowling club to a new site.

We are of opinion that lack of foresight is apparent on the part of those who selected the original site of this pavilion, seeing that within a few weeks of its opening, the Council decided to move it, at additional expense to the ratepayers."

RESOLVED that the matter be referred to the Parks and Open Spaces Committee for consideration.

392 **Traffic Danger Points:**

A communication was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the Church End Finchley Ratepayers' Association enclosing copy of a resolution passed by the Association on the above subject;

RESOLVED that same be referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration.

393 **Director of Education:**

The Town Clerk reported receipt of a communication from Mr. T. Frost, resigning his appointment as Director of Education.

The Deputy Mayor and the Chairman of the Education Committee expressed regret at the loss of Mr. Frost's services, and wished him every success in his new sphere. The Mayor also associated himself with their remarks.

394 **North Finchley District Library—Appointment of Junior Assistant:**

RESOLVED that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and the Chairman of the Public Libraries Committee be authorised to make the above appointment, subject to report.

395 **Documents for Sealing:**

RESOLVED that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents:—

(1) Deed of Grant of Easement to Simms Motor Units, Ltd., for five windows overlooking Oak Lodge School.

(2) Lease from Simms Motor Units, Ltd., of land for use as electricity substation.

(3) Agreement with Mr. J. J. Lovesay *re* new road, Nether Street, opposite Nethercourt Avenue.

(4) Agreement with the Acorn Club, Ltd., for the tenancy of two hard tennis courts at Lyttelton Playing Fields.

(5) Agreement with the Old Finchleians' Football Club for the tenancy of a first class football pitch at Lyttelton Playing Fields.

(6) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mr. W. Grossman as to land at Broughton Avenue, adjoining Windsor Open Space.

(7) Agreement with and Conveyance from Messrs. Goddard & Smith as to land for widening Ballards Lane at corner of Lovers' Walk.

(8) Agreement with and Conveyance from C. W. B. Simmonds, Ltd., as to land for widening East End Road at corner of Stanhope Avenue.

(9) Agreement with and Conveyance from Clayhall Park Estates, Ltd., as to land for widening Dunger Place.

(10) Agreement with and Conveyance from the Ecclesiastical Commissioners and Others as to land for widening Kingsley Way outside Nos. 52, 54 and 56, Market Place, Falloden Way.

(11) Licences for use and occupation of Slaughterhouses to the persons mentioned in the report of the Public Health Committee, dated 10th December, 1936.

(12) Licence to Blaker Motor and Welding Co., Ltd., to store petroleum spirit at their depôt in Hamilton Road.

(13) Licence to Mr. L. Down to store petroleum spirit at 407, Nether Street (amended application).

(14) Contract with Messrs. W. Bain & Co., Ltd., for the supply, delivery and erection at the Electricity Works of unclimbable metal fencing, gates, etc.

(15) Contract with Messrs. Stewart & Ardern, Ltd., for the supply and delivery of petrol driven vehicles.

(16) Authority to the Borough Treasurer to sign "cutting-off" notices in connection with the non-payment of electricity accounts.

(17) Order for Certificate and Receipt therefor in connection with loan of £620 from the Public Works Loan Board (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts).

(18) Authority to the Borough Treasurer to sign Proofs of Debt on behalf of the Town Council.

(19) Petition against the London Passenger Transport Board Bill.

(20) Petition against the Barnet District Gas and Water Bill.

(21) Discharges of Registered Charges or Vacating Receipts (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts) in respect of the following:—

Mortgage No. 579—Mrs. L. E. Copeland, 109, Lichfield Grove.

Mortgage No. 730—C. E. Court, 37, Nethercourt Avenue.

(22) Message of Loyalty to His Majesty King George the Sixth.

(23) Agreement with the Mains Engineer *re* Car Allowance.

*(24) Contract with Messrs. Thomas Bros., for erection of Bowls Pavilion—Glebe Land.

*(25) Contract with and Conveyance from Islington & District Estates Ltd., in connection with acquisition of land on the north side of Totteridge Lane, west of the Railway Station.

*(26) Agreement with and Conveyance from Messrs. Courage & Co. as to land for widening Ballards Lane near Granville Road.

* See Report of Town Council in Committee.

396 **Payment of Accounts :**

(*a*) The Town Clerk reported that, since the last meeting of the Town Council, a Borough Treasurer's Interim Order for the sum of £49,573 11s. 6d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(*b*) **RESOLVED** that an order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 17th December, 1936, amounting to a sum of £66,268 16s. 8d.

397 **Council in Committee :**

It was proposed by Councillor Langlands, seconded by Alderman Syrett, and

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the Town Council do now go into Committee.

398 **Town Planning Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 2nd December, 1936, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 2 (Land fronting Eversleigh Road, Gordon Road and Grosvenor Road—Proposed Blocks of Flats), the Borough Surveyor reported as follows :

> With reference to the proposal to erect flats and garages in the above road, I have been in communication with the owner as instructed by the Town Planning Committee and he has submitted a letter, dated the 8th December as follows :—
>
> "With reference to our application for the development of flats on this site and our conversation on the telephone to-day with the Deputy Surveyor we regret to state that our client is not interested in developing this land for the purpose of houses and in the circumstances we should be extremely obliged if you would go into the matter further with your Council at the next meeting after which we hope to hear from you that the preliminary plan of flats already submitted to you has been approved.
>
> Awaiting your further advice and thanking you in anticipation of an early reply."
>
> The application was received on the 4th November, 1936, and should be dealt with at this meeting. As the proposals are contrary to the zoning in the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1, within which area the site is situated, I would suggest the application be disapproved.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the owner be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to give their consent to the erection of flats on the site in question as such development would contravene the character zoning provisions of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1 ;

see 432 (4) (Page 147)

(ii) that the matter be referred to the Town Planning Committee for further consideration.

399 **Street Trading Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 2nd December, 1936, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising thereon, a statement was read by the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, indicating that on inspection by a representative of the Borough Surveyor's Department it had been ascertained that the stalls in question had been removed.

400 **Public Libraries Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 7th December, 1936, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising on paragraph 1, the Chairman of the Committee intimated that, in view of the report which was being made by the General Purposes Committee to the Town Council, the whole matter would receive further consideration at the next meeting of the Committee.

401 **Valuation Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 8th December, 1936, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

402 **Housing Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 8th December, 1936, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council, subject to " £219,523 " being substituted for " £218,138 " in the fifth line of recommendation (1) contained in paragraph (a).

Arising on the report, Alderman Pike reported upon the result of an interview which he and the Borough Surveyor had had with Officials of the Ministry of Health.

403 **Highways and Fire Brigade Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 9th December, 1936, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council, with the exception of recommendation (2) contained in paragraph 6 (Obstructions on Public Footpaths), which be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (All Night Lighting), it was

RECOMMENDED that the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee be asked to consider further the financial aspect of the matter.

Arising out of paragraph 3 (Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935—Plan No. 9816—Conversion of Ground Floor into Shop with Flat Over—3, Rosemont Terrace, High Road, N. 12—Mr. R. J. Sugar), the matter was considered in conjunction with a report by the Borough Surveyor ;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the plan in question be approved so far as regards Bye-laws and Town Planning ; and

(*b*) that the matter be referred to the Committee for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935, with power to act.

404 **Public Health Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 10th December, 1936, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

405 **Education Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 14th December, 1936, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

406 **Electricity Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 15th December, 1936, was submitted and considered.

Arising out of paragraph 14 (Change-Over Organisation), it was

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the draft of the notice proposed to be forwarded to consumers referred to in recommendation (1) in the form submitted be approved;

(*b*) that recommendations (3) and (4) be not adopted, but that the following be substituted therefor:—

"(3) that authority be given to the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager to purchase such material and equipment as may be necessary to carry out change-over work on consumers' premises except—

(*a*) where the cost in respect of any one hereditament or at any one time exceeds the sum of £25 but does not exceed the sum of £50 in which case the authority of the Chairman of the Committee be first obtained; and

(*b*) where the cost in respect of any one hereditament or at any one time exceeds £50 in which case the authority of the Accounts and Works Sub-Committee be first obtained;

(4) that the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager be authorised to settle all consumers' claims on the best possible terms except—

(*a*) where a claim would exceed the cost of the adaptation of the consumers' apparatus; and

(*b*) claims by industrial consumers in respect of their power plant and apparatus;

in which cases the authority of the Accounts and Works Sub-Committee be first obtained."

RECOMMENDED that the report, as amended, be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

407 **General Purposes Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 16th December, 1936, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

408 **Finance Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 17th December, 1936, was submitted and considered.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (c) (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts—Arrears of Instalments—30th September, 1936), it was reported that as regards Advance No. 306 the sum owing had been paid, and that as regards Advance No. 471, the matter was in the hands of the Mortgagor's Solicitors, who, it was understood, were arranging for the repayment of the loan.

Arising out of paragraph 9 (a) (Rates—Final Notice), an amendment was proposed by Alderman Briant and seconded by Councillor Caine "that the recommendation of the Committee be not adopted, but that in future the amount owing be inserted in the final notice served by the Council."

On being put, the amendment was carried.

The amendment was thereupon put as a substantive motion and carried.

Arising out of paragraph 9 (b) (Rates—Statistics), the statement referred to was submitted;

RECOMMENDED that the report, as amended, be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

409 **Legal and Parliamentary Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 21st December, 1936, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council, subject to the word "line" being inserted after the word "building" in the last line of the recommendation contained in paragraph 4.

410 **Plan No. 9777—4 Lock-up Shops with 4 Flats Over—Site of 208, Ballards Lane, N. 12—Messrs. Courage & Co.:**

It was reported that the above-mentioned plan, which had been approved by the Town Council, showed an area of land proposed to be given up for widening purposes;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, subject to the approval of the Middlesex County Council, the offer be accepted;

(2) that the Solicitor be authorised to take the necessary steps in connection with the Conveyance;

(3) that payment of reasonable legal costs be approved; and

(4) that the necessary documents be added to the list of documents for sealing.

411 **Electricity Sub-Stations:**

It was reported that the lease of a room for an electricity sub-station at the factory premises of Messrs. Simms Motor Units, Ltd., at Oak Lane had been proceeded with, and that the rental payable thereunder was a nominal one of 5s. per annum.

412 **East Finchley District Library:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

At a recent meeting of the Town Council it was decided that tenders for the erection of the above library be obtained for consideration at your meeting.

At the last meeting of the Public Libraries Committee, however, it was reported that the size of the Children's Room at the North Finchley District Library was slightly inadequate, and as it has since been ascertained that the plans for the East Finchley Library make provision for a Children's Room of similar size, the advertisement has, with the consent of the Chairman of the Committee, been withheld for the time being. No doubt the matter will be considered further at the next meeting of the Public Libraries Committee.

413 **Coronation Celebrations:**

RECOMMENDED that it be left to the Mayor to fix a date for the next meeting of the Coronation Celebrations Committee.

414 **Fire Brigade Pensions Fund:**

Arising out of paragraph 368 of the Finance Committee's Report of the 17th December, 1936, the Borough Treasurer reported that the actuary's fee would amount to a sum of £12 12s. 0d.;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

415 **Director of Education:**

Arising on the resignation of the Director of Education, the Town Clerk read a letter, dated 30th December, 1936, received from the Town Clerk of Barking;

RECOMMENDED—

(a) that the Barking Corporation be informed that, subject to satisfactory terms being arranged between the two Authorities, the Town Council will, in the special circumstances, be prepared to allow the Corporation to have the benefit of Mr. Frost's services until the expiry of his three months' notice to the extent of the equivalent of two days a week, and that it be indicated that in the event of the Town Council not having secured a new Director of Education by that date, it is assumed that they will be prepared to reciprocate in a like manner; and

(b) that advertisements be issued inviting applications to fill the vacancy at a commencing salary of £750 per annum, rising by annual increments of £50 to £1,000 per annum.

416 **Land—North Side of Totteridge Lane, West of Railway Station:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"Further to my report to the last meeting of the Town Council, a letter, dated the 15th December, 1936, was subsequently received from Messrs. Wedlake, Saint & Co., as follows:—

'With reference to our conversation over the telephone on the 8th inst., we are now in a position to inform you that if your Council will make an offer of £4,750 we think that it will be accepted by our clients forthwith.'

On the instructions of the Chairman of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee, this offer was accepted subject to contract and the sanction of the Ministry of Health to the necessary loan and Messrs. Wedlake, Saint & Co., forwarded me a letter under date 18th December as follows:—

'We thank you for your letter of yesterday's date and will prepare the draft contract and submit it to the Clerk of your Council.'"

RECOMMENDED—

(a) that the action taken be approved;

(b) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee with a view to their making the necessary financial arrangements; and

(c) that the necessary documents be added to the list of documents for sealing.

417 **Tenders:**

(a) Annual Supplies.

(b) Erection of Bowls Pavilion—Glebe Land.

The tenders received in connection with the above were submitted;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that as regards (a), the tenders be referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration ;

(2) that as regards (b), the tender of Messrs. Thomas Bros. (the lowest) at the sum of £910 17s. 6d. be accepted, subject to contract, and to the sanction of the Minister of Health being received to the necessary loan ; and

(3) that the contract with Messrs. Thomas Bros., be added to the list of documents for sealing.

418 **Resumption of Council :**

RESOLVED that the Town Council do now resume, and that the recommendations above set forth be adopted.

Mayor.

Public Libraries Committee's Report.

4th JANUARY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Collis (Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Baines, Brooksbank, Caine, Mrs. Legge and Wilmot.

Non-Members: Alderman Syrett and Councillor Rutt.

419 **Minutes:**

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

420 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of Requisitions (circulated) be approved.

421 **Public Libraries—Avenue House and North Finchley:**

(*a*) Statistics.—The Chief Librarian reported as under, the figures in brackets being those reported for November, 1935:—

"(i) READERS.—The number of readers at Avenue House is now 5,427 (4,541), and at North Finchley 2,990.

(ii) STOCK.—The book stock at Avenue House now amounts to 19,661 (13,926), and at North Finchley 10,486.

(iii) LOANS.—The number of books lent during the month of November, 1936, from Avenue House was 18,217 (16,600), and from North Finchley 9,532. The following table shows the number of books lent from each class of Avenue House stock during November, 1935, and November, 1936, and the number of books lent from each class of North Finchley stock during November, 1936:—

Class.	AVENUE HOUSE. November, 1935.		AVENUE HOUSE. November, 1936.		NORTH FINCHLEY. November, 1936. Adult.		Junior.		Totals.	
	Loans.	% of total.	Loans.	% of total.	Loans.	% of total.	Loans.	% of total.	Loans.	% of total.
General	46	.3	43	.2	8	.1	18	.7	26	.3
Philosophy	256	1.6	297	1.6	70	1.0			70	.8
Religion	155	.9	236	1.3	64	.9	5	.2	69	.8
Sociology	534	3.2	636	3.5	156	2.2	196	8.0	352	3.7
Languages	288	1.7	270	1.5	36	.5			36	.4
Science	404	2.4	392	2.1	172	2.4	115	4.7	287	3.1
Useful Arts	844	5.1	836	4.6	268	3.8	124	5.0	392	4.1
Fine Arts	593	3.6	799	4.4	214	3.0	11	.4	225	2.3
Music	338	2.0	271	1.5	153	2.2			153	1.6
Literature	776	4.7	843	4.7	189	2.7	63	2.7	252	2.6
History & Travel	1963	11.9	2340	12.9	618	8.7	111	4.6	729	7.6
Biography	817	4.9	876	4.8	149	2.1	21	.8	170	1.7
Fiction	9581	57.7	10373	56.9	4991	70.4	1780	72.9	6771	71.0
Totals	16600	100.0	18217	100.0	7038	100.0	2444	100.0	9532	100.0
Days open	22		25		13		13		13	
Daily average	754		728		545		188		733	
Readers	4541		5427		2220		770		2990	

(iv) CASH.—The cash receipts during November amounted to £13 0s. 2d. (£11 4s. 10d.)."

(*b*) Location Signs.—Referring to Minute 135, the Town Clerk reported that the following recommendation of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee was, at the last meeting of the Town Council, adopted:—

"That authority be given to the Borough Surveyor to arrange for the erection of signs at the junction of East End Road with Regents Park Road and at the junction of Ravensdale Avenue with the High Road, indicating the location of the Public Libraries, subject (a) to the Public Libraries Committee bearing all expense in connection therewith, and (b) to lamp standards being available for the purpose."

The Committee agreed to bear all expense in connection with the erection of the signs in the event of lamp standards being available for the purpose.

(*c*) Assessment—North Finchley Library.—The Town Clerk reported that the following assessment had been placed upon the above Library :—

Gross Value	£304
Rateable Value.....	£250

(*d*) Staff—Absence through Illness.—The name of one member of the library staff who had been absent through illness since last meeting was submitted, together with the necessary medical certificates.

(*e*) Avenue House—Dogs.—The Chief Librarian reported that it was a growing practice amongst borrowers, to tie their dogs to the hand rail in the entrance porch at Avenue House.

Instructions were thereupon given—

(i) for a notice to be erected prohibiting the leaving of dogs in the entrance porch ; and

(ii) to the Borough Surveyor to report at next meeting as to what provision can be made for dogs to be left outside the building.

(*f*) Offers of Gifts.—The Chief Librarian reported hereon, and it was

RECOMMENDED that the following offers of gifts for use in connection with the Public Libraries be accepted and that the thanks of the Town Council be conveyed to the respective donors :—

Donor.	Gifts.
Mrs. Pywell	A number of books and two boxes of geological specimens.
Mr. O. G. R. Fox	State papers—Venice, Vol. 35, 1666-68. Patent Rolls—Philip and Mary, Vol. 2, 1554-5. Calendar of Treasury Books—Introduction to Vols. 11-17, 1695-1702. Journal of Commissioners for Trade and Plantations—2 Vols. January, 1759—December, 1760. January, 1764—December, 1767. Calendar of State Papers—Foreign series, Elizabeth, Vol. 22, July—December, 1588. Acts of the Privy Council of England, 1625-6. Calendar of State Papers—Domestic series. July 1st to September 30th, 1673. Calendar of Treasury Books—Vol. 1, Parts 1-4, 1693-6 (Bound).
Miss Thorpe	McKenna, M.—Drums never beat.
Mr. J. Tinkler	Phillips, C.—Emotion in art.
Mrs. Hannigan	MacKail, D.—The Wedding.
Miss Langham	52 novels by various authors, chiefly Farnol, Deeping, Sabatini and Hichens.

PUBLIC LIBRARIES (*contd.*).

(*g*) Lecture Hall—North Finchley Library.—It was reported that the Town Council at its last meeting agreed to the British Medical Association having the free use of the Lecture Hall for a course of six lectures in connection with Air Raid Precautions.

It was pointed out, however, that in the case of normal lettings the Council had agreed that in addition to the usual charge, a sum of 2/6d. should be payable by the hirers to the Caretaker.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that as regards the six lectures to be arranged by the British Medical Association, the fee of 2/6d., payable to the Caretaker on each occasion, be paid by the Town Council.

422 **Library Association—Annual Conference :**

The Town Clerk reported that an invitation had been extended to the Council by the Library Association to appoint delegates to attend the 60th Annual Conference of the Association to be held at Scarborough from the 31st May to 4th June, 1937, both dates inclusive.

RECOMMENDED that Councillor H. H. Wilmot and the Chief Librarian be appointed to attend the Conference on behalf of the Town Council.

423 **Library Book Agents' Agreement :**

A communication, dated 23rd December, 1936, received from the Town Clerk of the Borough of Ilford was submitted, stating that it was generally agreed that during the period following the negotiation of the above Agreement in 1929, the sums allocated by local authorities for the purchase of new books for public libraries had considerably increased and that his Council were of the opinion that such increase justified a revision of the Agreement upon terms more favourable to Library Authorities ; further, that it was proposed to submit the following Notice of Motion to the next Annual Conference of the Library Association to be held in June, 1937, and that he would be glad to be informed not later than the 23rd January, whether this Council would be prepared to support the Motion :—

> "That this Conference is of the opinion that the amounts at present allowed by way of commission on the purchase of new books under the terms of the Book Agents' Licence of 1929 are now inadequate, and requests the Council of the Library Association to approach The Publishers' Association and The Associated Booksellers of Great Britain and Ireland with the object of opening negotiations for a new agreement based upon terms more favourable to Public Library Authorities."

After consideration, instructions were given to the Town Clerk to reply that the Motion would receive the support of the Council's delegates at the Conference ;

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the action taken be approved ; and

(ii) that the Library Association be informed of the views of the Town Council in regard to the matter.

424 **District Library—East Finchley :**

The Chairman reported that tenders for the erection of the above Library had not been invited for consideration at the last meeting of the Town Council in order that the Committee might have an opportunity of considering whether the provision shown on the plans for a Children's Lending Library was adequate or otherwise.

The Borough Surveyor thereupon submitted amended drawings showing a larger children's room, together with the drawings which were approved by the Council in July, 1936.

He stated that if the amended drawings were adopted, the cost of the building would be increased by approximately £1,400.

After full consideration, the Committee were of opinion that subject to the provision of additional cloakroom accommodation at a later date, the accommodation shown on the original drawings would be adequate and instructions were given to the Borough Surveyor to arrange for tenders, on the basis of the drawings approved in July, 1936, to be invited for consideration at the next meeting of the Town Council;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

425 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the Chief Librarian as entered in his Instruction Book be approved.

A. C. D. COLLIS,
Chairman.

Town Planning Committee's Report.

4th JANUARY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Wilmot (Vice-Chairman), in the Chair, the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Wells, Councillors Burch, Caine and Norman.

Non-Members: Alderman Syrett, Councillors Baines, Mrs. Legge and Rutt.

426 **Minutes:**

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

427 **Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"The statutory period within which the Middlesex County Council may submit objections or representations with regard to the draft of the above-mentioned Scheme expired on the 6th October last.

As I had not received any communication from the County Council by that date, I communicated with the Clerk, and he informed me, in reply, that certain highway questions were still under consideration by the County Engineer and the Borough Engineer and Surveyor. I understand, however, that the Borough Surveyor will be in a position to report thereon at your meeting. The Clerk of the County Council also stated in his letter that he was awaiting the result of correspondence between another local authority in the County and the Ministry of Health with regard to the Clause for the protection of Local Authorities (Clause 79) and that he would not be in a position to supply the County Council's observations thereon until he had been informed of the outcome of the correspondence in question. I will circulate prior to your February meeting copies of the draft scheme embodying the several amendments which the Town Council have made since it was first printed. I should, however, be glad to receive your instructions on certain further matters dealing with clauses, upon which I will report at your meeting."

Arising thereon

(*a*) the Borough Surveyor stated that the Middlesex County Council had requested that certain widenings in the following classified roads should be shown on the Draft Scheme Map:—

Great North Road;	Hendon Lane;
Fortis Green;	Nether Street and Dollis Road;
East End Road;	Oakleigh Road.

In connection therewith, a letter dated 23rd December, 1936, from the County Engineer, with regard to the acceptance by the County Council of responsibility in the matter, was submitted, and it was agreed to refer the whole question to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration and that a further report thereon should be submitted at the next meeting of the Committee;

(*b*) a further letter, dated 1st January, 1937, from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council, was submitted referring to the road widening proposals above-mentioned and stating that in view of the possibility of the Minister of Transport requiring the deletion from the Scheme of standard widths of classified roads in the near future it was not possible to consider the widenings shown as being final; and

(*c*) the Town Clerk submitted a list of further drafting and other amendments, and was instructed to make the following modifications in the draft scheme to be submitted for the consideration of the Committee at its next meeting:—

(1) Addition of new model clauses issued by the Ministry of Health dealing with the following matters and any consequent alterations to existing clauses:—

(i) Control of lay-out, including siting of buildings ;

(ii) Submission of plans ; and

(iii) Modification of new streets and widenings where a standard width is adopted under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

(2) Deletion of Sub-Clause (2) of Clause 34 as suggested by the Ministry.

(3) Drafting amendments in consequence of decisions and alterations to the draft scheme already made by the Town Council.

The Town Clerk and the Borough Surveyor were also instructed to consider certain other matters relating to the Scheme, particulars of which are set out in their respective Instruction Books ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

428 **Unoccupied Flats :**

The following monthly report of the Valuation Officer hereon was submitted :—

"Number of unoccupied flats in the Borough—148 (150).

Total number of flats erected—1,598 (1,565).

These figures do not include premises converted.

The corresponding figures for last month are set out in brackets."

429 **Neon Signs, etc. :**

The Borough Surveyor reported that an application had been received from Boots Pure Drug Company, Ltd., enclosing a plan showing a proposal to erect a Neon Projecting Sign at Nos. 110-112, Ballards Lane, reading " Boots " in script letters, but that the proposed sign would contravene the provisions of Clause 28 (a) of the Town Council's Bye-Laws for the Good Rule and Government of the Borough, inasmuch as the projection over the footway would exceed three feet. In the circumstances, therefore, it was

RECOMMENDED that the application in question be not granted.

430 **Hendon Planning Scheme No. 1 :**

It was reported that the Borough Engineer and Surveyor had received a letter from the Borough Engineer of Hendon, enclosing a plan showing a proposal to take a triangular area of land from the land owned by the Town Council fronting Frith Lane for the purpose of forming a road to connect Frith Lane with Lullington Garth on the Woodside Park Garden Suburb and enquiring upon what terms the Corporation would be prepared to convey the land to the Hendon Council. The letter was referred to the General Purposes Committee for consideration.

431 **Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6—Oak Cottage, High Road, N. 20**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon a letter, dated 20th November, 1936, which he had received from Messrs. Rook & Son objecting to the proposal to schedule the rear portion of the above-mentioned property for the erection primarily of dwellinghouses. After considering a site plan showing the surrounding properties, it was

RECOMMENDED that no alteration be made in the proposed zoning of the property in question and that Messrs. Rook & Son be informed accordingly.

432 **Proposed Developments :**

(1) **Gordon Hall Estate—Proposal to erect ten shops with flats over and ten garages.** —It was reported that an application, dated 16th December, 1936, had been received from Mr. J. J. Lovesay for permission to erect ten shops with flats over and ten garages on the above-mentioned site between the London & North Eastern Railway Company's

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West Finchley Station and No. 237, Nether Street; further, that the site was situate within the area of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1 and was zoned for the erection primarily of dwellinghouses at a maximum density of 12 to the acre. The Town Clerk added that it had been necessary by virtue of the provisions of the Scheme to advertise the proposal and to invite interested persons to submit their observations thereon within a prescribed period. 5 letters for and 24 against the proposal were submitted and a statement of the reasons given by such interested persons either in support or in opposition to the proposal (circulated) was carefully considered, together with a petition supporting the proposal forwarded by Mr. W. L. Barclay and signed by 440 householders in the neighbourhood and a letter, dated 31st December, 1936, from the Group Scout Master of the 10th Finchley Scout Group regarding the future use of the site in question (both circulated), when it was

RECOMMENDED that Mr. J. J. Lovesay be informed

(*a*) that the Town Council approve, in principle, the proposal submitted by him, subject (i) to the flats over the proposed shops being limited to one storey in height; (ii) to all elevations of the proposed buildings being to the satisfaction of the Town Council; and (iii) to the conveyance free of monetary payment of such land as may be required for the widening of Nether Street; and

(*b*) that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

(2) **Land at the corner of Great North Road and Chandos Road, East Finchley.**—The Town Clerk reported that the land within the area of the Finchley (Willow Walk) Housing Confirmation Order, 1936, included the premises at present occupied by a firm of stonemasons, and that he had received a letter from Messrs. Fletcher Jones and Nicholls stating that their clients were consequently negotiating for a tenancy of the land at the junction of the Great North Road and Chandos Road which was subject to an Interim Development Permission and an Agreement. The questions asked by Messrs. Fletcher Jones and Nicholls (circulated) were considered and it was

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the Town Council agree, in principle, so far as the Town Planning Committee is concerned, to the use of the corner portion of the land, *i.e.*, the corner having a frontage to the Great North Road and Chandos Road, approximately 30 feet by 40 feet, for the purpose of continuing the business of a stonemason at present established on land included within the Housing Order, subject to the provisions of the Interim Development Order and the Agreement;

(*b*) that the existing hoardings be allowed to remain (with the exception of that section on the portion of the land which will be used for the business of a stonemason) and that the tenant in question be allowed to replace the hoardings as at present in the event of the carrying on of the business on the land being discontinued at any time;

(*c*) that the Town Council approve, in principle, the erection of temporary wooden buildings;

(*d*) that consent be not given to the application for permission to use the remaining portion of the land by a company running motor lorries to London for the purpose of parking lorries during the night; and

(*e*) that the matter be considered further on the receipt of plans, etc.

(3) Particulars of applications to develop the undermentioned properties as indicated were submitted and the Borough Surveyor reported thereon:—

(*a*) **Mayfield, Nether Street, N. 3—Flats.—**

RECOMMENDED that Housales Ltd., be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, so far as the Town Planning Committee is concerned, the erection of 24 flats on the site of the above-mentioned property, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

(*b*) **Baptist Church Premises, Station Road, N. 3.—**

RECOMMENDED that the Rev. C. A. Linnington be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to give their consent to the use of the above-mentioned premises for business purposes as such user would contravene the character zoning proposals in connection with the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6.

(*c*) **Land junction of Windermere Avenue and Amberden Avenue.—**

RECOMMENDED that Mr. T. Sanderson be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, the proposal submitted by him for the erection of 9 houses on the above-mentioned land, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

(*d*) **Lime Cottage, High Road, Whetstone—Proposed Baptist Church.—**

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. Harbrow Ltd. be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, the proposal to erect a Baptist Church on the site of the above-mentioned property, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

(4) **Land fronting Eversleigh Road, Gordon Road and Grosvenor Road—Proposed blocks of flats.**—It was reported that the Town Council had disapproved the proposal to erect flats on the above-mentioned land, but that the matter had been referred to the Committee for further consideration. A letter, dated 8th December, 1936, from the owner of the land was therefore submitted and considered, but it was

RECOMMENDED that the decision of the Town Council as set out in Minute No. 398 be adhered to.

433 **Temporary Building—Plan No. 875—Mr. S. W. Edwards—Coffee Stall adjoining Carrimore Works, N. 12:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had received a letter, dated 4th January, 1937, from Mr. S. W. Edwards asking if the Town Council would be good enough to renew the temporary building licence in respect of the above-mentioned plan for a short period to enable him to complete arrangements in connection with alternative accommodation which he had secured. In the circumstances the Town Clerk was instructed to inform Mr. Edwards that the Town Council are prepared to allow the temporary building to remain for a period of one month from the 1st January, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

434 **Plans:**

(*a*) Approved;

RECOMMENDED that the following plans be approved subject to the conditions severally mentioned by the Borough Surveyor in his report:—

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No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
*9820	Garage	Rear of 9 Ingle Villas, Woodhouse Road, N. 12	Mr. C. H. Luxford.
*9830	Alterations and additions	34, High Street, N. 12	Messrs. J. Hepworth & Son, Ltd.
†9833	House	Plot L.105, Lyttelton Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Messrs. Highgates (Builders), Ltd.
9834	Alterations to house and garage	18, Lansdowne Road, N. 3	Mrs. T. Straus.
9835	Extension of garage	61, Westbury Road, N. 12	Mr. C. L. Burn.
9836	Loggia	Rear of "Moreton," The Bishops Avenue, N. 2	Mr. F. J. Smith.
9837	House	Plot H.92, Norrice Lea, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Messrs. Highgates (Builders), Ltd.
9839	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	18, Windsor Road, N. 3	Miss A. Wilshaw.
9840	House	Plot 1072B, Winnington Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Messrs. R. Hart & Sons, Ltd.
9841	House	Plot H.78, Church Mount, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. H. E. Brown.
9842	Garage	Side of 63, Broughton Avenue, N. 3	Mr. F. W. Taylor.
9843	Garage	Side of 69, Broughton Avenue, N. 3	Mr. F. W. Taylor.
*‡9844	18 Flats	Site of "Elm Bank," Nether Street, N. 3	Mr. H. Cook.
9845	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	35, Princes Avenue, N. 3	Mr. W. H. Hensler.
9846	4 houses	Plots S.234, S.235, S.236 and S.237, Brim Hill, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. G. C. Swanson.
9847	4 houses	Plots S.152, S.153, S.154 and S.155, Devon Rise, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. G. C. Swanson.
*9848	23 lock-up garages	At rear of Prospect Parade, East End Road, N. 2	Messrs. F. T. Seymour and Son.
9849	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	48, Hertford Road, N. 2	Mr. S. Jannering.
*9850	Baptist Church Hall	East End Road, N. 3, at corner of Stanhope Avenue	Church End Baptist Church Authorities.
9851	Tool shed	Rear of 9, Swan Lane Extension, N. 20	Mr. J. W. Davis.
*§9852	Kiosk	In front of 306, Ballards Lane, N. 12	Mrs. Batson.

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(*b*) Disapproved ;

RESOLVED that the under-mentioned plans be disapproved for the reasons stated by the Borough Surveyor in his report :—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9824	4 storey building comprising 6 shops on ground floor, Offices and showrooms on first floor & 6 maisonettes on second and third floors; also lay-out for a three storey building comprising 3 shops on ground floor, 3 maisonettes on first and second floors. Outbuildings at rear	Adjoining "The Cricketers" P.H., Great North Road, N. 12 Ballards Lane, N. 12	Messrs. Fairhead & Sons, Ltd.
9838	Washhouse	Rear of 8, Alexandra Grove, N. 12	Church Army Authorities.
9853	Soil sewer	North side of Lyttelton Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb, east of Vivian Way	The Co-Partnership Tenants, Ltd.

* Referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

† Referred to the Middlesex County Council for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

‡ Prior to the consideration of Plan No. 9844, Alderman Wells disclosed that he had an interest therein and in consequence did not vote or take part in the discussion relating thereto.

§ Prior to the consideration of Plan No. 9852, Councillor Burch disclosed that he had an interest therein and in consequence did not vote or take part in the discussion relating thereto.

435 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

H. H. WILMOT,

Chairman (*pro tempore*).

Valuation Committee's Report.

5th JANUARY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillor Brooksbank and Mr. W. A. Gray.

436 **Minutes:**

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

437 **North Middlesex Assessment Committee:**

(*a*) "Bald Faced Stag" Public House, East Finchley.—The Valuation Officer reported that at the meeting of the above Committee held on the 11th December, 1936, the assessment on the above premises had been reduced from £375 Gross £309 Rateable to £350 Gross £288 Rateable.

(*b*) Proposal List No. 12.—It was reported that the above list was approved by the Assessment Committee at its meeting on the 18th December, 1936, as submitted, with the exception of the assessment on Oswego, Woodside Lane, which was reduced from £50 Gross £40 Rateable to £49 Gross £39 Rateable.

438 **Third Re-Valuation:**

(*a*) Form of Return to be Rendered by Occupiers and Owners under Section 40 of the Rating and Valuation Act, 1925.—The Valuation Officer submitted draft of the Form of Return proposed to be issued in connection with the above and reported as follows:—

"On the Second Re-valuation this form was sent only to those properties where there was believed to be a tenancy and not to owner-occupiers. The conditions have changed considerably during the last five years and more properties are let. It is essential to obtain as much evidence of rents as is available.

I suggest, therefore, that the procedure of the First Re-valuation be followed and that these forms be sent in respect of every hereditament in the Borough";

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the draft Form of Return, as submitted, be approved;

(ii) that the suggestion of the Valuation Officer as to the issue of such forms be adopted;

(iii) that quotations for the printing of the forms be obtained and that the Chairman report thereon at the meeting of the Town Council.

(*b*) Temporary Assistant.—It was reported that it would be necessary to appoint a temporary clerk as from the 1st April, 1937, for a period of twelve to fifteen months for the additional work necessitated by the Re-valuation;

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the Committee be authorised to make the appointment at a wage of four guineas a week subject to report; and

see 541.(e) (ii) that the matter be reported to the General Purposes Committee.

439 **Rating and Valuation (Apportionment) Act, 1928 :**

De-rating Claim.—It was reported that in 1934 an application from the Quick and Cleanwell Dyeing Cleaning Valeting Service Limited for de-rating of No. 36, Market Place, N.W. 11, had been disallowed by the North Middlesex Assessment Committee ; that, consequent upon a recent decision in the Divisional Court in the case of Ritz Cleaners Limited of Uxbridge v. West Middlesex Assessment Committee when a similar application was allowed, a further application had now been received for de-rating of the above premises.

The Committee, who were opposed to the granting of the application, decided to leave the matter to the North Middlesex Assessment Committee to deal with ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

440 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the Instruction given to the Valuation Officer, as entered in his Instruction Book, be approved.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Parks and Open Spaces Committee's Report.

5th JANUARY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman) in the Chair, the Mayor Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Syrett and Councillors Collis, Mrs. Legge and Rutt.

Non-members: Councillors Steward and Wilmot.

441 **Minutes:**

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

442 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of Requisitions (circulated) be approved.

605(4) Sep.'38 Angelart 6 perfs. for 18/- each perfs.
962 (Oct.'36) Improvement work in V. Rec. & Cherry T.W.
1499(a) Feb.'39 13 Wfes. alt. V.R. & C.T.W. @ £6.6- each.
1684(3) Mar.'39 100 chairs each V.R. & C.T.W. for Feb. '37.
1485 Jan.'31. No parties during ensuing year.

443 **Open Spaces—Band Performances:**

Communications were submitted from the Director of Music of the Honourable Artillery Company and the Campana Accordion Serenaders respectively making enquiries in connection with the above;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken for the time being in regard to the provision of band performances in the open spaces.

444 **Cherry Tree Wood:**

(*a*) A communication was submitted from Mr. J. S. Keene suggesting that the entrance to Cherry Tree Wood from Summerlee Avenue should be closed owing to acts of hooliganism which take place in that road involving damage to private property and to the Town Council's trees.

The Committee decided to make no recommendation in regard to the closing of the gate in question but instructed the Town Clerk to communicate with the Police Authorities asking them to take such action as might be possible to mitigate the nuisance complained of;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

468 Arising out of this matter it was also decided to suggest to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee that that Committee might consider the desirability of recommending to the Town Council that a reward of £5 be offered for information leading to the conviction of any person found damaging trees on the highway.

(*b*) The Borough Surveyor reported that provision had been made in the current estimates for converting the three hard tennis courts at above from "up-keep" to "non up-keep" courts at a estimated cost of £300;

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that authority be given for the carrying out of the works and that tenders be invited therefor; and

548(b) (ii) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee with a view to their making the necessary financial arrangements.

445 **Lyttelton Playing Fields:**

(*a*) Tennis Courts.—

(i) An application was submitted from St. Augustine's Tennis Club for the renewal of their tenancy of hard court No. 4 at above, for a period of one year commencing on the 1st April, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that such application be granted at a rent of £30 inclusive, subject to the usual terms.

(ii) Referring to Minute No. 144 (a) it was

RECOMMENDED that the rent to be charged to the Acorn Club Ltd., in respect of their tenancy of two hard tennis courts at above for the 12 months ending 31st December, 1937, be fixed at a sum of £30 for each court inclusive.

(*b*) Cricket Pitches.—

(i) Acorn Club Limited.—Referring to Minute No. 2229 (b) (i) (1935/6) it was

RECOMMENDED that the rent to be charged to the above Club in respect of their tenancy of a cricket pitch for the summer season 1937, be £32 inclusive.

(ii) West Finchley Cricket Club.—Referring to Minute No. 2229 (b) (ii) (1935/6) it was

RECOMMENDED that the rent to be charged to the above Club in respect of their tenancy of a cricket pitch for the summer season 1937, be £40 inclusive and that the tenancy be subject to their allowing the Henrietta Barnett School to have the use of a portion of the outfield for the purpose of playing rounders, at a rent to be first approved by the Committee.

(*c*) Pavilion.—The Committee again considered the tenders for above, together with a report of the Borough Surveyor as to possible savings which might be effected in connection with the scheme ;

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the tender of Garsubil, Ltd. (the lowest) at the sum of £4,832 be accepted subject to contract and to the consent of the Ministry of Health being received to the raising of the necessary loan ;

(ii) that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to issue a Variation Order to provide for the substitution of granolithic flooring for oak blocks and to effect such other savings as may be possible ; and

(iii) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee to make the necessary financial arrangements in respect of the expenditure in excess of the original estimate.

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446 **Vale Farm :**

It was reported that at the last meeting of the Public Health Committee a report was submitted by the Chief Sanitary Inspector as to the condition of part of the outbuildings at above, and in accordance with the suggestion of that Committee, it was

RECOMMENDED that one week's notice be served upon Mr. H. Ball terminating his tenancy of such outbuildings.

447 **Victoria Recreation Ground—New Bowling Green :**

The Committee considered the following resolution passed by the Church End Finchley Ratepayers' Association which was referred to them at the last meeting of the Town Council :—

"*Re* removal of new pavilion for ladies bowling Club to a new site.

We are of opinion that lack of foresight is apparent on the part of those who selected the original site for this pavilion, seeing that within a few weeks of its opening the Council decided to move it, at additional expense to the ratepayers."

RECOMMENDED that the Association be informed that the phenomenal success which attended the formation of the Ladies' Bowling Club far exceeded the expectations of the Town Council and that the necessity for the construction of a full size green was not anticipated.

448 **Glebe Land—Proposed New Grand Stand, Tea Room and Conveniences—First-Class Association Football Pitch:**

The Committee again had before them plans and estimate amounting to £2,250 in connection with the provision of the above, and after very careful consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that such plans and estimate be approved and that tenders be invited for the carrying out of the work; and

551 (ii) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee to make the necessary financial arrangements.

449 **Brookside Walk:**

An application was submitted from Mr. F. Ost, of No. 75, Westbury Road, for permission to construct a gateway giving access from the rear of his premises to the Brookside Walk;

RECOMMENDED that such application be granted subject to payment of an acknowledgment rental of 1s. per annum and to an Agreement being entered into in the usual form.

450 **Brook Farm—Catering Rights:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that in accordance with instructions he had been in communication with Mr. V. W. Vincent in regard to the above matter;

RECOMMENDED that the arrangement at present in force with Mr. Vincent be continued for a further period of 12 months.

451 **Open Spaces—Charges for Sports Facilities:**

The report of the Borough Treasurer in regard to the above was submitted and referred to a Sub-Committee consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee and Alderman Syrett for consideration and report.

452 **Parks and Open Spaces—Receipts:**

The Borough Treasurer's statement of the weekly receipts for tennis, bowls, etc., during the month of December, 1936, was submitted.

453 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books be approved.

W. L. BROOKSBANK,

Chairman, *pro tempore*.

Highways and Fire Brigade Committee's Report.

6th JANUARY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), and Councillors Burch, Connorton, Grobel and Grocott.

Non-Members: Alderman Syrett and Councillor Mrs. Legge.

454 **Minutes:**

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

455 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

456 **Street Accidents:**

The Returns received from the Police Authorities were submitted, from which it appeared that the number of street accidents which had occurred in the Borough during the month of November, 1936, as compared with the corresponding period for the previous year, was as follows:—

	Fatal.	Non-Fatal.		Total.
		(a) Personal Injuries.	(b) Damage to property.	
1935	3	43	82	128
1936	—	41	105	146

Particulars received from the Ministry of Transport regarding road accidents in the Metropolitan Police District were also submitted.

457 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

It was reported that the under-mentioned properties of the Town Council had been damaged since last meeting, and that the matters had been dealt with:—

Footway—Woodside Lane, junction with Woodside Avenue.
Pedestrian Crossing Beacon—East End Road.
Pedestrian Crossing Beacon—Ballards Lane, junction with the Grove.
29 trees in various roads.
Direction Post—Regents Park Road by East End Road.
5 Hurricane Lamps, Caution Notice Board and one Iron Standard, Great North Road, N. 12.

458 **Third Party Claims:**

It was reported that a number of claims had been received and dealt with.

459 **Insurance of Workmen—Accident—F. Gooding:**

It was reported that the above employee had met with an accident since last meeting, and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

460 **Inter-District Drainage—High Road, Whetstone:**

A communication, dated 19th December, 1936, was submitted from the Clerk to the Friern Barnet Urban District Council, pointing out that certain property in the High Road, Whetstone, formerly known as Smiths Cottages, had been demolished, and that two shops with living accommodation over were being erected on the same site.

He added that this property was situate wholly within the Urban District of Friern Barnet; that the soil sewage would be taken into the sewer of that District, but that his Council would be unable to deal with the surface water and, in the circumstances, he would be glad to know whether the Town Council would be prepared to take the surface water, on the usual terms, viz., sixpence in the pound on the rateable value, for the time being;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded in the affirmative, and that the Solicitor be authorised to take appropriate action in connection with the necessary agreement.

461 **Roadside Shelters:**

(*a*) It was reported that the Hon. Secretary of the Hampstead Garden Suburb Residents' Association had written stating that the Association had noted with interest the Town Council's efforts to obtain London Passenger Transport Board shelters for different parts of the Borough, and desired to suggest that, so far as the Hampstead Garden Suburb was concerned, the site where a shelter was most urgently required was at the junction of Widecombe Way and Norrice Lea with Lyttelton Road;

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to communicate with the Transport Board, urging them to provide a shelter at the point in question.

(*b*) The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"The following applications for shelters have been received from the London Passenger Transport Board:—

1. High Road, Whetstone, near junction with Athenæum Road;
2. Canopy type shelter and control cabin on the island in Nether Street between the Great North Road and Ballards Lane.

No details are to hand of the type of shelter proposed to be erected near Athenæum Road and I am in communication with the Board relative to this matter.

The Committee may consider the accommodation which the Board propose to provide at Tally Ho! is rather inadequate, particularly in view of the considerably increased passenger traffic which will probably use this terminus when the new cinema opens. It will be borne in mind that this type of shelter will afford very little protection from south westerly rains."

Arising thereon, the Borough Surveyor intimated that, with regard to the shelter proposed to be erected near Athenæum Road, he had now ascertained that this was of the standard type.

With regard to the suggested shelter at Tally Ho!, the Committee were of opinion that the type proposed was unsuitable, and the Borough Surveyor was instructed to make representations to the Board with a view to the provision of a shelter which would afford better protection.

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the action taken be approved; and

(*b*) that the type of shelter proposed to be erected near Athenæum Road be agreed.

462 **Appointment of Roads Superintendent:**

It was reported that the General Purposes Committee at their last meeting had decided to defer the consideration of the question of the salary to be paid to Mr. Barnett, who was to occupy the above position as from the 1st April next, pending receipt of the views of the Committee thereon.

It was decided to suggest to the General Purposes Committee that the commencing salary be fixed at the sum mentioned in the Instruction Book.

463 **Falloden Way—Suggested Island at Brookland Rise:**

Communications were submitted from the Joint Hon. Secretary of the Hampstead Garden Suburb Residents' Association, enclosing copies of letters recently forwarded to the Middlesex County Council and the Ministry of Transport, urging the provision of an island in Falloden Way at its junction with Brookland Rise, and asking for the assistance of the Town Council in the matter;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council support the efforts of the Association, and that the Town Clerk be instructed to approach the Ministry accordingly.

464 **Proposed Re-Naming—High Road, East Finchley, High Road and High Street, North Finchley and High Road, Whetstone:**

Referring to Minute No. 2360 (1935/36), it was reported that notices had been posted in the above streets of the Town Council's intention to alter the name thereof to High Road, and that no objection to the proposal had been received;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council, in pursuance of their powers under Section 18 of the Public Health Act, 1925, make an Order declaring that the streets known as High Road, East Finchley, High Road and High Street, North Finchley and High Road, Whetstone shall on and after the first day of February, 1937, be named High Road.

465 **Omnibus Facilities:**

It was reported that, at the last meeting of the Legal and Parliamentary Committee, certain members had intimated that they had observed that drivers frequently failed to stop omnibuses when hailed or when the bell was rung by a passenger, and that it had been decided to refer the matter to the Committee with a view to their considering the desirability of taking up the question with the London Passenger Transport Board.

Arising thereon it was pointed out that similar instances had been observed in the case of trolleybuses, and it was therefore

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to make representations to the Board accordingly.

466 **Traffic Danger Points:**

It was reported that the Town Council at their last meeting had referred to the Committee for consideration the following resolution passed at a meeting of the Church End, Finchley Ratepayers' Association held on the 24th November, 1936:—

"That this Association, whilst fully appreciating the action taken by the Borough Council since 1934 when the Association submitted a schedule of dangerous traffic points, would again bring to the notice of the Council that several of the dangers therein specified still exist and are an ever increasing peril to all road users.

With this in mind, the Association again strongly urges the Finchley Borough Council to take, forthwith, all possible steps to secure the improvement of the traffic conditions at the several places enumerated in the attached schedule.

Locality.	Description of Danger.
(1) Ballards Lane Railway Bridge	Narrow footpaths and lighting inadequate. This bridge has been a danger point for many years. Immediate action should be taken to remedy these conditions. Ballards Lane is one of the main roads of the District.
(2) Gravel Hill	A busy link between two main roads with a roadway of 14 feet and footway of 3 feet. Vehicles when passing overlap the footway.
Gravel Hill at junction with Hendon Lane	Narrow roadway with obscured bend.
Gravel Hill at junction with Regents Park Road and East End Road	An uncontrolled busy main road junction and at present a most dangerous place.

Locality.	Description of Danger.
(3) Hendon Lane, adjacent to Council Offices	A very narrow section of a main road carrying a large volume of fast running traffic.
(4) Dollis Road, between Railway Viaduct and Borough boundary	Narrow roadway with obscured bend. Roadway only 15 feet wide. No footpaths. A busy thoroughfare connecting Finchley with Mill Hill and Edgware.
(5) Dollis Road, junction with Nether Street and Crescent Road	Three acute blind corners with view of oncoming traffic obstructed by fences and a tree.
(6) Regents Park Road, crossings at Mountfield Road and Holly Park	Width of road is such that notwithstanding existing crossings, existing conditions are still very dangerous for pedestrians.

GENERAL.—

The Traffic Conditions of the Borough would be greatly improved if ;

(*a*) The parking of cars in main shopping centres was more closely supervised.

(*b*) Energetic measures were immediately taken to absolutely prohibit the riding of pedal bicycles on pavements and pathways. Many accidents to pedestrians have occurred and the practice of riding cycles on crowded pavements is constantly increasing.

It is suggested that strong recommendations to this effect be made without delay to the Traffic Authority."

RECOMMENDED that the Association be informed as follows :—

(*a*) that as regards (1) above, the matter is in the hands of the London and North Eastern Railway Company, and that it is hoped that the bridge will be widened at no distant date ;

(*b*) that as regards (2), (4) and (5) above, the matters in question are being taken up with the Middlesex County Council ;

(*c*) that as regards (3) above, the matter is in the hands of the Middlesex County Council ;

(*d*) that as regards (6) above, it is the intention of the Town Council to take up with the Authorities concerned the question of the provision of island refuges so soon as the tramlines have been removed ;

(*e*) that the question of the parking of cars in main shopping centres is one for the Police Authorities to deal with ; and

(*f*) that, with regard to the riding of pedal cycles on pavements and pathways, the attention of the Police Authorities will be drawn thereto, with a view to the practice being discontinued.

467 **De-Restriction of Roads in the London Traffic Area :**

Referring to Minute No. 201, a communication, dated 1st January, 1937, was submitted from the Secretary to the Pedestrians' Association as follows :—

" With reference to my letter of December 8th, my Committee has given consideration to what further steps should be taken to secure the protection of the speed limit on the roads which were the subject of the deputation to the Minister of Transport on December 4th. Consultations have taken place with Members of Parliament but no final decision is possible until after Parliament has re-assembled.

I will communicate with you again as soon after that date as possible."

468 **Highways—Trees :**

It was reported that, at the last meeting of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee, a communication was submitted from Mr. J. S. Keene in regard to acts of hooliganism which took place in Summerlee Avenue, and that arising thereon, the Committee had decided to suggest to this Committee that a reward of £5 might be offered for information leading to the conviction of any person found damaging trees on the highway ;

444 **RECOMMENDED** that such a reward be offered by the Town Council, and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to display notices in connection therewith at the entrance to Cherry Tree Wood from Summerlee Avenue.

469 **Wayleaves:**

The under-mentioned applications from the Post Office Authorities were submitted:—

(*a*) Underground line, south side of Percy Road and across Church Path, N. 12 from outside Nos. 57/59, Percy Road to a point on the west side of Church Path opposite Percy Road, south side, with a telegraphic post to carry wires at the latter point;

(*b*) Taxi cab rank telephone on post on land adjoining Northway, N.W. 11, south of Lyttelton Road;

(*c*) Underground line—north side of Bow Lane from a point about 30 yards west of the Great North Road to outside "North Gates;"

RECOMMENDED that such applications be approved, subject to the actual positions of the lines being agreed by the Borough Surveyor, and to the works being carried out to his satisfaction.

470 **Electric Main Applications:**

It was reported that the following applications had been received from the Electricity Department:—

3rd December, 1936	Underground mains extension Nether Street from Crescent Road crossing Ballards Lane to a point in Church End Station approach.
3rd December, 1936	Underground mains extension, East End Road from Brackenbury Road to Ossulton Way.
16th December, 1936	Overground disconnecting box Nether Street opposite junction of Dollis Road and Crescent Road.
17th December, 1936	Underground mains extension, Trinity Road from Church Lane to Long Lane.
17th December, 1936	Underground mains extension, Dollis Park from Regents Park Road to Church Crescent.
19th December, 1936	Underground mains extension, East End Road from a point east of Hamilton Road, down Hamilton Road to Manor Park Road.
19th December, 1936	Underground mains extension, Birkbeck Road from Hutton Grove to Nether Street. This plan also shows mains extensions on the Courthouse Estate which is now being developed on the west side of Nether Street, together with an overground disconnecting box on this Estate.
19th December, 1936	Underground mains extension from the proposed overground disconnecting box Courthouse Estate, (mentioned above) traversing Nether Street to Birkbeck Road and Netherfield Road to Sub-Station opposite Percy Road, with overground disconnecting boxes in Netherfield Road near the junction with Nether Street and the west side of Birkbeck Road near the junction with Nether Street.

RECOMMENDED that the applications in question be granted.

471 **Pillar Box Applications:**

The Borough Surveyor reported receipt from the Post Office Authorities of applications to erect pillar boxes as under:—

On footway—junction of Kenver Avenue and Sandringham Gardens;

Creighton Avenue near junction with the Great North Road, N. 2;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the proposals, subject to the exact positions of the pillar boxes being agreed by the Borough Surveyor.

472 **Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935:**

The Committee considered the under-mentioned plans, which had been referred to them by the Town Planning Committee:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9820	Garage	Rear of 9, Inglo Villas, Woodhouse Road, N. 12	Mr. C. H. Luxford.
9830	Alterations and Additions	34, High Street, N. 12	Messrs. J. Hepworth and Son, Ltd.
9844	18 flats	On site of Elm Bank, Nether Street, N. 3	Mr. H. Cook.
9848	23 lock-up garages	At rear of Prospect Parade, East End Road, N. 2	Messrs. F. T. Seymour and Son.
9850	Baptist Church Hall	East End Road, N. 3, at corner of Stanhope Avenue	Church End Baptist Church Authorities.
9852	Kiosk	In front of 306, Ballards Lane, N. 12	Mrs. Batson.

RECOMMENDED that the consent of the Town Council, as the Highway Authority, be given to the proposals in question under the provisions of Section 2 (1) of the Act, subject, if applicable, to the condition mentioned in Minute No. 200 (a).

473 **R.A.F. Display—Hendon—June, 1937:**

The Borough Surveyor reported receipt of a letter, dated 13th October, 1936, from the Royal Automobile Club, making application for permission to erect, at the appropriate time, temporary signposts in connection with the R.A.F. Display at Hendon Aerodrome in June, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that such application be granted.

474 **Brompton Grove—Condition of:**

Reference was made by the Borough Surveyor to a communication received from Miss C. Low, complaining of the bad condition of Brompton Grove, and suggesting that two-thirds of that road should be included in Cherry Tree Wood and the remainder made into a cinder path;

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to reply pointing out that the Town Council are unable to act in the manner suggested.

475 **Tarmacadam Resurfacing Works:**

The Borough Surveyor reported hereon;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that he be authorised to proceed during the present financial year with the carrying out of tarmacadam resurfacing works in certain roads in the Borough, at an estimated cost of £2,500; and

548 (a) (*b*) that it be suggested to the Finance Committee that a supplemental estimate of £2,500 be made to cover the expenditure.

476 **Lighting of Footpath—Naylor Road to Swan Lane:**

The Borough Surveyor presented an estimate amounting to £8 in connection with the erection of a lamp in the above footpath in the position indicated on drawing No. 10981;

RECOMMENDED that the expenditure in question be approved.

477 **'Bus Stop Sign—Kingsway Traffic Roundabout, Tally Ho! Corner:**

The Borough Surveyor reported receipt of a communication from the United Automobile Services Ltd., making application for permission to erect a 'bus "stop" sign on the Kingsway traffic roundabout.

He intimated that the applicants had stated that the point at which they desired to "pick up" in Kingsway was that authorised by the Metropolitan Traffic Commissioner, and was now marked by a Birch Bros. sign;

RECOMMENDED that such application be granted, subject (*a*) to the type of sign proposed to be erected being agreed by the Borough Surveyor; and (*b*) to the applicants entering into the necessary agreement.

478 **Regents Park Road and Ballards Lane—Filling in of Tram Rails:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"This work is held in abeyance for the moment pending receipt of a communication from the County Surveyor who is in negotiation with the London Passenger Transport Board relative thereto."

479 **Surface Water Sewer Flooding—Long Lane:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"A flow diagram in connection with this sewer has been prepared and it is found that the pipe is inadequate to take the drainage in time of storm between Dukes Avenue and Strawberry Vale outfall near Queens Road as indicated on drawing No. 10,990. To prevent flooding it will be necessary for the sewer to be reconstructed, replacing the existing pipe from Dukes Avenue to a manhole near Montpelier Road with 21 in. pipes and from thence to the junction of Cromwell Road and Avondale Road with 24 in. pipes and thence onward to the 36 in. outfall sewer with 27 in. pipes. The approximate cost of the necessary works is estimated at £6,517."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the carrying out of the work be approved; and

(*b*) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee with a view to their making the necessary financial arrangements.

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480 **Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the Middlesex County Council had submitted a list of further widenings to classified roads to be shown on the draft scheme map;

RECOMMENDED that same be approved so far as this Committee is concerned.

481 **Appointment of Assistant Roads Superintendent:**

The Borough Surveyor reported hereon;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the position at a commencing salary of £250 per annum rising by two annual increments of £15 and one of £20 to a maximum of £300 per annum; and

(*b*) that the Works Sub-Committee be authorised to make the appointment, subject to report.

482 **Proposed Island—Junction of Spur Road and Regents Park Road by Chessington Avenue:**

The Borough Surveyor reported hereon, and submitted a drawing indicating the suggested proposals;

RECOMMENDED that same be approved.

483 **Proposed Church Hall—Junction of East End Road and Stanhope Avenue, N. 3:**

Referring to Minute No. 210, the Borough Surveyor reported that the Town Planning Committee at their last meeting had before them a plan which had been deposited by Messrs. C. W. B. Simmonds Ltd. showing a proposed Church Hall and Primary Hall with other offices at the junction of East End Road and Stanhope Avenue; further, that the plan showed a larger area of land at the said junction proposed to be thrown into the highway than that indicated on the tentative plan submitted at the previous meeting;

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RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that, subject to the approval of the Middlesex County Council, the offer be accepted;

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in connection with the Conveyance; and

(*c*) that, if necessary, payment of reasonable legal costs be approved.

484 **Fire Brigade—Chief Officer's Report:**

The Chief Officer of the Brigade reported as follows:—

(i) Fires.—That a number of fires, as shown in the list circulated, had occurred between the 21st November and the 20th December, 1936.

(ii) Ambulance Calls.—That the following ambulance calls had been received between the 21st November and the 20th December, 1936:—

Private Removals.	Accidents. Motor.	Accidents. Other.	Illness in street.	Not required on arrival.	Hoax calls.	Total.
31	17	5	2	2	1	58

(iii) Finchley Memorial Hospital—Fire Drill and Inspection of Fire Appliances.—That fire drill was carried out at the above hospital on the 9th and 11th December, 1936, and that the result on both occasions was satisfactory; further that fire appliances were also inspected and found to be in a satisfactory working condition.

(iv) Uniforms—1937/38.—That he would be glad if the Committee would give authority for advertisements to be issued inviting tenders for the above;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

485 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Public Health Committee's Report.

7th JANUARY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Grobel (Vice-Chairman) in the Chair, the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Pike and Councillors Collis, Grocott, Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Murphy.

Non-Member: Alderman Syrett.

486 **Minutes:**

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

487. **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of Requisitions (circulated) be approved.

488 **Medical Officer's Report:**

The following report of the Medical Officer of Health for the four weeks ended 26th December, 1936, was submitted and approved:—

" 1. **Deaths.—**

	Wards. N.	E.	W.	1936.	1935.
Number registered	12	14	25	51	55
Infants under one year	2	—	3	5	2
Infectious disease	—	—	—	—	—

2. **Births Notified.—**

Number notified under the Notification of Births Acts	15	7	21	43	34

3. **Infectious Disease.—**

Cases notified	2	7	4	13	30
Scarlet Fever	2	2	1	5	17
Diphtheria	—	2	2	4	9
Pneumonia	—	3	1	4	3
Erysipelas	—	—	—	—	1

4. **Tuberculosis.—**

Pulmonary cases	—	1	2	3	2
Non-pulmonary cases	1	—	—	1	—

5. **Patients in Hospital.—**

Number in hospital on the 4th December	—	—	—	18	15
Number admitted	—	—	—	7	17
Number discharged	—	—	—	11	12
Number of deaths	—	—	—	—	—
Number in hospital on the 1st January	—	—	—	14	20

6. **Immunisation against Diphtheria.—**

The number of children immunised in 1936 was as follows:—

					1936
Number who received 3 injections	—	—	—	—	45
Number who received 2 injections	—	—	—	—	32
Number who received 1 injection	—	—	—	—	

Nine hundred and eleven children were submitted to the Schick test and 887 were found to be immune, 16 were not immune and required further injections, while 8 were not re-inspected, owing to absence from school, and will require to be re-tested.

Only 28 cases of Diphtheria were notified during the year. No child who had been fully immunised was attacked, but one child who had received only one injection had a very mild attack of the disease."

PUBLIC HEALTH (*contd.*).

489 **Sanitary Inspector's Report:**

This was submitted. Arising thereon, the Inspector reported as follows:—

(1) Houses without Proper Dustbins (Section 22 of the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908).—

13, Briarfield Avenue, N. 3.
64, Durham Road, N. 2.
1, Newport Villas, Albert Place (Part occupied by J. Rutt).
2 and 3, Newport Villas, Albert Place.
162, 162a, High Road, N. 2.
164 (rear flat), High Road, N. 2.

That the above dwellinghouses were not provided with proper dustbins;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that notices be served upon the owners of the said dwellinghouses requiring them to provide at their respective premises a strong galvanised iron dustbin with a suitable cover; and

(*b*) that, failing compliance with such notices, proceedings be taken for recovery of the penalties mentioned in Section 22 of the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908.

(2) Nuisances (Public Health Act, 1875 and Acts amending the same).—

48, Stanhope Road, N. 12.
4, Coleridge Road, N. 12.
152, Regents Park Road, N. 3.

That the above premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health.

The Committee being satisfied of the existence of the nuisances, it was

RECOMMENDED that statutory notices be served upon the owners of the said premises requiring them to execute the works referred to by the Inspector in his report within the time mentioned in such notices.

(3) Complaints.—That since the 2nd December, 1936, the following complaints had been received and dealt with:—

re Condition of house	12
,, Blocked or defective drains	2
,, Overcrowding	1
,, Accumulation of refuse	4
,, Defective Dustbin	1
,, Nuisance from smoke	1
,, Standard of butter	1
,, Obstruction—entrance to flat	1
,, Temporary convenience	1
	1
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(4) Unsound Food.—That the diseased or unsound meat, particulars of which were submitted, had been destroyed since last meeting.

490 **Staff—Public Health Department:**

Arising on a report that Drain Tester and Labourer J. Roberts would retire on the 6th February, 1937, it was decided to appoint Labourer H. J. May to the position of Drain Tester and Labourer at a wage of 3 guineas a week.

It was also decided to recommend to the General Purposes Committee that Mrs. May be appointed to the position of Caretaker in the Public Health Department to fill the vacancy caused by the retirement of Mrs. Roberts, at a wage of 10/6d. a week, plus quarters, gas, light and coal, with effect as from and including the 6th February, 1937.

491 **Acute Poliomyelitis :**

It was reported that a circular letter (No. 1586) and an accompanying memorandum received from the Ministry of Health in regard to the above had been referred to the Medical Officer of Health.

492 **Conferences :**

The Town Clerk reported that invitations had been extended to the Town Council to appoint delegates to attend the under-mentioned Conferences :—

(*a*) 48th Annual Health Conference of the Royal Sanitary Institute—Birmingham—12th to 17th July, 1937, both dates inclusive.

(*b*) The Annual Congress of the Royal Institute of Public Health and the Institute of Hygiene—Margate—25th to 29th May, 1937, both dates inclusive.

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Chairman of the Committee and the Medical Officer of Health be appointed to attend the 48th Annual Conference of the Royal Sanitary Institute ; and

(2) that as regards the Congress referred to in (b) above, no action be taken by the Council in connection therewith.

493 **Slaughter of Animals Act, 1933 :**

The following letter dated 8th December, 1936, received from the Rabbinical Commission for the Licensing of Shochetim was submitted :—

"The attention of this Commission has been drawn to the fact that some local Authorities appear to be unaware that under the Slaughter of Animals Act, 1933, it is essential for a Shochet, (Jewish Ritual Slaughterer) to have a licence of the above Commission, in addition to that of the Local Authority, before he is allowed to kill cattle for Jewish use. Such licences are issued to the 31st December in each year, when they are renewed.

Some Shochetim are under the impression that so long as they hold a licence from the Local Authority, the Act has been complied with. In order to remove any misconception, the Commission have circularised all the Jewish Congregations, acquainting them of the necessity for Shochetim to hold licences from this Commission, and they will be grateful if you will kindly assist them to carry out the above Act, by taking care that your licence is only issued to such Shochetim who hold the licence of this Commission."

494 **Retail Meat Dealers' Shops (Sunday Closing) Act, 1936 :**

The following letter dated 21st December, 1936, received from the Board for the Affairs of Shechita was submitted :—

"I am directed to draw your attention to Section 2 of the above Act, which comes into operation on the first Sunday in January next.

This Board is the Board of Shechita mentioned in the Act, and, in your Borough, Mr. S. Fass of 25, The Promenade, Church End, N. 3 holds our licence for 1936, and a licence for 1937 will be issued prior to 1st January. He therefore comes under the exemption Clause mentioned above. If he is not in your Borough, will you kindly notify me.

If you so desire, we shall notify you from time to time of any alterations, additions or amendments."

Arising thereon, the Chief Sanitary Inspector reported that Mr. Fass had, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2 (c) of the Act, given notice of his intention to close his shop on Saturdays and to open the same on Sundays ; further that Mr. Fass was now licensed by the Board of Shechita for the year 1937.

495 **Shops Act, 1936 :**

A letter dated 17th December, 1936, received from the Home Office was submitted, drawing attention to the fact that the above Act, which came into force on the 1st January, 1937, brought commercial lending libraries (with certain exceptions) within the scope of the Shops Acts.

PUBLIC HEALTH (*contd.*).

The letter stated that Section 1 (1) provided that for the purposes of the Acts the expression "retail trade or business" was to include "the business of lending books or periodicals when carried on for the purposes of gain," and that those words were accordingly inserted (after the words "intoxicating liquors") in the definition of "retail trade" in Section 19 (1) of the Shops Act, 1912; that the effect of this addition to the definition of "retail trade" was to apply the Shops Acts to a commercial lending library, whether carried on as a separate business, or in connection with any other business and that it was to be noted that such libraries would be required to comply not only with the closing provisions of the Shops Acts, 1912 and 1928 and with the provisions relating to assistants' half-holidays in the Shops Act, 1912, but also with the provisions for the regulation of hours of young persons and health and comfort of shop assistants contained in the Shops Act, 1934; further, that in addition, by virtue of Section 15 of the Shops (Sunday Trading) Act, 1936, such libraries would be subject to the provisions of that Act when it came into force on the 1st May next.

496 **Local Government Act, 1929—Maternity and Child Welfare—Schemes for County Districts under Section 93:**

A letter dated 15th December, 1936, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted (i) enclosing draft Scheme (a copy of which had been circulated to each member of the Town Council) which the Minister proposed to make under Section 93 of the Local Government Act, 1929, for the third fixed grant period, i.e., the five years beginning on the 1st April, 1937, and (ii) asking for the observations of the Town Council thereon by the 16th January, 1937.

The Town Clerk reported that the Borough Treasurer had informed him that he had examined the Ministry's letter and the draft Scheme and that the allocation of grant appeared to be equitable as between the authorities concerned; further, that the matter was reported to the Council at its last meeting when the Committee were authorised to take such action as might be found to be necessary.

Instructions were thereupon given to the Town Clerk to inform the Ministry that the draft scheme has received consideration and that the Town Council do not desire to offer any observations in regard thereto:

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

497 **Byelaws:**

(*a*) With respect to Hairdressers' and Barbers' Premises.—The Town Clerk reported that in accordance with instructions he had circulated to each member of the Town Council a draft of the suggested Byelaws with respect to Hairdressers' and Barbers' Premises.

After consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED that the draft Byelaws be approved and submitted to the Ministry of Health.

(*b*) With respect to Moveable Dwellings and Camping Grounds.—The Medical Officer of Health reported that he had discussed with an official of the Ministry of Health the question of making Byelaws with respect to Moveable Dwellings and Camping Grounds and that the Department was of opinion that in view of the comparatively small number of campers in the Borough it was unnecessary for Byelaws to be made by the Council at the present time. It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that, notwithstanding anything contained in Minute No. 238, Byelaws be not made with respect to Moveable Dwellings and Camping Grounds for the time being.

498 **Public Baths—Squires Lane—Monthly Statement:**

A statement (circulated) was submitted showing the number of bathers and receipts for the four weeks ended 27th December, 1936.

499 **Removal of Trade Refuse—Revision of Charges:**

In accordance with instructions, the Borough Surveyor submitted for the consideration of the Committee the following revised scale of charges for the removal of trade refuse:—

" (a) **Collection and Disposal.**—

(i) Combustible Refuse.—

Not exceeding 2 bins per week	10/- per annum.
Exceeding 2 but not exceeding 4 bins per week	20/- per annum.
Exceeding 4 but not exceeding 6 bins per week	30/- per annum.
Exceeding 6 but not exceeding 8 bins per week	40/- per annum.
All bins over 8 per week—8/- per bin per annum.	

(ii) Incombustible Refuse—Double Rates.—

All charges for collection and disposal to be paid yearly in advance on the estimated quantities, such quantities to be determined by the Council's representative in collaboration with the traders concerned.

Large quantities of refuse necessitating special call:—

Combustible	15/- per ton.
Incombustible	22/6d. per ton.

(b) Disposal only.—

Combustible	7/6d. per ton.
Incombustible	15/- per ton.
Slaughter House Offal	15/- per ton.

The charges for " disposal only " to be paid at the Sewage Disposal Works Office as at present."

RECOMMENDED that the revised scale of charges as above set out be approved and that it take effect as from and including the 1st April, 1937.

500 **Estimates—Year Ending 31st March, 1938:**

A number of schemes suggested for inclusion in the above were considered and dealt with on the lines indicated in the Borough Surveyor's Instruction Book.

501 **Mortuary—Proposed Erection of:** See Pub Typ 26. "enable to recommend ... further ... either in new M.B. or on [illegible]"

The Chairman of the New Municipal Offices Committee reported that, in accordance with the suggestion made at the last meeting of this Committee, he had discussed with the appropriate Officers the question of the Mortuary forming part of the New Municipal Buildings Scheme on the Glebe Land instead of being erected, as had already been decided, on the area of land appropriated for the purpose adjacent to the Fire Station; further, that as a result of such discussion, the proposal was one which he was prepared to recommend his Committee favourably to consider. It was thereupon decided to recommend to the New Municipal Offices Committee that provision be made for the Mortuary in the scheme for the erection of New Municipal Buildings on the Glebe Land.

refer to P.

502 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books be approved.

CYRIL P. GROBEL,

Chairman, *pro tempore*.

Education Committee's Report.

11th JANUARY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Grocott (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), Alderman Syrett, County Councillor Boggon, Councillors Burch, Jones, Steward and Wilmot; Miss Davey, Mrs. Miall.

Non-Members: Alderman Pike, Councillor Mrs. Legge, Councillor Mrs. Murphy.

503 **Accounts:**

Accounts amounting to £5,002 10s. 1d., have been examined and approved for submission to the Finance Committee for payment.

504 **School Attendance Return:**

The school attendance figures for the month of December, 1936, are set out below:—

School.	Average No. on Books.	Average Attendance.	Percentage.
Alder Senior	310	278	89.6
Alder Infants	126	100	79.3
Northside Senior	229	202	88.2
Northside Junior	454	337	74.2
Manorside Senior	274	253	92.3
Manorside Junior	525	426	81.1
Martin Junior	446	393	88.1
Summerside Junior	514	455	88.5
St. Mary's Junior	485	392	80.8
St. John's Junior	277	226	81.5
Christ Church Senior	196	176	89.7
Holy Trinity Junior	294	230	78.2
Our Lady of Lourdes Mixed	271	225	83.0
Totals	4,401	3,693	83.9

505 **Special Schools:**

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the Authority accept responsibility for the education and maintenance of "F.B.", a girl, nine years of age, at the White Oak Hospital, Swanley, Kent, at a fee of about £3 per week; the parent to contribute 5/- weekly towards this expense.

(*b*) that the Authority accept responsibility for the education and maintenance of "A.B.", a girl, seven years of age, at the Royal National Orthopædic Hospital, at a fee of 41/- weekly; the parent to contribute 15/- per week towards this expense.

(*c*) that the Authority accept responsibility for the education and maintenance of "E.F.", a girl, seven years of age, while she is an in-patient at the White Oak Hospital, Swanley, Kent, at a fee of about £3 per week; the parent to contribute 3/- per week towards this expense.

506 **School Holidays, 1937 :**

RECOMMENDED that the following dates be fixed for the school holidays during the year 1937 :—

Period.	Break-up (after afternoon session).	Resume.
Easter	Wednesday, 24th March	Monday, 5th April.
Coronation Holidays and Whitsun	Tuesday, 11th May	Wednesday, 19th May.
Sunday School Treats.....	Wednesday, 23rd June	Monday, 28th June.
Summer	Friday, 23rd July	Monday, 30th August.
Autumn	Friday, 29th October	Wednesday, 3rd November.
Christmas	Wednesday, 22nd December	Monday, 10th January, 1938.

507 **School Libraries :**

The following statistics relate to the Autumn Term, 31st August to 18th December, 1936 :—

	Number of Books in schools.	Number of children using the Libraries.	Number of issues.
Senior Schools	1921	1009	8235
Junior Schools (including Our Lady of Lourdes School)	2433	1127	13014
All Schools	4354	2136	21249

508 **Women Cleaners—Holidays :**

Consideration has been given to the question of granting an annual holiday to the Women Cleaners regularly employed in the schools.

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that Women Cleaners in the elementary schools who have completed one year's service be granted six days annual holiday, and that they be paid during such leave the salary they would ordinarily earn during the same period ;

(*b*) that authority be given for the employment of substitutes, at the rate of 10d. per hour, during the absence, on holiday, of the Women Cleaners referred to in (a) above.

509 **Children under Five Years of Age—Nursery Classes :**

Instructions have been given for a scheme to be prepared for the provision of a Nursery Class at the Martin School, East Finchley, the scheme to include suitable arrangements for the provision of a mid-day meal.

510 **Supply Teaching Appointments :**

RECOMMENDED that the supply teaching appointments made during the period 31st August to 11th December, 1936, set out on the lists circulated with the agenda for the January, 1937, meeting of the Education Committee, be approved.

F. J. GROCOTT,

Chairman.

Electricity Committee's Report.

12th JANUARY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Caine (Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), Aldermen Pateman, Pike and Syrett and Councillor Burch.

511 **Minutes:**

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

512 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of Requisitions (circulated) be approved.

513 **Coal:**

It was reported that the present stock of coal was about 371 tons as compared with 453 tons at last meeting.

514 **Output and Maximum Demand:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

"The following comparisons indicate the growth of the maximum demand and increase in output over that for the previous year:—

	1935.	1936.	% Increase.
Units purchased during December	2,591,900	2,870,818	10.7%
KW. of M.D. during December	8,423	8,833	4.9%
Units purchased April 1st—December 31st	12,325,287	14,289,187	15.9%
Highest M.D. recorded	8,423	8,833	4.9% "

515 **Petrol Pump:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that, as the time was rather inopportune to make any definite proposals in regard to the installation of a petrol pump at the Electricity Works, he would be glad of authority to defer the matter until a future meeting;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

516 **48, Rasper Road:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that an estimate had been received from the Borough Engineer and Surveyor of the probable cost of putting the above premises into a habitable condition, which amounted to a sum of £50;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the carrying out of the works at a cost not exceeding the figure indicated above.

517 **Annual Contracts:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that he would be glad of authority to issue advertisements, as and when necessary for the supply and/or supply and delivery of the following:—

(*a*) E.H.T. and L.T. Cables.
(*b*) Over-ground Feeder Pillars and Disconnecting Boxes.
(*c*) Joint Boxes.
(*d*) House Service Cut-outs and Sealing Chambers.
(*e*) Sundry Jointing Material.
(*f*) Cable Covers.
(*g*) Meters.

(*h*) Kiosks.
(*i*) Transformers.
(*j*) E.H.T. Switchgear.
(*k*) L.T. Switchgear.
(*l*) Street Lighting Fittings.

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that as regards item (a) above, enquiry be made of the present Contractors as to whether they would be prepared to agree to an extension of their Contract for a period of not more than 6 months from the 1st April, 1937 ; and

(2) that as regards items (b) to (l), advertisements be issued as suggested.

518 **Applications for Supply :**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager submitted the following report :—

Total number of applications received for supply	15,198	=	39,659 kw.
Number reported at last meeting	15,108	=	39,244 kw.
Increase	90	=	415 kw.

519 **Domestic Tariff :**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows :—

	Nov.	Dec.	Increase.
Total enquiries received	1,512	1,605	93
Application forms completed	1,053	1,125	72

520 **Extension of Mains :**

(*a*) **RECOMMENDED** that authority be given for mains to be laid as follows :—

	Estimated Cost. £
Courthouse Estate off Nether Street	135
Birkbeck Road	120
Trinity Road	155

(*b*) It was reported that since last meeting mains had been laid as follows :—

East End Road (Derby Lodge Estate).
Neville Drive (renewal).
Hampstead Lane.
Edmunds Walk and part Deansway.
Deansway (West side, Edmunds Walk to Brim Hill).
Kingsley Way (from Holne Chase and Neville Drive to Spencer Drive).
East End Road (North of Ossulton Way).
Power Station to Nether Street via Railway Embankment.

521 **Accounts and Works Sub-Committee :**

It was reported that a meeting of the Sub-Committee had been held on the 6th January, 1937, and a report of the proceedings thereat was submitted.

Arising thereon, it was reported :—

(1) Accounts and Requisitions.—

(*a*) That the Sub-Committee had passed for payment the accounts submitted and approved the requisitions.

(*b*) That the Borough Treasurer had been authorised to make the necessary adjustment to certain consumers' accounts as set out in the list submitted by the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

ELECTRICITY (*contd.*).

(2) Domestic Development Programme.—That the Town Clerk had reported that the Town Council had decided to invite "the Wiring Contractors in the borough" to attend a Conference with representatives of the Committee for the purpose of discussing the proposals in connection with the above-mentioned matter; that, having regard however to a report made by the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager on the subject, the Sub-Committee were of the opinion that only members of the Electrical Contractors Association and/or the National Register of Electrical Installation Contractors, resident within the Borough, should be invited, and had instructed the Town Clerk accordingly;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

522 **Sanctions to Loans:**

It was reported that the sanction of the Electricity Commissioners had been received to the under-mentioned loans:—

Purpose.		Amount. £	Period for repayment (not exceeding) years.
(*a*) Provision of mains	£4,970	11,887	25
Provision of plant (sub-station equipment and kiosk)	£6,917		20
(*b*) Provision of mains and services	£5,300	10,875	25
Provision of plant (sub-station equipment)	£2,178		20
Works consequent upon change of system of supply:— Changing consumers' apparatus	£3,397		7

With regard to (b) above, it was pointed out by the Commissioners that the formal sanction, in so far as it related to the amount of £3,397 for changing consumers' apparatus, was issued on the understanding that details of the expenditure actually incurred would be furnished to the Commissioners in due course, and that only the net cost of changing apparatus after allowing for credits arising from the sale of recovered materials, etc., would be charged to the loan.

It was also stated that, as previously indicated, further consideration would be given to the balance of the application viz., £161 for land upon receipt of appropriate particulars of the proposed sub-station site.

523 **Electricity Supply Regulations, 1937:**

A letter dated 17th December, 1936, was submitted from the Electricity Commissioners forwarding a copy of the Electricity Supply Regulations, 1937, made by them for securing the safety of the public and for insuring a proper and sufficient supply of electrical energy.

It was pointed out that the new Regulations, which would apply as from the 1st January, 1937, to all electricity undertakers and their undertakings, represented broadly speaking a re-issue of the prior Regulations of 1934 with certain modifications, more particularly as regards their retrospective application.

Attention was drawn to the provisions of Regulation 36 concerning the steps to be taken by undertakers within one month after they had become subject to the new Regulations.

524 **Suggested Revision of Alternative Two Part Domestic Tariff:**

Suggested Revision of Domestic Power Tariff:

Referring to Minutes numbered 286 and 287, the Committee considered carefully a communication dated 30th December, 1936, received from the Electricity Commissioners on the matter, and after hearing a report by the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager, it was

RECOMMENDED that, notwithstanding anything contained in Minute No. 286, the operation of the revised two-part tariff be deferred until the 1st April, 1937, but that the revised conditions of such tariff have effect as from the 1st January, 1937.

525 **Rating and Valuation Acts, 1925 to 1932:**

The Town Clerk reported that the under-mentioned notices of proposal for amendment of the valuation list had been received, viz.:—

Property.	Present Assessment. Gross Value.	Present Assessment. Rateable Value.	Assessment Proposed. Gross Value.	Assessment Proposed. Rateable Value.
	£	£	£	£
Shop (Vacant), 66, High Street — — —	180	147	—	—
Maisonette, 66, High Street — — —			42	32
Grounds for Proposal.—Divided on separate letting of upper part.				
House and Garage, 17, Holne Chase, N. 2 —	36	27	43	33
Grounds for Proposal.—Garage added.				

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised thereto.

526 **Showrooms:**

A letter dated 4th January, 1937, was submitted from the Electricity Commissioners referring to the Town Council's letter of the 29th September last in which it was stated that it was the intention of the Council to make application at a later date for a loan sanction in respect of the adaptation of the property in High Street, North Finchley, required for a showroom, and asking to be furnished with information as to the present position of the matter.

The Town Clerk drew attention to the fact that at last meeting the consideration of the question of financing the work in connection with the adaptation of the two proposed showroom premises was deferred until this meeting;

RECOMMENDED that the whole matter be considered further at next meeting and that in the meantime any expenditure incurred be defrayed temporarily out of revenue.

527 **Membership of District Joint Industrial Council:**

A communication dated 4th January, 1937, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary (Employers' Side) of the Joint Industrial Council (Area 10) stating that for the current year it was not proposed to make any subscription charge as the Council's new year started from the 1st April. It was added that the Town Council would be notified at a later date as to the subscription payable in future which would be based on 3/- per annum per employee engaged in the Electricity Department.

ELECTRICITY (*contd.*).

528 **Third Party Claims:**

It was reported that one claim had been received since last meeting and dealt with.

529 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

J. F. KNEALE CAINE,
Chairman.

General Purposes Committee's Report.

13th JANUARY, 1937.

Present: The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands) (Chairman), Alderman Briant (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), Alderman Wells and Councillors Caine, Collis, Grocott, Jones and Rutt.

Non-Members: Alderman Pateman and Councillors Grobel, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy and Steward.

530 **Minutes:**

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

531 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

532 **King's National Roll:**

A letter dated 30th December, 1936, was submitted from the Manager of the Local Employment Exchange, pointing out that the undertaking given by the Town Council on the 8th February, 1935, in connection with the above would expire at an early date, and enclosing a form of application with respect to the renewal thereof;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be authorised to take the necessary steps with a view to the renewal of the undertaking.

533 **Assessment Committees and Guardians Committees—Travelling Expenses:**

(*a*) It was reported that a letter dated 4th January, 1937, had been received from the Secretary of the Urban District Councils Association, stating that a Bill would shortly be introduced into Parliament by the President of the Association, to authorise the payment of travelling expenses properly incurred by representatives appointed to attend meetings of the above Committees and other Public Bodies.

(*b*) A communication dated 6th January, 1937, was submitted from Mr. J. F. E. Crowder, M.P., as follows:—

"Many thanks for your letter on the above-mentioned subject.

I note that the Members of your Council are in sympathy with the proposal. I have had full particulars from time to time from the Urban District Councils Association of which I am a Vice-president.

If the measure is introduced by the Minister of Health, I shall not oppose it."

534 **The Finchley Charities—Representative Trustees:**

A letter dated 4th January, 1937, was submitted from Mr. Ronald G. Thackrah, stating that he would be pleased to serve as a Representative Trustee.

535 **Hornsey, Wood Green and District War Pensions Committee:**

It was reported that the Minister of Pensions had appointed Councillor Connorton to serve as the representative of the Town Council on the above Committee in place of Mr. Walter Isaac, J.P.

536 **Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922:**

(*a*) Caretakers—Non-Provided Schools.—A communication dated 31st December, 1936, was submitted from the Director of Education, stating that the Education Committee had considered the Actuarial Report on the question of the inclusion in the Town Council's Superannuation Scheme of the caretakers in the non-provided Schools, and that the views of the Managers of the schools concerned had been obtained; further, that the Education Committee desired to inform this Committee

GENERAL PURPOSES (*contd.*).

(i) that they were in favour of the designating of the five posts of Caretaker in the Non-Provided Schools in accordance with the main, and not with the supplementary report of the Actuary;

(ii) that the Managers of the Schools concerned were prepared to enter into the necessary agreement with the Town Council.

Arising on the above, the Committee considered carefully a report by the Borough Treasurer on the matter;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, subject to the approval of the Minister of Health and to the necessary agreements being entered into with the Managers of the Schools, the under-mentioned posts be designated as established posts under the Act as from and including the 1st April, 1937, and that such posts be occupied by the persons indicated as from and including that date, subject to their passing the necessary medical examination:—

Name.		Designated Post.
Mr. A. Cushing	Caretaker—	St. Mary's School.
Mr. A. Demott	,,	St. John's School.
Mr. W. E. Martin.....	,,	Christ Church School.
Mr. J. C. Sears	,,	Holy Trinity School.
Mr. J. May	,,	Our Lady of Lourdes School.

(2) that the Solicitor be instructed to proceed with the preparation of the agreements in question.

(*b*) Additional Designated Posts.—

(i) A letter dated 5th January, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Health, stating that the Minister had approved the resolution passed by the Town Council on 30th December, 1936, designating as an established post for the purposes of the Act the post of Accountancy Assistant in the Borough Treasurer's Department;

(ii) **RECOMMENDED** that, subject to the approval of the Minister of Health, the post of Clerk in the Education Department be designated as an established post under the Act, and that such post be occupied by Mr. R. Perry as from and including the 1st April, 1937, subject to his passing the necessary medical examination.

(*c*) Vacant Designated Post.—

RECOMMENDED that, as from and including the 1st March, 1937, Mr. W. Moat occupy the designated post of Clerk in the Borough Surveyor's Department previously occupied by Mr. G. R. Simpson, subject to his passing the necessary medical examination.

537 **Coronation—12th May, 1937:**

A letter dated 1st January, 1937, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council, stating that the County Council had decided that their presentation souvenir to all school children in the County of Middlesex should take the form of a book entitled "The Crowning of the King and Queen" by Commander Stephen King-Hall; further, that the publication was to be specially adapted to the requirements of the County Council and would, it was hoped, include amongst other items of County interest, the text of the Loyal Address which would be presented to Their Majesties and copies of the Arms of the County Council and the Local Authorities.

He added that, in this connection, it had been decided to proceed, as on the occasion of the Silver Jubilee, with the preparation of an illuminated Address for presentation on behalf of the County Council and all the Local Authorities in the County, and that he would be glad to know as soon as possible that this proposal was in accordance with the wishes of the Town Council;

RECOMMENDED that the matter be referred to the Coronation Celebrations Committee for consideration.

538 **Printing of the Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health and School Medical Officer, and the Chief Sanitary Inspector, 1936:**

The Committee considered the quotations received in connection with the above;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the quotation of Finchley Press Ltd. (the lowest) for printing and supplying 175 copies of the reports, as indicated below, be accepted:—

	Per printed page.
Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health and Chief Sanitary Inspector	5s. 0d.
Annual Report of the School Medical Officer	5s. 3d.

(*b*) that the cost of printing be allocated pro rata between the Committees concerned.

539 **Finchley Memorial Hospital:**

A letter dated 5th January, 1937, was submitted from the Secretary to the Finchley Memorial Hospital, expressing grateful thanks for the contribution which the Town Council recently agreed to make towards the funds of the hospital.

540 **Association of Municipal Corporations:**

It was reported that the Annual Meeting of the Association would be held on Friday, the 28th May, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that the Mayor, the Town Clerk and the Borough Treasurer be appointed to represent the Town Council thereat.

541 **Staff:**

(*a*) Absence through Illness.—The names of those members of the Staff who had been absent through illness since last meeting were submitted, together with the necessary medical certificates.

(*b*) New Appointments.—It was reported that the following appointments had been made by the appropriate Sub-Committees since the last meeting of the Committee, subject in each case to the successful candidate passing the necessary medical examination:-

Name.	Position.	Date of Commencement.
Miss I. E. Pearce	Typist—Electricity Department	1st January, 1937.
Mr. H. J. Chapman	Male Clerk—Electricity Department	11th January, 1937.
Mr. R. H. Francis	Temporary Architectural Assistant—Borough Surveyor's Department	Not yet ascertained.
Miss E. M. Topham	Junior Assistant—Public Libraries	11th January, 1937.

(*c*) Valuation Department.—It was reported that, at the last meeting of the Valuation Committee, it was intimated that in connection with the third re-valuation it would be necessary to appoint a temporary assistant for a period of 12-15 months, and that the Committee were recommending to the Town Council that they be authorised to make the appointment at a wage of 4 guineas a week; 438(b)

RECOMMENDED that the temporary appointment in question be approved, but that, in accordance with the usual practice, a Sub-Committee consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and the Chairman of the Valuation Committee be authorised to make the appointment, subject to report.

542 **Arcadia :**

Reference was made to a letter received from Messrs. Robertson, Martin & Co., stating that they had been consulted by Dr. E. Fleming-Griffin concerning the nuisance and annoyance caused to him and the members of his household owing to the operation of a wireless loud speaker at Arcadia, which adjoined his premises.

The Town Clerk intimated that he had communicated with the Proprietor of Arcadia on the matter, and had forwarded to him a print of the bye-law dealing with the point raised.

543 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

W. C. LANGLANDS,

Chairman.

Finance Committee's Report.

14th JANUARY, 1937.

Present: Alderman Syrett (Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Brooksbank, Burch, Grobel, Norman and Rutt.

544 **Minutes:**

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

545 **Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts:**

(*a*) Advance—£520.—

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, subject to satisfactory references being received, an advance with interest at the appropriate rate in force at the date of completion of the Mortgage be made to the applicant whose name is set out below:—

No.	Name.	Property.	Nature of Interest.	Amount applied for £	Period for repayment. Years.	Purchase price. £	Valuation. £
985	Russell, A. G.	86, Huntingdon Road	L. 63 years	520	20	675	650

(2) that the Town Clerk take up from the Public Works Loan Board the sum of £520, being the amount of such advance;

(3) that the Town Clerk be authorised to approve the Order for Certificate;

(4) that the Corporate Seal be affixed thereto and to the Receipt therefor.

(5) that the fee of the Public Works Loan Board be paid by the Town Council.

In accordance with the authority delegated to this Committee, it was

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Public Works Loan Board for advance to the Town Council of the sum of £520.

(*b*) The Borough Treasurer reported as follows:—

"(i) Approved Advances.—That, including the sum recommended at this meeting, advances amounting to £663,915 had been approved.

(ii) Advances Repaid.—That in the under-mentioned cases, the principal outstanding had been paid, together with all interest charges:—

Mortgage No.	Rate of Interest.	Proprietor.	Premises.
579	5¼%	Copeland, L. E. (Mrs.)	109, Lichfield Grove.
656	5¼%	Brown, F.	"Furnes," Gordon Road.

(iii) Advances Outstanding.—That the number of advances now outstanding was 479, representing a sum of £192,276."

546 **Electricity Undertaking:**

(*a*) Sanctions to Loans.—The Town Clerk reported the receipt from the Electricity Commissioners of the under-mentioned sanctions to loans:—

FINANCE (*contd.*)

Purpose.	£	Amount. £	Period for repayment. (Not exceeding). years.
(*a*) Provision of mains	4,970	11,887	25
Provision of plant (Sub-station equipment and kiosk)	6,917		20
(*b*) Provision of mains and services	5,300	10,875	25
Provision of plant (Sub-station equipment)	2,178		20
Works consequent upon change of system of supply :— Changing consumers' apparatus	3,397		7

(*b*) Purchase of Motor Vehicles.—The resolutions passed by the Town Council in regard to the above and contained in Minute No. 285 (b) were reported and noted.

547 **Purchase of Land—Totteridge Lane :**

It was reported that at the last meeting of the Town Council the action of the Chairman of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee in authorising the purchase of the above land for the sum of £4,750, subject to contract and to the consent of the Ministry of Health being received to the raising of the necessary loan, was confirmed, but that the matter was, however, referred to this Committee to make the requisite financial arrangements.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £4,815, made up as hereunder mentioned :—

	£
Cost of acquisition	4,750
Estimated legal charges and stamp duty	65
	£4,815

548 **Unforeseen Expenditure :**

The Committee had before them references from the under-mentioned Committees with regard to the matters respectively indicated below :—

Committee.	Matter.	Cost involved. £
(*a*) Highways and Fire Brigade.....	Tar-Macadam Re-surfacing Works	2,570 (Note.—A sum of £200 has already been provided in the estimates in respect of this work).
(*b*) Parks and Open Spaces	Cherry Tree Wood—Hard Tennis Courts	300 (Note.—A sum of £17 has already been provided in the estimates in respect of this work).

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council approve supplemental estimates of £2,370 and £283 respectively.

549 **Surface Water Sewer Flooding—Long Lane:**

The recommendations of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee in regard to the above were reported and considered; 479.

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £6,517 in respect of surface water sewer re-construction works in Long Lane.

550 **Lyttelton Playing Fields—Pavilion:**

445(c).

The recommendations of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee in regard to the above were reported and considered; arising thereon it was intimated that in accordance with the authority of the Town Council, application had already been made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Council of a sum of £4,030, inclusive of loan costs.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to make an amended application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £4,832 for the erection of a pavilion on the Lyttelton Playing Fields.

551 **Glebe Land—Proposed New Grandstand, Tea Room and Conveniences—1st Class Association Pitch:**

446.

The recommendations of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee in regard to the above were reported and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £2,250 for the erection of a grandstand, tea room and conveniences in connection with the 1st class association pitch.

552 **Use of Combined Cheque and Receipt Forms:**

The Borough Treasurer reported that the Manager of Barclays Bank, Limited, Church End Branch, had informed him that he was unable to trace the form of indemnity which was given by the Council in the days of his predecessor, Mr. Wildash, in connection with the use of a type of cheque containing a form of receipt, and that he had asked that a fresh indemnity should be signed to replace the old one and so bring his records up to date; further, that it was the Bank's invariable custom to obtain a special indemnity from their customers who used that type of cheque form;

RECOMMENDED that the document submitted at the meeting of the Committee be approved and signed by the Town Clerk on behalf of the Town Council.

553 **Investments—Charitable Funds:**

(*a*) The Committee considered a report by the Borough Treasurer on the subject of the investment of three charitable funds of which the Council were Trustees for purposes administered by the Education Committee;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the following sums, being the uninvested balances at 31st March, 1936, be invested in 3½% War Loan:—

£156 15s. 6d. (Alder Memorial Fund);
£232 13s. 8d. (Dorman Bequest Fund);
£5 0s. 2d. (King Edward VII. Coronation Prize Fund).

(2) that authority be given for the Corporate Seal to be affixed to a request that the interest on £15 15s. 0d. Union of South Africa 3 per cent. Inscribed Stock, 1954/64, be paid direct to Barclays Bank, Limited, for credit of the appropriate account.

(*b*) The Borough Treasurer reported as follows :—

"The Committee will remember that in October last, the Council decided that the balance of the investment in 3½ per cent. War Loan held on account of the Street Paving Suspense Account, after reserving £2,500 in the Suspense Account, should be transferred to General Rate Fund. This balance amounts to £297 5s. 8d. Stock (nominal), which at the present market value of 105¾, is worth £314 7s. 6d. I would suggest that this holding be now sold to the Charities mentioned above, say at the market price on the 26th January, and that the balance required for the three funds be purchased through the Bank. The amount available for investment would be approximately £80, as shown below :-

	£	s.	d.
Alder Memorial Fund	156	15	6
Dorman Bequest Fund	232	13	8
King Edward VII. Coronation Prize Fund	5	0	2
	394	9	4
Less suggested transfer as above (say)	314	7	6
	£80	1	10 "

RECOMMENDED that the suggestion of the Borough Treasurer be adopted and that he be authorised to take such steps in the matter as may be necessary.

554 **Allotments—Brook Farm—Use of Portion of Open Space :**

Referring to Minutes Nos. 308 (b) (ii) and 363, the attention of the Committee was drawn to the fact that at the last meeting the further consideration of the question of making the requisite financial arrangements was deferred to this meeting.

After hearing a report by the Borough Treasurer on the matter, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Town Council approve a supplemental estimate for £62 10s. 0d. to meet the proportion of the contribution to be refunded to the Middlesex County Council in accordance with the terms of Minute No. 2082 ;

(2) that the Borough Treasurer be instructed to make the necessary financial adjustment in respect of the area of land appropriated by the Allotments Committee.

555 **Rate Collection for Period 1st October to 31st December, 1936 :**

The following statement was submitted by the Borough Treasurer :—

	£		£
Arrears of former Rates	6,249	Amount of Rates collected as per previous report	72,304
Estimated Product of Rate—half-year 1st October, 1936, to 31st March, 1937	191,455	Amount collected 1st—31st December, 1936	44,763
Additions to Rate—new assessments, etc.	7,092	Rate outstanding	87,729
	£204,796		£204,796

556 **Receipts and Payments—December :**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement :—

Fund or Account.	Receipts. £	Payments. £
General Rate Fund Revenue	56,348	48,071
Education Revenue	468	5,012
Electricity Revenue	6,253	25,804
Housing Revenue	1,837	16
General Rate Fund Capital	33,953	3,444
Electricity Capital	37,004	4,284
Education Capital	—	—
Loans	7,700	101,076
Superannuation Fund	894	284
	£144,457	£187,991

557 **Statement of Bank Balances—13th January, 1937:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement:—

Fund or Account.	Debit. £ s. d.	Credit. £ s. d.
General Rate Fund Revenue		112,207 1 6
Education Revenue	1,293 14 8	
Electricity Revenue		19,971 7 4
Housing Revenue		5,257 9 11
General Rate Fund Capital		16,140 11 7
Education Capital	103 18 7	
Electricity Capital		26,608 6 8
Loans	138,511 10 1	
Salaries		3 19 0
Advance	9,925 5 8	
Suspense		94 7 1
Totals	£149,834 9 0	£180,283 3 1
Net Balance		£30,448 14 1
Superannuation Fund		£7,857 0 2

558 **Summary of Accounts Approved and Recommended for Payment:**

The following is a summary of the Accounts included in the Interim Order on Treasurer, and in the Order on Treasurer to be submitted to the Council for approval:—

	Interim Order. £ s. d.	Council Order. £ s. d.	Total. £ s. d.
General Rate Fund Revenue	4,841 15 1	61,289 15 0	66,131 10 1
Education Revenue	152 19 1	5,002 10 1	5,155 9 2
Electricity Revenue	3,525 3 7	8,372 9 5	11,897 13 0
Housing Revenue		97 5 7	97 5 7
General Rate Fund Capital	2,546 17 10	2,320 7 11	4,867 5 9
Electricity Capital		366 13 0	366 13 0
Superannuation Fund		289 6 7	289 6 7
	£11,066 15 7	£77,738 7 7	£88,805 3 2

559 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

C. S. SYRETT,
Chairman.

Borough of Finchley.

Municipal Offices,

Finchley, N. 3.

16th February, 1937.

Sir (or Madam),

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an ORDINARY MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY will be held on MONDAY NEXT, the 22nd day of FEBRUARY, 1937, at 8 o'clock in the afternoon at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, and all and several the members of the said Council are hereby summoned to attend.

The business to be transacted at such meeting is as follows :—

(1) Confirmation of the Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 25th day of January, 1937, and of a Special Meeting held on the 15th day of February, 1937.

Ap. 56/7/5/9 (2) To interview three candidates in connection with the appointment of Director of Education.

(This matter to be dealt with in Committee).

(3) To open one tender in respect of each of the following received after the time stipulated in the advertisements :—

(*a*) Private Street Works—29th Batch.
(*b*) Making Up of Castle Way.

(4) Tenders for :—

(*a*) Refuse Residuals.
(*b*) Erection of District Library, High Road, East Finchley.
(*c*) Supply of Uniforms.
(*d*) Supply and Delivery of Furniture, etc., for District Library, High Road, East Finchley.
(*e*) Supply of an Addressing Machine—Electricity Department.
(*f*) Supply of Domestic Appliances—Electricity Department.

(5) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(a) **Children's Safety** of the 28th January, 1937.

(b) **Public Libraries** of the 1st February, 1937.

(c) **Town Planning** of the 1st February, 1937.

(d) **Valuation** of the 2nd February, 1937.

(e) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 2nd February, 1937.

(f) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 3rd February, 1937.

(g) **Public Health** of the 4th February, 1937.

(h) **Housing** of the 4th February, 1937.

(i) **Education** of the 8th February, 1937.

(j) **Allotments** of the 9th February, 1937

(k) **Electricity** of the 9th February, 1937.

(l) **General Purposes** of the 10th February, 1937.

(m) **Finance** of the 11th February, 1937.

(n) **Air Raid Precautions** of the 12th February, 1937.

(6) Other Correspondence (if any).

(7). Reports of Officers (if any).

(8) Notice of Motion by Councillor R. J. N. Norman :—

"(1) that the resolutions of the Town Council insofar as they provide for an Assembly Hall in connection with the New Municipal Buildings Scheme be rescinded ;

(2) that the erection of the Assembly Hall be not proceeded with ;

(3) that the application to the Minister of Health for consent to the raising of the necessary loan for the provision of new Municipal Buildings be amended by reducing the sum required from £133,000 to £100,000."

(9) Notice of Motion by Alderman A. T. Pike :—

"That the General Purposes Committee be asked to investigate the reason for the considerable increase in membership subscription imposed upon Finchley Ratepayers by Finchley Golf and Sports Club, Ltd."

(10) To authorise the Corporate Seal to be affixed to certain documents (list to be circulated).

(11) Payment of Accounts.

(a) The Town Clerk to report that, since the last ordinary meeting of the Town Council, a Borough Treasurer's Interim Order for the sum of £8,985 5s. 1d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(b) Motion.—

"That an order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 11th February, 1937, amounting to a sum of £50,702 15s. 8d."

(12) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Council in Committee.

(13) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(a) **New Municipal Offices** of the 29th January, 1937.
(b) **Town Planning** of the 1st February, 1937.
(c) **Valuation** of the 2nd February, 1937.
(d) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 2nd February, 1937.
(e) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 3rd February, 1937.
(f) **Public Health** of the 4th February, 1937.
(g) **Housing** of the 4th February, 1937.
(h) **General Purposes (Special)** of the 5th February, 1937.
(i) **Public Libraries (Special)** of the 8th February, 1937.
(j) **Education** of the 8th February, 1937.
(k) **Allotments** of the 9th February, 1937
(l) **Electricity** of the 9th February, 1937.
(m) **General Purposes** of the 10th February, 1937.
(n) **Finance** of the 11th February, 1937.
(o) **Air Raid Precautions** of the 12th February, 1937.
(p) **General Purposes (Special)** of the 17th February, 1937.
(q) **Town Planning (Special)** of the 22nd February, 1937.

(14) Other Correspondence (if any).

(15) Reports of Officers (if any).

(16) To consider, if necessary, the question of the raising of any temporary loan.

(17) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Edwd Barker

Town Clerk.

Questions.

Notice of any question intended to be asked at the Meeting of the Town Council must be given at the office of the Town Clerk not later than Twelve noon on the day of such Meeting.

Borough of Finchley.

At an Ordinary Meeting of the Council of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY, held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on MONDAY, the 25th day of January, 1937.

PRESENT:

His Worship the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.).

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).

Aldermen—

A. J. Briant.
G. H. Pateman.
A. T. Pike.
C. S. Syrett.
Vyvyan Wells.

Councillors—

A. N. H. Baines.
P. H. Burch.
W. L. Brooksbank.
J. F. Kneale Caine.
A. C. D. Collis.
C. P. Grobel.
F. J. Grocott.
J. Hugh Jones, LL.B.
Mrs. M. E. Legge.
Mrs. E. Murphy.
R. J. N. Norman.
H. A. Rutt.
Major H. W. Steward.
C. F. Wightman.
H. H. Wilmot.

560 **Prayers:**

The Mayor's Chaplain attended the meeting, and opened the proceedings with prayer.

561 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 30th day of December, 1936, were presented, and it was

RESOLVED that such Minutes be taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a correct record of the proceedings.

562 **Death of County Alderman B. Todd, J.P.:**

Reference was made by the Mayor to the death of County Alderman B. Todd, J.P., which took place on the 12th January, 1937.

He stated that Mr. Todd was elected a member of the Finchley Local Board in 1893, and served on that Body and on the Finchley Urban District Council until 1910, a period of 17 years, and that he occupied the position of Chairman of the Council from 1900 to 1905.

The Mayor added that in February, 1910, Mr. Todd resigned from the Finchley Urban District Council, having been elected a member of the Middlesex County Council; that he served as a County Councillor until 1921, when he was elected a County Alderman, which office he held until the time of his death; that he was Chairman of the Middlesex County Council from 1924 to 1927, and that in March, 1912, he was appointed a Justice of the Peace for the County of Middlesex.

As a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, the members of the Town Council stood silently in their places;

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be instructed to convey to the relatives of the deceased an expression of the Town Council's deepest sympathy with them in their sad loss.

563 **Death of Mr. F. Goodyear, J.P.:**

Reference was also made by the Mayor to the death of Mr. F. Goodyear, J.P., which took place on the 21st January, 1937.

He stated that Mr. Goodyear was first elected a member of the Finchley Local Board in 1882, and was a member of the Finchley Urban District Council from its formation until 1902, and occupied the position of Chairman from 1895 to 1900; that he was elected a County Councillor in 1901 and an Alderman in 1916, which latter office he held until 1933, and was appointed a Justice of the Peace for the County of Middlesex in April, 1916; further, that Mr. Goodyear was for many years Chairman of the Board of Governors of Christ's College.

As a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased, the members of the Town Council stood silently in their places;

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be instructed to convey to Mrs. Goodyear an expression of the Town Council's deepest sympathy with her and the members of her family in their sad loss.

564 **Message of Loyalty to King George the Sixth:**

The Mayor reported receipt of the following communication from the Home Secretary:—

"I have had the honour to lay before the King the loyal Address of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Finchley on the occasion of His Majesty's Accession to the Throne, and I have been commanded by The King to convey to you, as Mayor of Finchley, His Majesty's deep appreciation of the sentiments of loyalty and devotion to which it gives expression."

565 **Barnet District Gas and Water Bill:**

RESOLVED—

(*a*) that the Town Council do oppose a Bill which has been deposited in Parliament intituled "A Bill to authorise the Barnet District Gas and Water Company to construct new waterworks and to raise additional capital; to adjust the boundaries of the Company's water limits; to make better provision with respect to the repair and maintenance of pipes for the supply of water within the water limits; to extend the Company's gas limits; and for other purposes";

(*b*) that a Petition be lodged by the Town Council against the Bill;

(*c*) that Messrs. Lees & Co., Parliamentary Agents, be instructed to take all necessary steps in the matter; and

(*d*) that Counsel be briefed to appear in connection with the opposition on behalf of the Town Council.

566 **Opening of Tenders received after the time stipulated in the Advertisement:**

It was reported that two tenders in respect of each of the following had been received after the time stipulated in the advertisement:—

Annual Supplies:—

(*a*) Tarmacadam;
(*b*) Cement;
(*c*) Bituminous Compounds;

RESOLVED that such tenders be opened, but not considered.

567 **Tenders :—**

(*a*) Extensions to Refuse Destructor.

(*b*) Conversion of three hard tennis courts into "non-attention" type—Cherry Tree Wood.

(*c*) Surface Water Sewer Works—

(i) between Station Road and a point near East End Road ;

(ii) in Essex Park and in Nether Street from Wentworth Avenue to Moss Hall Grove.

(*d*) Works of road construction—Castle Way, North Finchley.

(*e*) Additions and Alterations—Manorside School.

(*f*) Private Street Works—29th Batch.

(*g*) Erection of an Attendant's flat with contingent works over existing Public Convenience at Northway Gardens.

(*h*) Provision of new shop fronts and interior work—Electricity Showrooms.

(*i*) Supply of electric vehicles (Electricity Department).

RESOLVED that the tenders received in connection with the above be opened and referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

568 **Reports of Committees :**

RESOLVED that the reports of the under-mentioned Committees be received and adopted, as varied by the amendments (if any) set out and adopted :—

(*a*) **Public Libraries** of the 4th January, 1937.

(*b*) **Town Planning** of the 4th January, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 432 (1) (Proposed Developments—Gordon Hall Estate—Proposal to erect ten shops with flats over and ten garages), the Town Clerk reported receipt of—

(*a*) letter, dated 9th January, 1937, from Mr. W. J. M. Lewer, withdrawing his name from the petition supporting the above-mentioned proposal ;

(*b*) letter, dated 31st December, 1936, from Mr. J. B. Graham, of 162, Nether Street, addressed to the Mayor, stating that he and his immediate neighbours strongly opposed the scheme, and that if shops were permitted, concerted action would be taken to have the assessments of neighbouring properties reduced ;

(*c*) letter, dated 9th January, 1937, from Mr. Eric C. Poupard, of 6, Wentworth Close, objecting to the proposed shops, and pointing out that those who signed Mr. W. L. Barclay's petition in favour of shops as opposed to flats might not have been aware of the proposal to erect one storey flats over the shops ;

(*d*) letter, dated 13th January, 1937, from the Hon. Secretary of the Church End Finchley Ratepayers' Association, re-affirming the Association's opposition to the erection of shops on the site in question ;

(*e*) letter, dated 7th January, 1937, from the Secretary of the Finchley Chamber of Commerce, asking the Town Council not to consent to the erection of the proposed shops.

In addition to the above, the Mayor reported upon a letter received from Mr. W. G. Norton, of 245, Nether Street, expressing the hope that the Town Council would not allow the scheme to go forward.

An amendment was then proposed by Councillor Baines and seconded by Councillor Caine "that the recommendations of the Committee be not adopted, but that the following be substituted therefor:—'that the application be rejected.'"

After full discussion, the amendment was declared lost, nine voting in favour and eleven against.

Arising out of paragraph 432 (2) (Proposed Developments—Land at the corner of Great North Road and Chandos Road, East Finchley), it was

RESOLVED that the words "with the exception of (d) above" be inserted after the word "matter" in recommendation (e).

(*c*) **Valuation** of the 5th January, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 438 (a) (Third Re-Valuation—Form of Return to be rendered by Occupiers and Owners under Section 40 of the Rating and Valuation Act, 1925), the Chairman of the Committee intimated that he would report to the Town Council in Committee on the quotations received for the printing of the forms in question.

Arising out of paragraph 438 (b) (Third Re-Valuation—Temporary Assistant), it was

RESOLVED—

(*a*) that the words "General Purposes" be inserted before the word "Committee" in recommendation (i); and

(*b*) that recommendation (ii) be withdrawn.

(*d*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 5th January, 1937, with the exception of paragraphs 445 (b) (Lyttelton Playing Fields — Cricket Pitches) and 448 (Glebe Land—Proposed New Grand Stand, Tea Room and Conveniences — First Class Association Football Pitch), which be referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

(*e*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 6th January, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 475 (Tarmacadam Resurfacing Works), it was

RESOLVED—

(1) that "£2,570" be substituted for "£2,500" in recommendation (a), and that "£2,370" be substituted for "£2,500" in recommendation (b).

Arising out of paragraph 481 (Appointment of Assistant Roads Superintendent), it was

RESOLVED that the words "the Works Sub-Committee" contained in recommendation (b) be deleted and the following substituted therefor:—'a Sub-Committee consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and the Chairman of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee.'"

(*f*) **Public Health** of the 7th January, 1937.

(*g*) **Education** of the 11th January, 1937.

(*h*) **Electricity** of the 12th January, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 524 (Suggested Revision of Alternative Two Part Domestic Tariff :— Suggested Revision of Domestic Power Tariff), Alderman Pateman asked the Chairman of the Committee whether there was any truth in the rumour that certain Contractors had had authority from the Electricity Department to canvass for customers in connection with the supply of electricity.

Councillor Caine replied in the negative.

(*i*) **General Purposes** of the 13th January, 1937.

(*j*) **Finance** of the 14th January, 1937.

569 **Traffic Control Signals—Junction of Aylmer Road and The Bishop's Avenue :**

It was reported that the following observations had been received from the Church End Finchley Ratepayers' Association :—

"Re making up of Bishop's Avenue and erection of traffic lights at its junction with Barnet Bye-Pass.

We are of opinion that if these two jobs had been carried out at one and the same time, there would have been a saving of public money."

RESOLVED that the matter be referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration.

570 **Street Lighting—Arterial Roads :**

It was reported that the following observations had been received from the Church End Finchley Ratepayers' Association :—

"Seeing that in neighbouring Boroughs much public money seems to be wasted by the erection of street lighting standards on arterial roads, in positions which obviously cannot be permanent (when the road is converted into a dual carriageway), we recommend that the appropriate body be approached with a view to preventing similar waste in Finchley."

RESOLVED that the matter be referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration.

571 **Licensing Acts :**

Notices were submitted from :—

(*a*) Mr. Charles Henry Brassine of intention to apply to the Justices for permission to transfer to Mr. John Randall the licence to sell beers by retail, to be consumed off the premises situate at 1, Manor Cottages, Long Lane, known by the sign of "The Manor Stores";

(*b*) Mrs. Constance Watts of intention to apply to the Justices for a Licence authorising her to hold an Excise Licence to sell, by retail, at the premises known as the Dick Turpin Beer House, wine to be consumed either on or off the premises;

(*c*) Mr. Samuel Webb of intention to apply to the Justices for an Order sanctioning the removal of a Licence now in force and held by him authorising him to hold an Excise Licence to sell beer, wine and spirits by retail at premises situate at Market Place, East Finchley, for consumption off the premises, from such premises to No. 208, Ballards Lane;

(*d*) Mr. John William O'Brien of intention to apply to the Justices for a Licence authorising him to apply for and hold an Excise Licence to sell wine by retail for consumption either on or off the premises known as "The Cricketers" Beer House, High Road, North Finchley; and

(*e*) Mr. Charles Robert Watson of intention to apply to the Justices for an Order sanctioning the removal of a Licence now in force and held by him authorising him to hold an Excise Licence to sell beer, wine, spirits and sweets by retail at premises situate at 33, High Street, North Finchley, for consumption off the premises, from such premises to No. 59, High Street, North Finchley.

RESOLVED that no action be taken thereon.

572 **Proposed Amendment of Standing Orders—Notice of Motion:**

Alderman Syrett intimated that it was not his intention to move at the present time the motion standing in his name which appeared on the Summons for the meeting.

573 **Documents for Sealing:**

RESOLVED that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents:—

(1) Agreement with St. Augustine's Tennis Club for the tenancy of hard court No. 4 at the Lyttelton Playing Fields.

(2) Contract with Garsubil, Ltd., for the erection of a pavilion at the Lyttelton Playing Fields.

(3) Endorsement on Agreement with Friern Barnet Urban District Council *re* Inter-District Drainage. (High Road, Whetstone).

(4) Order in connection with the re-naming of High Road, East Finchley, High Road and High Street, North Finchley, and High Road, Whetstone.

(5) Agreement with the United Automobile Services, Ltd., for the erection of a "bus" stop sign" at Kingsway, N. 12.

(6) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mrs. Pitter *re* Woodside and Methley Cottages, Totteridge Lane.

(7) Agreement with the Managers of the under-mentioned schools with regard to the admission of Caretakers to the Superannuation Scheme:—

St. Mary's School.
St. John's School.
Christ Church School.
Holy Trinity School.
Our Lady of Lourdes School.

(8) Order for Certificate and Receipt therefor in connection with loan of £750 from the Public Works Loan Board (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts).

(9) Request that the interest on £15 15s. 0d. Union of South Africa 3 per cent. Inscribed Stock, 1954/64 (King Edward VII. Coronation Prize Fund' be paid direct to Barclays Bank, Ltd.

(10) Discharges of Registered Charges or Vacating Receipts (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts) in respect of the following:—

Mortgage No. 739—C. E. Court, 37, Nethercourt Avenue.
Mortgage No. 226—S. J. Andrews, 38, Lansdowne Road.
Mortgage No. 566—A. E. Marshall, 28, Nethercourt Avenue.
Mortgage No. 163—H. W. Wheeler, 3, Elmhurst Avenue.
Mortgage No. 471—A. J. Brown, 65, Birley Road.

(11) Agreement with and Conveyance from The London Baptist Property Board as to land for widening East End Road by Stanhope Avenue.

(12) Agreement with Mr. V. W. Vincent with respect to catering rights—Brook Farm Open Space.

(13) Mortgage to the Trustees of the Finchley Memorial Hospital to secure repayment of the sum of £6,500, with interest.

(14) Notification to Barclays Bank, Ltd., with reference to the opening of the Advance Account and the signing of cheques.

(15) Petition against the Barnet District Gas and Water Bill.

*(16) Demolition Order with respect to 41, Station Road.

*(17) Contract with Messrs. H. Hanson, Ltd., for supplying and fixing new shop front and interior work at 66, High Street, North Finchley.

*(18) Contract with Messrs. H. Hanson, Ltd., for supplying and fixing new shop front and interior work at 8, New Parade, Market Place, Falloden Way.

* See report of Town Council in Committee.

574 **Payment of Accounts:**

(*a*) The Town Clerk reported that, since the last meeting of the Town Council, a Borough Treasurer's Interim Order for the sum of £11,066 15s. 7d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(*b*) **RESOLVED** that an Order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 14th January, 1937, amounting to a sum of £77,738 7s. 7d.

575 **Council in Committee:**

It was moved by Councillor Langlands, seconded by Alderman Syrett, and

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the Town Council do now go into Committee.

576 **Third Re-Valuation—Form of Return to be rendered by Occupiers and Owners under Section 40 of the Rating and Valuation Act, 1925:**

The Chairman of the Valuation Committee reported on the quotations received for the printing of the above forms;

RECOMMENDED that the quotation of Messrs. Warden & Co., Ltd. (the lowest), at the sum of £24 7s. 6d., be accepted.

577 **Lyttelton Playing Fields—Cricket Pitches:**

Paragraph 445 (b) of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee's Report of the 5th January, 1937, was considered;

RECOMMENDED that same be adopted.

578 **Public Libraries Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 4th January, 1937, was submitted;

RECOMMENDED that same be dealt with in conjunction with the report of the General Purposes Committee of the 22nd January, 1937.

579 **Town Planning Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 4th January, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (Control of Flat Development), Alderman Pike drew attention to the fact that regard should also be paid to the proportion of site to be occupied by the building, and the Town Clerk was instructed to notify the Association that, in addition to the sliding population basis, the Town Council were operating the clause regulating the proportion of site which may be covered by buildings for the purpose of determining how many flats per acre would be allowed.

Arising out of paragraph 2 (Development of Carrimore Works Site, High Road, N. 12), it was reported that plans had now been deposited which would be dealt with at the next meeting of the Committee;

RECOMMENDED that the Committee be given power to act in connection with the matter.

580 **Valuation Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 5th January, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

581 **Parks and Open Spaces Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 5th January, 1937, was submitted and considered, in conjunction with paragraph 448 of the Committee's printed report;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council; and

(*b*) that the paragraph above referred to be also adopted.

582 **Highways and Fire Brigade Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 6th January, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (Private Street Works—Argyle Road—Remaining Portion), the Town Clerk reported that the consent of the Minister of Health to the necessary loan had now been received.

Arising out of paragraph 5 (Private Street Works—Broughton Avenue—Gas Main), it was

RECOMMENDED that the following words be added at the end of the recommendation:—"and that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee with a view to their making the necessary financial arrangements."

583 **Public Health Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 7th January, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising thereon, the Town Clerk reported upon a telephonic message received from Messrs. Laytons and read a letter, dated 25th January, 1937, received from Messrs. E. Bevir & Son on the matter;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that whereas the Town Council are satisfied that the house known as No. 41, Station Road, which is occupied, or of a type suitable for occupation, by persons of the working classes, is unfit for human habitation and is not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with the requirements of Section 19 of the Housing Act, 1930, notices of the time and place fixed for the consideration of the condition of the above-mentioned house and any offer with respect to the carrying out of works or the future user of the house have been duly served upon all persons upon whom such notices are required to be served;

AND WHEREAS the Council after such consideration have not accepted an undertaking from an owner or mortgagee with respect to the carrying out of works or the future user of the house;

NOW THEREFORE the Council, in pursuance of Sub-Section (4) of Section 11 of the Housing Act, 1936, hereby order as follows:—

(1) That the said house be vacated within twenty-eight days from the date on which this Order becomes operative;

(2) That the said house be demolished within six weeks after the date of expiration of the last-mentioned period, or if the house is not vacated before the expiration of that period within six weeks after the date on which it is vacated;

(2) that copies of the Demolition Order be served in the form prescribed and in accordance with the provisions of the said Sub-Section;

(3) that if and when the Order becomes operative, the Town Clerk be instructed to serve the necessary notices under Sub-Section (1) of Section 155 of the Act.

584 **Education Committee:—**

A report of this Committee, dated 11th January, 1937, was submitted.

Arising out of paragraph 2, it was

RECOMMENDED that the words "whilst she is absent from school and suffering from diphtheria" be deleted, and the following substituted therefor:— "until the date of the next ordinary meeting of the Town Council;"

RECOMMENDED that the report, as amended, be adopted and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

585 **Electricity Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 12th January, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

586 **General Purposes Committee:** — ordinary meeting Litterpatt

A report of this Committee, dated 13th January, 1937, was submitted and considered; see also 590

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council, subject as regards paragraph 4 (f) to the statement referred to therein being amended as indicated in the Instruction Book.

587 **Finance Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 14th January, 1937, was submitted.

Arising out of recommendation (i) contained in paragraph 6 (Rate Estimates 1937-38), a discussion ensued with regard to the draft Regulations referred to, and an amendment was proposed by Alderman Wells and seconded by Alderman Briant "that the words 'the Chairman or in his absence the Vice-Chairman of' contained in paragraph (2) of the draft Regulations be deleted."

On being put, the amendment was carried;

RECOMMENDED that the report and the Regulations, as amended, be adopted and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

588 **New Municipal Offices Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 18th January, 1937, was submitted.

Arising out of paragraph 3 (Mortuary), an amendment was proposed by Councillor Grobel seconded by Councillor Jones "that the recommendation of the Committee be not adopted, but that the matter be referred to the Committee for further consideration."

On being put, the amendment was carried, 9 voting in favour and 7 against;

RECOMMENDED that the report, as amended, be adopted and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

589 **Electricity Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 19th January, 1937, was submitted.
Arising thereon, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that recommendation (a) (i) be not adopted, but that the following be substituted therefor:—

"That on demand from any consumer on the 'Two-Part' Domestic Tariff, electric cookers of approved sizes and makes be installed on loan, free of charge and ready for use, in the private residences of such consumers; that with each cooker a flat bottom kettle and two aluminium saucepans be issued. All such apparatus and equipment to be marked 'The property of the Finchley Borough Council'."

(2) that recommendation (a) (vi) be deleted and the following substituted therefor:—

"that electric radiators of approved type and a maximum value of £2 be offered for hire up to 1/6d. per quarter;"

(3) that recommendation (e) be amended by the insertion of the words "up to" before each of the amounts of the suggested commission.

RECOMMENDED that the report, as amended, be adopted and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

590 **General Purposes Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 22nd January, 1937, was submitted and considered, in conjunction with the report of the Public Libraries Committee, dated 4th January, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1 of the General Purposes Committee's Report (Provision in Grading Scheme for Female Library Assistants), an amendment was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Legge, seconded by Councillor Collis, "that recommendation (1) be amended by the deletion of the words 'insofar as they relate to the male members of the staff of the Public Libraries'; that recommendation (2) be deleted, and the following substituted therefor:—'that the above-mentioned scales, which are in conformity with the section of the Town Council's Grading Scheme appertaining to male members of the staff apply in future to both male and female members of the Public Libraries staff.'"

On being put, the amendment was lost, 7 voting in favour and 8 against.

A further amendment was then proposed by Councillor Grobel and seconded by Councillor Burch "that the recommendations contained in the report of the General Purposes Committee be not adopted, but that the matter be referred to the Public Libraries Committee for further consideration, with a view to the presentation of amended scales."

On being put, such amendment was carried, 9 voting in favour and 5 against;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the report of the General Purposes Committee, as amended, be adopted and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council; and

(*b*) that the report of the Public Libraries Committee be not adopted.

591 **Barnet District Gas and Water Bill:**

Draft petition against the above-mentioned Bill was submitted;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that same be approved; and

(*b*) that any point which may arise in connection with the Town Council's opposition be referred to the Chairman of the Legal and Parliamentary Committee, the Town Clerk and the Solicitor for consideration, with power to act.

592 **Widening—Ballards Lane—Corner of Granville Road:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"It will be remembered that in September last, Messrs. Courage & Co. agreed to surrender a portion of the land at the corner of Granville Road and Ballards Lane for road widening on the usual terms, and that at the last meeting of the Town Council the Borough Surveyor reported that they had also agreed to give up a further portion of land for the same purpose.

I understand, however, from their Solicitors that the building adjoining the first portion is almost complete, and they ask that the paving works outside the new shop may be carried out at the earliest possible moment, without waiting for the conveyance to be completed, as it would obviously save expense if the two pieces of land were dealt with at the same time, and I shall be glad of your instructions.

The approval of the Middlesex County Council to the first portion of the widening has been received."

RECOMMENDED that the suggestion indicated above be adopted.

Arising on the above, Alderman Wells disclosed that he had an interest in the matter, and in consequence did not vote or take any part in the discussion relating thereto.

593 **London Passenger Transport Act, 1936—Reconstruction of Bridges—East Finchley:**

A letter, dated 19th January, 1937, was submitted from the London Passenger Transport Board, as follows:—

"In pursuance of Section 60 (2) of the London Passenger Transport Act, 1936, notice is hereby given that the Board will shortly be putting in hand that portion of works Nos. 1 to 3 as will interfere with the Great North Road and Brompton Grove.

I shall be glad to receive from you the counter notice in writing specifying the height and span for the new bridges as limited under Section 60 (3) of the above-mentioned Act."

The Town Clerk drew attention to the fact that, in view of the magnitude of the works, the comparatively short time at the disposal of the Town Council, and the number of parties interested in the widening, it was essential that little time should be lost in proceeding with the matter, and suggested that the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee be given power to act in connection therewith;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

594 **Friern Barnet Planning Scheme No. 1—Widening of Colney Hatch Lane by Sewage Disposal Works:**

It was reported that the following letter, dated 11th January, 1937, had been received from the Ministry of Health regarding the Town Council's opposition to the proposal of the Friern Barnet Council to reserve a strip of land fronting Colney Hatch Lane and forming part of the Sewage Disposal Works for the widening of Colney Hatch Lane:—

"I am directed by the Minister of Health to refer to your letter of the 11th March, 1936, to the Clerk to the Friern Barnet Urban District Council and to the representations made on behalf of your Council at the Inquiry held on the 12th November last.

The Minister understands that the necessity for the widening of Colney Hatch Lane is not contested. He is satisfied on the information before him that due consideration has been given to alternative methods of carrying out the widening but that the proposal included in the Planning Scheme is the most practical.

In the circumstances, therefore, the Minister does not propose to make any modification to this proposal in approving the Scheme."

595 **Temporary Loan:**

The Chairman of the Finance Committee presented a report by the Borough Treasurer with regard to the raising of a temporary loan;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that, as a matter of urgency, Standing Order No. 2 (3), so far as applicable, be suspended;

(*b*) that the Town Council, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by Section 215 of the Local Government Act, 1933, do raise a temporary loan of £40,000 from the lenders, through the agents, at the rate of interest and subject to the payment of agents' commission as indicated in the Instruction Book, for a period of one month and thereafter at one month's notice on either side; and

(*c*) that the Borough Treasurer be instructed to make the necessary arrangements in connection therewith.

596 **Tenders:**

(*a*) Extensions to Refuse Destructor.

(*b*) Conversion of three hard tennis courts into "non-attention" type—Cherry Tree Wood.

(*c*) Surface Water Sewer Works—

(i) between Station Road and a point near East End Road;
(ii) in Essex Park and in Nether Street from Wentworth Avenue to Moss Hall Grove.

(*d*) Works of Road Construction—Castle Way, North Finchley.

(*e*) Additions and Alterations—Manorside School.

(*f*) Private Street Works—29th Batch.

(*g*) Erection of an Attendant's flat with contingent works over existing Public Convenience at Northway Gardens.

(*h*) Provision of new shop fronts and interior work—Electricity Showrooms.

(*i*) Supply of electric vehicles (Electricity Department).

The tenders received in connection with the above were submitted;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that as regards (a), (b), (c), (d), (e), (f), (g) and (i), the tenders be referred to the appropriate Committees for consideration;

(2) that as regards (h), the tenders of Messrs. H. Hanson, Ltd., as undermentioned be accepted, subject to contract:—

	£	s.	d.
66, High Street, N. 12 — — — —	1,279	10	0
8, New Parade, Market Place, Falloden Way	1,328	10	0; and

(3) that the contracts with Messrs. H. Hanson, Ltd., be added to the list of documents for sealing.

597 **Resumption of Council:**

RESOLVED that the Town Council do now resume, and that the recommendations above set forth be adopted.

Mayor.

Borough of Finchley.

At a Special Meeting of the Council of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY, held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on MONDAY, the 15th day of February, 1937.

PRESENT:

His Worship the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.).

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).

Aldermen—

A. J. Briant.
G. H. Pateman.
C. S. Syrett.
Vyvyan Wells.

Councillors—

A. N. H. Baines.
P. H. Burch.
W. L. Brooksbank.
J. F. Kneale Caine.
A. C. D. Collis.
C. P. Grobel.
C. Hayter.
J. Hugh Jones, LL.B.
Mrs. M. E. Legge.
Mrs. E. Murphy.
R. J. N. Norman.
H. A. Rutt.
Major H. W. Steward.
H. H. Wilmot.

598 **Council in Committee:**

It was proposed by Councillor Langlands, seconded by Alderman Syrett, and

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the Town Council do now go into Committee.

599 **Electricity Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 9th February, 1937, in regard to the suggested domestic development programme was submitted.

Arising thereon, the Chairman of the Committee made a statement on the matter, and moved as follows:—

"That in lieu of the recommendations contained in the report of the Electricity Committee of the 9th February, 1937, the following be adopted:—

(1) that the resolution passed by the Town Council on the 25th January, 1937, adopting the report of the Electricity Committee dated the 19th January, 1937, in connection with the suggested development programme be rescinded;

(2) that pursuant to the provisions of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1926, section 42 and of the Finchley Electric Lighting Order, 1899, application be made for authorisation by an approval by the Minister under section 24 of the said Lighting Order of a method of charge for supply of electrical energy by the Corporation consisting of a periodical fixed charge inclusive of a rent, charge or remuneration in respect of certain apparatus and appliances, namely an electric cooker and associated equipment, on a consumer's premises together with a charge per unit for all energy supplied to the consumer;

(3) that a tariff under such authority be made at present applicable only to supplies to premises used as private residences and that such tariff may be adopted by a consumer at his option as an alternative to the existing authorised flat rate charge and where so adopted shall be terminable by the consumer after a minimum period of one year by one quarter's notice in writing ;

(4) that the charges under such tariff shall not exceed the following :—

(*a*) a fixed annual charge payable by four quarterly instalments at a rate of 15 per cent. per annum of the rateable value of the premises supplied, with a minimum payment of £3 15s. 0d. per annum ; and in addition

(*b*) a unit charge of ¾d. per unit for all units consumed (lighting, heating, cooking, etc.) ;

(5) that for the time being the charges under such tariff be as follows :—

(*a*) a unit charge of ½d. per unit for all units consumed (lighting, heating, cooking, etc.) ; and in addition

(*b*) a fixed annual charge payable by four quarterly instalments at the following rates :—

Rateable Values up to and including £60	10 per cent. per annum with a minimum payment of £2 10s. 0d.
Rateable values exceeding £60 but not exceeding £100	10 per cent. per annum on the first £60 and 7½ per cent. per annum on the remainder.
Rateable values exceeding £100 but not exceeding £175	10 per cent. per annum on the first £60, 7½ per cent. per annum on the next £40 and 5 per cent. per annum on the remainder.
Rateable values exceeding £175	10 per cent. per annum on the first £60, 7½ per cent. per annum on the next £40, 5 per cent. per annum on the next £75 and 2½ per cent. per annum on the remainder.

(6) that the tariff be offered subject to the following conditions :—

(i) that it shall only apply to premises rated as private residences and, where the rating assessment of any premises is divided, to that part only which is described as being a private residence. Where premises are utilised for business purposes and private residence and the rating assessment is not divided, supply at the tariff shall be available for that part of the premises only which is used as a private residence and the service charge shall be calculated on an apportionment of the assessment to be made by the Valuation Officer ;

(ii) that the tariff may be adopted by existing or new consumers either—

(*a*) as from the commencement of any quarter, or

(*b*) at any time during the quarter.

In the case of a consumer adopting the tariff during the currency of a quarter, the consumer to have the option of—

(*a*) having his account rendered on the ordinary tariff up to the date on which he adopts the tariff and being charged a proportionate amount of the fixed charge, plus ½d. a unit in respect of the remainder of the quarter ; or

(b) having the whole consumption for that quarter charged at ½d. per unit and the full quarter's fixed charge added to the quarterly account;

(iii) that the fixed charge component of the tariff be payable on demand;

(iv) that in the case of any consumer either commencing the tariff or ceasing to occupy the premises during the currency of any quarter the fixed charge be apportioned accordingly;

(v) that the tariff may be withdrawn by the Corporation on or at any time after the expiration of one year from the date on which it becomes operative by giving six months' notice in writing to consumers;

(vi) that on demand from any consumer on the tariff, an electric cooker of a size and make approved by the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager and associated equipment be installed, ready for use, in the private residence of such consumer and that the rental for the use of such apparatus and equipment be included in the fixed charge of the tariff, all such apparatus and equipment to be marked "The property of the Finchley Borough Council";

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Wed equipment

(7) that electric kettles be offered for hire up to 1/6d. per kettle per quarter;

(8) that thermostatically controlled water heaters be offered for hire on the following terms, including fixing, wiring and plumbing:—

Size.	Rental.
1½ gallons	2/6d. per quarter.
3 ,,	3/–d. ,, ,,
5 ,,	4/–d. ,, ,,
12 ,,	7/–d. ,, ,,
17 ,,	8/–d. ,, ,,
30 ,,	12/–d. ,, ,,

(9) that immersion heaters be offered for hire on the following terms including fixing and wiring:—

Type.	Rental.
Hand-controlled	3/6d. per quarter.
Thermostatically controlled	4/–d. ,, ,,

(10) that electric wash boilers be offered for hire from 2/6d. to 3/6d. per boiler per quarter according to the type selected;

(11) that electric radiators of approved type and a maximum value of £2 be offered for hire up to 1/6d. per quarter;

(12) that a panel of wiring contractors within the Borough be formed, such panel being restricted to members of either the Electrical Contractors Association or the National Register of Electrical Installation Contractors, and that to such panel be entrusted wiring work in connection with the installation of domestic equipment and the carrying out of assisted wiring schemes;

(13) that a scheme for assisted wiring be adopted, and that advertisements be issued inviting tenders for installation work based upon the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager's specification;

(14) that the terms in connection with the assisted wiring scheme be considered at a later meeting;

(15) that a commission on the following basis be paid to panel contractors for each cooker installed through the instrumentality of a contractor:—

Type of Cooker.	Amount.
Small	5/–d.
Medium	7/6d.
Large	10/–d.

(16) that advertisements be issued, where necessary, inviting tenders for the equipment and material required in connection with the proposed development scheme ;

(17) that advertisements be issued inviting tenders for the collection, delivery to house, wiring and installation of apparatus ;

(18) that authority be given to the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager to obtain, where possible, apparatus for display and demonstration in the showrooms on "sale or return" terms and that the period of "sale or return" be limited to three months in respect of each item of apparatus ;

(19) that it be suggested to the General Purposes Committee that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the appointment of three representatives as required, each at a basic salary of £150 per annum, plus commission on the following basis :—

Domestic Tariff consumer	up to 2/6d.
Cooker	up to 5/–d.
Water Heater or immersion heater	up to 5/–d.
Wash Boiler	up to 2/–d.
Radiator	up to 6d.

(20) that it be suggested to the General Purposes Committee that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the appointment of three lady demonstrators as required, each at a salary of £200 per annum ;

(21) that a sum of £1,000 be allocated to the Accounts and Works Sub-Committee for expenditure on publicity for the period ending 31st March, 1938 ;

(22) that authority be given for the necessary equipment and materials to be provided in connection with cookery demonstrations ;

(23) that the Committee be instructed to consider and report upon the terms and conditions to be contained in the agreements which it will be necessary for consumers to enter into in connection with any of the foregoing schemes ;

(24) that, in view of the considerable amount of clerical work which will arise in the operation of the foregoing schemes and also in the scheme of change-over adopted by the Town Council, the General Purposes Committee be asked (1) to approve the appointment of six additional temporary clerical assistants in the Electricity Department, each at a wage not exceeding £4 a week, on the understanding that the matter will be reviewed in six months' time ; and (2) to appoint a Sub-Committee to make the before-mentioned appointments, subject to report ;

(25) that (a) application be made to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £10,000 to be used for the purposes of the suggested development programme ; and (b) that the matter be reported to the Finance Committee ;

(26) that the Town Clerk be instructed to take all necessary steps in connection with the adoption of the scheme, including the giving of public notice and also notice to the consumers of the tariff ;

(27) that the tariff become operative as from the date when the authority referred to in Recommendation No. (2) above is received."

An amendment was proposed by Councillor Steward and seconded by Councillor Baines "that paragraph (2) above be referred to the Committee to consider whether the cost of the cookers cannot be charged in the unit charge and not in the percentage charge."

On being put, the amendment was lost, six voting in favour and eleven against.

600 **Chair:**

At this stage in the proceedings, the Mayor asked for permission to vacate the Chair, owing to indisposition.

It was thereupon moved by Alderman Pateman and seconded by Councillor Steward that the Deputy Mayor occupy the Chair.

On being put, the motion was carried.

601 **Electricity Committee (continued):**

The several motions moved by the Chairman of the Committee were then put and carried, Alderman Briant and Councillor Steward voting against paragraph (6) (vi).

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the report of the Committee, as amended, be adopted and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council;

(2) that any points which may arise in connection with the application, apart from matters of principle, be referred to a Sub-Committee consisting of the members of the Electricity Accounts and Works Sub-Committee and the Chairman of the Finance Committee for consideration, with power to act; and

(3) that the instruction given to the Town Clerk as entered in the Instruction Book be approved.

602 **Resumption of Council:**

RESOLVED that the Town Council do now resume, and that the recommendations above set forth be adopted.

Mayor.

Report of a Meeting of the Children's Safety Committee,

28th JANUARY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), Councillor Mrs. Murphy, Messrs. Berrey and Hackett, Inspector Hooper.

603 **Representative of the Metropolitan Police:**

Inspector L. J. Hooper of Golders Green Police Station has been appointed by the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis to serve as the representative of the Metropolitan Police on the Children's Safety Committee.

604 **Middlesex County Council—Road Safety among School Children—Co-operation:**

The County Council have formed a Children's Safety Committee and they invite Local Children's Safety Committees to make periodical reports to their Children's Safety Committee in order that the action of the Local Committees in Middlesex might be co-ordinated and an exchange of ideas effected.

RECOMMENDED that a copy of the agendas and minutes of the meetings of the Finchley Children's Safety Committee be sent to the County Council's Children's Safety Committee.

605 **National "Safety First" Association:**

The following paragraph which was referred by the Education Committee to the Children's Safety Committee has been considered:

"Road Safety among School Children—National 'Safety First' Association:

The National 'Safety First' Associaton has decided to have a Child Safety Section, membership of which will be confined to Education Authorities and these Authorities are invited by the Association

(*a*) To join the Child Safety Section at an annual service fee in the case of Finchley of one guinea.

(*b*) To purchase for each school posters and bulletins as they are issued. (Posters 6/9d. per dozen to Members, 9/- to non-members). (Bulletins 6/- per annum to Members, 8/- to non-members).

(*c*) To agree in principle to be represented at the Association's regional conference and, if possible, at the National Congress.

The Board of Education have stated that, in their opinion, these conferences fall within the terms of Section 126 of the Education Act, 1921, as regards payment of expenses of delegates."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the Children's Safety Committee be affiliated to the Child Safety Section of the National "Safety First" Association, at a cost of one guinea per annum.

(*b*) that the Town Council agree, in principle, to the Children's Safety Committee being represented at the National "Safety First" Association's regional conference and, if possible, at the National Congress.

606 **Report on Street Accidents:**

The following analysis of street accidents to children under fifteen years of age known to the Police to have occurred in Finchley during the period 1st August to 30th November, 1936, has been considered, together with a map shewing where these accidents occurred:—

Nature of Accident.	Number of Cases.			
	Fatal Injury.	Serious Injury.	Slight Injury.	Total.
Pedestrian injured by Motor Vehicle.....	—	—	6	6
Pedal cyclist injured in collision with Motor Vehicle	—	1	4	5
Passenger in Motor Vehicle injured in Motor Vehicle accident	—	—	2	2
Pedestrian injured by pedal cyclist	—	—	2	2
Pedal cyclist injured by fall from cycle, etc., where no other vehicle was involved	—	—	—	—
	—	1	14	15

607 **Estimates, 1937-38:**

RECOMMENDED that it be suggested to the General Purposes Committee that an amount of £100 be included in their Estimates to cover expenditure by the Children's Safety Committee during the financial year 1937-38.

608 **National "Safety First" Association—Child Safety Campaign:**

A list of subjects suggested for treatment month by month in the schools has been forwarded by the Association and the list has been submitted to the Education Committee for their consideration.

HAROLD A. RUTT,
Chairman.

Public Libraries Committee's Report.

1st FEBRUARY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Collis (Chairman), Councillor Hayter (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Pike and Councillor Mrs. Legge.

Non-Members: Aldermen Briant, Pateman and Syrett and Councillors Mrs. Murphy, Rutt and Wightman.

609 **Minutes:**

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

610 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

611 **Estimates—Year ending 31st March, 1938:**

The estimates of the Committee for the year ending 31st March, 1938, were considered and referred to the Finance Committee.

612 **Public Libraries—Avenue House and North Finchley:**

(*a*) Statistics.—The Chief Librarian reported as under, the figures in brackets being those reported for December, 1935:—

(i) Readers.—That the number of readers at Avenue House was 5,315 (4,630) and at North Finchley 4,969.

(ii) Stock.—That the book stock at Avenue House amounted to 19,907 (14,453) and at North Finchley 11,744.

(iii) Loans.—That the number of books lent during the month of December, 1936, from Avenue House was 15,905 (13,446) and from North Finchley 20,203, and that the following table showed the number of books lent from each class of Avenue House stock during December, 1935, and December, 1936, and the number of books lent from each class of North Finchley stock during December, 1936:—

CLASS.	AVENUE HOUSE. Dec., 1936. Loans.	% of total.	Dec., 1935. Loans.	% of total	Increase.	Decrease.	NORTH FINCHLEY. December, 1936. Adult. Loans.	% of total.	Junior. Loans.	% of total	Total. Loans.	% of total.	GRAND TOTALS. December, 1936.
General	42	.3	39	.3	3	—	17	.1	30	.6	47	.3	89
Philosophy	268	1.7	185	1.4	83	—	139	.9	3	.06	142	.7	410
Religion	181	1.2	125	1.0	56	—	104	.7	14	.3	118	.6	299
Sociology	561	3.5	434	3.2	127	—	325	2.0	402	8.6	727	3.6	1288
Languages	234	1.5	231	1.6	3	—	83	.5	2	.04	85	.4	319
Science	296	1.8	319	2.4	—	23	325	2.0	276	5.9	601	3.0	897
Useful Arts	639	4.0	588	4.4	51	—	445	3.0	300	6.4	745	3.7	1384
Fine Arts	714	4.5	436	3.3	278	—	435	2.8	52	1.1	487	2.4	1201
Music	248	1.5	275	2.1	—	27	263	1.7	—	—	263	1.3	511
Literature	747	4.7	690	5.1	57	—	482	3.1	206	4.5	688	3.4	1435
History and Travel	1971	12.4	1777	13.2	194	—	1435	9.3	312	6.7	1747	8.6	3718
Biography	749	4.7	690	5.1	59	—	353	2.3	66	1.4	419	2.1	1168
Fiction	9255	58.2	7657	56.9	1598	—	11120	71.6	3014	64.4	14134	69.9	23389
TOTALS	15905	100.0	13446	100.0	2509	50	15526	100.0	4677	100.0	20203	100.0	36108
					(Net Increase 2459).								
Days Open	25		20						25				
Daily Average Loan	636		672		—	36	621		187		808		1444
Readers	5315		4630		685	—	3888		1081		4969		10284
Stock	19907		14453		5454	—	9576		2168		11744		31405
Cash	£13/16/11		£14/17/5		—	£1/0/6	£7/14/2		7/11d.		£8/2/1		£21/19/0

PUBLIC LIBRARIES (*contd.*).

612 (iv) Proportion of Residents Registered as Readers.—That the following statement showed the proportion of persons residing in the Borough who were registered as readers :—

Population.	Number of Borrowers. Avenue House.	North Finchley.	Total.
64,500	5,732	5,045	10,777
	% of readers to population 16.7		

(v) Cash Receipts.—That the cash receipts during December amounted to £13 16s. 11d. (£14 17s. 5d.) at Avenue House and to £8 2s. 1d. at North Finchley.

(*b*) Avenue House.—

(i) Appointment of Junior Assistant.—The Town Clerk reported that Miss E. M. Topham had been appointed to the position of Junior Assistant, at a commencing salary of £65 per annum, and that she commenced her duties at the Library on the 11th January, 1937.

(ii) Grant for Book Purchase.—A letter, dated 6th January, 1937, received from the Carnegie United Kingdom Trust was submitted, enclosing a cheque for £175, being the final instalment of the Trustees' grant for book purchase.

(iii) Dogs.—Referring to Minute No. 421 (e), the views of the Borough Surveyor hereon were reported from which it appeared that the situation could best be met by the erection of four posts with rings attached, on the right of the entrance to Avenue House. It was further reported that the cost involved was approximately £3 and that this figure would cover the cost of erecting any necessary notices drawing the attention of borrowers to the facility provided ;

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to carry out the work at the cost above-mentioned.

(iv) Withdrawals from Stock.—

RECOMMENDED that the books referred to in the list (circulated) be withdrawn from stock for the reasons indicated therein.

(*c*) Offers of Gifts.—The Chief Librarian reported hereon, and it was

RECOMMENDED that the following offers of gifts for use in connection with the Public Libraries be accepted and that the thanks of the Town Council be conveyed to the respective donors :—

Donor.	Gift.	
Mrs. Johnson	Volume of Engravings by M. Doré, entitled the "Doré Gallery."	
Councillor Mrs. M. E. Legge	2 French volumes.	
North Finchley Grammar School	School Magazine	For exhibition in the Reading Room at the North Finchley Library.
Mr. J. G. Stone	Finchley Review and Film Guide (each month)	

(*d*) North Finchley District Library.—

(i) Letting of Lecture Hall.—The Town Clerk reported as follows :—

"It will be remembered that the Town Council at its meeting in December last agreed to allow the British Medical Association to have the free use of the Lecture Hall for a course of six lectures on the subject of air raid

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precautions. The Council at the same meeting decided that the hall should only be available for letting between the hours of 2 p.m. and 10 p.m., whereas the Association have since intimated that it will not be possible for their lectures to terminate before 10.30 p.m.

In the circumstances, therefore, with the consent of the Mayor and your Chairman, permission has been given to the Association to have the use of the hall between the hours of 8.30 p.m. and 10.30 p.m."

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(ii) Provision of Crockery, etc.—The Chief Librarian reported that in accordance with instructions he had obtained revised quotations for the supply of crockery, knives and spoons to the North Finchley Library, with the stamp "F.B.C." on each article, and he submitted particulars thereof;

After consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED that the quotation of Priors, Ltd., at the sum of £21 3s. 11½d. be accepted.

(*e*) Staff—Provision in Grading Scheme for Female Library Assistants.—The Town Clerk reported that at the last meeting of the Town Council it was resolved that the recommendations of the General Purposes Committee hereon be not adopted but that the whole matter be referred to this Committee for further consideration with a view to the submission of revised scales.

It was thereupon decided to hold a Special Meeting of the Committee on Monday, the 8th February, 1937, at 7.30 p.m. for the purpose of considering the matter further.

613 **Lighting, Heating and Power:**

The resolution passed at the last meeting of the Town Council on the recommendation of the Electricity Committee, in regard to the above, was reported and noted.

614 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

A. C. D. COLLIS,
Chairman.

Town Planning Committee's Report.

1st FEBRUARY, 1937.

Present: Alderman Briant (Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Wells, Councillors Mrs. Murphy, Norman and Wightman.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pateman and Pike, Councillors Mrs. Legge and Rutt.

615 **Minutes:**

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

616 **Estimate:**

The Committee's Estimate for the year ending 31st March, 1938, was considered and referred to the Finance Committee.

617 **Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1:**

(*a*) **External Appearance of Buildings—Constitution of Tribunal of Appeal.**—The Town Clerk reported that he had received letters stating that Messrs. W. J. Cross, H. V. Ashley and Oswald Healing were willing to serve on the Tribunal constituted by the Town Council under Clause 45 of the above-mentioned Scheme. Arising thereon, the Town Clerk was instructed to make certain enquiries with regard to the fees to be paid to the members of the Tribunal.

(*b*) **Stopping up of Green Lane.**—It was reported that by virtue of Clause 20 of the above Scheme Green Lane (except the portion over the Railway) ceased to be a public highway as from the date of the coming into operation of the Scheme, viz.:— 22nd August, 1936. The matter was, therefore, referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for their consideration.

618 **Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6:**

(*a*) **Draft Scheme.**—Having regard to reports of the Town Clerk hereon, further consideration of the Draft Scheme was deferred until the next meeting of the Committee.

(*b*) **Widening—Hendon Lane.**—Referring to Minute No. 427 (a), the Borough Surveyor reported that the Middlesex County Council had reconsidered the above-mentioned matter in the light of further information supplied by the Ministry of Transport and were of the opinion that the traffic value of Hendon Lane justified the reservation of lands to enable the road to be widened to a width of 60 feet, instead of to 50 feet, as previously agreed.

The matter was, therefore, referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for their consideration, with a view to the 60 feet widening being shown on the draft Scheme Map.

619 **North Middlesex Joint Town Planning Committee:**

The Minutes of a meeting of the above-mentioned Committee held on the 8th December, 1936, were submitted.

620 **Unoccupied Flats:**

The following monthly report of the Valuation Officer hereon was submitted:—

"Number of unoccupied flats in the Borough—171 (148).

Total number of flats erected—1,627 (1,598).

These figures do not include premises converted.

The corresponding figures for last month are set out in brackets."

621 **Neon Signs, etc.:**

(*a*) **Projecting Sign—Boots Pure Drug Company, Ltd., 110/112, Ballards Lane, N. 3.**—Referring to Minute No. 429, the Borough Surveyor submitted an amended plan of the proposed Neon projecting sign at the above-mentioned premises and reported that there would not appear to be any objection thereto;

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. Boots Pure Drug Company, Ltd., be informed that the Town Council raise no objection to the amended proposal.

(*b*) **Neon Sign—9, Falloden Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb—(53, Market Place)**—Fredk. Sage & Co., Ltd.—An application for permission to display the name of the occupier of the above-mentioned premises upon the fascia of the shop in neon tubing, was submitted;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised thereto.

622 **Proposed Factory for Metal Working, Goods Yard—Totteridge Station, Totteridge Lane, N. 20:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that he had received a letter, dated 16th January, 1937, from Messrs. Swanser & Son, Ltd., making application for permission to use existing premises situate in the Goods Yard at Totteridge Station for the purposes of decorative metal work in connection with cinemas, theatre canopies, wrought bronze and iron work, etc. After giving the matter careful consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. Swanser & Son, Ltd., be informed (i) that the Town Council approve the proposal submitted by them subject to their entering into an agreement with the Town Council (to be scheduled to the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6) to provide that there shall be no noise or fumes or smell from the premises which, in the opinion of the Town Council, may be a nuisance or objectional and that they will take such steps, as, in the opinion of the Town Council, may be necessary effectually to prevent the same, and (ii) that in the event of any alterations or extensions being required, the matter will be considered further on the receipt of the necessary plans.

623 **Glenhill Close, N. 3:**

It was reported that a letter, dated 23rd January, 1937, had been received from Messrs. G. Payne & Co. applying for permission to erect piers and a wall at the entrance to the above Close and that there would not appear to be any objection thereto. It was, therefore,

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the proposal.

624 **Proposed Developments:**

(1) **Premises formerly occupied by Diamond Gramophone Company,—Arcadia Avenue, N. 3—Proposed Contractors' Engineers' Depôt.**—It was reported that a letter, dated 28th December, 1936, had been received from Messrs. Clapham, Fraser & Williams making application on behalf of their clients (Messrs. E. R. Cole, Ltd.) for permission to use the premises formerly known as Diamond Works and the adjoining area of land for the purpose of the business of contractors' engineers. It was also reported that Messrs. E. R. Cole, Ltd., proposed, subject to the consent of the Council being obtained, to use the existing factory premises for the storage and repair of the more valuable part of their stock and to erect suitable office accommodation and to instal on the adjoining land a crane of a Derrick or other appropriate type; further, that the applicants might require in the future to erect a series of buildings "for the more efficient protection of stock." In accordance with the provisions of Section 30 of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1, the proposal was advertised in a local newspaper, and the Committee considered a statement setting out particulars of the objections to the proposal which had been received, together with a letter, dated 1st February, 1937, from Mr. Diamond, the owner of the property in question, supporting the proposal;

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. Clapham, Fraser & Williams be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to give their consent to the above-mentioned proposal as it would contravene the character zoning provisions of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1.

(2) **Finchley Auto and General Engineering Company's Premises—Arcadia Avenue—Proposed Extension.**—The Borough Surveyor reported upon a proposal of the Finchley Auto and General Engineering Company to extend their premises in Arcadia Avenue. In accordance with the provisions of Clause 30 of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1, the proposal was advertised in a local newspaper and the Committee considered a statement setting out particulars of the objections received. After careful consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED that the Finchley Auto and General Engineering Company be informed that the Town Council approve the proposed extension, in principle, subject to such extension being limited to one storey in height and to the elevation being to the satisfaction of the Town Council, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

(3) **Land at the rear of Woodlands, High Road, N. 20—Proposed Builder's Yard.**—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had received a letter, dated 16th January, 1937, accompanied by a tentative plan, from Messrs. McManus & Co. asking for permission to utilise the above-mentioned land for the purpose of a builder's yard. It was, however, pointed out that it had been necessary to advertise the proposal in accordance with the requirements of Clause 30 of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1, but that the time for receipt of objections had not expired; and, further, that the period within which the Town Council should approve or disapprove the proposal would expire prior to the Council Meeting in March. In the circumstances, therefore, it was

RECOMMENDED that this Committee be given power to act at its next meeting in connection with the above-mentioned proposal.

Prior to the consideration of this matter, Alderman Wells declared that he had an interest therein, and in consequence did not vote or take any part in the discussion relating thereto.

(4) Particulars of applications to develop the under-mentioned properties, as indicated, were submitted, and the Borough Surveyor reported thereon :—

(*a*) Land between Holden Road and Avondale Avenue—16 Flats.—

RECOMMENDED that Mr. E. William Palmer be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, the proposal to erect 16 flats in four blocks of four flats each on the above-mentioned site, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

(*b*) Land between Houses fronting Regents Park Road and Stanhope Avenue—Block of 6 Flats.—

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. North & North be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to give their consent to the erection of 6 flats on the above-mentioned land as such development would contravene the provisions of the Town Council's Bye-laws relating to New Streets and Buildings so far as air space was concerned and also the provisions of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1 relating to character zoning and the construction of streets.

(*c*) "Northaw," 2, Derwent Villas, High Road, N. 20—Conversion into Two Self-Contained Flats.—

RECOMMENDED that Mr. A. S. Bothwell be informed that the Town Council approve the above-mentioned proposal, in principle, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

(*d*) Henleys Service Station, Regents Park Road—Proposed Extension.—

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. Henleys, Ltd., be informed (i) that the Town Council approve, in principle, the proposal submitted by them for extensions to the above-mentioned premises, subject to their entering into an agreement with the Town Council preserving the rights of the Town Council with regard to light and air so far as their adjoining open space is concerned and to the elevations being to the satisfaction of the Town Council, but (ii) that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

(*e*) Carrimore Works, High Road, N. 12—Additional Building.—

RESOLVED, in accordance with the authority delegated to the Committee at the last meeting of the Town Council, that Messrs. Rix & Rix be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to give their consent to the erection of the proposed additional building on the site of the above mentioned property, as shown on the tentative plan submitted, as such additional building would contravene the provisions of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1 relating to character zoning.

625 **Temporary Buildings:**

(*a*) **Plan No. 875T—Mr. S. W. Edwards—Coffee Stall adjoining Carrimore Works, N. 12.**—Referring to Minute No. 433, the Borough Surveyor submitted a letter, dated 28th January, 1937, from Messrs. Kenneth Brown, Baker, Baker making application for a further renewal of the licence in respect of the above-mentioned building to enable their client to complete negotiations for alternative accommodation. In the circumstances, the Borough Surveyor was instructed to inform Messrs. Kenneth Brown, Baker, Baker that the Town Council are prepared to allow the temporary building to remain for a further period of one month, i.e., until the 28th February, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*b*) **Plan No. 916T—Temporary Office for flats—Glenhill Close, No. 3., off Lichfield Grove—Mr. G. Payne.—**

RECOMMENDED that a licence be granted in respect of the above-mentioned building for the period ending 1st January, 1938.

626 **Plan No. 9838A—Washhouse at rear of 8, Alexandra Grove—Church Army Authorities:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that Plan No. 9838, which was disapproved at the last meeting of the Committee, had been revised and in the circumstances it was

RECOMMENDED that such amended plan (No. 9838A) be approved, subject to the owners entering into the usual agreement with the Town Council with regard to buildings over sewers.

627 **Plans:**

(*a*) Approved;

RECOMMENDED that the following plans be approved subject to the conditions severally mentioned by the Borough Surveyor in his report:—

TOWN PLANNING (*contd.*).

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
*9824	4 storey building comprising 6 shops on ground floor, offices and showroom on first floor and 6 maisonettes on second and third floors	Adjoining "The Cricketers" P.H., Great North Road, N. 12	Messrs. A. Fairhead & Sons, Ltd.
	Lay-out for a three storey building comprising 3 shops on ground floor, 3 maisonettes on first and second floors and outbuildings at rear	In Ballards Lane, N. 12	
9854	House	Plot H.8, Haslemere Gardens, N. 3	Mr. P. J. Preston.
9855	House	Plot H.7, Haslemere Gardens, N. 3	Mr. P. J. Preston.
9856	Additions	Sellars Hall, Nether Street, N. 3	Mr. R. Arnell.
9857	House	44, Windermere Avenue, N. 3	Messrs. Tant & Son.
9859	Garage	Side of Courthouse Lodge, Nether Street, N. 12	Mrs. E. Burridge.
*9860	Conversion of house into offices	Hadley House, 313, Ballards Lane, N. 12	Mr. T. Davies.
9862	Garage	Side of 1 Nethercourt Avenue, N. 3	Mr. J. M. Donaldson.
9863	House and Garage	Plot 0812, No. 23, Brim Hill Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. G. Ramsbotham.
‡9864	5 houses and garages	5-13, Eversleigh Road, N. 3	Mr. G. W. Elphick.
9865	Extension to garage	11, South Crescent, N. 3	Mr. F. G. Murray.
*9866	Assembly Hall	Rear of 275, Ballards Lane, N. 12	The Finchley Conservative and Unionist Association.
9868	Garage	Rear of "Bredon," Oakfield Road, N. 3	Mr. W. Hayes.
†9870	Conversion of urinal into garage	Rear of 1-15, Market Place, Falloden Way, N.W. 11	The Co-Partnership Tenants, Ltd.
9871	Glass porch	Side of 105, Ridgeview Road, N. 20	Mr. E. Morgan.
9872	Greenhouse	Rear of Newacre, Crooked Usage, N. 3	Dr. A. C. D. Newton.
9875	New garage and alterations	Plot C.43, No. 7, Spencer Drive, N.W. 11	The Coombs Construction Co., Ltd.
9876	Alterations and additions	"Arlington," The Bishop's Avenue, N. 2	Mrs. Rose.
9877	House	Plot 1052, Ingram Avenue, N.W. 11	Mr. H. Wald.
*9878	Extension to garage	"Carlisle House," Plot 1025, Winnington Road, N. 2	Mr. Leaman.
9879	2 garages and additions	9 and 11, Brookland Rise, N.W. 11	Miss Thompson.

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9881	2 houses	Plots C.187 and C.200, Holne Chase, Hampstead Garden Suburb, at corner of Milton Close	Mr. H. Lawrence.
†9883	2 houses	Plots L.105 and L.108, Lyttelton Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. F. Wood.
*9884	10 houses	Adjoining Manor House, East End Road, N. 3	Messrs. W. Smirk, Ltd.
†9885	Block of 53 flats	To be known as "Belvedere Court," Lyttelton Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb, opposite Winnington Road	The Frognal Priory Development, Ltd.
9886	Garage	Rear of 48, West Avenue, N. 3	Mr. Orange.
9887	Garage	Rear of 23, Mayfield Avenue, N. 12	Mr. J. T. Devaliant.

(*b*) Disapproved;

RESOLVED that the under-mentioned plans be disapproved for the reasons stated by the Borough Surveyor in his report:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9858	Workshop	Carrimore Works, High Road, N. 12	Steel Barrel Scammell and Associated Engineers, Ltd.
9867	4 shops	60, 62, 64, 66, Ballards Lane, N. 3	Eton Trust, Ltd.
9869	Garage	Side of 16, Woodleigh Avenue, N. 12	Mr. W. C. West.
9873	2 flats	Between Salvation Army Hall and No. 8, Hertford Road, N. 2	Mr. A. Adams.
9880	Conversion of house into 5 self-contained flats	28, Torrington Park, N. 12	Mrs. E. Burridge.
9882	Additional rooms over garage	House on Plot H.6, Haslemere Gardens, N. 3	Mr. P. J. Preston.
9888	Garage with bedroom over	Side of 45, The Ridgeway, N. 3	Mr. G. H. Thorne.

* Referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

† Referred to the Middlesex County Council for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

‡ Prior to the consideration of Plan No. 9864, Alderman Wells disclosed that he had an interest therein and in consequence did not vote or take part in the discussion relating thereto.

628 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

A. J. BRIANT,
Chairman.

Valuation Committee's Report.

2nd FEBRUARY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), Councillor Connorton (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Brooksbank and Wightman and Messrs. Gray and Griffith.

629 **Minutes:**

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

630 **Incorporated Association of Rating and Valuation Officers:**

It was reported that the Town Council had been invited to appoint delegates to attend the 55th Annual Meeting and Conference of the above Association to be held at the Central Hall, Westminster, on the 23rd and 24th April, 1937.

RECOMMENDED that the Valuation Officer be appointed to represent the Town Council at such Conference.

631 **Date of Next Meeting:**

The Town Clerk reported that the date of the next ordinary meeting of the Committee, viz., 2nd March, coincided with that of the Triennial County Council Elections.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that the meeting be held on the 4th March, 1937, at 7 p.m.

632 **Railways (Valuation for Rating) Act, 1930—"Let Out" Properties:**

The Valuation Officer submitted a report of a Conference held on the 21st October, 1936, between Rating and Valuation Officers of Boroughs and Urban District Councils and the Middlesex County Valuation Officer in regard to the above.

633 **Rating and Valuation Acts, 1925 to 1932—Third Re-valuation:**

The Valuation Officer submitted a report from the Central Valuation Committee in regard to the issue of the Forms of Return for Occupiers and Owners in connection with the above and intimated that the proposals recommended were similar to those which had already been adopted by the Town Council.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Parks and Open Spaces Committee's Report.

2nd FEBRUARY, 1937.

Present: Alderman Wells (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Pateman and Syrett, and Councillors Collis, Connorton, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy and Rutt.

634 **Minutes:**

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

635 **Estimates:**

The Committee's Estimates for the year ending 31st March, 1938, were considered and referred to the Finance Committee.

636 **Northway Gardens—Tennis Courts:**

An application was submitted on behalf of the Oakfield Lawn Tennis Club for the renewal of their tenancy of two grass tennis courts at above for the coming season;

RECOMMENDED that such application be granted at an inclusive rental of £15 a court, subject to the same conditions as heretofore.

637 **Glebe Land:**

(*a*) Cricket Pitch.—It was reported that an application had been received from the Finchley Municipal Cricket Club for the renewal of their tenancy of the cricket pitch at above for the coming season;

RECOMMENDED that such application be granted at an inclusive rental of £35, subject to the same conditions as heretofore.

(*b*) Finchley Football Club—Rent.—The recommendations of the Finance Committee hereon were reported and noted.

(*c*) Bowling Green.—A communication was submitted from Mr. A. E. Kelsey stating that a conference had taken place between representatives of the Club proposed to be named "The Tudor Bowling Club," and the Metropolitan Electric Tramways Athletic, Social and Benevolent Club (Bowls Section), and that as a result the members of the latter were prepared to join the proposed new Club, and application was accordingly made for the exclusive use of certain rinks on the above green for the coming season;

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the Club be granted the exclusive use of rinks 1–4 for the 1937 season, subject to each member obtaining from the Town Council a season ticket at the price of £1;

(ii) that the Club be allowed to use the remaining two rinks without extra charge, provided that the members shall not have priority over the public in the use thereof;

(iii) that the Club be asked to consider the desirability of adopting the name "The Glebe Bowling Club," in lieu of that proposed;

(iv) that the green be opened for play, weather permitting, on Saturday, the 24th April, 1937, and closed on Saturday, the 2nd October, 1937.

638 **Big Wood—Proposed Transformer Pillar:**

The Committee had before them an application received from the Hendon Electric Supply Co., Ltd., for permission to place a transformer pillar inside the boundary of Big Wood, and after hearing the views of the Electricity Committee upon the proposal, it was

RECOMMENDED that such application be not granted.

639 **Hertford Lodge—Construction of Sewer—Station Road to East End Road:**

It was reported that the line of the above sewer would cross a portion of the land at the rear of Hertford Lodge, and in connection therewith a Statutory Notice was submitted.

640 **Date of Next Meeting:**

The Town Clerk reported that the date of the next ordinary meeting of the Committee, viz., 2nd March, coincided with that of the Triennial County Council Elections, and in the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that the meeting be held on Friday, the 5th March, 1937, at 8 p.m.

641 **Brookside Walk—Land—North Circular Road—Arden Estate:**

A letter, dated 25th January, 1937, was submitted from Messrs. Rawlins, Culver and Co., accepting, on behalf of Mr. E. C. Arden, the Town Council's offer of £10,000 for the above land, subject to the details of the Contract being agreed forthwith to the satisfaction of his Solicitors.

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The draft Contract was submitted;

RECOMMENDED that same be referred to the Solicitor for approval on behalf of the Town Council.

642 **Lighting, Heating and Power:**

The recommendation of the Electricity Committee hereon which was adopted at the last meeting of the Town Council was reported.

643 **Little Wood—Pageant Ground:**

A communication was submitted on behalf of the Play and Pageant Union, making application for the use of Little Wood on the occasion of their annual pageant;

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the Union be granted the use of Little Wood for the purpose in question, for performances on the following dates:—

Saturday, 12th June, 1937,
Tuesday, 15th June, 1937,
Thursday, 17th June, 1937,
Saturday, 19th June, 1937,

and for rehearsals, not exceeding eight, on dates to be approved by the Chairman of the Committee, subject to payment of a fee of £2 2s. 0d. in respect thereof, and to an Agreement being entered into in a form to be prepared by the Solicitor;

(ii) that the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary steps in connection with the closure of the Wood.

·644 **Annual Contract—Uniforms for Park Attendants:**

The tenders for Uniforms for Park and Public Convenience Attendants, which were opened at the last meeting of the Town Council, were submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that so far as the uniforms for Park Attendants are concerned, the tender of Rego Clothiers, Ltd. (the lowest), be accepted on the schedule of prices submitted, subject to Contract, and that the Public Health Committee be informed accordingly.

·645 **Lyttelton Playing Fields—Bowling Green:**

An application was submitted on behalf of the Bishopswood Bowling Club for the exclusive use of certain rinks at above during the coming season;

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the terms and conditions upon which the Club had the exclusive use of four rinks on the above green and the use in common with the public of the remaining rinks last season be renewed for the coming season; and

(ii) that the green be opened for play, weather permitting, on Saturday, the 24th April, 1937, and closed on Saturday, the 2nd October, 1937.

·646 **Charter Green—Regents Park Road:**

The Borough Surveyor reported hereon, as follows:—

"It was decided at your last meeting to include a sum in the estimates for 1937/38, for seeding and contingent works at the above site.

An estimate has now been prepared amounting to £270, which figure has been included in the estimates.

I understood it was your Committee's desire that this work should be executed as early as possible so that the site should be of pleasing appearance in time for the Coronation festivities, and it will be appreciated that to attain this result will entail a considerable portion of this amount being expended before the end of March next."

After careful consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED—

780 (6) (i) that authority be given for the above work to be carried out during the present financial year, at an estimated cost of £270; and

(ii) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee with a view to their making the necessary financial arrangements.

·647 **Brook Farm—Cricket Pitches:**

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the letting of the above cricket pitches for the coming season upon the usual terms, subject to report.

·648 **Death of Employee—A. R. Darch:**

The Borough Surveyor reported with regret that the above employee, who had been in the service of the Corporation since April, 1933, passed away on the 12th January, 1937.

·649 **Parks and Open Spaces—Receipts:**

The Borough Treasurer's Statement of the weekly receipts for tennis, etc., during the month of January, 1937, was submitted.

·650 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

VYVYAN WELLS,
Chairman.

Highways and Fire Brigade Committee's Report.

3rd FEBRUARY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), Councillor Baines (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P), Alderman Pateman and Councillors Connorton and Wightman.

Non-Members: Alderman Syrett and Wells, and Councillors Hayter and Mrs. Murphy.

651 **Minutes:**

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

652 **Estimates:**

The Committee's estimates for the year ending 31st March, 1938, were considered, and referred to the Finance Committee.

653 **Resurfacing Footways—Hutton Grove:**

It was reported that the above-mentioned works had now been completed;

750(b) **RECOMMENDED** that the Finance Committee be asked to approve a supplemental estimate of £414 to cover the expenditure.

654 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

It was reported that the under-mentioned properties of the Town Council had been damaged since last meeting, and that the matters had been dealt with:—

Guard Post—Footpath at junction of Ridgeview Road.
5 Hurricane Lamps and Caution Notice Board—Great North Road by Finchley Park.
Lamp Column—Regents Park Road.
Lamp Column—Lytton Close.
Lamp Column—Ballards Lane.
Tree and Paving—High Road, East Finchley.
Litter Bin on Side Pole—High Road, East Finchley.
Speed Limit Sign—Great North Road, East Finchley.
Tree—Long Lane.
Tree and Paving—High Road by Lewis Gardens.

655 **Third Party Claims:**

It was reported that two claims had been received and dealt with.

656 **Insurance of Workmen—Accident—A. J. Emery:**

It was reported that the above employee had met with an accident since last meeting, and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

657 **Lighting, Heating and Power:**

The resolution passed at the last meeting of the Town Council on the recommendation of the Electricity Committee in regard to the above was reported and noted.

658 **London Passenger Transport Act, 1936—Reconstruction of Bridges, East Finchley:**

The Town Clerk reported that at the last meeting of the Town Council the following communication, dated 19th January, 1937, received from the London Passenger Transport Board, was referred to the Committee for consideration, with power to act:—

"In pursuance of Section 60 (2) of the London Passenger Transport Act, 1936, notice is hereby given that the Board will shortly be putting in hand that portion of works Nos. 1 to 3 as will interfere with the Great North Road and Brompton Grove.

I shall be glad to receive from you the counter notice in writing specifying the height and span for the new bridges as limited under Section 60 (3) of the above-mentioned Act."

He also intimated that he had forwarded a copy of the letter to the Middlesex County Council, who had informed him in reply that it was desirable that notice should be served on the Board for the construction of the bridges on the Great North Road and East End Road to the dimensions referred to in the London Passenger Transport Act, 1936, and that arrangements should also be made for the widening of the existing structures to a similar width.

The Town Clerk further drew attention to the fact that the London & North Eastern Railway Company had agreed to reconstruct the existing bridge, subject to a satisfactory agreement being entered into between the parties concerned providing (*inter alia*) for the grant of an easement to the Corporation by the Company on terms to be arranged and for all expenses incurred by the Company in connection with such reconstruction, including any additional expenses of maintenance, being paid by the Corporation, and that the County Council desired to know whether the Committee would like the necessary negotiations with the Board and other interested parties to be carried out by them ;

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be instructed—

(*a*) to inform the County Council that the Town Council would be glad if they would undertake the negotiations in question ;

(*b*) to serve the counter notice prescribed under Section 60 of the London Passenger Transport Act, 1936 ; and

(*c*) to take any other necessary steps in the matter.

659 **Automatic Traffic Control Signals—Junction of the Barnet Bye-Pass and The Bishop's Avenue :**

The Town Clerk drew attention to certain observations which had been made by the Church End Finchley Ratepayers' Association in regard to the above.

660 **Street Lighting—Arterial Roads :**

The attention of the Committee was drawn to certain observations which had been made by the Church End Finchley Ratepayers' Association in regard to the above.

661 **Telephone Poles—Hampstead Garden Suburb :**

A communication, dated 24th January, 1937, was submitted from Mr. H. H. Warder-Gunning as follows :—

"I refer to your letter of 23rd June last, by which you informed me that your Council regretted that they had no jurisdiction in the matter of the Poles, and could therefore do nothing with regard to the removal of same, and the laying of the wires underground.

The position should have changed in the meantime, or, if it has not done so in the absolutely legal sense, the time must be very near when Gurney Drive and Brim Hill, which are the roads in which I am interested, will be actually taken over by the Council.

I am therefore again taking the liberty of reminding the Council that the making up of the roads and pavements should be preceded by the laying of the wires underground and of expressing the hope that the Council will have the necessary steps taken to this effect with the Post Office Authorities.

Perhaps you, Sir, will be good enough to place the matter again before your Council."

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to make representations to the Post Office Authorities with a view to ascertaining whether it would be possible for the telephone lines in question to be placed underground.

662 **Travelling Facilities :**

(*a*) It was reported that a communication, dated 23rd January, 1937, in the following terms had been received from Alderman C. S. Syrett :—

"On Thursday, the 21st inst., leaving the Council Offices for home, I reached the junction of Hendon Lane and Regents Park Road at about 4.25 p.m. Seeing no vehicle in sight that was proceeding northwards I started to walk leisurely along the main road and reached Long Lane before any vehicle overtook me. Still proceeding to walk, between Long Lane and the Ridgeway three motor 'buses and five trolleybuses overtook and passed me.

Again on Friday, 22nd inst., on my way to the Council from home, I waited at the corner of Seymour Road from 7.47—7.57 p.m. for a motor 'bus or a trolleybus to enable me to reach the Council for the meeting at 8 o'clock.

I think perhaps the Committee would like to submit these definite facts to the London Passenger Transport Board."

RECOMMENDED that a copy of the letter be forwarded to the London Passenger Transport Board, and that they be asked for their observations on the matter.

(*b*) A letter, dated 27th January, 1937, was submitted from the Public Relations Officer of the London Passenger Transport Board, stating that he had asked the Operating Managers to give attention to the complaint that drivers of 'buses and trolleybuses frequently failed to stop when required to do so. He added that should these incidents occur in the future, it would be most useful if he could have specific details in order that the matter might be taken up with the staff concerned.

(*c*) The Borough Surveyor reported that in accordance with instructions particulars with regard to the passenger transport on the main roads in the Borough were taken on the 22nd, 25th and 26th January, 1937, and tabulated statements (circulated) indicating the information obtained were submitted;

RECOMMENDED that a copy of the statements be transmitted to the London Passenger Transport Board with an intimation that the information has been collated by the Town Council in consequence of complaints received with regard to the irregularity of the services, and asking for their observations on the matter.

663 **Plan No. 9791—3 Lock-up Shops with 2 Maisonettes over—Nos. 103, 105 and 107, Ballards Lane at Corner of Lovers Walk:**

A letter, dated 6th January, 1937, was submitted from Messrs. Goddard & Smith, stating that the negotiations which their clients had in hand in connection with the above did not mature, and that in consequence they were unable to treat with the Town Council with regard to the surrender of any portion of the site.

They added that it was possible that the matter would be re-opened in the Spring, in which event they would communicate further with the Town Council.

664 **The Institution of Municipal and County Engineers—Annual General Meeting and Conference—Bournemouth—June, 1937:**

It was reported that an invitation had been extended to the Town Council to appoint delegates to attend the above conference;

RECOMMENDED that Councillor Baines and the Borough Surveyor be appointed to represent the Town Council thereat.

665 **Private Street Works:**

(*a*) 29th Batch.—

(i) Deansway.—A letter, dated 8th January, 1937, was submitted from Mr. J. Lawrence as follows:—

"I understand that following the proposal to make up this road, the residents of Nos. 1 to 29, Deansway, have objected to the charge proposed to be made for their portion of the road, and suggested that the charge for the whole road be divided equally among the owners of the properties.

May I therefore lodge an objection to their proposal on the grounds that they have the amenity value of a wider road with the dividing strip and trees, and that it would be inequitable to apportion the charge over the whole road.

I have spoken to several of the owners in the road and if the Council would be prepared to receive a counter petition I will get the necessary signatures and forward it."

RECOMMENDED that Mr. Lawrence be informed that it will be open to him to attend the Public Inquiry which will be held in due course into the Town Council's application for consent to the necessary loan in connection with the making up of the street, and to place his views before the Inspector.

(ii) Tenders.—The tenders received for the making up of the streets included in this batch, which were opened at the last meeting of the Town Council, were considered, in conjunction with a report by the Borough Surveyor on the matter;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the under-mentioned tenders (the lowest) be accepted, subject to contract and to the consent of the Minister of Health being received to the necessary loan:—

	Name of Firm.	Street.	Amount. £	s.	d.
13	Messrs. Constable, Hart & Co.	Ossulton Way	5,365	9	4
8	Messrs. Constable, Hart & Co.	Greenhalgh Walk	1,919	14	9
1	Mr. Charles Carter	Blandford Close	1,030	9	11
9	Mr. Charles Carter	Gurney Drive	3,311	11	9
4 8	Messrs. Ball & Partners	Cornwood Close	1,029	0	0
6	Messrs. Ball & Partners	Deansway (1st portion)	1,062	2	7
7	Messrs. Ball & Partners	Deansway (2nd portion)	2,685	5	3
15	Mr. Charles Carter	Sutcliffe Close	953	0	3
12	Mr. Charles Carter	Middleway (2nd portion)	718	12	7
3	Messrs. Ball & Partners	Brunner Close	923	2	8
11	Messrs. Ball & Partners	Meadway (2nd portion)	872	8	1
5	Mr. Charles Carter	Cotman Close	491	2	0
14	Mr. Charles Carter	Raeburn Close	595	1	1

(*b*) that, in view of the report of the Borough Surveyor (which report be entered on the Minutes of the Town Council), the under-mentioned tenders be accepted, subject to contract and to the consent of the Minister of Health being received to the necessary loan:—

	Name of Firm.	Street.	Amount. £	s.	d.
10	Messrs. Fitzpatrick & Son	The Leys	527	6	2
2	Messrs. Percy Bilton (Roadways), Ltd.	Brim Hill	5,712	7	10
16	Messrs. Constable, Hart & Co., Ltd.	Widecombe Way	1,762	12	4

(*b*) 31st Batch.—Referring to Minute No. 2256 (1935/36), it was

RECOMMENDED that the following streets be included in the above-mentioned batch:—

Hutchings Walk.
Neale Close.
Chalgrove Gardens (1st portion).

(*c*) 32nd Batch.—

RECOMMENDED that the following streets be included in the above-mentioned batch:—

Norrice Lea;
Linden Lea;

Winnington Road, 2nd portion;
Devon Rise;
Holne Chase;
Lytton Close;
Rowan Walk;
Carlyle Close;
Milton Close;
Neville Drive;
Spencer Drive;
Ken Wood Close;
Kingsgate Avenue, 1st portion.

666 **London Traffic Act, 1924—Section 4—Closing of Streets for Works:**

It was reported that a letter, dated 1st January, 1937, had been received from the Ministry of Transport in regard to the above and referred to the Borough Surveyor for attention.

667 **Neon Signs:**

A letter, dated 4th January, 1937, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council, stating that his Highways Committee had recently had under consideration the question of the erection of Neon signs in county roads, and that they were of opinion that steps should be taken to control the number of signs erected and the colours employed in order that they might not be confused with traffic signals.

He added that in the first instance it was decided to obtain the observations of the Ministry of Transport on the matter, and that a letter had now been received from the Ministry which would be considered by the Committee in the near future.

668 **Inter-District Drainage—High Road, Whetstone:**

Referring to Minute No. 460, the Town Clerk reported that, in accordance with instructions, he had notified the Friern Barnet Council that the Town Council would be willing to take the surface water drainage from certain property in High Road, Whetstone, on the usual terms, and that appropriate action would be taken in connection with the necessary agreement; that he had suggested, however, that it would perhaps be as well for the matter to rest on correspondence until the question of the revision of boundaries was finally settled, and that the Clerk of the Friern Barnet Council had written stating that he was in agreement with that course;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

669 **Scavenging—Glenhill Close:**

Referring to Minute No. 199, the Town Clerk reported receipt of a letter from Messrs. Payne & Co. as follows:—

> "We have received two agreements from you in connection with the scavenging of Glenhill Close; we were greatly surprised that you had taken the trouble to prepare these agreements stating that £24 per annum was payable for the scavenging, and we are not at all sure that we are agreeable to pay this sum at the moment, and we should like the matter held in abeyance."

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that no further action be taken in the matter for the time being.

670 **Abandonment of Tram Tracks:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

> "The Borough Surveyor has forwarded to me correspondence which he has had with the London Passenger Transport Board with regard to the filling up of the tramway tracks and the Board indicate that they are prepared to give official notice of abandonment of the tramway tracks on the following terms:—

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(*a*) The Corporation to be free to fill in the tram rails but they are not to take up, cut or otherwise interfere with the rails without the written permission of the Board until they are finally dispensed with as earth returns;

(*b*) payment to be made by the Board as soon as possible after the receipt of formal notice of intention to reinstate the tracks;

(*c*) as from date of payment of the cheque by the Board under item (b), the Corporation to take over the maintenance of the tramway area, to give the Board the indemnification provided for under Section 23 (5) of the London Passenger Transport Act, 1933, and not to interfere with the rails under item (a) in any way that would render them unserviceable as earth returns for the trolleybus system.

It will be noticed that the undertaking not to interfere with the tracks under (a) above is unlimited in time, and if the Corporation are prepared to accept the terms proposed by the Board, I suggest it should be made a condition of the undertaking that after the period of 2 years from the commencement of the trolley vehicle service viz., 2nd August, 1936, the Corporation should be at liberty to interfere with and remove the tramway rails.

This will then bring the undertaking into line with the protective provisions in the Tramways Acts and the Board's Acts."

In view of the urgency of the matter, the Town Clerk was instructed, after consultation with Parliamentary Agents, to give the undertaking in the form desired, subject to the suggested protective provision being incorporated therein.

The Committee further instructed the Borough Surveyor to proceed with the carrying out of the works so soon as all legal formalities had been completed;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

671 **All Night Lighting:**

It was reported that the Hon. Secretary of the Hampstead Garden Suburb Residents' Association had written stating that she had been asked by her Committee to tender the thanks of the Association to the Town Council for their generosity in instituting all-night lighting throughout the Borough.

672 **Street Accidents:**

The Returns received from the Police Authorities were submitted, from which it appeared that the number of street accidents which had occurred in the Borough during the month of December, 1936, as compared with the corresponding period for the previous year, was as follows:—

	Fatal.	Non-Fatal.		Total.
		(*a*) Personal Injuries.	(*b*) Damage to property.	
1935	3	31	89	123
1936	4	41	109	154

Particulars received from the Ministry of Transport regarding road accidents in the Metropolitan Police District were also submitted.

673 **Stopping Places for Trolleybuses:**

A letter, dated 1st February, 1937, was submitted from the London and Home Counties Traffic Advisory Committee, stating that the London Passenger Transport Board had decided to institute a scheme of fixed stopping places for trolleybuses and omnibuses along the route between Cricklewood Broadway and North Finchley; that arrangements had been made for these proposed stopping places to be inspected on the 5th February, 1937, by the Stopping Places Advisory Committee, and suggesting that the Town Council should nominate a representative to be present on the occasion.

Alderman Syrett kindly promised to attend.

674 **Proposed Lay-by for Taxicabs—Tally Ho! Corner:**

It was reported that the following resolution had been passed by the Middlesex County Council on the 28th January, 1937, in regard to this matter:—

"That an intimation be given to the Finchley Town Council that the County Council approves of the Local Authority constructing in accordance with the Co-Ordination Agreement, a lay-by for taxi-cabs on the western side of the Great North Road south of the junction with Ballards Lane at a cost not exceeding £80, and agrees to bear a moiety of the expenditure involved."

675 **Proposed Widening—Totteridge Lane—Woodside and Methley Cottage:**

It was reported that the following resolution had been passed by the Middlesex County Council on the 28th January, 1937, in regard to this matter:—

"That the County Council approves of the acquisition of 'Woodside' and 'Methley Cottage' in connection with the future widening of Totteridge Lane, Finchley, upon the terms set out in the report of the Highways Committee submitted to the Finance Committee at its meeting on the 21st January, 1937, provided that sanction of the Ministry of Health to the raising of a loan for the purpose be obtained."

676 **Wayleaves:**

An application was submitted from the Post Office Authorities for permission to lay an underground line across the footway on the east side of High Road, N. 20, from a point in the existing underground route opposite Derwent Crescent, south side, to Derwent Crescent, south side;

RECOMMENDED that such application be granted, subject to the actual position of the line being agreed by the Borough Surveyor, and to the work being carried out to his satisfaction.

677 **Electric Main Applications:**

It was reported that applications had been received from the Electricity Department for permission to lay underground lines as follows:—

14th January, 1937	From Electricity Sub-Station, High Road, N. 2, opposite Leslie Road, along High Road to Chapel Street.
15th January, 1937	From Sub-Station in Percy Road across Gainsborough Road, along Holden Road to Westbury Road.
22nd January, 1937	From existing main in Birkbeck Road along Hutton Grove to Ballards Lane.
22nd January, 1937	From existing main in Long Lane to Manor Cottages.
22nd January, 1937	From Ballards Lane down both sides of Brownlow Road.

RECOMMENDED that the applications in question be granted.

678 **Stamp Vending Machine:**

It was reported that an application had been received from the Post Office Authorities for permission to attach a stamp vending machine to a pillar box in Brent Way;

RECOMMENDED that such application be granted.

679 **Gas Main—Summers Lane:**

It was reported that a communication had been received from the Engineer to the Southgate and District Gas Company, with a plan showing a proposal to lay a new 8 in. main on the south-east side of Summers Lane from a point near the entrance to the Sewage Disposal Works to the junction of Summers Lane with Woodhouse Road;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the suggested works.

680 **Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935:**

The Committee considered the under-mentioned plans which had been referred to them by the Town Planning Committee:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9824	4 storey building comprising 6 shops on ground floor, offices and showroom on first floor & 6 maisonettes on second and third floors; Lay-out for a three storey building comprising 3 shops on ground floor, 3 maisonettes on first and second floors. Outbuildings at rear	Adjoining "The Cricketers" P.H., North Finchley In Ballards Lane, N. 12	Messrs. A. Fairhead & Sons, Ltd.
9860	Conversion of house into offices	Hadley House, 313, Ballards Lane, N. 12	Mr. T. Davies.
9866	Assembly Hall	Rear of 275, Ballards Lane, N. 12	The Finchley Conservative and Unionist Association.
9878	Extension to garage	Carlyle House, Plot 1025, Winnington Road	Mr. Leaman.
9884	10 houses	Adjoining Manor House, East End Road, N. 3	Messrs. W. Smirk, Ltd.

RECOMMENDED that the consent of the Town Council, as the Highway Authority, be given to the proposals in question under the provisions of Section 2 (1) of the Act, subject, if applicable, to the condition mentioned in Minute No. 200 (a), and subject also as regards Plan No. 9884 to the following condition:—

"That the land required for the widening of East End Road be conveyed to the Council, and a service road be formed between the widening line and the houses."

681 **Surface Water Sewer Works—Essex Park and in Nether Street from Wentworth Avenue to Moss Hall Grove:**

The tenders received in connection with the above, which were opened at the last meeting of the Town Council, were considered;

RECOMMENDED that the tender of Messrs. D. R. Patterson, Ltd. (the lowest) at the sum of £1,255 19s. 1d. be accepted, subject to contract.

682 **Annual Supplies:**

Tabulated statements (circulated) were submitted giving particulars of the tenders received in connection with the above, which were opened at the last meeting of the Town Council;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the tenders submitted by the under-mentioned be accepted, for a period of one year from the 1st April, 1937, in respect of the execution of the works, or the supply of the commodities set opposite to their respective names, subject to contract:—

Motor Haulage	J. H. Haynes.
Horse Haulage	J. H. Haynes.
Haulage of materials to and from railway stations	John Walker.

Tar	Salamon & Co., Ltd.
*Invicta Flux	Thomas Hill-Jones, Ltd.
*Road Emulsion	C. C. Hancock & Co., Ltd.
Guernsey Granite Chippings.....	Wm. Griffiths & Co., Ltd.
Tarred Slag Macadam	The Stanton Ironworks Co., Ltd.
Concrete Paving Slabs	H. L. Cooper & Co., Ltd. Erith Construction Co., Ltd. Patent Victoria Stone Co., Ltd.
Concrete Channel	Alexandra Stone Co., Ltd.
Cement :—	
(*a*) Portland	C. Burley, Ltd.
(*b*) Rapid Hardening	C. Burley, Ltd.
(*c*) Extra Rapid Hardening	Gray Bros.
"Firmosec" Wood Paving Blocks	Acme Flooring & Paving Co. (1904), Ltd.

* Proprietary Articles.

(2) that as regards the tenders for the supply of general ironmongery and sundries, the Borough Surveyor report thereon at the Council Meeting.

683 **Proposed Re-Numbering—High Road :**

The Borough Surveyor reported hereon, and the Committee gave instructions for the re-numbering plan to be submitted at the Council Meeting.

With the approval of the Committee the Chairman undertook, in the meantime, to consider the plan, in conjunction with the Borough Surveyor, and to settle any points which might arise thereon.

684 **Footpaths—Hampstead Garden Suburb :**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon a suggested specification for the making up of certain footpaths in the Hampstead Garden Suburb, and instructions were given for same to be submitted to the Garden Suburb Authorities for consideration, and for a further report to be made to the Committee on receipt of their views.

685 **Omnibus Stopping Places—Junction of Widecombe Way and Norrice Lea with Lyttelton Road :**

The Borough Surveyor reported that he had approached the County Surveyor with regard to this matter, who was obtaining from the London Passenger Transport Board a list of all stopping places throughout the whole length of the North Circular and Barnet Bye-Pass Roads with a view to slab paving being laid at the stopping places.

686 **Stopping Place—High Road, Junction with Church Lane :**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

> "This stopping place has been kept under observation on several occasions since your last meeting and so far no conditions have been observed which would appear to justify an application being made for any alteration in the stopping place."

687 **Stopping Place for Omnibuses and Trolleybuses at Entrance to No. 2, Ballards Lane, Near Church End Station :**

Referring to Minute No. 184, the Borough Surveyor reported that this stopping place had been kept under observation, and that there would appear to be no objection thereto.

688 **Cromwell Hall Estate—Lighting:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"Adverting to Minute No. 186, I beg to report that bi-multi fittings have been fitted to two existing lamp columns near the island in Abbots Gardens and it is hoped that this improvement combined with the fixing of red reflector signs on the island itself will meet the case."

689 **Parking of Lorries:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"Adverting to Minute No. 197 and subsequent instructions, with regard to the parking of lorries in Lincoln Road, East End Road by Regents Park Road and No. 7, Dale Grove, I am pressing the Ministry of Transport to fix an appointment for visiting the sites with a representative of the Police."

690 **Deposited Plan No. 9874—Preparatory School, Bigwood Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb:**

The Borough Surveyor reported hereon, and intimated that although the suggested buildings were entirely situate within the Borough of Hendon, it was proposed that the surface water should be taken into the Town Council's sewer;

also 716 **RECOMMENDED** that the Hendon Council be notified that the Town Council will be prepared to arrange accordingly, on the usual terms.

691 **Proposed Widening—Hendon Lane—Town Planning Scheme No. 6:**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon a reference from the Town Planning Committee hereon, from which it appeared that the Ministry of Transport were of opinion that the traffic value of Hendon Lane justified the reservation of lands to enable the road to be widened to 60 feet;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the proposal.

692 **Coronation Celebrations—Erection of Temporary Direction Signs:**

The Borough Surveyor submitted a communication, dated 28th January, 1937, received from the Police Authorities, stating that the Commissioner of Police was making arrangements for the control of traffic during the Coronation period, and that it would be necessary, in order to give effect to such arrangements, for certain signposting to be carried out in the West End of London and also in other districts; that the Royal Automobile Club had kindly offered to carry out the work, and that he would be glad if the Town Council would be good enough to authorise the Club to erect the necessary signs during the period in question.

The Borough Surveyor also reported that a communication had been received from the Royal Automobile Club, making application for formal permission for the erection of signs in the Borough in accordance with the wishes of the Police Authorities, and pointing out that the greatest care would be exercised in the erection and removal of the signs, and that any damage to property would be made good;

RECOMMENDED that the desired permission be granted by the Town Council.

693 **Fire Brigade:**

(*a*) Out-of-Area Fires.—A letter, dated 14th January, 1937, received from the Clerk of the London County Council hereon was submitted;

RECOMMENDED that same be referred to the Fire Brigade Sub-Committee for consideration and report.

HIGHWAYS AND FIRE BRIGADE (*contd.*).

(*b*) Chief Officer's Report.—The Chief Officer of the Brigade reported as follows:—

(i) Fires.—That a number of fires, as shown in the list circulated, had occurred between the 21st December, 1936, and the 20th January, 1937.

(ii) Ambulance Calls.—That the following ambulance calls had been received between the 21st December, 1936, and the 20th January, 1937:—

Private Removals.	Accidents. Motor.	Accidents. Other.	Illness in street.	Not required on arrival.	Hoax calls.	Total.
72	27	4	2	1	0	106

(iii) Analysis of Ambulance Calls.—That he had prepared an analysis of ambulance calls for 1934, 1935 and 1936 (circulated).

(iv) Ambulance Service—Staff.—That he had expressed to Firemen Fisher and Fensome his appreciation of the speedy and efficient manner in which they had dealt with a fatal accident at the junction of the North Circular Road and High Road, East Finchley, on the 16th January, 1937; further, that the facts were as follows:—

"Accident call received at the Fire Station at 12.45 p.m.

Fisher and Fensome with the Talbot Ambulance had left the Fire Station 19 seconds after the call had been received.

A heavy motor coach was jacked up, a man extricated with considerable difficulty from underneath the coach, conveyed to and was receiving attention at Finchley Memorial Hospital by 1.0 p.m.

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to communicate with the two firemen in question, expressing the Committee's appreciation of the services rendered by them on the occasion in question.

(v) Accident to Fireman.—That on the 12th January, 1937, Fireman Wilkins met with an accident whilst on duty at a fire, and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

(vi) Electric Clocks—Fire Station.—That he had received a communication, dated 21st January, 1937, from the Synchronome Company, pointing out that the first twelve months guarantee in connection with the above had expired, and offering to continue maintenance for the sum of £4 14s. 6d. per annum;

RECOMMENDED that such offer be accepted.

(vii) New Motor Fire Combination.—That the above machine, which was delivered on the 21st January, 1937, had been tested to his satisfaction, and was now in service.

694 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Public Health Committee's Report.

4th FEBRUARY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Jones (Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant and Pike, and Councillors Collis, Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Murphy.

Non-Members: Alderman Pateman and Councillors Caine, Rutt and Wilmot.

695 **Minutes:**

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

696 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

697 **Estimates—Year ending 31st March, 1938:**

The estimates of the Committee for the year ending 31st March, 1938, were considered and referred to the Finance Committee.

698 **Medical Officer's Report**

The following report of the Medical Officer for the four weeks ended 23rd January, 1937, was submitted and approved:—

	Wards. N.	E.	W.	1937.	1936.
"1. **Deaths.**—					
Number registered	26	28	32	86	57
Infants under one year	1	1	1	3	4
Infectious disease	—	—	—	—	—
2. **Births Notified.**—					
Number notified under the Notification of Births Acts	32	19	25	76	59
3. **Infectious Disease.**—					
Cases notified	10	12	11	33	26
Scarlet Fever	—	2	6	8	9
Diphtheria	1	1	—	2	1
Pneumonia	8	9	4	21	13
Erysipelas	—	—	1	1	2
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	—	—	1	1
4. **Tuberculosis.**—					
Pulmonary cases	—	2	2	4	3
Non-pulmonary cases	1	—	—	1	2
5. **Patients in Hospital.**—					
Number in Hospital on the 1st January				14	20
Number admitted				11	11
Number discharged				9	17
Number of deaths				—	—
Number in hospital on the 29th January				16	14"

699 **Sanitary Inspector's Report:**

This was submitted. Arising thereon the Inspector reported as follows:—

(1) Houses without Proper Dustbins (Section 22 of the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908).—

16, Gruneisen Road, N. 3.
10, Derby Avenue, N. 12.
219, Long Lane, N. 3.
1 and 3, Try Palace, Red Lion Hill, N. 2.
1 and 2, Willow Walk, Red Lion Hill, N. 2.
13, Park Parade, High Road, N. 12.
11, Chamberlain Road, N. 2.

That the above dwellinghouses were not provided with proper dustbins;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that notices be served upon the owners of the said dwellinghouses requiring them to provide at their respective premises a strong galvanised iron dustbin with a suitable cover; and

(*b*) that, failing compliance with such notices, proceedings be taken for recovery of the penalties mentioned in Section 22 of the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908.

(2) Nuisances (Public Health Act, 1875, and Acts amending the same).—

332a, Regents Park Road, N. 3.

That the above premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health.

The Committee being satisfied of the existence of the nuisance, it was

RECOMMENDED that a statutory notice be served upon the owner of the said premises requiring him to execute the works referred to by the Inspector in his report within the time mentioned in such notice.

(3) Complaints.—That since the 31st December, 1936, the following complaints had been received and dealt with:—

re Condition of house	7
,, Blocked or defective drains	3
,, Dampness	1
,, Overcrowding	1
,, Smoky chimney	1
,, Accumulation of refuse	4
,, Insufficient dustbin	1
,, Keeping of animals	1
,, Condition of path	2
,, Noise	1
	22

(4) Housing Acts—34, 34a, 34b, 36, 36a and 36b, Lichfield Grove, N. 3.—That the above-named dwellinghouses which had been vacant for a considerable time had recently been reconditioned and made fit for human habitation.

(5) Slaughter of Animals Act, 1933 (Section 3)—Licensing of Slaughtermen.—That an application had been received from Mr. Frederick Marshall, of 112, Boundary Road, Wood Green, N. 22, for the renewal of his licence to slaughter animals in slaughterhouses or knackers' yards; further, that Mr. Marshall was employed within the Borough;

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted for the period ending 31st December, 1937, subject to payment of a fee of 1/-.

(6) Unsound Food.—That the diseased or unsound meat, particulars of which were submitted, had been destroyed since last meeting.

(7) Petroleum (Consolidation) Act, 1928.—

(*a*) Newton & Wright, Ltd., 68, Ballards Lane, Finchley, N. 3.—That an application had been received from Newton & Wright, Ltd., for a licence to keep 500 gallons of petroleum spirit in bulk at the rear of 68, Ballards Lane, N. 3; that these premises were formerly occupied by the Kiwi Polish Co., Pty., Ltd., who were licensed by the Town Council for the keeping of petroleum spirit in bulk;

RECOMMENDED that the licence now submitted be granted to the above-mentioned applicants for the period ending 30th June, 1937, subject to the conditions annexed to the licence being observed.

(*b*) Edwin James Chellingsworth, trading as The Bibsworth Garage, Bibsworth Road, N. 3.—That an application had been received from Edwin James Chellingsworth for permission to erect three electrically operated petrol pumps in place of the existing hand-operated pumps and to erect over the new pumps a small glass canopy; that the applicant intended to abolish the existing two-gallon can storeand to pull down part of the forecourt wall to reduce the height thereof to about 3 feet 5 inches, and that the proposed alterations were shown on Plan No. 25 submitted by the applicant;

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted subject to the conditions mentioned in the report of the Inspector.

(*c*) W. Harold Perry, Ltd., Motor Works, Hutton Grove, N. 12.—That an application had been received from W. Harold Perry, Ltd., for permission to erect an electrically operated petrol pump in place of the existing hand-operated pump;

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted, subject to the conditions mentioned in the report of the Inspector.

(*d*) Charles Becker, trading as Beckers Bakeries, Garages, rear of 51, Friern Park, North Finchley.—That an application had been received from Mr. Charles Becker for a licence to keep 500 gallons of petroleum spirit in bulk and that it was proposed to keep the petroleum spirit in an underground storage tank placed in the position shown on Plan No. 26 submitted by the applicant;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the application be referred to the Town Planning Committee inasmuch as the proposed installation will be used in connection with commercial motor vehicles; and

(2) that, subject to the Town Planning Committee raising no objection to the proposal, the licence now submitted be granted to the above-mentioned applicant for the period ending 30th June, 1937, subject to the conditions mentioned in the report of the Inspector.

(*e*) Arthur Leslie Jarratt, Churchfield Avenue, N. 12 (rear of 15, Woodhouse Parade, N. 12).—That an application had been received from Mr. Arthur Leslie Jarratt for permission to erect an electrically operated petrol pump in place of his existing Wayne hand-operated pump;

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted, subject to the conditions mentioned in the report of the Inspector.

(8) Staff—Public Health Department.—That at the meetings of the Town Council in September and December, 1935, authority was given for the appointment, as and when required, of four Enumerators to assist in the survey of the working class dwellinghouses in the Borough under the Housing Act, 1935; that only one enumerator was now employed, the other three appointments having been terminated, and that it was desirable that a second enumerator should now be engaged to assist in the work of measuring rooms, arising on applications for information as to the permitted number of persons to occupy dwellinghouses.

As a matter of urgency, authority was given to the Chief Sanitary Inspector forthwith to engage a temporary enumerator at a wage of £3 a week, and instructions were given for the General Purposes Committee to be notified of the action taken;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

PUBLIC HEALTH (*contd.*).

700 **Maternity and Child Welfare Sub-Committee :**

It was reported that a special meeting of the above Sub-Committee had been held on the 4th February, 1937, and the following report was submitted :—

"Present: Councillor Jones (Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Collis, Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Murphy.

Non-Member: Councillor Rutt.

Estimates :

The estimates of the Sub-Committee for the year ending 31st March, 1938, were considered and referred to the full Committee.

J. HUGH JONES,

Chairman."

RECOMMENDED that the report of the Sub-Committee be received and adopted.

701 **Retail Meat Dealers' Shops (Sunday Closing) Act, 1936 :**

The Town Clerk reported that a communication had been received from the Home Office summarising the provisions of the above Act which received the Royal Assent on the 14th July, 1936, and came into force on the 1st January, 1937 ; further, that a copy of the communication had been forwarded to the Sanitary Officers for their information.

702 **The Royal Sanitary Institute :**

A letter dated 8th January, 1937, received from the Royal Sanitary Institute was submitted, stating that Sessional Meetings of the Institute, of interest to members of health authorities and their officers, would be held at the Institute on the following dates :—

"Thursday, 18th February, 1937, at 2.30 p.m.

A discussion on

'The House as a Home—Design, Construction and Equipment as they affect Comfort'

to be opened by

Dr. H. A. Fawcett, Principal Assistant Medical Officer, Housing Section, Public Health Department, London C.C.

Mr. Percival T. Harrison, M.Inst.C.E., Borough Engineer and Surveyor, Finchley, and

Mr. H. H. Clay, Assistant in the Division of Public Health, London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine.

Tuesday, 9th March, 1937, at 5.30 p.m.

A discussion on

'Refuse Disposal'

to be opened by

Mr. F. E. Browning, Cleansing Superintendent, Islington."

The letter further stated that the Council of the Institute would be pleased to welcome representatives of the Town Council at the meetings and would forward the necessary cards of invitation on being notified of the names and addresses of the representatives appointed.

703 **Mortuary :**

The Town Clerk reported as follows :—

"It will be remembered that at the last meeting of your Committee it was decided to ask the New Municipal Offices Committee to make provision for a Mortuary in the Scheme for the erection of New Municipal Buildings on the Glebe Land. The matter was carefully considered by that Committee at a meeting on the 18th January, 1937, but their recommendation, which was as under, was subsequently referred back by the Council for further consideration :—

'that the Public Health Committee be informed that the Committee are unable to recommend the Town Council to make provision for a Mortuary either in the proposed new Municipal Buildings or on the Gun Station Site.'

Accordingly the matter was further considered by the Committee at their last meeting when it was decided to re-affirm the views as expressed in the above recommendation."

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Town Council revert to the site originally selected for the erection of the mortuary adjacent to the Fire Station; and

(2) that plans for the erection of the mortuary be considered by this Committee at next meeting.

704 **Lighting, Heating and Power:**

The resolution passed at the last meeting of the Town Council on the recommendation of the Electricity Committee in regard to the above was reported and noted.

705 **Bye-Laws with respect to Houses Intended or Used for Occupation by Persons of the Working Classes, etc.:**

The Town Clerk reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Council he had forwarded for the approval of the Ministry of Health the draft Bye-Laws in connection with the above and that the Ministry had now returned the same with certain observations; that the Medical Officer of Health had been consulted in regard thereto and that a statement was attached to the report showing the position in regard to the Bye-Laws which the Ministry were not at the moment prepared to approve.

Instructions were thereupon given to the appropriate Officers to discuss the several points with the Ministry and to report to the Committee thereon in due course.

706 **Insurance of Workmen—Accident—W. Eyers:**

It was reported that the above employee had met with an accident since last meeting and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

707 **Housing Acts, 1935 and 1936:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had circulated to each member of the Committee a copy of a circular letter (No. 1591) dated 1st January, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health.

He pointed out that the first part of the circular dealt with the action to be taken by local authorities under the overcrowding provisions of the Housing Act, 1935, and that the second part briefly summarised the provisions of the Housing Act, 1936.

Arising thereon instructions were given to the Town Clerk to insert a further notice in the local press drawing attention to the fact that information as to the number of persons permitted to occupy any working class dwellinghouse in the Borough can be obtained by the landlord on application to the local authority and that failure by the landlord to insert in the rent book a summary in the prescribed form of the provisions of the Housing Act, 1936, as to overcrowding which affects occupiers, and also a statement of the permitted number of persons for the house, will render him liable to a fine not exceeding £10.

708 **Notification and Treatment of Ophthalmia Neonatorum:**

The Town Clerk reported that a circular letter (No. 1596) dated 1st February, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health had been referred to the Medical Officer.

709 **Shops Acts—Hours of Closing—"Normans," 367, Ballards Lane, N. 12:**

The Town Clerk reported that in pursuance of the resolution passed at the meeting of the Town Council in December last, action had been brought against Mr. A. T. Millard, the proprietor of the above shop, for sale of goods after the general closing hours; further, that at the hearing on the 3rd February, 1937, the defendant pleaded guilty and a fine of £2 and 2 guineas costs were awarded.

PUBLIC HEALTH (*contd.*).

710 **Central Council for Health Education :**

A letter dated 29th January, 1937, received from the Central Council for Health Education was submitted asking the Town Council to make provision in their estimates for the year ending 31st March, 1938, for an increased contribution to the Central Council proportionate to the part which health education was likely to play during the year ;

RECOMMENDED that a contribution of £5 be made by the Council towards the funds of the Central Council during the financial year 1937/38.

711 **Land—Summers Lane :**

The Committee had before them correspondence and an accompanying memorandum received from the Vicar and Churchwardens of Christ Church, North Finchley, in regard to their yearly tenancy of a piece of land at above used in connection with the Summers Lane Mission.

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council are prepared to grant to the Church Authorities a lease of the land for a period of seven years, on the terms at present existing, on the distinct understanding that adequate and proper sanitary accommodation will be provided by the Church Authorities for the use of persons attending the Mission Hall ;

(2) that, in the event of the offer of the Council being accepted, the Solicitor be instructed to take such steps in the matter as may be necessary.

712 **Public Baths :**

(*a*) Squires Lane.—

(i) Monthly Statement.—A statement (circulated) was submitted showing the number of bathers and receipts for the four weeks ended 24th January, 1937.

(ii) Bells for Slipper Baths.—The Borough Surveyor reported hereon ;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the installation of emergency bells in the slipper baths at a cost not exceeding £22 10s. 0d.

(iii) Summer Season, 1937.—The Borough Surveyor reported that the arrangements for the winter season would terminate on the 31st March next, and he made the following suggestions for the working of the Baths during the summer months :—

(1) that the Swimming Bath be open to the public for mixed bathing except when it is reserved for the use of the elementary school children and clubs ;

(2) that the Bath be reserved for the use of clubs from 8.30 p.m. to 9.30 p.m. from Monday to Saturday and that the charge be fixed at 7/6d. per hour ;

(3) that the charges for reserving the Bath for galas be as follows :—

6.30 p.m. or 7 p.m. to 10 p.m.	£1 6 0
8 p.m. to 10 p.m.	£1 1 0

(4) that the charge for use of the Laundry Room for dressing purposes be 2s. 6d. ;

(5) that the charge for the use of each section of the Slipper Baths after 8 p.m. be 2s. 6d. ;

(6) Slipper Baths—Times of Opening :—

7 a.m. to 9 p.m. weekdays ;
6.30 a.m. to 9 a.m. Sundays ;

(7) Charges for Admission.—That these be the same as those in force at the end of the last summer season;

(8) that the "voucher" system, referred to in Minute No. 676 (iii) (8) (1935/36) providing for the admission of children paid for by the Middlesex County Council and adjoining local Authorities, be continued;

RECOMMENDED that the above suggestions be adopted.

(*b*) Open Air Pools.—

(i) Dates of Opening and Charges.—

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Main Pool be re-opened to the public on Thursday, the 29th April, 1937, and the Children's Pool at week-ends during May and all day from the 1st June onwards;

(2) that, subject to the alterations contemplated by the recommendations contained in (ii) below, the charges for admission to the Pools be the same as were in force last season.

(ii) Alteration in Ticket Issue.—

RECOMMENDED that the following suggestions made by the Borough Surveyor be adopted in respect of the coming season:—

(*a*) Children's Pool.—That the issue of books of tickets through the schools be discontinued and that in lieu thereof roll tickets be issued from the Pool premises at 2d. each;

(*b*) Main Pool.—That the issue of scholars privilege tickets at 4d. each be continued, but that the children's ordinary 4d. ticket be substituted for the special ticket issued last season;

(*c*) Club Tickets.—That the issue of rolls of tickets to clubs at a reduced rate be discontinued;

(*d*) Cycle Season Tickets.—That cycle season tickets be issued at 5/- each.

713 **Tenders—Uniforms for Convenience Attendants—Annual Contract:**

A statement (circulated) was submitted giving particulars of the tenders obtained for the supply of uniforms for the convenience attendants and the parks attendants, and a recommendation which the Parks and Open Spaces Committee were submitting to the Council in regard thereto was reported.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that, so far as this Committee is concerned, the tender of Rego Clothiers Ltd., on the schedule of prices submitted, be accepted subject to Contract.

714 **Residuals from House and Trade Refuse:**

The Borough Surveyor reported hereon and authority was given for advertisements to be inserted forthwith inviting offers for the right, for a period of 1 year from the 1st March next, to sort the refuse at the Destructor and to retain the residuals;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

715 **Convenience Attendant—Mrs. G. Diddums:**

The Borough Surveyor reported with regret that Mrs. G. Diddums who had been a convenience attendant for 23 years had recently passed away.

716 **Plan No. 9874—Preparatory School, Bigwood Road :**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the above plan was in respect of a school situate wholly within the Borough of Hendon, but that as it was proposed to drain the premises into the sewers of the Town Council, the permission of this Authority would be required to the proposal ;

RECOMMENDED—

also 690

(*a*) that the required permission be granted, subject to an agreement in the usual form being entered into ;

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take all necessary steps in the matter.

717 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books be approved.

J. HUGH JONES,

Chairman.

Housing Committee's Report.

4th FEBRUARY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Mrs. Legge (Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant and Pike, and Councillors Mrs. Murphy and Wilmot.

Non-Members: Alderman Pateman and Councillor Caine.

718 **Minutes:**

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

719 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

720 **Estimates—Year Ending 31st March, 1938:**

The Estimates of the Committee for the year ending 31st March, 1938, were considered and referred to the Finance Committee.

721 **Housing Acts, 1935–1936:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had circulated to each member of the Committee a copy of a circular letter (No. 1591), dated 1st January, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health. He drew attention to the fact that the first part of the circular dealt with the action to be taken by Local Authorities under the overcrowding provisions of the Housing Act, 1935, and that the second part briefly summarised the provisions of the Housing Act, 1936.

722 **Finchley Compulsory Purchase Order, 1936—Dunkley's Yard:**

The Town Clerk reported the receipt of a letter from Messrs. Fletcher, Jones and Nicholls enquiring on behalf of their Clients, without prejudice to any negotiations for the acquisition of their Clients' interest in the land comprised in the above Order and generally, the approximate date by which the Town Council would require vacant possession of the land to be given.

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council regret they are not in a position to specify a date at the moment.

723 **Lighting, Heating and Power:**

The resolution passed at the last meeting of the Town Council on the recommendation of the Electricity Committee, with regard to the above, was reported and noted.

724 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books be approved.

MARY E. LEGGE,

Chairman.

Education Committee's Report.

8th FEBRUARY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Grocott (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), Alderman Syrett, County Councillor Boggon, Councillors Jones, Langlands, Steward and Wilmot; Miss Davey, Mrs. Miall, Mr. Merry.

Non-Members: Councillor Mrs. Legge and Councillor Mrs. Murphy.

725 **Accounts:**

Accounts amounting to £4,834 6s. 9d. have been examined and passed to the Finance Committee for payment, including an amount of £385 due to the Finchley Corporation for the use of the Squires Lane Swimming Bath during the year ending 31st March, 1937.

726 **School Attendance Return:**

The following are the school attendance figures for the month of January, 1937:—

School.	Average No. on Books.	Average Attendance.	Percentage.
Alder Senior	297	245	82.4
Alder Infants	129	99	76.7
Northside Senior	212	166	78.3
Northside Junior	465	362	77.8
Manorside Senior	264	221	83.3
Manorside Junior	531	411	77.4
Martin Junior	451	349	77.3
Summerside Junior	525	439	83.6
St. Mary's Junior	492	387	78.6
St. John's Junior	287	238	82.9
Christ Church Senior	188	159	84.5
Holy Trinity Junior	298	230	77.1
Our Lady of Lourdes Mixed	273	219	80.2
Totals	4,412	3,525	79.8

727 **Reports of Meetings of the Children's Care Committee and the Juvenile Employment Committee,** held on 27th January, 1937, circulated to members, have been considered and adopted.

728 **Appointment of Representatives:**

RECOMMENDED that the under-mentioned members be appointed to serve on the Bodies named during the year ending 31st March, 1938:—

(*a*) **Institute Council, Hampstead Garden Suburb:—**
The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).

(*b*) **Henrietta Barnett School for Girls:—**
The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).
Miss L. Davey.

729 **Manorside School—Alterations and Additions:**

The tenders opened at the January meeting of the Town Council, for the proposed alterations and additions to Manorside School, have been considered.

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that, subject to contract and subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health being received to the raising of the necessary loan, the tender of Messrs. Callow and Wright, of London, N.W. 2, the lowest received, amounting to £6,383 15s. 5d., be accepted for the alterations and additions to Manorside School.

(*b*) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee to make the requisite financial arrangements.

730 **Estimates, 1937-1938:**

The estimates for the financial year 1937-1938 have been considered and referred to the Finance Committee.

731 **Our Lady of Lourdes School—Report by H.M. Inspector:**

A copy of a report on Our Lady of Lourdes School, by H.M. Inspector, Mr. A. F. Watts, was circulated with the agenda for the February, 1937, meeting of the Education Committee.

732 **National Union of Teachers—Annual Conference, 1937:**

An invitation has been received from the National Union of Teachers for the Authority to appoint representatives to attend their annual conference, at Southsea, from 27th to 31st March, 1937.

RECOMMENDED that the Chairman of the Education Committee and either the Director of Education or Councillor Major Steward be appointed to attend the annual conference of the National Union of Teachers at Southsea, from 27th to 31st March, 1937.

733 **Ophthalmic Clinic—Martin School:**

The resignation of Dr. J. S. Boden, the part-time Ophthalmic Surgeon, has been received, to take effect on 31st March, 1937.

RECOMENDED that Dr. Clara A. Lomas Harris, of Alexandra Grove, Finchley, be appointed part-time Ophthalmic Surgeon, in the place of Dr. Boden, as from 1st April, 1937, at a salary of 2½ guineas per session.

734 **Swimming Time Table, 1937:**

RECOMMENDED that the time-table for the schools' use of the Squires Lane Swimming Bath, circulated with the agenda for the February meeting of the Education Committee, be approved.

735 **Requisitions for the Year 1937-1938—Books, Stationery and Apparatus:**

RECOMMENDED that the allowances for the supply of books, stationery and apparatus for the financial year 1937-1938, set out on the list circulated with the agenda for the February meeting of the Education Committee, be approved.

F. J. GROCOTT,

Chairman.

Allotments Committee's Report.

9th FEBRUARY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Brooksbank (Chairman), Mr. W. J. Rolfe (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), Alderman Wells, Councillors Collis and Connorton, and Messrs. Sunderland and Tayler.

736 **Minutes:**

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

737 **Estimates:**

The Committee's Estimates for the year ending 31st March, 1938, were considered and referred to the Finance Committee.

738 **Allotments:**

(*a*) Brook Farm.—Referring to Minute No. 2082 (1935/36) the Town Clerk submitted the formal consents of the Minister of Health and the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries to the appropriation of the small area of open space at above for allotment purposes.

(*b*) Woodhouse.—The Town Clerk submitted a communication, dated 6th January, 1937, received from the Honorary Secretary of the Woodhouse Allotments, Limited, drawing attention to the fact that the Lease to the Association would expire on the 25th March, 1938, and asking that some indication might be given as to whether or not the Lease would be renewed, in order that a report might be made thereon at the Annual General Meeting of the Association to be held in March next;

RECOMMENDED that the Association be informed that the Town Council will be prepared to renew the Lease in question upon terms to be considered at a later date.

(*c*) Vacant Plots.—Particulars hereof were submitted.

739 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

It was reported that the gate and post at the entrance to the Squires Lane Allotments had been damaged since last meeting and that the matter had been dealt with.

740 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instructions Books, be approved.

W. L. BROOKSBANK,
Chairman.

Electricity Committee's Report.

9th February, 1937.

Present: Councillor Caine (Chairman), Councillor Baines (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Pike and Syrett, and Councillors Grobel and Hayter.
Non-Members: Councillors Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy, Rutt, Steward and Wilmot.

741 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of meetings of the Committee held on the 12th and 19th January, 1937, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

742 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

743 **Coal:**

It was reported that the present stock of coal was about 350 tons as compared with 371 tons at last meeting.

744 **Output and Maximum Demand:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

	1935/36.	1936/37.	% Increase.
Units purchased during January.....	2,476,476	2,888,781	16.6%
KW. of maximum demand during January	7,863	9,263	17.8%
Units purchased April 1st—January 31st	14,801,763	17,177,968	16.05%
Highest M.D. recorded	7,863	9,263	17.8%

745 **Incorporated Municipal Electrical Association:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:

"In view of the possibility of legislation arising out of the Governmental Committee's Report on Electricity Distribution, I suggest that it is desirable that the Council should become a Member of the Incorporated Municipal Electrical Association.

This Association is recognised by the Government as being the Body from whom the views of Municipalities on electricity matters can be obtained.

The annual subscription is based upon units sold and for the next year would amount to £22 10s. 0d."

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council become a member of the Association in question, subject to the consent of the Electricity Commissioners being received to payment of the annual subscription.

746 **Boilers:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

"The Boiler Insurance Company report that they have examined Nos. 5, 6, 7 and 8 boilers and super-heaters and 7 and 8 economisers under working conditions and that such examinations were of a satisfactory nature.

An inspection was also made of the three turbines at rest and the Insurance Company report that the turbines were in good order and ready for service when required."

747 **Staff:**

It was reported that Mr. H. A. S. Dunk, the engineer at present in charge of the change-over organisation, had been admitted an Associate Member of the Institution of Electrical Engineers and was now a Chartered Electrical Engineer.

ELECTRICITY (*contd.*).

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager was instructed to forward a letter of congratulation to Mr. Dunk.

748 **Applications for Supply:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager submitted the following report:—

Total number of applications received for supply	15,338	=	40,039 kw.
Number reported at last meeting	15,198	=	39,659 kw.
Increase	140	=	380 kw.

749 **Domestic Tariff:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

	Dec.	Jan.	Increase.
Total enquiries received	1,605	1,702	97
Application forms completed	1,125	1,207	82

750 **Extension of Mains:**

(*a*) **RECOMMENDED** that authority be given for mains to be laid in Hamilton Road (Extension 44) at an estimated cost of £549.

(*b*) It was reported that since last meeting mains had been laid as follows:—

Trinity Road,
Holden Road,
Ballards Lane (Long Lane to Kiwi);

further, that as a matter of urgency the following additional mains had been laid:—

In Falloden Way (South side), Northway to Ossulton Way A.C. Feeder Pillar.

From Creighton Avenue Sub-Station via High Road, East Finchley (West side) to Chapel Street.

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

751 **Meter Testing Equipment:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that in connection with A.C. supplies suitable equipment was required for the routine testing of A.C. meters;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for an expenditure of £200 to be incurred in this respect.

752 **Whetstone Battery:**

It was reported that the changing over of the supply to the Whetstone area to A.C. rendered the storage battery in the Whetstone Sub-Station redundant;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for advertisements to be issued inviting offers therefor.

753 **Scrap Material:**

It was reported that a considerable quantity of scrap copper, lead and cast iron had accumulated;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for advertisements to be issued inviting offers therefor.

754 **Tenders—Electric Vehicles:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported upon the tenders received in connection with the above which were opened at the last meeting of the Town Council and intimated that the tender submitted by Metropolitan-Vickers Electrical Co., Ltd., most nearly complied with his specification and the requirements of the Department.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that, in view of the report of the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager, the tender of Metropolitan-Vickers Electrical Co., Ltd., as under-mentioned, be accepted, subject to Contract :—

	£	s.	d.
One 5 cwt. van	365	0	0
Two 15 cwt. vans	860	0	0
Three Charging Rectifiers	232	17	6
	£1,457	17	6

(*b*) that the expenditure be defrayed out of the Electricity Revenue Account; and

786. (*c*) that the matter be reported to the Finance Committee.

755 **Accounts and Works Sub-Committee :**

It was reported that a meeting of the Sub-Committee had been held on the 3rd February, 1937, and a report of the proceedings thereat was submitted.

Arising thereon, it was reported :—

(1) Accounts and Requisitions.—That the Sub-Committee had passed for payment the accounts submitted and approved the requisitions.

(2) Monthly Accounts.—That the Borough Treasurer had submitted a list of consumers to whom accounts were rendered monthly, and had reported that he was of the opinion that a considerable saving of time might be effected if such accounts were rendered quarterly ; further, that consideration of the matter had, however, been deferred until next meeting to enable the Borough Treasurer and the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager to submit further particulars required by the Sub-Committee.

(3) Alternative Two-Part Domestic Tariff.—That the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager had reported that fourteen consumers had asked if their accounts for current consumed during the December quarter might be calculated in accordance with the above-mentioned tariff ; further, that such consumers had not, prior to the expiration of that quarter, made application to change over to the alternative tariff.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that the consumers in question be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to make the application of the alternative two-part tariff retrospective.

(4) Addressing Machine.—That the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager had reported that considerable saving would be effected by the purchase of an addressing machine for use in his Department, the cost of which, including the setting up of the necessary plates, was estimated at £403 ; that the Sub-Committee were in accord therewith and that in view of the urgency of the matter, the Town Clerk had been authorised to issue an advertisement inviting tenders for the supply thereof ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

756 **District Joint Board of Employers and Members of Staff—Electricity Supply Industry (Area No. 10), Greater London :**

(*a*) A copy of the Minutes of a meeting of the District Joint Board held on the 1st January, 1937, was submitted.

ELECTRICITY (*contd.*).

(*b*) The Town Clerk reported receipt of a communication to the effect that the Annual Meeting of the constituent Municipal Undertakings in the No. 10 area would be held about the end of March or the beginning of April next;

RECOMMENDED that the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, together with the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager, be appointed to represent the Town Council thereat.

757 **McGowan Committee on Electricity Distribution:**

The Committee considered a communication, dated 1st February, 1937 (circulated), received from the Town Clerk of Lincoln hereon;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken by the Lincoln Corporation be supported by the Town Council.

758 **Third Party Claims:**

It was reported that one claim had been received since last meeting and dealt with.

759 **Insurance of Workmen—Accident—Hurrell:**

It was reported that the above employee had met with an accident since last meeting and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

760 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

It was reported that a hand truck belonging to the Electricity Department had been damaged in a collision on the 21st January, 1937, and that the matter had been dealt with.

761 **Electricity Supply (Meters) Act, 1936:**

The Committee considered a communication, dated 4th February, 1937, received from the Electricity Commissioners hereon;

RECOMMENDED that same be referred to the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager for attention.

762 **48, Rasper Road:**

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager be authorised to incur an expenditure of approximately £10 in connection with the electrical wiring of the above premises.

763 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

J. F. KNEALE CAINE,
Chairman.

General Purposes Committee's Report.

10th FEBRUARY, 1937.

Present: The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands) (Chairman), Alderman Briant (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), Aldermen Syrett and Wells, and Councillors Caine, Collis, Jones and Rutt.

Non-Members: Councillors Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy, Steward and Wightman.

764 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of meetings held on the 13th and 22nd January, 1937, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

765 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

766 **Estimates:**

The Committee's estimates for the year ending 31st March, 1938, were considered and referred to the Finance Committee.

767 **Presentation of the Honorary Freedom of the Borough to County Councillor John Boggon, J.P.:**

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, at a special meeting of the Town Council to be convened for Wednesday, the 12th May, 1937, at 12 noon, County Councillor John Boggon, J.P., be admitted to be an Honorary Freeman of the Borough of Finchley and that the Corporate Seal of the Council be affixed to such documents in the matter as may be requisite;

(2) that the form of the presentation be an illuminated scroll inscribed upon vellum, the scroll being contained in a presentation casket surmounted with the Borough Arms enamelled in colours and properly inscribed;

(3) that the necessary arrangements in connection with the matter be left in the hands of a Special Committee consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and Aldermen Briant, Pateman, Pike, Syrett and Wells, with power to act;

(4) that the Special Committee be authorised to expend in connection with such presentation a sum not exceeding 100 guineas;

(5) that it be referred to the Finance Committee to make the necessary financial arrangements.

768 **Lighting, Heating and Power:**

The resolution passed at the last meeting of the Town Council on the recommendation of the Electricity Committee in regard to the above was reported and noted.

769 **Urban District Councils' Association:**

(*a*) Annual Conference—Ilfracombe—June, 1937.—It was reported that an invitation had been extended to the Town Council to appoint delegates to attend the above Conference;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Mayor and the Town Clerk be appointed to represent the Town Council thereat, and

(2) that, in the event of the Town Clerk being unable to attend, the Deputy Town Clerk be appointed in his stead.

(*b*) Election of Executive Council.—Form of nomination paper in connection with the above was submitted;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken thereon.

770 **Finchley (Church End) Railway Station:**

A letter, dated 22nd January, 1937, was submitted from the Passenger Manager of the London and North Eastern Railway Company stating that, in connection with the electrification of the Great Northern, Finchley line, consideration had been given to the question of re-naming Finchley (Church End) Station "Finchley Central."

It was pointed out that there were already stations named West Finchley and East Finchley and that as Finchley (Church End) was situated between these stations, "Finchley Central" would appear to be a more appropriate name; further, that the course proposed would obviate the confusion which arose with the public and at Ticket Offices respecting journeys to Church End, Hendon;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the proposal.

771 **Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922:**

(*a*) Caretakers—Non-Provided Schools.—A letter, dated 28th January, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Health, stating that the Minister would be prepared to approve agreements under Section 5 (3) of the Act between the Town Council and the Managers of certain Non-Provided Schools for the admission of caretakers in such schools to the benefits prescribed by the Act, and requesting that the Minister might, in due course, be furnished with a draft of the proposed agreements before they were formally executed by the Town Council.

(*b*) Additional Designated Posts.—

(i) A letter, dated 28th January, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Health, stating that the Minister had approved the resolution passed by the Town Council on the 25th January, 1937, designating as an established post for the purposes of the Act the post of Clerk in the Education Department.

(ii) **RECOMMENDED** that, subject to the approval of the Minister of Health, the under-mentioned posts be designated as established posts under the Act, and that such posts be occupied by the persons indicated as from and including the 1st March, 1937:—

Name.		Post.
R. A. Brumwell	.....	Junior Clerk—Town Clerk's Department.
H. M. Smeeton	.....	Junior Clerk—Borough Treasurer's Department.

772 **Construction of Sewer—Station Road to East End Road:**

It was reported that the line of the above sewer would cross the gardens of Nos. 294 and 296, Regents Park Road.

773 **Odeon Cinema, Finchley:**

A letter, dated 29th January, 1937, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council, stating that the County Council had decided to grant a music licence in respect of the above Cinema to permit the holding of concerts on Sundays.

774 **Barnet District Gas and Water Company's Bill, 1937:**

A letter, dated 29th January, 1937, was submitted from the Clerk to the Friern Barnet Council, stating that his Council had recently had under consideration the above-mentioned Bill, on which they did not at this stage consider it necessary to lodge any representations, but that they felt that the time had now arrived when the Company should fully and carefully consider the question of providing Consumers with an adequately softened water supply; that whilst appreciating that it would be necessary to instal softening apparatus and that such installation would warrant some increase in the existing charges, they believed that Consumers would welcome a supply of softened water and would be prepared to pay for the benefit which was so apparent; further, that it was realised that the demand for a softened supply would have to be general throughout the Company's area of supply before the Company would feel justified in taking any action which would result in an increase in the present charges to Consumers, but that his Council felt sure that such a demand already existed.

He added that he would be glad to receive the views of the Town Council on the matter and to learn that, if possible, they would support his Council by making representations direct to the Company in favour of the proposal;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken in the matter.

775 **Staff:**

(*a*) Absence through Illness.—The names of those members of the Staff who had been absent through illness since last meeting were submitted, together with the necessary medical certificates.

(*b*) Public Health Department—Appointment of Temporary Enumerator.—A reference from the Public Health Committee hereon was reported and approved.

(*c*) Borough Surveyor's Department—Temporary Architectural Assistants.— The Borough Surveyor reported that the two recently appointed temporary Architectural Assistants commenced their duties on the dates mentioned below:—

Mr. R. H. Francis	25th January, 1937.
Mr. J. R. Southcombe	1st February, 1937.

776 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the several Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

W. C. LANGLANDS,
Chairman.

Finance Committee's Report.

11th FEBRUARY, 1937.

Present: Alderman Syrett (Chairman), Councillor Hayter (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Brooksbank, Norman and Rutt.

Non-Member: Councillor Wilmot.

777 **Minutes**

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

778 **Estimates—Year Ending 31st March, 1938:**

(*a*) The estimates of the Committee for the year ending 31st March, 1938, were considered and approved so far as the Committee were concerned.

(*b*) **RECOMMENDED—**

(1) that the special meeting of the Committee to consider the estimates of the several spending Committees for the above period be held on the 11th March, 1937, at 8.15 p.m., preceded by the ordinary meeting at 7.30 p.m.;

(2) that the special meeting of the Town Council at which the rate will be made and sealed be held on the 5th April, 1937, at 7.45 p.m.;

(3) that the Public Libraries Committee be asked to alter the time of their meeting on the 5th April from 7.45 p.m. to 8 p.m.

779 **Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts:**

(*a*) The Borough Treasurer reported as follows:—

(i) Applications.—That no applications for advances had been received since the last meeting of the Committee.

(ii) Advances Repaid.—That the balance of mortgage, together with all interest charges, had been paid in respect of:—

Mortgage No.	Rate of Interest.	Proprietor.	Premises.
471	5¼%	A. J. Brown	65, Birley Road.

(iii) Advances Outstanding.—That the number of advances now outstanding was 479, representing a sum of £189,881.

(*b*) Advance No. 968—4, Howard Walk.—A letter dated 28th January, 1937, received from Mr. L. Gabe was submitted, asking for permission to let the above premises on account of the illness of his wife, the Mortgagor.

It was reported that the advance was made to Mrs. Gabe on the 28th October, 1935, whereupon it was

RECOMMENDED that the statutory condition as to residence be now dispensed with in this case, subject to the name of the prospective tenant and particulars of the rent to be charged being submitted to the Council prior to the letting.

(*c*) Advance No. 985—86, Huntingdon Road.—The Town Clerk reported the receipt of the following letter, dated 5th February, 1937, from Messrs. Chambers, Garnett and Chambers:—

"We confirm our telephone conversation with you of this morning when we informed you that we understand from Mr. Russell's Solicitors that he was proposing to purchase the above-mentioned property subject to a tenancy of the upper part and was proposing himself to occupy the lower part.

We have informed them that under our instructions we are not able to complete the advance until vacant possession of the whole of the premises can be given to him, unless we have express authority from you to the contrary."

It was further reported that the matter was considered by the Finance Accounts and General Sub-Committee at its last meeting when the Town Clerk was authorised to inform Messrs. Chambers, Garnett & Chambers that the Town Council were prepared to dispense with the statutory condition as to residence so as to permit Mr. Russell to sub-let the upper floor, provided he resided in the lower floor of the premises;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

780 **Supplemental Estimates:**

The Committee had before them references from the under-mentioned Committees with regard to the matters respectively indicated below:—

	Committee.	Matter.	Cost Involved. £
	(*a*) Highways and Fire Brigade (January meeting)	Private Street Works— Broughton Avenue—Gas Main	15
653	(*b*) Highways and Fire Brigade	Resurfacing Footways — Hutton Grove	414
646	(*c*) Parks and Open Spaces	Charter Green — Regents Park Road	270

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council approve supplemental estimates in respect of the items of expenditure above-mentioned.

781 **The Gas Light and Coke Company:**

The Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts of the above Company for the year ended 31st December, 1936, was submitted.

782 **Brookside Walk—Land—North Circular Road—Arden Estate:**

641 The recommendations of the Parks and Open-Spaces Committee in regard to the above were reported and considered;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that no objection on financial grounds be raised thereto;

(2) that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £10,150, made up as hereunder mentioned:—

	£
Cost of acquisition of land	10,000
Estimated legal charges and stamp duty	150
	£10,150

783 **Manorside School—Alterations and Additions:**

729 The recommendations which the Education Committee were submitting to the Town Council in regard to the above were reported and considered;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that no objection on financial grounds be raised thereto; and

(2) that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £7,296, made up as hereunder mentioned:—

FINANCE (*contd.*)

	£	s.	d.
Cost of additions and alterations, including Quantity Surveyor's fees	6,384	0	0
Architect's costs	250	0	0
Clerk of Works' salary	112	0	0
Legal expenses, etc.....	50	0	0
Cost of Furniture and Fittings	500	0	0
	£7,296	0	0

784 **Private Street Works—Argyle Road:**

The Town Clerk reported the receipt from the Ministry of Health of consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £634, repayable within a period not exceeding 10 years, for works of private street improvement in Argyle Road (remaining portion).

He intimated that in a covering letter it was stated that in consenting to the loan the Minister must not be understood as expressing any opinion as to whether the cost of all the works provided for in the estimate was properly chargeable to the frontage owners.

785 **Freedom of the Borough:**

The recommendations of the General Purposes Committee in regard to an expenditure not exceeding 100 guineas in connection with the above were reported;

RECOMMENDED that no objection on financial grounds be raised thereto.

786 **Tenders—Electric Vehicles:**

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The recommendations which the Electricity Committee were submitting to the Council in regard to the above were reported and considered;

RECOMMENDED that no objection on financial grounds be raised thereto.

787 **Payment of Wages:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted to the Committee full particulars of the Brandt Automatic Cashier which could usefully be employed in connection with the making up of wages packets each week and with the giving of change at the counter;

RECOMMENDED that the machine be hired for a trial period of three months for the sum of £5, on the understanding that no obligation to purchase will be incurred thereby.

788 **Investments—Charitable Funds:**

The Borough Treasurer reported that in accordance with the authority given by the Council at their last Meeting, the necessary transfer of 3½ per cent. War Loan from Street Paving Suspense Account at the market price of 104½ was made on the 26th January, and that he had purchased £80 2s. 11d. 3½ per cent. War Loan on behalf of the three Charitable Funds—the investments of which were now as shown below:—

King Edward VII. Coronation Prize Fund.—

£	s.	d.		Annual Income. £	s.	d.
15	15	0	Union of South Africa 3 per cent. Stock	9	4	
4	15	10	3½ per cent. War Loan	3	4	
				12	8	

Alder Memorial Fund.—

£360 10s. 0d. 3½ per cent. War Loan £12 12 4

Dorman Bequest Fund.—

£222 13s. 3d. 3½ per cent. War Loan £7 15 10

RECOMMENDED that the Corporate Seal be affixed to a form of request to the Bank of England to make the necessary adjustment in the amounts of the Council's holdings in 3½ per cent. War Loan.

789 **Rate Collection Statistics:**

The Borough Treasurer reported that from a recent return issued by the Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants (Incorporated) of Statistics of Rate Collection in respect of the year 1935-36, he had extracted the particulars shown on the statement submitted relative to the Middlesex Local Authorities included therein.

790 **Rate Collection for Period 1st October, 1936, to 31st January, 1937:**

The following statement was submitted by the Borough Treasurer:—

	£		£
Arrears of former Rates	6,249	Amount of Rates collected as per previous report	117,067
Estimated Product of Rate—half-year 1st October, 1936, to 31st March, 1937	191,455	Amount collected 1st—31st January, 1937	60,516
Additions to Rate—new assessments, etc.	7,868	Rate outstanding	27,989
	£205,572		£205,572

791 **Receipts and Payments—January:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement:—

Fund or Account.	Receipts. £	Payments. £
General Rate Fund Revenue	72,549	66,131
Education Revenue	1,472	5,155
Electricity Revenue	9,178	11,898
Housing Revenue	1,741	97
General Rate Fund Capital	620	4,867
Electricity Capital	9	367
Education Capital	—	—
Loans	40,000	—
Superannuation Fund	794	289
	£126,363	£88,804

FINANCE (*contd.*)

792 **Statement of Bank Balances—10th February, 1937 :**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement :—

Fund or Account.	Debit. £ s. d.	Credit. £ s. d.
General Rate Fund Revenue		67,150 11 1
Education Revenue	1,497 3 3	
Electricity Revenue		23,983 1 7
Housing Revenue		6,817 14 3
General Rate Fund Capital		12,348 3 3
Education Capital	103 18 7	
Electricity Capital		21,677 12 9
Loans	98,351 10 1	
Salaries		86 2 11
Advance	8,764 12 5	
Suspense		639 12 3
Totals	£108,717 4 4	£132,702 18 1
Net Balance		£23,985 13 9
Superannuation Fund		£8,224 16 11

793 **Summary of Accounts Approved and Recommended for Payment :**

The following is a summary of the Accounts included in the Interim Order on Treasurer, and in the Order on Treasurer to be submitted to the Council for approval :—

	Interim Order. £ s. d.	Council Order. £ s. d.	Total. £ s. d.
General Rate Fund Revenue	4,448 12 6	22,717 2 0	27,165 14 6
Education Revenue	337 3 9	4,834 6 9	5,171 10 6
Electricity Revenue	3,058 15 2	11,289 15 0	14,348 10 2
Housing Revenue		519 6 10	519 6 10
General Rate Fund Capital	1,140 13 8	7,804 4 11	8,944 18 7
Electricity Capital		3,243 18 1	3,243 18 1
Superannuation Fund		294 2 1	294 2 1
	£8,985 5 1	£50,702 15 8	£59,688 0 9

794 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

C. S. SYRETT,

Chairman.

Air Raid Precautions Committee's Report.

12th FEBRUARY, 1937.

Present: The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), Alderman Briant, Councillor Grocott, Mrs. E. G. Hammond, Dr. J. D. Holmes and Messrs. W. S. Murphy and J. W. Tayler.

Non-Members: Councillors Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Murphy.

795 **Appointment of Chairman:**

RESOLVED that Alderman Briant be appointed Chairman of the Committee for the remainder of the present Municipal year.

796 **Minutes:**

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

797 **Appointment of Vice-Chairman:**

RECOMMENDED that Councillor Baines be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the remainder of the present Municipal year.

798 **Draft Air Raid Precautions Scheme:**

The Town Clerk reported that the Town Council's draft Scheme as approved on the 26th October last had, in accordance with instructions, been submitted to the Middlesex County Council and that a circular letter, dated 18th January, 1937, had been received from the Clerk of that Council enclosing a draft Scheme as approved by the Home Office (circulated). The latter Scheme covered certain points not referred to in the Town Council's draft and the Clerk of the County Council stated that the Town Council should enlarge the scope of their Scheme to include any additional matters contained in the new draft.

The Committee therefore considered the Home Office draft, item by item, in conjunction with reports of the appropriate Officers thereon, who were instructed as follows:—

Item No.	Main Function.	Instruction.
2.	Arrangements for the protection of public caught in streets during raids	Borough Surveyor to report on items (a), (b) and (c) and prepare necessary lists. The question of notice to public as to existence and location of shelters (d) to be considered at an Officers' meeting.
3.	General advice to the public	Borough Surveyor to investigate, report and prepare lists of possible danger points in connection with (a) and (b) (premises liable to flooding).
4. and 5.	Protection of public undertakings Restriction of public lighting	Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager, in co-operation with the Borough Surveyor, to report.
6.	First Aid Posts	Medical Omcer of Health and the Borough Surveyor to report upon any additional matters under this heading. The Medical Officer of Health to make necessary arrangements regarding stores.

AIR RAID PRECAUTIONS (*contd.*).

Item No.	Main Function.	Instruction.
7.	Decontamination of streets, buildings, vehicles and other material objects	Arising on (c) the Borough Surveyor to arrange for the training of squads as soon as qualified instructors are available; in the meantime, to make arrangements for men to attend lectures of the St. John Ambulance Brigade or the British Red Cross Society. The Squires Lane Swimming Bath to be earmarked as a depôt for the cleansing of personnel and decontamination of their clothing and equipment, and the Borough Surveyor to prepare the necessary plans in connection therewith. Borough Surveyor also to investigate and report on items (i) and (j).
8.	Decontamination and/or destruction of clothing, bedding, food-stuffs and animals	Borough Surveyor to report on (g) and (h) (plans for making laundries and depôts gas and splinter proof, etc.).
9.	Rescue parties and clearance of debris	Flood risk. Support or demolition of damaged buildings. Repair of roads and re-opening of blocked roads. General. Borough Surveyor to investigate and report on all matters not yet provided for under this heading and prepare any necessary plans, records, etc.
14.	Instruction in anti-gas precautions to members of the Council's staff	The Town Clerk to ask the Hon. Secretary of the Finchley Branch of "Nalgo" to communicate with all members of the staff hereon.
16.	Protective clothing and respirators	Borough Surveyor to report upon his requirements.

Provision had already been made in the Town Council's draft for many of the items in the Home Office draft and consideration of certain other items, particulars of which are set out in the Town Clerk's Instruction Book, was deferred until the Home Office were in a position to supply additional information relating thereto;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the action taken be approved;

(2) that the reports, etc., referred to in the above-mentioned instructions be considered at the next meeting of the Committee.

In connection with the above, the Town Clerk also submitted a letter, dated 11th November, 1936, received from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council stating that provision should be made in the Town Council's Scheme with regard to emergency lighting.

799 **Rover Scouts and Scouts:**

It was reported that a letter, dated 2nd November, 1936, had been received from Mr. W. L. Barclay, the Group Scout Master of the 10th Finchley Scout Group, setting out certain duties which might be allocated to Rover Scouts and Scouts in the district;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to thank Mr. Barclay for his letter, the contents of which have been noted.

800 **Pharmacists:**

The Committee considered a letter, dated 4th November, 1936, received from Mr. Leslie Alter, M.P.S., referring to the possibility of co-operating with Pharmacists in connection with the Town Council's draft Scheme;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. Alter be informed that all Pharmacists will be welcomed as volunteers in connection with the First Aid section of the Scheme, and that their co-operation, so far as stocking the necessary dressings and appliances is concerned, will be appreciated.

801 **Volunteers—First Aid Section:**

The Town Clerk reported upon attendances at the course of lectures on Air Raid Precautions and First Aid for Air Raid Casualties given on Tuesday evenings at the Northside School, N. 12, by Officers of the St. John Ambulance Brigade. He also reported upon the arrangements which had been made for a further course by Officers of the St. John Ambulance Brigade commencing on the 17th February, 1937, at St. Mary's Infants' School, Church End, Finchley.

The Committee expressed disappointment at the response which had been received to the appeal for volunteers.

It appeared that so far only ninety-two offers of assistance in connection with the First Aid section and five offers in connection with the Casualty Clearing Hospital had been received;

It was, therefore,

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the action taken be approved and that the fees and incidental expenses in connection with the further course of lectures be borne by the Town Council;

(2) that as and when necessary arrangements be made for the holding of further courses of lectures and that the expenses incurred in connection therewith, on the same basis as heretofore, be paid by the Town Council;

(3) that a circular letter be sent to all organisations in the Borough asking for volunteers;

(4) that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to arrange for posters setting out the requirements of the Scheme to be affixed to Corporation vehicles and hand-trucks, etc.; and

(5) that the Town Clerk be instructed to approach the proprietors of local cinemas with a view to the showing of a slide appealing for volunteers.

802 **Air Raid Precautions Officer:**

The Town Clerk submitted a number of letters which he had received applying for the position of Air Raid Precautions Officer;

RECOMMENDED that at the present time no action be taken thereon.

803 **Home Office Publications:**

Copies of the following further publications of the Home Office were submitted:—

Air Raid Precautions Handbook No. 6—Air Raid Precautions in Factories and Business Premises.

Air Raid Precautions Memorandum No. 3—Organisation of Decontamination Centres.

804 **Transport Facilities—Finchley Rotary Club :**

A letter, dated 20th November, 1936, from the Hon. Secretary of the Rotary Club of Finchley (circulated) was submitted, assuring the Town Council of close co-operation and suggesting that the above-mentioned matter should be discussed with the Transport Officer of the Club. The Medical Officer of Health was therefore instructed to interview the Officer in question.

805 **Use of Schools as First Aid Centres :**

The Committee considered a memorandum (circulated) received from the Hon. Secretary of the Middlesex County Association of the National Union of Women Teachers protesting against the earmarking of three schools as First Aid Centres. A letter, dated 6th November, 1936, signed by Messrs. N. Lightman and L. Allan, of 52, Brim Hill, in the same terms was also submitted. The Town Clerk was instructed to reply, pointing out that it is not the intention of the Town Council to execute any works at the schools at the present time and that in the circumstances the condition feared by them will not arise ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

806 **Civilian Anti-Gas School—Falfield :**

It was reported that the question of the possibility of injury or disability being incurred by an official of a local authority or any person nominated by a local authority during his attendance at the Civilian Anti-Gas School, had been considered by the Air Raid Precautions Department of the Home Office and that the Secretary of State had announced arrangements, particulars of which were circulated, indemnifying a local authority against any claim for compensation in respect of any injury for which the authority may be legally liable under the Workmen's Compensation Act provided that it is not covered by insurance, and in other cases, where the local authority is not legally liable, the Secretary of State will consider the payment of an *ex gratia* grant.

807 **Anti-Gas Course—Permanent Firemen :**

The Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade reported that all members of the Brigade (with the exception of the newly appointed Second Officer) had passed an examination in anti-gas measures and had qualified for proficiency certificates, and, further, that the Second Officer would be attending the course of lectures to be held at St. Mary's Infants' School.

808 **Auxiliary Volunteer Firemen :**

The Committee considered a statement (circulated) submitted by the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade setting out particulars of offers of assistance received to date.

809 **Next Meeting :**

RECOMMENDED that the next meeting of the Committee be held on Tuesday, the 16th March, 1937, at 8 p.m.

810 **Instructions**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the several Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

A. J. BRIANT,

Chairman.

Borough of Finchley.

Municipal Offices,

Finchley, N. 3.

16th March, 1937.

Sir (or Madam),

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an ORDINARY MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY will be held on MONDAY NEXT, the 22nd day of MARCH, 1937, at 8 o'clock in the afternoon at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, and all and several the members of the said Council are hereby summoned to attend.

The business to be transacted at such meeting is as follows:—

(1) Confirmation of the Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 22nd day of February, 1937.

(2) To open a tender for the supply of an Addressing Machine (Electricity Department) received after the time stipulated in the advertisement.

(3) Tenders for:—

(a) Erection of a Grand Stand on the Glebe Land.

(b) Supply and delivery of 5 cwt. Motor Van.

(c) Supply and delivery of dual purpose tractor.

(d) Erection of Ticket Office and Shelter—Victoria Recreation Ground.

(e) Sale of battery

(f) Sale of scrap metal

(g) Supply of transformers

(h) Supply of kiosks

Electricity Department.

(4) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees and correspondence arising therefrom:—

(a) **Public Libraries** of the 1st March, 1937.

(b) **Town Planning** of the 1st March, 1937.

(c) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 3rd March, 1937.

(d) **Valuation** of the 4th March, 1937.

(e) **Public Health** of the 4th March, 1937.

(f) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 5th March, 1937.

(g) **Education** of the 8th March, 1937.

(h) **Coronation Celebrations** of the 8th March, 1937.

(i) **Electricity** of the 9th March, 1937.

(j) **General Purposes** of the 10th March, 1937.

(k) **Finance** of the 11th March, 1937.

(l) **Finance (Special)** of the 11th March, 1937.

(m) **Electricity** (Adjourned Meeting) of the 15th March, 1937 (if any).

(n) **Air Raid Precautions** of the 16th March, 1937.

(5) Other Correspondence (if any).

(6) Reports of Officers (if any).

(7) To authorise the Corporate Seal to be affixed to certain documents (list to be circulated).

(8) Payment of Accounts.

(a) The Town Clerk to report that, since the last meeting of the Town Council, a Borough Treasurer's Interim Order for the sum of £9,526 3s. 10d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(b) Motion.—

"That an Order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 11th March, 1937, amounting to £99,147 4s. 5d."

(9) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Council in Committee.

(10) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(a) **Public Libraries** of the 1st March, 1937.

(b) **Town Planning** of the 1st March, 1937.

(c) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 3rd March, 1937.

(*d*) **Valuation** of the 4th March, 1937.

(*e*) **Public Health** of the 4th March, 1937.

(*f*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 5th March, 1937.

(*g*) **Education** of the 8th March, 1937.

(*h*) **Electricity** of the 9th March, 1937.

(*i*) **General Purposes** of the 10th March, 1937.

(*j*) **Finance** of the 11th March, 1937.

(*k*) **Electricity** (Adjourned Meeting) of the 15th March, 1937.

(*l*) **Air Raid Precautions** of the 16th March, 1937 (if any).

(11) Other Correspondence (if any).

(12) Reports of Officers (if any).

(13) To consider, if necessary, the question of the raising of any temporary loan.

(14) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Edwin Barber

Town Clerk.

Questions.

Notice of any question intended to be asked at the Meeting of the Town Council must be given at the office of the Town Clerk not later than Twelve noon on the day of such Meeting.

Borough of Finchley.

At an Ordinary Meeting of the Council of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY, held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on MONDAY, the 22nd day of February, 1937.

PRESENT:

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).

Aldermen—

A. J. Briant.
G. H. Pateman.
A. T. Pike, O.B.E.
C. S. Syrett.
Vyvyan Wells.

Councillors—

A. N. H. Baines.
W. L. Brooksbank.
P. H. Burch.
J. F. Kneale Caine.
A. C. D. Collis.
J. Connorton.
C. P. Grobel.
F. J. Grocott.
C. Hayter.
J. Hugh Jones, LL.B.
Mrs. M. E. Legge.
Mrs. E. Murphy.
R. J. N. Norman.
H. A. Rutt.
Major H. W. Steward.
C. F. Wightman.
H. H. Wilmot.

811 **Prayers:**

The Mayor's Chaplain attended the meeting and opened the proceedings with prayer.

812 **Chair:**

It was moved by Alderman Pike "that in the absence of the Mayor, the Chair be occupied by the Deputy Mayor."

The motion was duly seconded by Alderman Pateman and, on being put, was carried, and it was

RESOLVED accordingly.

813 **Absence of the Mayor:**

Reference was made by the Deputy Mayor to the absence of His Worship the Mayor owing to indisposition. He intimated that, whilst there was no cause for anxiety, His Worship had been advised to take a complete rest for a period of one month.

The Deputy Mayor also referred to the illness of the Mayoress.

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be instructed to communicate with the Mayor, conveying to him the sympathy of the members of the Town Council, and expressing the earnest hope that both he and Mrs. Pulham will speedily be restored to health and strength.

814 **Minutes :**

The Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 25th day of January, 1937, and of a Special Meeting held on the 15th day of February, 1937, were presented, and it was

RESOLVED that such Minutes be taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Deputy Mayor as a correct record of the proceedings.

815 **Honour Conferred upon Alderman A. T. Pike :**

The Deputy Mayor reported that, since the last Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council, His Majesty the King had been pleased to confer upon Alderman A. T. Pike the Order of the British Empire ;

RESOLVED that the congratulations of the Town Council be extended to Alderman Pike thereon.

816 **Appointment of Director of Education :**

It was moved by Councillor Caine and seconded by Councillor Hayter " that item 2 on the Agenda be dealt with in Committee at the conclusion of the business to be transacted in Open Council." On being put, the motion was carried, and it was

RESOLVED accordingly.

817 **Tenders received after the time stipulated in the Advertisements :**

It was reported that one tender in respect of each of the following had been received after the time stipulated in the advertisements :—

(*a*) Private Street Works—29th Batch ;

(*b*) Making up of Castle Way ;

RESOLVED that such tenders be opened, but not considered.

818 **Tenders :**

(*a*) Refuse Residuals.

(*b*) Erection of District Library, High Road, East Finchley.

(*c*) Supply of Uniforms.

(*d*) Supply and Delivery of Furniture, etc., for District Library, High Road, East Finchley.

(*e*) Supply of an Addressing Machine—Electricity Department.

(*f*) Supply of Domestic Appliances—Electricity Department.

The tenders received in connection with the above were submitted, and arising thereon it was reported that as regards (b) one tender had been received after the time stipulated in the advertisement ;

RESOLVED—

(*a*) that such tender be opened, but not considered ; and

(*b*) that the remainder of the tenders be opened, and referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

819 **Reports of Committees :**

RESOLVED that the reports of the under-mentioned Committees be received and adopted as varied by the amendments (if any) set out and adopted :—

(*a*) **Children's Safety** of the 28th January, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 606 (Report on Street Accidents), the Chairman of the Committee made a statement on the matter, and read a report covering the whole of 1936.

(*b*) **Public Libraries** of the 1st February, 1937, with the exception of paragraph 612 (d) (ii) (North Finchley District Library—Provision of Crockery, etc.) which be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

(*c*) **Town Planning** of the 1st February, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 624 (1) (Proposed Developments—Premises formerly occupied by Diamond Gramophone Company, Arcadia Avenue, N. 3—Proposed Contractors' Engineers' Depôt), the Chairman of the Committee intimated that, since the date of the meeting, further communications had been received from Mr. S. Diamond, the owner of the premises in question, and his Architect, Mr. R. Seifert, supporting the application for consent to the proposal.

(*d*) **Valuation** of the 2nd February, 1937.

(*e*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 2nd February, 1937.

(*f*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 3rd February, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 670 (Abandonment of Tram Tracks), the Town Clerk reported receipt from the London Passenger Transport Board of Notice of Abandonment.

Arising out of paragraph 682 (Annual Supplies), the Borough Surveyor reported that the tenders for the supply of general ironmongery and sundries had been carefully examined ;

RESOLVED that the tender of Messrs. James Gibb & Co., Ltd., be accepted for a period of one year from the 1st April, 1937, subject to Contract.

Arising out of paragraph 683 (Proposed Re-numbering — High Road), the Chairman of the Committee made a statement on the matter ;

RESOLVED that the plan be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

(*g*) **Public Health** of the 4th February, 1937.

(*h*) **Housing** of the 4th February, 1937.

(*i*) **Education** of the 8th February, 1937, with the exception of paragraph 729 (Manorside School—Alterations and Additions), which be referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

(*j*) **Allotments** of the 9th February, 1937.

(*k*) **Electricity** of the 9th February, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 749 (Domestic Tariff), the Chairman of the Committee made a statement on the matter.

(*l*) **General Purposes** of the 10th February, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 769 (a) (Urban District Councils' Association—Annual Conference—Ilfracombe—June, 1937), it was

RESOLVED that, in the event of the Mayor being unable to attend the Conference, Councillor Major Steward be appointed to attend in his stead.

(*m*) **Finance** of the 11th February, 1937, with the exception of paragraph 783 (Manorside School—Alterations and Additions), which be referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration, in conjunction with paragraph 729 of the Education Committee's Report of the 8th February, 1937.

(*n*) **Air Raid Precautions** of the 12th February, 1937.

Arising out of paragraphs 801 (Volunteers—First Aid Section) and 808 (Auxiliary Volunteer Firemen), the Chairman of the Committee made a statement on the matter.

820 **Death of County Alderman B. Todd, J.P.:**

A letter, dated 11th February, 1937, was submitted from Mr. R. Todd as follows:—

"On behalf of my sister, Mrs. Gill, myself and family, I thank you very much for the sympathy expressed on behalf of the Town Council in our sad bereavement. Will you please convey to the Mayor our appreciation of his kind reference to the work which our late father had done for Finchley."

821 **Midwives Act, 1936—Domiciliary Service of Midwives:**

The Town Clerk reported, that, in accordance with the instructions of the Public Health Committee at its meeting in December last, he had informed the Middlesex County Council, in reply to an enquiry, that in connection with the administration of the Midwives Act, 1936, the Town Council would be prepared to act as the Agents of the County Council for the whole of the Borough, subject to satisfactory financial and other terms being arranged. Arising thereon, he submitted letters, dated 8th and 12th February, 1937, received from the Clerk of the County Council, enclosing (1) a report of the County Maternity and Child Welfare Committee; and (2) a copy of the rules which had tentatively been prepared for determining the remissions or rebates to be made in the fees to be charged for the services of midwives to be appointed by the County Council, welfare councils or voluntary organisations under the County Council's proposals in compliance with the requirements of the Act.

After discussion, it was

RESOLVED, on the motion of Councillor Jones, seconded by Alderman Syrett, that the County Council be informed (a) that the Town Council are prepared to act as their Agents for the whole of the Borough on the terms proposed in the report of the County Maternity and Child Welfare Committee, subject to the County Council completely reimbursing the Town Council in respect of the expenditure involved in providing the necessary service; (b) that the Town Council are in accord with the tentative rules for determining the fees to be charged; (c) that the Town Council are of opinion that two midwives will be necessary to carry out the service in the Borough; and (d) that there are no voluntary organisations operating in the Borough which should be consulted with regard to the proposed service.

822 **Parking of Lorries—Lincoln Road:**

A letter, dated 16th February, 1937, was submitted from Mr. H. E. Freshwater as follows:—

"It is with deep concern that the residents of this road observe that the parking of lorries continues outside No. 19. I appreciated your letter of 16th December intimating that a conference was being held with the Police and the M. of T. and I shall be glad to learn if a decision has yet been reached with a view to a cessation of the nuisance. If the authorities referred to do not intend to take immediate remedial measures, will you kindly bring to the notice of your Council again the full text of my letter of 4th November to enable an injunction to be obtained to restrain the illegal use of the premises at No. 19 for trade purposes.

The number of lorries parking throughout the day at intervals from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m. is increasing, as also is the size of loads carried which frequently reach to the 2nd floor window.

The surface of the road at this spot is in a disgusting state and is often littered by rubbish off the lorries. No notice is apparently taken by the Police of the duration of parking as these periods often extend over one hour. The latest idea is for one lorry to filter to another spot in the road and so leave space at the house for two more to arrive and so form a convoy.

I think your Council must appreciate the gravity of the position, and perhaps you will read this letter at the next Council Meeting so that decisive measures can now be taken.

I can assure you that the residents here do not intend to drop the matter until the road is free of the nuisance and the value of the Council's action will be recognised in full.

If you are in a position to give me details of any proposed action I should welcome the information."

Arising thereon, it was reported that the conference between the Borough Surveyor, representatives of the Ministry of Transport and the Commissioner of Police had recently taken place, and that it was understood that Officials of the Ministry of Transport were now investigating the legal position;

RESOLVED that the matter be referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for further consideration.

823 **Gas Regulation Act, 1920—North Middlesex Gas Company:**

The Town Clerk reported receipt of a communication from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council, intimating that the County Council had made application to the Board of Trade for an amending Order revising the powers of charging of the above Company; further, that the County Council had asked for a reduction in the existing standard price from 13.2d. per therm to 12.8d. per therm, and that the Company had intimated that they had agreed not to oppose the application of the County Council.

824 **New Municipal Buildings Scheme:**

In accordance with notice, Councillor R. J. N. Norman moved as follows:—

"(1) that the resolutions of the Town Council insofar as they provide for an Assembly Hall in connection with the New Municipal Buildings Scheme be rescinded;

(2) that the erection of the Assembly Hall be not proceeded with;

(3) that the application to the Minister of Health for consent to the raising of the necessary loan for the provision of new Municipal Buildings be amended by reducing the sum required from £133,000 to £100,000."

The motion was seconded by Councillor Hayter, and a discussion ensued thereon.

On being put, the motion was declared carried, 13 voting in favour and 8 against, and it was

RESOLVED accordingly.

825 **Finchley Golf, Sports and Social Club, Limited:**

In accordance with notice, Alderman A. T. Pike moved as follows:—

"That the General Purposes Committee be asked to investigate the reason for the considerable increase in membership subscription imposed upon Finchley Ratepayers by Finchley Golf and Sports Club, Ltd."

The motion was seconded by Councillor Wilmot, and on being put, was declared carried, and it was

RESOLVED accordingly.

see 996.

826 **Documents for Sealing:**

RESOLVED that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents:—

(1) Agreement with Messrs. Swanser & Son, Ltd., in connection with the use of premises in the Goods Yard at Totteridge Station.

(2) Agreement with The Church Army Authorities as to building over sewer —Wash-house rear of 8, Alexandra Grove.

(3) Agreement with the Oakfield Lawn Tennis Club for the tenancy of two grass tennis courts at Northway Gardens.

(4) Agreement with the Finchley Municipal Cricket Club for the tenancy of a cricket pitch at the Glebe Land.

(5) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mr. E. C. Arden as to land, North Circular Road for Brookside Walk.

(6) Agreement with the Play and Pageant Union for the use of Little Wood on the occasion of their annual Pageant.

(7) Contract with Rego Clothiers, Ltd., for the supply of uniforms for Park and Public Convenience Attendants.

(8) Agreement with the London and North Eastern Railway Company as to the re-construction of the existing railway bridge over the Great North Road at East Finchley.

(9) Contracts with the following Contractors for the making up of the private streets set opposite to their respective names:—

Name of Contractor.	Street.
Constable, Hart & Co.	Ossulton Way. Greenhalgh Walk. Widecombe Way.
Charles Carter	Blandford Close. Gurney Drive. Sutcliffe Close. Middleway (2nd portion). Cotman Close. Raeburn Close.
Ball and Partners	Cornwood Close. Deansway (1st portion). Deansway (2nd portion). Brunner Close. Meadway (2nd portion).
Fitzpatrick & Son	The Leys.
Percy Bilton (Roadways), Ltd.....	Brim Hill.

(10) Contract with Messrs. D. R. Paterson, Ltd., for the carrying out of surface water sewer works—Essex Park and Nether Street.

(11) Agreement with the London Passenger Transport Board in connection with the erection of shelters on highways.

(12) Contracts with the under-mentioned for the carrying out of the works or the supply of the commodities set opposite to their respective names:—

J. H. Haynes	Motor Haulage. Horse Haulage.
John Walker	Haulage of Materials to and from Railway Stations.
Salamon & Co., Ltd.....	Tar.
Thomas Hill-Jones, Ltd.	Invicta Flux.
C. C. Hancock & Co., Ltd.	Road Emulsion.
Wm. Griffiths & Co., Ltd.	Guernsey Granite Chippings.
The Stanton Ironworks Co., Ltd.	Tarred Slag Macadam.
H. L. Cooper & Co., Ltd. .... Erith Construction Co., Ltd. .... Patent Victoria Stone Co., Ltd.	Concrete Paving Slabs.
Alexandra Stone Co., Ltd.	Concrete Channel.
C. Burley, Ltd.	Portland Cement. Rapid Hardening Cement.
Gray Bros.	Extra Rapid Hardening Cement.
Acme Flooring and Paving Co. (1904), Ltd.	"Firmosec" Wood Paving Blocks.
James Gibb & Co., Ltd.	General Ironmongery and Sundries.

(13) Agreement with Hendon Borough Council as to the drainage from proposed new preparatory school, Bigwood Road.

(14) Licence (in duplicate) to Newton & Wright, Ltd., to store petroleum spirit at 68, Ballards Lane.

(15) Licence (in duplicate) to Mr. Charles Becker to store petroleum spirit at garages rear of 51, Friern Park.

(16) Lease to the Vicar and Church Wardens of Christ Church, North Finchley, of land in Summers Lane.

(17) Contract with Metropolitan-Vickers Electrical Co., Ltd., for the supply of electric vehicles.

(18) Supplemental Contract with Callenders Cable and Construction Co., Ltd., in connection with the supply of cables, etc.

(19) Conveyance from Mr. J. J. Lovesay of land off Nether Street for purposes of the erection of an Electricity Sub-Station.

(20) Lease from Mr. E. Lotery of premises known as No. 8, New Parade, Falloden Way.

(21) Certificate in connection with the presentation of the Honorary Freedom of the Borough to County Councillor John Boggon, J.P.

(22) Agreement with the Managers of St. John's School in connection with the admission of Mrs. Slater to the Superannuation Scheme.

(23) Form of Request to the Bank of England to make adjustment in the amounts of the Council's holdings in 3½ per cent. War Loan.

(24) Conveyance to the Hendon Corporation of land for widening Frith Lane at its junction with Lullington Garth.

(25) Contract with Messrs. Callow & Wright *re* alterations and additions to Manorside School.

(26) Discharges of Registered Charges or Vacating Receipts (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts) in respect of the following :—

Mortgage No. 841—Mrs. J. Chapman, 31, Wentworth Avenue.
Mortgage No. 445—E. J. Parry, 89, Ridgeview Road.
Mortgage No. 635—T. Hore, 42, Naylor Road.
Mortgage No. 27—G. F. Pearce, 37, Brentway.
Mortgage No. 380—Mrs. A. S. Wilson, 57, Chandos Road.
Mortgage No. 140—Miss M. Smith, 39, Lansdowne Road.
Mortgage No. 629—E. W. Ford, 54, Naylor Road.
Mortgage No. 567—C. A. Roberts, 17, West Avenue.

*(27) Agreement with Mr. H. L. Hume with regard to his appointment as Director of Education.

*(28) Contract with and Conveyance from the Executors of the late Mr. J. J. Ward in connection with the purchase of the Rocklands Estate.

*(29) Contract with Messrs. G. Wimpey & Co., Ltd., for resurfacing of one tennis court—Cherry Tree Wood.

*(30) Agreement with Mrs. Hill for tenancy of Maisonette over new Electricity Showroom—Hampstead Garden Suburb.

*(31) Contract with Mr. A. Sanders for purchase of refuse residuals.

*(32) Contract with Messrs. E. S. Moss, Ltd., for erection of District Library, High Road, East Finchley.

* See report of Town Council in Committee.

827 **Payment of Accounts :**

(*a*) The Town Clerk reported that, since the last ordinary meeting of the Town Council, a Borough Treasurer's Interim Order for the sum of £8,985 5s. 1d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(*b*) **RESOLVED** that an order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 11th February, 1937, amounting to a sum of £50,702 15s. 8d.

828 **Council in Committee :**

It was proposed by Councillor Caine, seconded by Councillor Grobel, and

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the Town Council do now go into Committee.

829 **General Purposes Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 17th February, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising thereon, the Deputy Mayor reported that, since the date of the meeting, Mr. Scotland had withdrawn his application for the position, and that, in consequence, Mr. G. Holgate, the Director of Education, Bedford, had been invited to attend in his stead.

830 **Appointment of Director of Education:**

The under-mentioned candidates for the above appointment appeared before the Town Council, and at the request of the Deputy Mayor each of them made a statement:—

Mr. C. E. Bridges, Barrister-at-Law, Assistant Secretary to the Middlesex Education Committee.

Mr. H. L. Hume, LL.M., Deputy Director of Education, Tottenham.

Mr. G. Holgate, B.Sc., M.A., Director of Education, Bedford.

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that Mr. H. L. Hume be appointed to the position on the terms mentioned in the advertisement and those set out in the list of duties, subject to his entering into an agreement in a form to be approved by the Solicitor and to his passing the necessary medical examination;

(2) that the appointment be determinable by three months' notice in writing on either side;

(3) that Mr. Hume be asked to take up his duties on the 1st April, 1937, and

(4) that the Agreement be added to the list of documents for sealing.

831 **Manorside School—Alterations and Additions:**

Paragraph 729 of the Education Committee's Report of the 8th February, 1937, was considered in conjunction with paragraph 783 of the Finance Committee's Report of the 11th February, 1937.

An amendment was proposed by Alderman Syrett and seconded by Councillor Baines "that the question of the acceptance of a tender for the carrying out of the work be deferred until the new Director of Education has had an opportunity of considering the matter."

On being put, the amendment was lost.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that the paragraphs in question be adopted, Alderman Syrett voting against.

832 **New Municipal Offices Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 29th January, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

833 **Town Planning Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 1st February, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (Plan No. 9861—Room over Garage—15, Chessington Avenue, N. 3—Mrs. M. Nidditch), the Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

> "Consideration of this plan was, at the last meeting of the Town Planning Committee, deferred until the Council meeting to enable the applicant to obtain a letter from the adjoining owner. No such letter has come to hand at the time of preparing this report and I will indicate the latest position at your meeting."

He further intimated that the position of the matter remained unchanged.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that the plan in question be disapproved.

Arising out of paragraph 2 (b) (Premises erected without submission and approval of plans—Store shed and garage—rear of 219, Regents Park Road, N. 3), the Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"In accordance with the instructions given at the last meeting of the Town Planning Committee, I wrote Mr. W. H. Cooper on the 8th February, 1937, pointing out that plans for the above building should be deposited as quickly as possible and in any case before the date of the Council meeting on the 22nd February. No plans have been received up to the moment and I will report further at your meeting."

He further intimated that the position remained unchanged.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the matter be referred to the Town Planning Committee for consideration ; and

(*b*) that the Town Clerk be authorised to serve a notice, in the form submitted, upon the owner of the premises, Mr. W. H. Cooper, under clause 95 of the Bye-Laws with respect to New Streets and Buildings, requiring him to furnish on or before such date as is specified in such notice a statement in writing showing sufficient cause why the structure in question should not be removed, altered or pulled down.

Arising out of paragraph 2 (c) (Premises erected without submission and approval of plans—Garage—71, Naylor Road), the Borough Surveyor reported that the building in question had now been removed.

834 **Valuation Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 2nd February, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

835 **Parks and Open Spaces Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 2nd February, 1937, was submitted.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (Rocklands, Gordon Road), an amendment was proposed by Alderman Briant and seconded by Councillor Brooksbank "that recommendation (2) be deleted."

On being put, the amendment was lost.

Arising out of paragraph 3 (Cherry Tree Wood—Hard Tennis Courts), the Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"Adverting to paragraph 3 on page 20 of the typed matter, I am circulating with this report statement giving particulars of the original tenders received for dealing with three courts and the amended figures submitted by the several firms on the basis of doing one court only at the present time. There would seem to be no reason why the tender submitted by Messrs. G. Wimpey & Co., Ltd., should not be accepted."

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the amended tender of Messrs. G. Wimpey & Co., Ltd., at the sum of £182 16s. 11d. for the re-surfacing of one court only, together with the provision of additional brick edging at a cost of 8d. a foot run, be accepted, subject to contract ;

(*b*) that the contract be added to the list of documents for sealing.

It was thereupon further

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the report be adopted and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council ;

(2) that the Contract and Conveyance in connection with the purchase of the Rocklands Estate be added to the list of documents for sealing.

836 **Highways and Fire Brigade Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 3rd February, 1937, was submitted.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (Surface Water Sewer — Cotman Close and Raeburn Close), the Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

> "In accordance with the instructions given by the Highways Committee, I have communicated with Mr. Charles Carter, who submitted the lowest tenders for the street works in Cotman Close and Raeburn Close and also for the surface water sewer works and am proposing to report at the next meeting of the Highways Committee on a letter, dated the 13th February, 1937, which I have received from him."

Arising out of paragraph 4 (b) (Fire Brigade—Old No. 2 Fire Engine), the matter was considered in conjunction with the report of the Air Raid Precautions Committee of the 12th February, 1937, and arising thereon the Town Clerk referred to a letter which had been received from the Home Office on the matter.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that the recommendation of the Committee be not adopted, but that the matter be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

It was thereupon further

RECOMMENDED that the report, as amended, be adopted and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

837 **Public Health Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 4th February, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

838 **Housing Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 4th February, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

839 **General Purposes Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 5th February, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

840 **Public Libraries Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 8th February, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that same be dealt with in conjunction with the report of the General Purposes Committee of the 10th February, 1937.

841 **Education Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 8th February, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

842 **Allotments Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 9th February, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council, subject as regards paragraph 1 (a) (Allotments—East Finchley) to the recommendations being amended to conform with those indicated in paragraph 6 of the Finance Committee's Report of the 11th February, 1937.

843 **Electricity Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 9th February, 1937, was submitted.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (Maisonettte over new showroom—Hampstead Garden Suburb), the Town Clerk reported receipt of a communication from Messrs. McCraith and Brooks, intimating that a Mrs. Hill was willing to take over the flat for a period of five years at a rental of £80 per annum, inclusive of rates ;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the offer be accepted, subject to satisfactory references being received ;

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in connection with the Agreement ; and

(*c*) that the Agreement be added to the list of documents for sealing.

Arising out of paragraph 2 (Showrooms), the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager intimated that quotations (entered in the Instruction Book) for the electrical wiring of the showrooms, exclusive of main switchboard equipment, had been obtained from the three wiring Contractors in the Borough who were members of one of the two recognised Electrical Associations, and also from two independent Contractors ; further, that he was of opinion that he could undertake the work by direct labour at an estimated cost of £426 7s. 9d.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that authority be given for the work to be carried out by direct labour at the figure stated, and

(*b*) that the whole matter be referred to the Accounts and Works Sub-Committee for consideration and report to the full Committee.

It was thereupon further

RECOMMENDED that the report as amended be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council, Alderman Syrett voting against paragraph 2 (c).

844 **General Purposes Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 10th February, 1937, was submitted and considered in conjunction with the report of the Public Libraries Committee of the 8th February, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1 of the General Purposes Committee's Report (Tenders—Extensions to Refuse Destructor), the Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"I have been in communication with Mr. J. H. Codling, of Birmingham, who informed me that his fees in a previous case were fifty guineas, plus fares and two guineas a day expenses if it was necessary for him to leave Birmingham. This included attendance and giving of evidence at a Ministry of Health Inquiry.

Mr. Codling could not say until he received further particulars what time would be involved in investigating the Finchley matter, but his fees would certainly not be more than those mentioned above."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that, in the circumstances, the Borough Surveyor be authorised to submit the three lowest tenders to Mr. Codling, omitting therefrom the amounts of the tenders ; and

(*b*) that payment of fees to Mr. Codling not exceeding the amount indicated above be approved.

Arising out of paragraph 2 (b) of the General Purposes Committee's Report (Staff—Public Libraries—Salaries), an amendment was proposed by Alderman Syrett and seconded by Councillor Caine "that recommendations (3), (4) and (5) of the General Purposes Committee's Report be deleted and that the following be substituted therefor:—

'That the salary scales for the Library Assistants, Junior and Senior, be the Council scale for male and female staff up to and including Grade C, the transfer from Grade B to Grade C to be for senior assistants only as and when a vacancy occurs;

that the following additional increments be granted to members of the library staff who pass the examinations specified below:—

Intermediate Examination of the Library Association—£10 per annum.

Final Examination of the Library Association—additional £10 per annum; that such additional increments apply to members of the staff who are at present qualified, as and from the 1st April, 1937.'"

On being put, the amendment was lost.

A further amendment was then proposed by Alderman Briant, seconded by Councillor Baines "that the recommendations of the General Purposes Committee be adopted, subject (a) to the words 'recommendations (3), (4) and (5) below' contained in recommendation (2) being deleted, and the following substituted therefor:—'recommendation (5) below;' (b) to recommendations (3) and (4) being deleted; and (c) to the words 'above date' contained in recommendation (5) being deleted and '1st April, 1937' substituted therefor."

On being put, the amendment was carried, 11 voting in favour and 6 against.

It was thereupon put as a substantive motion and carried, 11 voting in favour and 7 against;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the report of the General Purposes Committee, as amended, be adopted and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council; and

(*b*) that the report of the Public Libraries Committee be entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

845 **Finance Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 11th February, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 4 (c) (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts—Arrears of Instalments—Quarter ended 31st December, 1936), the Chairman of the Committee reported that, in five of the cases in question, the arrears outstanding had been discharged; that in two cases no reply had been received from the Mortgagors; that in one case the Mortgagor had made a payment on account; and that in the remaining case the Mortgagor had made a definite promise to discharge the arrears by the 12th March, 1937.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that the question of the outstanding arrears be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

846 **Air Raid Precautions Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 12th February, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

847 **Town Planning Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 22nd February, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

848 **41, Station Road:**

The Town Clerk reported that notice had been received from Messrs. Ernest Bevir and Sons of Mrs. Hollis's intention to appeal to the County Court against the Demolition Order made by the Town Council at their last Ordinary Meeting;

RECOMMENDED that the matter be referred to the Public Health Committee for consideration, with full power to act on behalf of the Town Council.

849 **Coronation Celebrations Committee:**

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that a meeting of the above-mentioned Committee be fixed for Monday, the 8th March, 1937, at 9 p.m.; and

(*b*) that the meeting of the Education Committee which will fall due on that evening be held at 7.45 p.m.

850 **Tenders:**

(*a*) Refuse Residuals.

(*b*) Erection of District Library, High Road, East Finchley.

(*c*) Supply of Uniforms.

(*d*) Supply and Delivery of Furniture, etc., for District Library, High Road, East Finchley.

(*e*) Supply of an Addressing Machine—Electricity Department.

(*f*) Supply of Domestic Appliances—Electricity Department.

The tenders received in connection with the above were submitted;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that as regards (a) the tender of Mr. A. Sanders (the highest) at the sum of £20 5s. 0d. per week be accepted, subject to contract;

(2) that as regards (b) the tender of Messrs. E. S. Moss, Ltd. (the lowest) at the sum of £11,461 0s. 4d. be accepted, subject to contract, and to the consent of the Minister of Health being received to the necessary loan;

(3) that as regards (c), (d), (e) and (f), the tenders be referred to the appropriate Committees for consideration; and

(4) that the necessary contracts be added to the list of documents for sealing.

851 **Resumption of Council:**

RESOLVED that the Town Council do now resume, and that the recommendations above set forth be adopted.

Mayor.

271 to 274

Public Libraries Committee's Report.

1st MARCH, 1937.

Present: Councillor Collis (Chairman), Councillor Hayter (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Brooksbank, Grobel, Mrs. Legge and Wilmot.

Non-Members: Aldermen Briant, Pateman and Syrett, and Councillors Mrs. Murphy and Rutt.

852 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of meetings of the Committee held on the 1st and 8th February, 1937, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

853 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

854 **Public Libraries:**

(*a*) Closure During Easter Holiday.—

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Public Libraries and the Rest and Reading Rooms be closed to the public on Good Friday and Easter Monday; and

(2) that each member of the Public Libraries staff be granted an extra day's holiday, at the discretion of the Chief Librarian, in lieu of Saturday, the 27th March, 1937.

(*b*) Staff Salaries.—The Town Clerk reported that at the last meeting of the Town Council the recommendations made by the Committee to the General Purposes Committee in regard to the above were adopted, subject to the deletion of those relating to the granting of special increments on the passing of examinations.

(*c*) Statistics.—The Chief Librarian reported as under, the figures in brackets being those reported for January, 1936:—

(i) Readers.—That the number of readers registered in the Public Libraries was 10,973 (4,882).

(ii) Stock.—That the book stock now amounted to 32,964 (15,051).

(iii) Loans.—That the number of books lent during the month of January, 1937, from Avenue House was 18,783 (14,621), and from North Finchley 22,604 and that the following table showed the number of books lent from each class of the stock at Avenue House during January, 1936, and January, 1937, and at North Finchley for January, 1937:—

CLASS.	AVENUE HOUSE. Jan., 1937. Loans.	% of total.	Jan., 1936. Loans.	% of total	In-crease.	De-crease.	NORTH FINCHLEY. January, 1937. Adult. Loans.	% of total.	Junior. Loans.	% of total	Total. Loans.	% of total.	GRAND TOTALS. January, 1937.
General	38	.2	32	.2	6	—	25	.2	23	.51	48	.2	86
Philosophy	304	1.6	186	1.3	118	—	175	1.0	1	.02	176	.7	480
Religion	183	1.0	113	.8	70	—	135	.7	9	.2	144	.6	327
Sociology	590	3.2	442	3.0	148	—	462	2.6	395	8.6	857	3.7	1447
Languages	246	1.3	217	1.5	29	—	111	.6	1	.02	112	.4	358
Science	373	1.9	315	2.1	58	—	401	2.2	254	5.51	655	2.9	1028
Useful Arts	774	4.2	683	4.7	91	—	567	3.2	268	5.81	835	3.6	1609
Fine Arts	735	3.9	537	3.7	198	—	535	3.1	52	1.13	587	2.6	1322
Music	291	1.5	269	1.8	22	—	310	1.7	—	—	310	1.4	601
Literature	869	4.7	686	4.7	183	—	585	3.2	161	3.5	746	3.3	1615
History and Travel	2428	12.9	2032	13.9	396	—	1913	10.6	267	6.0	2180	10.1	4608
Biography	789	4.2	774	5.3	15	—	482	2.7	47	1.0	529	2.3	1318
Fiction	11163	59.4	8335	57.0	2828	—	12296	68.2.	3129	67.7	15425	68.2	26588
TOTALS	18783	100.0	14621	100.0	4162	—	17997	100.0	4607	100.0	22604	100.0	41387
Days Open	26		21		5	—	26		26		26		
Daily Average Loan	720		696		24	—	692		177		869		1589
Readers	5233		4882		351	—	4560		1180		5740		10973
Stock	20077		15051		5026	—	10476		2411		12887		32964
Cash	£15/15/7		£11/17/2		£3/18/5	—	£18/16/10		£2/1/8		£20/18/6		£36/14/1

(iv) Cash Receipts.—That the cash receipts during January, 1937, amounted to £15 15s. 7d. (£11 17s. 2d.) at Avenue House, and £20 18s. 6d. at North Finchley.

(*d*) Offers of Gifts.—The Chief Librarian reported hereon ;

RECOMMENDED that the following offers of gifts for use in connection with the Public Libraries be accepted and that the thanks of the Town Council be conveyed to the respective donors :—

Donor.	Gift.
Alderman J. B. Morrell (of York)	"How York is governed by the Ministers of the Crown" ; edited by J. Bowes Morrell and A. G. Watson.
Mrs. Pywell	A collection of gem stones.
Mr. S. W. Carruthers	A pamphlet dated 1732, entitled "The book-binder, book-printer, and book-seller confuted, or The Author's vindication of himself" ; by the Rev. Mr. Stackhouse, Curate of Finchley.

(*e*) Applications for Display of Posters.—The Chief Librarian reported upon a number of applications received to display posters and leaflets in the Public Libraries ;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the display of the following :—

(*a*) Poster prepared by the Junior Institution of Engineering (Incorporated) with respect to the annual competition for the Durham Bursary ;

(*b*) Poster prepared by the Civil Service Educational Council with respect to forthcoming Civil Service examinations.

(*f*) Annual Report.—The report of the Chief Librarian on the work of the Public Libraries during the year ended 31st December, 1936, was submitted and the congratulations of the Committee were extended to him thereon.

(*g*) Avenue House.—

(i) Resignation of Junior Assistant.—The Chief Librarian reported that Mr. D. W. Elcome had tendered his resignation as a junior assistant as from and including the 27th February, 1937. It was thereupon decided to recommend to the General Purposes Committee that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the filling of the vacancy at a commencing salary of £65 per annum and in accordance with the scales approved by the Council on the 22nd February, 1937 ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(ii) Withdrawals from Stock.—

RECOMMENDED that the books referred to in the list (circulated) be withdrawn from stock for the reasons indicated therein.

(*h*) North Finchley.—

(i) Provision of Crockery, Knives and Spoons.—The resolution passed at the last meeting of the Town Council hereon was reported and in connection therewith the Town Clerk submitted a quotation which had been obtained from Messrs. Lee & Wigfull for the supply of the knives and spoons, duly stamped, amounting to £10 8s. 3½d.

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the quotation of Priors, Ltd., be accepted for the supply of crockery at the sum of £10 6s. 3d. ;

(ii) that the quotation of Messrs. Lee & Wigfull be accepted for the supply of the knives and spoons, at the sum of £10 8s. 3½d.

(ii) A letter, dated 2nd February, 1937, received from Mr. G. Smith, of 109, Ashurst Road, N. 12, expressing his appreciation of the Library was submitted.

(iii) International Exhibition in Paris.—The Chief Librarian reported the receipt of a communication from the Librarian of the National Central Library, asking for photographs of the North Finchley Library for the purpose of the above exhibition and intimated that these had been supplied.

855 **Time of Meeting in April :**

The resolution passed at the last meeting of the Town Council hereon was reported, whereupon it was decided to alter the time of the meeting of the Committee on the 5th April, 1937, from 7.45 p.m. to 8 p.m.

856 **Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922—Additional Designated Posts :**

The Chief Librarian intimated that three members of the staff of the Public Libraries were not included in the Superannuation Scheme, whereupon the Committee decided to report to the General Purposes Committee in regard to the matter.

857 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

A. C. D. COLLIS,

Chairman.

Town Planning Committee's Report.

1st MARCH, 1937.

Present: Alderman Briant (Chairman), Councillor Wilmot (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Wells, Councillors Burch, Mrs. Murphy, Norman and Wightman.

Non-Members: Alderman Pateman, Councillors Grobel, Hayter, Mrs. Legge and Rutt.

858 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of meetings of the Committee held on the 1st and 22nd February, 1937, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

859 **Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6:**

(*a*) **Proposed Widening—Hendon Lane.**—It was reported as follows:—

"In accordance with instructions given at the last ordinary meeting of your Committee, the proposal to reserve lands to enable Hendon Lane to be widened to a width of 60 feet instead of to 50 feet as previously agreed, has been placed before the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee, who raised no objection thereto. In the circumstances, the 60 feet widening line has been shown on the draft Scheme Map."

(*b*) The Town Clerk reported hereon as follows:—

"A copy of the draft of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6 is enclosed herewith and the Borough Surveyor will submit the draft Scheme Map at your Meeting. Provided the Committee have no observations to make thereon, the draft Scheme should be adopted by the Town Council at their next meeting. Notice of the adoption of the draft will then be advertised in accordance with the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Regulations, 1933.

The draft Scheme and the draft Scheme Map will be open to inspection by all persons interested and the Regulations provide that the local authority shall take into consideration any objections and representations in writing received by them within the prescribed period, and shall give full opportunity to any interested local authority and to persons making such objections or representations to be heard by such one or more members or such officer or officers of the local authority as they may appoint for the purpose, and in such manner as in the opinion of the local authority the circumstances of the case may require. The Town Council are required to make the final Scheme with or without modifications within nine months from the date of the resolution adopting the draft Scheme."

The Borough Surveyor also reported upon certain trees within the area of the Scheme which, in his opinion, were worthy of preservation under the provisions of the Scheme, but after considering the matter the Committee decided to take no action thereon and instructed the Town Clerk to make the appropriate amendments to the Scheme. The Draft Scheme and the Draft Scheme Map were then carefully considered and the Town Clerk was instructed to submit at the Council Meeting a resolution to adopt the same and to take any other necessary steps in connection therewith;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

860 **Friern Barnet Planning Scheme No. 1:**

The Town Clerk submitted a notice which he had received to the effect that the Minister of Health had notified the Friern Barnet Urban District Council of his intention to approve the above-mentioned Scheme, with modifications, and the Borough Surveyor reported that the Scheme and Scheme Map had been inspected on his behalf and that there would not appear to be any modification which would detrimentally affect the interests of the Borough. It was, therefore,

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken thereon.

861 **Greater London Regional Planning Scheme:**

A copy of the Audited Financial Statement of the Accounts of the above-mentioned Committee for the year ended 31st March, 1936, was submitted.

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862 **Unoccupied Flats:**

The following monthly report of the Valuation Officer hereon was submitted:—

"Number of unoccupied flats in the Borough 198 (171).

Total number of flats erected 1,637 (1,627).

These figures do not include premises converted.

The corresponding figures for last month are set out in brackets."

863 **Neon Signs—66, High Street, N. 12, and 8, Market Place, N.W. 11:**

It was reported that an application, dated 23rd February, 1937, had been received from the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager for permission to erect two Neon Signs, one at each of the above-mentioned premises, reading "Electricity";

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised thereto.

864 **Land at the Rear of "Woodlands," High Road, N. 20—Proposed Builders' Yard:**

Referring to Minute No. 624 (3), the Committee considered further the application received from Messrs. McManus & Co., for permission to establish a builders' yard on land at the rear of "Woodlands," together with a statement giving particulars of three objections to the proposal which had been received within the period prescribed by the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1. After considering the matter very carefully it was, in accordance with the authority delegated to the Committee at the last Council Meeting,

RESOLVED that Messrs. McManus & Co. be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to give their consent to the application made by them, having regard to the fact that the proposed user would contravene the provisions of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1 relating to character zoning.

Prior to the consideration of this matter, Alderman Wells declared that he had an interest therein and in consequence did not vote or take any part in the discussion relating thereto.

865 **Gordon Hall Estate, Nether Street, N. 3—Proposal to Erect Ten Shops with Flats Over and Ten Garages:**

Notice of an appeal to the Minister of Health under Clause 30 (2) of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1 against the decision of the Town Council to permit the above-mentioned development (circulated) was submitted, together with a copy of a resolution passed at a general meeting of the Church End Finchley Ratepayers' Association, held on the 23rd February, 1937, supporting the appeal to the Minister against the Town Council's decision. The Town Clerk reported that a Public Inquiry into the appeal would probably be held before an Inspector of the Ministry, and it was, therefore,

RECOMMENDED that the Deputy Mayor be appointed Policy Witness on behalf of the Corporation in the event of a Public Inquiry being held.

866 **Land Fronting Woodhouse Road, Adjoining Kimberly Parade, N. 12:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had received a letter, dated 26th February, 1937, from Messrs. Williams & Poole, Solicitors, applying on behalf of their client, Dr. A. A. Duncan, for the re-scheduling for business purposes of a piece of land fronting Woodhouse Road, adjoining Kimberly Parade. It was pointed out that it was in fact proposed to schedule the greater portion of the land in question for general business purposes in the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6, but that the remaining portion was situate within an area zoned in the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1 for the erection primarily of dwellinghouses only. The Town Clerk was, therefore, instructed to inform Messrs. Williams & Poole of the position with regard to the portion of the land controlled by Scheme No. 6 and to point out that so far as the remaining portion of the land is con-

cerned the Town Council are unable to amend the zoning proposals contained in Scheme No. 1 except by means of a supplementary Order, but that they are empowered by Clause 28 of that Scheme, on receipt of an application, to permit certain additional forms of development, including, in the case in question, general business user, after considering any objections thereto;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

867 **Advertisement Lamp—19, Ballards Lane, N. 3:**

The Borough Surveyor submitted a letter, dated 4th February, 1937, received from Mr. Gordon Wright, together with a sketch plan showing a proposal to erect a lamp with the trader's name painted thereon, outside No. 19, Ballards Lane, N. 3;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised thereto.

868 **Temporary Building—Plan No. 875T—Mr. S. W. Edwards, Coffee Stall Adjoining Carrimore Works, N. 12:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the Solicitors acting for Mr. S. W. Edwards had enquired if the Town Council would be prepared to grant a further renewal of the licence in respect of the above-mentioned temporary building to enable the good will of the business to be transferred to their client's new premises. The Town Clerk was, however, instructed to inform Mr. Edwards that the Town Council are not prepared to grant a further renewal of the licence in respect of the temporary building in question and that in view of the fact that the previous renewal expired on the 28th February, 1937, the stall must be removed forthwith, otherwise proceedings would be instituted for the removal thereof without further notice;

923 (P.H.)

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

869 **Proposed Developments:**

Particulars of applications for permission to develop the under-mentioned properties as indicated were submitted and the Borough Surveyor reported thereon:—

(*a*) "Rathgar," Dollis Avenue, N. 3—15 Houses.—

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. Williams, Pettett & Gardner, be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, the proposals shown on the plans submitted by them to lay out the site of the above-mentioned premises with 15 plots for the erection of dwellinghouses, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

(*b*) Site—Junction of Gainsborough Road and Lodge Lane (North Side)—Sorting Office and Postal Garage.—

RECOMMENDED that H.M. Office of Works be informed that the erection of a sorting office and postal garage on the above-mentioned site would not receive the approval of the Town Council as such user would contravene the character zoning provisions of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6.

(*c*) Stanhope Court, East End Road, N. 3—Porter's Lodge.—

RECOMMENDED that the Central and Western Development Co., Ltd. be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, the proposal submitted by them to erect a porter's lodge at the rear of the above-mentioned property, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

870 **Temporary Building:**

RECOMMENDED that a licence be granted in respect of the following plan for the period indicated:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Licence to expire on.	Applicant.
917T	Temporary Offices	Woodberry Grove, N. 12	1st January, 1938	Mr. W. A. Taylor.

871 **Plan No. 9915—9 Shops, 14 Flats and 2 Maisonettes—Site of "The Grange," High Road, N. 20—The Varley Estates, Ltd.:**

RECOMMENDED that the above-mentioned plan be approved so far as the Town Planning Committee is concerned, subject to the approval of the Friern Barnet Urban District Council being obtained thereto.

The plan was also referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

872 **Plans:**

(*a*) Approved;

RECOMMENDED that the following plans be approved subject to the conditions severally mentioned by the Borough Surveyor in his report:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
*9867	4 shops	Nos. 60, 62, 64 and 66, Ballards Lane, N. 3	The Eton Trust, Ltd.
9869	Garage	Side of 16, Woodleigh Avenue, N. 12	Mr. W. C. West.
*9873	2 flats	Between Salvation Army Hall and No. 8, Hertford Road, N. 2	Mr. A. Adams.
9880	Conversion of house into 5 self-contained flats	28, Torrington Park, N. 12	Mrs. E. W. Burridge.
*9889	Garage	Rear of 19, West Way, N. 3	Mr. B. Fieldman.
9890	Additional W.C.	Rear of 6, North Crescent, N. 3	Mr. J. North.
9892	House	Plot C.108, Holne Chase, at corner of Chalton Drive, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. H. E. Brown.
9893	House	Plot 1096, Winnington Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Messrs. R. Hart & Sons, Ltd.
9894	3 houses and 4 garages and	Nos. 26, 28 and 30, Windermere Avenue, N. 3	The Gloucester Construction Co.
	1 house and garage	Amberden Avenue, N. 3	
*9895	Alterations and additions	99, Hendon Lane, N. 3	Mr. W. Opie.
9896	House	Plot H.43, Winnington Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. H. A. Smith.
*9897	Store shed	Rear of 106, Ballards Lane, N. 3	Mr. E. E. Mansell.
*9898	Garage	Rear of 17, West Way, N. 3	Mr. R. H. Scott.

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9899	Garage and larder	Rear of 226, Nether Street, N. 3	Mr. J. E. Talbot.
9900	Play-room	Rear of 46, Huntingdon Road, N. 2	Mr. H. C. Stansall.
9901	Pram store	"Holbrook," Ingram Avenue, N.W. 11	Mr. F. Instone.
9902	Conversion of front-room into garage	St. Cuthbert's, 38, Friern Park, N. 12	Mr. H. Leverett.
9903	Reconstruction of garage	55, St. Margaret's Avenue, N. 20	Mr. J. H. Biggin.
9904	Additions	Rear of "Heathfield," The Bishop's Avenue, N. 2	Mr. J. Cohen.
†9905	House	Plot H.58, Norrice Lea, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. H. E. Brown.
*9906	New gateway	St. Marylebone Cemetery, East End Road, N. 2	St. Marylebone Borough Council.
*9907	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	"Northaw," 2, Derwent Villas, High Road, N. 20	Mr. A. S. Bothwell.
9908	2 houses	Plots 0817 and 0818, Brim Hill, Hampstead Garden Suburb, at corner of Howard Walk	Messrs. Stotesbury and Morris.
9909	Office and store	In yard, Station Road, N. 3	Messrs. P. R. Skinner and Co., Ltd.
9910	Garage	The Rectory, Hendon Lane, N. 3	The Rev. S. F. L. Bernays.
*9911	Garage	Rear of 7, Woodgrange Gardens, Woodhouse Road, N. 12, in Woodgrange Avenue	Mr. M. B. Weekes.
XX 9912	16 flats and 10 garages	Site of 43, Holden Road, N. 12	The Casino Properties, Ltd. Hewitt for [illegible] [illegible]
9913	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	39, Lansdowne Road, N. 3	Madame Levanneur.
9916	Garage	Rear of 15, Chambers Gardens, N. 2	Mr. E. Campbell.
†9917	House	Next "Reginalde," Aylmer Road, N. 2	Mr. B. Jackson.
9918	Garage adjoining Salvation Army Hut	Downway, N. 12	Mr. E. Nevols.
*9919	Store shed and garage	Rear of 219, Regents Park Road, N. 3	Mr. W. H. Cooper.

(*b*) Disapproved;

RESOLVED that the under-mentioned plan be disapproved for the reasons stated by the Borough Surveyor in his report:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9914	Garage	Montrose Crescent, N. 12, at rear of 1 Granville Road, N. 12	Mr. C. Till.

* Referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

† Referred to the Middlesex County Council for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

873 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

A. J. BRIANT,

Chairman.

281 to 289

Highways and Fire Brigade Committee's Report.

3rd MARCH, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant and Pateman and Councillors Connorton and Grocott.

Non-Members: Alderman Wells and Councillor Mrs. Murphy.

874 **Minutes:**

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

875 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved, subject to the Committee's estimates for the ensuing financial year being approved by the Town Council.

876 **Proposed Re-Naming—Conisbee Road, N. 20:**

Referring to Minute No. 219, it was reported that notices had been posted in the above street of the Town Council's intention to alter the name thereof to Derwent Crescent, and that no objection to the proposal had been received;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council, in pursuance of their powers under Section 18 of the Public Health Act, 1925, make an Order declaring that the street known as Conisbee Road shall on and after the first day of April, 1937, be named "Derwent Crescent."

877 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

It was reported that the under-mentioned properties of the Town Council had been damaged since last meeting, and that the matters had been dealt with:—

Tree—Clifford Road.
Temporary Refuge—Regents Park Road, north of North Circular Road.
Temporary Refuge—Regents Park Road, opposite Mountfield Road.
Tree and Paving—High Road, East Finchley.
Beacon—Pedestrian Crossing—Ballards Lane—junction with The Grove.
Temporary Refuge—Regents Park Road, opposite Holly Park.
Lamp Column—North Circular Road.
Fire Alarm—Granville Road.
Lamp Column—Christchurch Avenue.

878 **Third Party Claims**

It was reported that two claims had been received and dealt with.

879 **Insurance of Workmen—Accident—W. N. Swan:**

It was reported that the above employee had met with an accident since last meeting, and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

880 **Proposed Widening of Ballards Lane—Plan No. 9761—Two Lock-up Shops with Four Flats over—56/58, Ballards Lane, N. 3.—Elford Estates Ltd.:**

It was reported that the above-mentioned plan, which had been approved by the Town Council, showed an area of land proposed to be given up for widening purposes without monetary compensation;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that, subject to the approval of the Middlesex County Council, the offer be accepted;

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in connection with the Conveyance; and

(*c*) that, if necessary, payment of reasonable legal costs be approved.

881 **Re-Numbering—High Road:**

A plan was submitted showing the proposed re-numbering of the premises in the above street;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that such plan be approved; and

(2) that, in accordance with the provisions of the Towns Improvement Clauses Act, 1847, notices be served upon the occupiers of the premises affected, requiring them respectively to adopt the numbering shown on the plan.

882 **Falloden Way—Suggested Island at Brookland Rise:**

A letter dated 11th February, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Transport, referring to the Town Council's communication of the 26th January last in regard to the representations made by the Hampstead Garden Suburb Residents' Association in respect of the traffic conditions at Falloden Way at its junction with Brookland Rise, and forwarding, for the information of the Town Council, a copy of the following letter which had been addressed to the Association on the matter:—

"I am directed by the Minister of Transport to refer to your letter of the 2nd January, suggesting the provision of a refuge in Falloden Way at Brookland Rise, and to inform you that owing to the restricted width of the carriageway at this point, it would not be possible to provide a refuge without a risk of danger to the traffic using the road.

As you are doubtless aware, traffic light signals are being installed at Bishops Avenue, while consultations are taking place with the Middlesex County Council and the Commissioner of Police on proposals for signals at Northway and at Ossulton Way.

You will see from this that the question of various measures to be taken with a view to improving the traffic conditions obtaining in this road is being actively pursued in collaboration with the responsible highway authority."

883 **Cromwell Hall Estate:**

A letter dated 12th January, 1937, was submitted from the Honorary Secretary of the Cromwell Hall Residents' Association as follows:—

"The Committee of the above Association wish to tender their sincere thanks and appreciation to the Council in accepting the suggestions put forward in our letter of November 11th.

It is the wish of our Association to co-operate with the Council in maintaining the amenities of the Cromwell Hall Estate."

884 **London Traffic Act, 1924:**

A letter dated 17th February, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Transport, referring to the inspection, at which the Town Council were represented, of the stopping places in Finchley in connection with the London Passenger Transport Board's scheme of fixed stopping places on the routes from Acton to Edgware and from Cricklewood to North Finchley whereby omnibuses and trolleybuses would stop for the purpose of picking up and setting down passengers at certain defined points, and stating that the Minister had decided, in conjunction with the Board, that the stopping places shown in the lists enclosed with the letter should be put into operation for an experimental period commencing on the 24th February, 1937.

It was added that it was proposed to review the working of the stopping places in question at the end of three months, and that, if the Town Council desired to furnish the Minister with any observations thereon, they should do so before the expiration of that period.

The Borough Surveyor was instructed to consider the lists in question, and to report on the matter at a later meeting.

885 **Traffic Danger Points:**

A communication was submitted from the Honorary Secretary of the Church End Finchley Ratepayers' Association, expressing, on behalf of the Committee of the Association, their appreciation of the manner in which the Town Council had considered their proposals in connection with the above.

886 **Lay-out and Construction of Roads:**

A circular letter dated 30th January, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Transport, stating that the Memorandum on the Lay-out and Construction of Roads, dated 6th August, 1930, had been revised in collaboration with representatives of the Institution of Municipal and County Engineers and of the County Surveyors' Society, and forwarding a copy of the revised Memorandum No. 483 (Roads) for the information of the Town Council.

The letter added that the Minister hoped that, in the construction and improvement of roads under their control, Highway Authorities would, wherever possible, adopt such of the recommendations contained in the memorandum as were appropriate to the circumstances, and that he was sure that they would share his view that by this means many opportunities would be found for protecting the amenities of the countryside, for promoting the convenience of traffic and for securing the greater safety of all classes of persons using the roads.

887 **Obstructions on Public Footpaths:**

The Town Clerk reported that the quarterly lists of obstructions on public footpaths would no doubt be received by him within the next few days;

RECOMMENDED that he be authorised to bring same before the Sub-Committee for consideration.

888 **Street Accidents:**

(*a*) A letter dated 19th February, 1937, was submitted from the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis, referring to the existing arrangement whereby slips cut from police reports of accidents were forwarded to the Town Council each month, and stating that, consequent upon an alteration in the procedure for reporting accidents not involving death or personal injury, particulars relating to accidents involving damage to property only would no longer be available for transmission to Local Authorities.

It was added that experience in the Map Room maintained at New Scotland Yard had shown that, over a period of time (*e.g.* six months or one year) the plotting, on large scale maps, of accidents involving death or personal injury provided sufficient data for determining the more dangerous places or roads within the Metropolitan Police District, and that arrangements could be made, on written application to the Commissioner, for the Map Room to be inspected by representatives of any Local Authority desirous of so doing.

(*b*) The Returns received from the Police Authorities were submitted, from which it appeared that the number of street accidents which had occurred in the Borough during the month of January, 1937, as compared with the corresponding period for the previous year, was as follows:—

	Fatal.	Personal Injuries.		Total.
1936	1	28		29
1937	3	Serious. 3	Slight. 43	49

889 **Proposed Widening—South-east side of Ballards Lane—Site of No. 208 :**

A communication dated 26th February, 1937, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council, stating that the County Highways Committee had approved of the acceptance of the offer in this matter, and of the carrying out of the paving works at a cost not exceeding the estimate of £48.

890 **Wayleaves :**

An application was submitted from the Post Office Authorities for permission to instal an overground line in Dudley Road, from Briarfield Avenue to outside the house known as "Al Araf."

The Borough Surveyor reported that he had enquired of the Department as to the terms upon which they would be prepared to place the work underground, and had received a reply to the effect that they would be willing to do this on payment by the Town Council of a sum of £20 towards the cost involved ;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that permission be granted for the laying of an underground line between the points in question, subject to the actual position thereof being agreed by the Borough Surveyor, and to the work being carried out to his satisfaction ; and

(*b*) that a contribution of £20 be made by the Town Council in the matter.

891 **Telephone Kiosk :**

It was reported that an application had been received from the London Telephone Service for permission to erect a telephone kiosk on the footpath to High Barnet, Totteridge Lane ;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that no objection be raised to the proposal in question, subject to the actual site being agreed by the Borough Surveyor ; and

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to arrange for the kiosk in question to be included in the schedule attached to the existing Agreement with the Postmaster General.

892 **Electric Main Applications :**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"Since your last meeting the following applications have been received from the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager :—

27th January, 1937	Cable extension, Trinity Road, N. 2., with overground disconnecting box junction of Trinity Road and Long Lane.
27th January, 1937	Cable extension, Birkbeck Road with overground disconnecting box at the junction of Birkbeck Road and Nether Street, N. 12.
1st February, 1937	Cable extension, East side of Ballards Lane from Seymour Road to sub-station opposite Gruneisen Road.
1st February, 1937	Cable extension, East side of Ballards Lane between sub-station and Redbourne Avenue.
1st February, 1937	Cable extension across Long Lane by Trinity Road, N. 2., both sides of New Trinity Road, South side of Oak Lane from New Trinity Road, New Oak Road, East side and from thence to Messrs. Simms Motor Units Works.

1st February, 1937	Cable extension, East side of Nether Street and along new road opposite Fursby Avenue. (This new road is at present a private street being made up to the Council's specification).
16th February, 1937	Cable extension, North-west side of Chapel Street.
17th February, 1937	Cable extension, West side of the Great North Road from Woodside Park Road to Lodge Lane, North side of Lodge Lane to Church Path, Church Path to sub-station opposite Percy Road.
17th February, 1937	Cable extension Falloden Way, between junction with Oakwood Road and junction with Hill Rise; across Lyttelton Road opposite Ossulton Way; Kingsley Way; Litchfield Way; Southway; Middleway; Northway; Meadway; Thornton Way and Oakwood Road. There would appear to be no objection to the suggested works, but the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager will doubtless approach the County Council so far as Falloden Way and Lyttelton Road are concerned, and Kingsley Way, although it has been made up, has not yet been taken over as a highway repairable by the inhabitants at large."

RECOMMENDED that the applications in question be granted so far as the Town Council are concerned.

893 **Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935:**

(*a*) Consents.—The Committee considered the under-mentioned plans, which had been referred to them by the Town Planning Committee:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9867	4 shops	Nos. 60, 62, 64 and 66, Ballards Lane, N. 3	The Eton Trust, Ltd.
9873	2 flats	Between Salvation Army Hall and No. 8, Hertford Road, N. 2	Mr. A. Adams.
9889	Garage	Rear of 19, West Way, N. 3	Mr. B. Fieldman.
9895	Alterations and Additions	99, Hendon Lane, N. 3	Mr. W. Opie.
9897	Store shed	Rear of 106, Ballards Lane, N. 3	Mr. E. E. Mansell.
9898	Garage	Rear of 17, West Way, N. 3	Mr. R. H. Scott.
9906	New gateway	St. Marylebone Cemetery, East End Road, N. 2	St. Marylebone Borough Council.
9907	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	Northaw, 2, Derwent Villas, High Road, N. 20	Mr. A. S. Bothwell.
9911	Garage	Rear of 7, Woodgrange Gardens, Woodhouse Road, N. 12	Mr. M. B. Weekes.
9915	9 shops, 14 flats and 2 maisonettes	Site of The Grange, High Road, N. 20	The Varley Estates Ltd.
9919	Stores shed	Rear of 219, Regents Park Road, N. 3	Mr. W. H. Cooper.

RECOMMENDED that the consent of the Town Council, as the Highway Authority, be given to the proposals in question under the provisions of Section 2 (1) of the Act, subject, if applicable, to the condition mentioned in Minute No. 200 (a).

(*b*) Plan No. 9906—New Gateway, St. Marylebone Cemetery, East End Road—St. Marylebone Borough Council.—The Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"With reference to the above proposals, your consent as the Highway Authority is required to the alterations to the existing highway to form the new entrances to the Cemetery and in respect of access only under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935. The County Engineer is in agreement with the proposal."

RECOMMENDED that the consent of the Town Council, as the Highway Authority, be given to the proposals in question.

894 **Plan No. 9915—9 Shops, 14 Flats and 2 Maisonettes—Site of The Grange, High Road, N. 20—Varley Estates, Ltd. :**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"This plan, which is being considered by the Town Planning Committee at their meeting on the 1st March, shows a strip of land 162 feet long and of an average depth of 22 feet which (subject to the plan being passed) the developers are prepared to convey to the Town Council on the usual terms for the purpose of widening. The land so given up will give a minimum distance of 50 feet from the centre of the tram track to the building line and the Town Clerk will require authority to make the necessary application to the County Council."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that, subject to the approval of the Middlesex County Council, the offer be accepted ;

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in connection with the Conveyance ;

(*c*) that, if necessary, payment of reasonable legal costs be approved ; and

(*d*) that the Friern Barnet Council be informed that the Town Council will be prepared to take the surface water from the premises in question on the usual terms.

895 **Resurfacing—Gainsborough Road :**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"A letter, dated the 5th February, 1937, has been received from the Ministry of Transport as follows :—

'With reference to your letter of the 22nd ultimo enclosing drawing No. 11,005 showing the suggested lay-out and levels for this road junction, I have to inform you that the lay-out is approved.

It is understood that a new application for a loan in respect of this work will now be made in due course.'

Drawing No. 11,005 referred to in the letter above, will be submitted at your meeting. The estimated cost is £1,910, which includes the alterations to the island, estimated at £370.

It was originally intended that this work should be carried out by way of loan, but it is now proposed to meet the cost out of revenue during the financial year 1937/38, and if this decision is confirmed by the Finance Committee dealing with next year's estimates, it will not be necessary to make any application to the Ministry of Health for a loan."

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The Committee gave instructions for the foregoing to be brought to the notice of the Finance Committee.

896 **Automatic Traffic Control Signals—Regents Park Road—Junction with Gravel Hill and East End Road :**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the County Engineer and Surveyor had written asking that the Town Council would obtain tenders for the proposed signals at the above junction, and that steps were being taken accordingly.

897 **Parking of Lorries—Lincoln Road, East End Road (Junction with Regents Park Road) and by 7, Dale Grove:**

Any news. The Borough Surveyor reported that he had not yet heard anything further from the Ministry of Transport arising out of the conference which took place in regard to this matter on the 17th February, 1937.

898 **Trees—Lodge Lane:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"The trees in the above road have been inspected and it is found that the footpath varies in width from a maximum of 10 ft. 5 ins. to a minimum of 6 ft. The distance from the back edge of the footpath to the trees varies in width from a maximum of 7 ft. 9 ins. to a minimum of 3 ft. 7 ins."

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the removal of five trees at present standing in the narrow part of the footpath.

899 **Proposed Signs—Kingsway Roundabout:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"It will be remembered that a letter addressed to the Town Clerk and dated the 2nd February, 1937, was submitted at your last meeting from the Automobile Association suggesting that three direction signs should be erected on the island sites at Kingsway. The sites have been inspected by a member of this department and the proposal put forward by the Association would appear to be a good one. The signs could be fixed to the existing tram standards.

I hope to be in a position to report at your meeting the approximate cost of the erection of such signs and shall be glad of your instructions."

Arising thereon, he further intimated that the estimated cost of the erection of the signs in question amounted to a sum of £3 15s. 0d.;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that authority be given for the erection of the signs at the cost indicated; and

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in connection with the Agreement with the London Passenger Transport Board.

900 **Lichfield Grove Flooding—Re-construction of Surface Water Sewer—Station Road to East End Road:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"It will be remembered that the consideration of these tenders was deferred to enable information to be obtained as to what reduction, if any, the contractors would make in their tender prices if the carrying out of the work were deferred until after the 1st April, 1937. I have communicated with all the firms and the following table shows how the tenders would be affected.

Contractor.	Amount of original tender. £ s. d.	Price if work deferred until after 1st April.
Messrs. C. V. Buchan & Co. Ltd.	2,401 7 6	**Increased** by 2 per cent.
Mr. Alfred Robinson	2,435 14 3	**Decreased** by £100.
Messrs. G. Wimpey & Co. Ltd.	2,502 3 9	No change.
Messrs. Fitzpatrick & Son	2,505 1 10	No change.
The J.L. Eve Construction Co.	2,532 18 6	No change.
Messrs. D. R. Paterson, Ltd.	2,539 5 6	**Decreased** by £50.
Messrs. Tarslag (1923) Ltd.	2,567 15 0	No change.
Messrs. W. Moss & Sons, Ltd.	2,579 1 1	Would probably be increased.
Messrs. Percy Bilton (Roadways) Ltd.	2,616 13 9	Would probably be increased.
Messrs. Constable Hart & Co. Ltd.	2,632 15 7	**Decreased** by 1 per cent.
Mr. Charles Carter	2,664 13 6	**Decreased** by £50."

RECOMMENDED that, in the circumstances, the tender of Mr. Alfred Robinson (as amended) at sum of £2,335 14s. 3d., be accepted, subject to contract.

901 **Roadside Shelters:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

(*a*) Island Site—Tally Ho! Corner.—that he had approached the County Surveyor hereon who had written the London Passenger Transport Board in support of the request made by the Town Council for the provision of a more suitable type of shelter than that proposed, and that he understood that the Board were reconsidering the matter.

(*b*) High Road, N. 20, near Athenæum Road.—that he was in communication with the Ministry of Transport in regard to this matter.

(*c*) By St. Mary's Schools, Church End.—that a representative of the London Passenger Transport Board had visited the site recently with a representative of his Department.

(*d*) High Road—Junction with Squires Lane.—that a representative of the London Passenger Transport Board had recently visited this site with a representative of his Department.

902 **Sale of Scrap Metal:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"Following an enquiry, I received the under-mentioned prices for cast iron scrap:—

Mr. W. A. Endersby	44/- per ton.
Mr. J. Barker	40/- per ton.

I accepted the offer made by Mr. W. A. Endersby (the highest) who has previously purchased material of this character from the Town Council. He has deposited the sum of £30, which is the estimated value of the material, but the final payment will be in accordance with the weights as recorded by the weighbridge."

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

903 **Naming of Street—New Road off Nether Street—Gordon Hall Estate:**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon a communication, dated 11th February, 1937, received from Mr. W. L. Barclay hereon;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised by the Town Council to the road in question being named "Huntly Drive."

904 **Naming of Flats—Holden Road:**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon a letter, dated 24th February, 1937, received from Mr. E. W. Palmer hereon;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised by the Town Council to the flats in question being named "Holden Court."

905 **Lighting of Island, Tally Ho! Corner:**

The Borough Surveyor reported hereon;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that authority be given for the erection of one column 25 feet in height carrying a sodium lamp, in lieu of two ordinary columns as originally proposed; and

(*b*) that the additional cost involved, amounting to a sum of £19, be borne by the Town Council.

906 **Re-construction of Overhead Equipment for Trolleybus Operation—Lighting Alterations:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the cost to be borne by the Town Council in connection with this matter would amount to a sum of £450;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the expenditure in question be approved ; and

(*b*) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee with a view to their making the necessary financial arrangements. 1015

907 **Fire Brigade—Chief Officer's Report :**

The Chief Officer of the Brigade reported as follows :—

(*a*) Fires.—That a number of fires, as shown in the list circulated, had occurred between the 21st January and the 20th February, 1937.

(*b*) Ambulance Calls.—That the following ambulance calls had been received between the 21st January and the 20th February, 1937 :—

Private Removals.	Accidents. Motor.	Accidents. Other.	Illness in street.	Not required on arrival.	Hoax calls.	Total.
40	15	9	2	4	1	71

(*c*) Firemen's Uniforms.—That two tenders had been received for the supply of firemen's uniforms ;

RECOMMENDED that the tender of Messrs. G. Glanfield & Son, Ltd. (the lower), so far as it relates to firemen's uniforms, be accepted on the schedule of prices submitted, subject to contract.

(*d*) Annual Holiday Rota, 1937.—That a rota of holidays for 1937 had been prepared.

This was considered by the Committee, and it was

RECOMMENDED that same be approved.

(*e*) Fire—East Finchley Methodist Church.—That a communication, dated 23rd February, 1937, had been received from the Hon. Trust Secretary to the East Finchley Methodist Church as follows :—

"On behalf of my fellow Trustees I have much pleasure in offering to you our very hearty thanks for your promptness in dealing with the fire at the above Church last Saturday. On reviewing the situation we realise the danger the building would have been in had another hour elapsed."

908 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Valuation Committee's Report.

4th MARCH, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), Councillor Connorton (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillor Brooksbank and Mr. Griffith.

909 **Minutes:**

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

910 **Central Electricity Board:**

The Valuation Officer reported as follows:—

"An agreement has now been arrived at between the Central Electricity Board and the Central Valuation Committee in regard to the assessment of the whole of the Underground Cables, Switches and Sub-stations in the County of Middlesex. An apportionment has been made in respect of the portion of this Undertaking in the Borough of Finchley at £59 Rateable Value.

It will be necessary for me to have your instructions to make a proposal in respect of this assessment.

The Board has given an Undertaking to pay rates as from the date on which this property came into commercial occupation. The Finchley portion will operate as from the 1st April, 1932."

RECOMMENDED that the Valuation Officer be instructed to make the necessary proposal.

911 **North Middlesex Assessment Committee:**

(*a*) Proposals to be made by Rating Authorities, Year ending 31st March, 1938.—It was reported that the Clerk to the North Middlesex Assessment Committee had submitted a list of dates for the hearing of proposals made by this Authority;

RECOMMENDED that the under-mentioned dates be approved.

1937.	1938.
May 28th.	February 25th.
July 23rd.	
October 22nd.	
December 10th.	

(*b*) Proposal List No. 13.—The Valuation Officer reported hereon as follows:—

"The above list was confirmed by the North Middlesex Assessment Committee at its meeting on Friday last without any alterations except a reduction of £2 on 'Danescroft,' Winnington Road, which I suggested as a result of an interview with Mr. Fox, the occupier.

Three outstanding proposals by Ratepayers were also heard. The Assessment Committee confirmed the values in the Valuation List in each case."

912 **Proposals:**

The Valuation Officer reported that it was possible that certain properties not yet completed might become occupied and liable for rates before the 31st March, 1937, and that in such cases proposals should be made before that date;

RECOMMENDED that, subject to the approval of the Chairman of the Committee, the Valuation Officer be authorised to make proposals in regard to the above, subject to report.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Public Health Committee's Report.

4th MARCH, 1937.

Present: Councillor Jones (Chairman), Councillor Grobel (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Pike, and Councillors Collis, Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Murphy.

Non-Member: Councillor Connorton.

913 **Minutes:**

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

914 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved, subject to the addition of the under-mentioned item, and to the estimates of the Committee for the next financial year being approved by the Town Council:—

Item No. 32/3—Maintenance of Premises—Open Air Pools £200

915 **Medical Officer's Report:**

The following report of the Medical Officer of Health for the four weeks ended 20th February, 1937, was submitted and approved:—

	Wards. N.	E.	W.	1937.	1936.
" 1. **Deaths.**—					
Number registered	27	23	23	73	59
Infants under one year	2	1	—	3	2
Infectious disease	—	—	—	—	—
2. **Births Notified.**—					
Number notified under the Notification of Births Acts	16	16	18	50	50
3. **Infectious Disease.**—					
Cases notified	4	9	8	21	18
Scarlet Fever	1	3	3	7	10
Diphtheria	1	1	—	2	2
Pneumonia	2	5	5	12	5
Puerperal Pyrexia	—	—	—	—	1
4. **Tuberculosis.**—					
Pulmonary cases	1	3	1	5	3
Non-pulmonary cases	—	1	—	1	—
5. **Patients in Hospital.**—					
Number in hospital on the 29th January				16	14
Number admitted				10	4
Number discharged				9	10
Number of deaths				—	—
Number in hospital on the 26th February				17	8

6. **Children Act, 1908, and Children and Young Persons Act, 1932.**—

At the time of the last report there were 16 mothers and 43 children on the register. Since then 3 mothers and 13 children have been added, 1 mother and 19 children have been removed from the register, leaving 18 mothers and 37 children on the register."

916 **Sanitary Inspector's Report:**

This was submitted. Arising thereon the Inspector reported as follows:—

(1) Houses without Proper Dustbins (Section 22 of the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908).—

6, Torrington Park, N. 12.
204 and 206, Long Lane, N. 3.
7, Dale Grove, N. 12.
31, Hollickwood Avenue, N. 12.

That the above dwellinghouses were not provided with proper dustbins;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that notices be served upon the owners of the said dwellinghouses requiring them to provide at their respective premises a strong galvanised iron dustbin with a suitable cover; and

(*b*) that, failing compliance with such notices, proceedings be taken for recovery of the penalties mentioned in Section 22 of the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908.

(2) Nuisances (Public Health Act, 1875, and Acts amending the same).—

29, Claverley Grove, N. 3.
16, Finchley Park, N. 12.
261, Squires Lane, N. 3.

That the above premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health.

The Committee being satisfied of the existence of the nuisances, it was

RECOMMENDED that statutory notices be served upon the owners of the said premises requiring them to execute the works referred to by the Inspector in his report within the time mentioned in such notices.

(3) Housing Act, 1936.—

(*a*) 7, Dale Grove, N. 12.
48, Stanhope Road, N. 12.

That the above-named houses which were occupied, or of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes, were unfit for human habitation and he submitted a schedule of the defects found.

The Committee being satisfied that the dwellinghouses were capable of being rendered fit for human habitation at a reasonable expense, it was

RECOMMENDED that in pursuance of Sub-section (1) of Section 9 of the Housing Act, 1936, the statutory notices now submitted be served upon the persons having control of the said dwellinghouses requiring them to execute the works specified in such notices.

(*b*) 3 and 5, Rustic Cottages, Dunger Place, N. 12.—That the above-named houses which were of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes had been inspected by the Medical Officer of Health and him and that the said houses were unfit for human habitation and appeared to be not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit.

The Committee being satisfied that the said houses were not capable of being rendered fit for human habitation at a reasonable expense, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that for the purpose of recommendation (2) below, powers be delegated to the Committee (i) to hear any of the persons referred to therein who may desire to be heard, and (ii) to consider the condition of the dwellinghouses and any offer for the carrying out of works or the future user of the dwellinghouses;

(2) that notices be served in accordance with Section 11 (1) of the Housing Act, 1936, upon the persons mentioned in that Section, intimating that a meeting of the Public Health Committee of the Town Council will be held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on Thursday, the 6th May, 1937, at 8 p.m., at which the condition of the house and any offer with respect to the carrying out of works, or the future user of the house, which they may wish to submit will be considered, and further, that such persons will be entitled to be heard thereat.

(4) Complaints.—That since the 29th January, 1937, the following complaints had been received and dealt with :—

re Condition of house	17
,, Blocked or defective drains	3
,, Nuisance from dustbins	2
,, Absence of dustbin	1
,, Accumulation of refuse	2
,, Burning of refuse	2
,, Flooding	1
,, Rats	3
,, Insects in house	3
,, Shops Acts	1
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(5) Milk and Dairies Acts—Milk and Dairies Order, 1926—Registration.—That applications had been received from the under-mentioned traders to be registered as retail purveyors of milk within the Borough, namely :—

Mr. Herbert Alfred Tindley, 59b, Church Lane, East Finchley, N. 2.
Mrs. Dora Hillel, 4, Ferntower Road, Canonbury, N. 5 ;

RECOMMENDED that the applications be granted.

(6) Unsound Food.—That the diseased or unsound meat, particulars of which were submitted, had been destroyed since last meeting.

(7) Petroleum (Consolidation) Act, 1928.—

(*a*) Perry (Repairs and Service), Ltd., Invicta Works, Ballards Lane, N. 12.—

That an application had been received from Perry (Repairs and Service), Ltd., for a licence to keep 20 gallons of petroleum mixture (cellulose paint) at the above premises, and that it was proposed to store the petroleum mixture in sealed tins placed in an approved galvanised iron storage bin which would be kept in the small open space adjoining the western side of the factory ;

RECOMMENDED that the licence now submitted be granted to the above-mentioned applicants for the period ending 30th June, 1937, subject to the conditions mentioned in the report of the Inspector.

(*b*) Messrs. Trounson & Knight's Service Station, High Road, N. 20.—That it had recently been reported to him that a serious leakage had developed in one of the petroleum spirit storage tanks at the above station, and that he had indicated to the licensees the precautions that should be taken if the tank were opened and an attempt made to repair it ; further, that the tank had now been repaired by the National Benzole Company but that it had not yet been put into service.

917 **Purity of Water :**

The Medical Officer of Health reported that a sample of water taken from a main in the West Ward and submitted to the Counties Public Health Laboratories for chemical and bacteriological examination had been found to be of the highest degree of purity, wholesome and suitable for drinking and domestic purposes.

He further reported that samples of water would from time to time be taken from other parts of the Borough and reports thereon submitted to the Committee.

918 **Maternity and Child Welfare Sub-Committee:**

It was reported that a meeting of the above Sub-Committee had been held on the 4th March, 1937, and the following report was submitted:—

"Present: Councillor Jones (Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Collis, Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Murphy, and Mrs. Reeves and Mrs. Robinson.

(1) **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

(2) **Seventh English-Speaking Conference on Maternity and Child Welfare—London—1st, 2nd and 3rd June, 1937:**

It was reported that an invitation had been extended to the Town Council by the National Association for the Prevention of Infant Mortality to appoint delegates to attend the above Conference;

RECOMMENDED that Mrs. Reeves and Mrs. Robinson be appointed to attend the Conference on behalf of the Town Council.

(3) **Infant Welfare Centre—Essex Park:**

The Town Clerk reported that in accordance with the decision of the Town Council at its meeting in December last he had informed the Chapel Steward of the Finchley Methodist Church that the Council were prepared to pay to the Church Authorities as from the 1st April next an additional £10 per annum on the rent for the use of the Primary Department of the Church as an Infant Welfare Centre; further, that a letter, dated 12th February, 1937, had been received from Mr. T. Hester stating that, whilst the Trustees accepted the Council's offer, they were still of opinion that the increase asked for, namely £15, was right and proper.

(4) **Medical Officer's Report:**

The report (circulated) of the Medical Officer of Health for the twelve weeks ended 20th February, 1937, was submitted and approved.

J. HUGH JONES,

Chairman."

RECOMMENDED that the report be received and adopted.

919 **Erection of Health Centre—Oak Lane:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that he hoped to be in a position to submit to the Committee at next meeting plans for the erection of the new Health Centre.

The Committee were of opinion that the plans should in the first instance be considered by the Maternity and Child Welfare Sub-Committee, and for that purpose it was decided that a Special Meeting of the Sub-Committee should be held on the 8th April, 1937, at 7.45 p.m.

920 **Conferences:**

The Town Clerk reported that invitations had been extended to the Town Council to appoint delegates to attend the under-mentioned Conferences:—

(*a*) Jubilee Conference of the Sanitary Inspectors' Association—Brighton—30th August to 4th September, 1937;

(*b*) 39th Annual Conference of the Institute of Public Cleansing—Margate—14th to 18th June, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that the Chief Sanitary Inspector be appointed to attend the Jubilee Conference of the Sanitary Inspectors' Association and Alderman Pike and the Borough Surveyor the 39th Annual Conference of the Institute of Public Cleansing.

921 **Byelaws with respect to Hairdressers' and Barbers' Premises:**

A letter, dated 15th February, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted stating that, on the information at present before him, the Minister did not see any reason why he should not confirm a series of byelaws agreeing strictly with the draft submitted by the Council after the preliminary requirements of Section 250 of the Local Government Act, 1933, had been complied with;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary steps for the confirmation of the byelaws in accordance with the provisions of the above Section.

922 **Physical Training and Recreation:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had circulated to each member of the Committee a Memorandum explaining the Government's proposals for the development and extension of the facilities available for physical training and recreation.

923 **Temporary Buildings—Plan No. 875T—Mr. S. W. Edwards—Coffee Stall Adjoining Carrimore Works, N. 12:**

The Town Clerk reported that, arising from consideration of a report by the Shops Inspector, the Town Planning Committee at its last meeting instructed him to inform Mr. S. W. Edwards that the Town Council were not prepared to grant a further renewal of the licence in connection with the above temporary building, and that in view of the fact that the previous renewal expired on the 28th February, 1937, the stall must be removed forthwith, failing which proceedings would be instituted for the removal thereof without further notice.

924 **Public Health Services:**

The Town Clerk reported the receipt by the Mayor of a letter, dated 3rd March, 1937, from the Minister of Health in which he asked for the personal interest of the Mayor in a National Public Health Campaign to be launched during the Autumn.

The letter stated that full particulars of the Campaign, which would include the supply of posters, leaflets, etc., on a large scale, would be sent to the Council at an early date by the Central Council for Health Education with whom the Ministry and the Board of Education were at present discussing proposals.

It was further reported that the Mayor had assured the Minister of his personal interest in the Campaign.

925 **Public Baths—Squires Lane:**

(*a*) Monthly Statement.—A statement (circulated) was submitted, showing the number of bathers and receipts for the four weeks ended 21st February, 1937.

(*b*) Schools' Time Table—Summer Season, 1937.—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Director of Education had forwarded to him copies of the Elementary Schools' time table for the coming summer season:

RECOMMENDED that the time table be approved so far as this Committee is concerned.

926 **Sewage Analysis:**

It was reported that a sample of sewage effluent was taken from the High and Low Level Outfalls by the Lee Conservancy on the 1st February, 1937, and the analysis figures of the check sample were submitted.

927 **Tenders—Extensions to Refuse Destructor:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Town Council, the schemes submitted by the three lowest tenderers had been forwarded to Mr. J. H. Codling but that his report thereon had not yet been received.

PUBLIC HEALTH (*contd.*).

The Committee thereupon decided that if the report were received prior to the next meeting of the Town Council, a Sub-Committee consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, Alderman Pike, and Councillors Jones and Grobel should be authorised to consider it and report direct to the Council ;

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RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

928 **Erection of Mortuary—North Circular Road :**

The Borough Surveyor presented sketch plans and an estimate amounting to £2,900, for the erection of the mortuary on the site appropriated for the purpose adjacent to the Fire Station ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the plans and estimate be approved ;

(2) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee to make the requisite financial arrangements ; and

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(3) that the Town Clerk make application to the Middlesex County Council for consent to the use of a portion of the footpath in the North Circular Road and the embankment thereof, for the construction thereover of a roadway giving access to the mortuary.

929 **Sale of Old Copper :**

The Borough Surveyor reported that, following an enquiry, he had obtained the under-mentioned prices for old copper :—

Mr. W. A. Endersby	30/– per cwt.
Mr. J. Barker	27/6d. per cwt. ;

further, that he had accepted the offer made by Mr. W. A. Endersby, the higher, who had previously purchased material of this character from the Council, and that Mr. Endersby had deposited a sum of £5, which was the estimated value of the material, but that the final payment would be in accordance with the weights as recorded by the weighbridge ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

930 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books be approved.

J. HUGH JONES,

Chairman.

Parks and Open Spaces Committee's Report.

5th MARCH, 1937.

Present: Alderman Wells (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Pateman and Councillors Mrs. Legge and Rutt.

931 **Minutes:**

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

932 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved, subject to the Committee's Estimates for the ensuing financial year being approved by the Town Council.

933 **Glebe Land:**

(*a*) Contribution by Middlesex County Council.—The Committee had before them a communication dated 20th January, 1937 (circulated) from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council asking that the question of the allocation of the Glebe Land between open spaces and sports grounds respectively, might be considered before the County Council passed a final resolution in regard to their contribution towards the cost of acquisition. In this connection the Borough Surveyor submitted Drawing No. 11,071 showing the allocation proposed. He pointed out, however, that the Town Council had not yet reached a decision as to the ultimate use of the land at the rear of the Commemoration Tablet;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the land at the rear of the Commemoration Tablet be allocated as a sports ground and indicated as such on Drawing No. 11,071; and

(2) that Drawing No. 11,071 as amended, be approved subject to the Ministry of Health raising no objection to the amended allocation.

(*b*) Proposed Coronation Holiday Camp.—A communication was submitted from Millett's National Stores enquiring whether the Town Council would be willing to let to them, for the summer season, a portion of the Glebe Land adjoining the open air pool for the erection of a temporary holiday camp, consisting of army bell tents;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council are not prepared to entertain the proposal in question.

(*c*) Cricket Pitch.—An application was submitted on behalf of the Finchley Municipal Cricket Club for permission to sub-let the above pitch to the North Finchley Cricket Club on two nights a week during the coming season for practice purposes at a nominal rental;

RECOMMENDED that the desired permission be granted.

934 **Physical Training and Recreation:**

A Memorandum explaining the Government's proposals for the development and extension of the facilities available in connection with the above was submitted.

935 **Brookside Walk—Whetstone Stray:**

A communication was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the Whetstone Stray Allottees Association asking that notices might be exhibited at above requiring dogs to be kept on a lead to prevent them straying on to the adjacent allotments;

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to arrange for notices in the following terms to be displayed along the portion of the Brookside Walk in question—"Dogs must not be allowed to stray on to the allotments."

936 **Brook Farm Open Space—Exchange of Lands—South Herts Golf Club:**

The Town Clerk submitted draft agreement with the Middlesex County Council in respect of the above, which provided that the land given to the Town Council by the South Herts Golf Club should be subject to the terms of the contribution Agreement with the County Council, while the land given to the Golf Club should be released therefrom;

RECOMMENDED that same be referred to the Solicitor for approval on behalf of the Town Council.

937 **Brookside Walk by Barnet Bye-Pass:**

The draft licence from the County Council enabling the Town Council to construct a footpath and the necessary concrete retaining wall upon the embankment supporting the Barnet Bye-Pass was submitted;

RECOMMENDED that same be referred to the Solicitor for approval on behalf of the Town Council.

938 **Victoria Recreation Ground—Ladies' Bowling Green:**

An application was submitted from the Finchley Victoria Ladies' Bowling Club for the exclusive use of 4 of the rinks on the above green during the coming season and enquiring as to the charge to be made for season tickets;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Club be granted the exclusive use of rinks 1-4 on the green for the 1937 season, subject to each member obtaining from the Town Council a season ticket at the price of £1;

(2) that the Club be allowed to use the remaining two rinks without extra charge provided that the members shall not have priority over the public in the use thereof; and

(3) that, subject to the Borough Surveyor being satisfied as to its condition, the green be opened for play, weather permitting, on Saturday, the 24th April, 1937, and closed on Saturday, the 2nd October, 1937.

939 **Land—Broughton Avenue:**

The following resolution passed by the Middlesex County Council arising out of the Town Council's application for a contribution towards the cost of acquiring the above land, was submitted:—

"That, subject to the undermentioned conditions, a contribution be made to the Finchley Borough Council of a sum of £924, or of such less sum as shall be equivalent to 40 per cent. of the purchase money and legal expenses and of the vendors' surveyors' fees and compensation to tenants, if any, in connection with the acquisition by the Finchley Borough Council, for the purposes of a public open space, public park, walks or pleasure ground, as an extension of the Windsor Open Space, of about one acre of land, situate at Broughton Avenue in the Borough of Finchley and coloured pink on the plan now submitted:—

(*a*) To the consent of the Minister of Health to the borrowing by the County Council of the amount of its contribution;

(*b*) To the whole of the land being dedicated for the purposes of a public open space, public park, walks or pleasure ground;

(*c*) To no buildings being erected on any part of the land other than lodges, bandstands, conveniences, lavatories, sports pavilions, refreshment rooms, shelters, sheds and buildings of a like nature, except with the consent of the County Council, which consent shall only be granted on condition that such buildings are to be used for purposes ancillary to the use of the land for the aforesaid purposes;

(*d*) To there being no differentiation in the use of the land between the inhabitants of the Borough of Finchley and those of other parts of the County, with the exception of any part set apart for the playing of organized games;

(*e*) To the Borough Council's not exercising in connection with the land, without the previous consent of the County Council, any powers obtained under a local Act in relation to the user of the land;

(*f*) To an agreement, in form approved by the Clerk of the County Council, being entered into with the Borough Council, embodying the above conditions and such other covenants and conditions as may be considered desirable for giving full effect to the arrangements."

In this connection it was reported that the consent of the Minister of Health to the raising by the Town Council of the necessary loan had been received and that the purchase of the land had been completed ; 1010

RECOMMENDED that the County Council be informed that the terms of the above-mentioned resolution are acceptable to the Town Council.

940 **Land—North Circular Road adjoining Brookside Walk :**

The following resolution passed by the Middlesex County Council arising out of the Town Council's application for a contribution towards the cost of acquiring the above land was submitted :—

"That, subject to the undermentioned conditions, a contribution be made to the Finchley Borough Council of a sum of £4,050, or of such less sum as shall be equivalent to 40 per cent. of the purchase money and legal expenses and of the vendors' surveyors' fees and compensation to tenants, if any, in connection with the acquisition by the Finchley Borough Council, for the purposes of a public open space, public park, walks or pleasure ground, of about 2.62 acres of land situate in the Borough of Finchley at the junction of the North Circular Road and Great North Way and coloured pink on the plan now submitted :—

(*a*) To the consent of the Minister of Health to the borrowing by the County Council of the amount of its contribution ;

(*b*) To the whole of the land being dedicated for the purposes of a public open space, public park, walks or pleasure ground ;

(*c*) To no buildings being erected on any part of the land other than lodges, bandstands, conveniences, lavatories, sports pavilions, refreshment rooms, shelters, sheds and buildings of a like nature, except with the consent of the County Council, which consent shall only be granted on condition that such buildings are to be used for purposes ancillary to the use of the land for the aforesaid purposes ;

(*d*) To there being no differentiation in the use of the land between the inhabitants of the Borough of Finchley and those of other parts of the County, with the exception of any part set apart for the playing of organized games ;

(*e*) To the Borough Council's not exercising in connection with the land, without the previous consent of the County Council, any powers obtained under a local Act in relation to the user of the land ;

(*f*) To an agreement, in form approved by the Clerk of the County Council, being entered into with the Borough Council, embodying the above conditions and such other covenants and conditions as may be considered desirable for giving full effect to the arrangements."

RECOMMENDED that the County Council be informed that the terms of the above-mentioned resolution are acceptable to the Town Council.

941 **Lyttelton Playing Fields—Cricket Pitch :**

Arising out of Minute No. 445 (b) (2), the Borough Surveyor submitted a letter received from the Hon. Secretary of the West Finchley Cricket Club accepting the terms offered by the Town Council for the tenancy of a cricket pitch at above, and stating that the rental proposed to be charged to the Henrietta Barnett School for the use of a portion of the out-field for the purpose of playing rounders was £10 ;

RECOMMENDED that such rental be approved.

942 **Northway Gardens—Tennis Courts :**

The Borough Surveyor reported hereon as follows :

"I have received a letter dated the 14th February, 1937, from Mr. P. A. Wilkins on behalf of the Hampstead Garden Suburb Free Church asking that two hard tennis courts may be let to his club at Northway Gardens, and on the authority of your Chairman arrangements have been made to let courts 'G' and 'H' at £30 per court for twelve months."

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

943 **Parks and Open Spaces Receipts :**

The Borough Treasurer's statement of the weekly receipts for tennis, etc., during the month of February, 1937, was submitted.

944 **Vale Farm :**

The Town Clerk reported as follows :—

"In accordance with the resolution of the Town Council, Notice to Quit was served upon Mr. H. Ball in respect of his tenancy of the stables at above.

Mr. Ball asked to be allowed an extension of one month to enable him to find other accommodation, and on the instructions of your Chairman this extension has been granted."

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

945 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

VYVYAN WELLS,

Chairman.

Education Committee's Report.

8th MARCH, 1937.

Present: Councillor Grocott (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), County Councillor Boggon, Councillors Burch, Langlands, Jones, Steward, Wilmot; Mrs. Miall, Mr. Merry.

Non-Members: Aldermen Briant and Pateman; Councillors Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy, Rutt and Wightman.

946 **Accounts:**

Accounts amounting to £5,680 15s. 3d. have been examined and approved for submission to the Finance Committee.

947 **School Attendance Return:**

The following are the school attendance figures for the month of February, 1937:—

School.	Average No. on Books.	Average Attendance.	Percentage.
Alder Senior	297	268	90.2
Alder Infants	133	113	84.9
Northside Senior	214	186	86.9
Northside Junior	473	422	89.2
Manorside Senior	265	239	90.1
Manorside Junior	528	460	87.1
Martin Junior	452	393	86.9
Summerside Junior	527	477	90.5
St. Mary's Junior	497	438	88.1
St. John's Junior	289	263	91.0
Christ Church Senior	188	168	89.3
Holy Trinity Junior	304	248	81.5
Our Lady of Lourdes Mixed	274	239	87.2
Totals	4441	3914	88.1

948 **Association of Superintendents of School Attendance Departments:**

RECOMMENDED that the Superintendent School Attendance Officer be authorised to attend the twenty-first annual conference of the Association of Superintendents of School Attendance Departments, to be held at Birmingham on the 24th, 25th and 26th May, 1937.

949 **Summerside School—Heating Apparatus:**

RECOMMENDED that the offer of Messrs. Prior Burners, Ltd., to inspect the heating apparatus at Summerside School each month during the heating season, at a cost of £5 0s. 0d. per annum, be accepted.

950 **Hendon Education Authority—New School:**

Notice has been given in accordance with the Education Act, 1921, that the Hendon Education Authority propose to provide a new public elementary school for about 400 children at Dole Street, in the Borough of Hendon.

951 **Christ Church School—Wear and Tear Repairs:**

The Managers have carried out repairs to stoves in the several classrooms, at a cost of £3 15s. 8d.

RECOMMENDED that the Education Authority contribute five-sixths of £3 15s. 8d., the cost of repairs to stoves effected by the Managers of Christ Church School.

952 **Special School Child:**

"A.W.C.", an epileptic and mentally defective boy who is being educated and maintained at the Lingfield Epileptic Colony, reaches the age of sixteen years in May, 1937.

A report from the Medical Superintendent of the Home, together with the observations of Dr. Turner, the School Medical Officer, have been considered.

RECOMMENDED that the boy be notified to the Middlesex County Council.

953 **Manorside School—Heating:**

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for advertisements to be issued inviting tenders for the reconditioning of the low pressure hot water heating system at Manorside School, during the summer holidays, 1937.

954 **Supply of Cleaning Materials:**

Quotations have been received for the supply of cleaning materials to the local elementary schools during the financial year 1937-1938.

RECOMMENDED that arrangements be made with the following firms for the supply of cleaning materials, at the prices submitted, to the schools named, during the year commencing 1st April, 1937:—

(i) **Messrs. J. Salmon & Son, Ltd., North Finchley:—**

Christ Church, Northside, St. John's and Summerside Schools.

(ii) **Messrs. Keenes Stores, East Finchley:—**

Alder, Holy Trinity, Martin and Our Lady of Lourdes Schools.

(iii) **Messrs. Allans House Wants, Finchley, N. 3:—**

Manorside and St. Mary's Schools.

955 **Swimming:**

A letter has been received from the Head Teachers' Association stating that the Head Teachers of the junior schools suggest that children who reach the age of ten years during the summer season should be allowed to attend the Baths for swimming instruction at the beginning of the season at the discretion of the Head Teachers.

At present only children of eleven years of age and over are allowed to attend the Baths for swimming instruction.

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to children who are not less than ten years of age during the summer term receiving instruction in swimming in so far as the present swimming time-table permits.

956 **Coronation Celebrations—Royal Procession:**

An offer has been made, through the Board of Education, for free standing room to be reserved on Constitution Hill for eighteen Finchley elementary school children, accompanied by two adults, to view the Coronation Procession on 12th May, 1937.

On the authority of the Chairman this offer has been accepted and a coach has been reserved to convey the children.

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the action taken be approved.

(*b*) that the arrangements for the selection of the children, and the two adults, be left in the hands of the Chairman of the Education Committee and the Director of Education.

(*c*) that the Education Authority undertake to pay the cost of £3 10s. 0d. for the hire of the coach.

957 **Aldershot Tattoo—Daylight Rehearsal, 8th June, 1937:**

A request has been received from a Headmaster for permission to make arrangements to take a party of children from his school to the daylight rehearsal of the Aldershot Tattoo, which will be held on Tuesday afternoon, 8th June, 1937.

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to parties of children being taken to the daylight rehearsal of the Aldershot Tattoo, on Tuesday afternoon, 8th June, 1937, subject to regard being given to the conditions applicable to educational visits.

958 **Salaries of Teachers—Annual Increments:**

Particulars relating to the revision of salaries of teachers, according to scale, have been considered. A copy of these particulars was circulated to each member with the agenda for the March meeting of the Education Committee.

RECOMMENDED that the annual increments due to the teachers on 1st April, 1937, calculated in accordance with the Burnham Award, 1925, amounting to £603 10s. 0d., be approved.

959 **Teaching Staff Vacancies:**

It is probable that three teaching vacancies will exist after the summer holidays, 1937.

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that authority be given to the Appointments Sub-Committee to visit Training Colleges to interview applicants for appointment in the Finchley Schools.

(*b*) that the Appointments Sub-Committee be authorised to offer appointments to not more than three certificated teachers to fill vacancies which will exist in the Council Schools in September, 1937, subject to report.

960 **Director of Education:**

Reference has been made to the resignation of Mr. T. Frost, which will take effect on 31st March, 1937.

The Committee have expressed their appreciation of the services rendered by Mr. Frost and extended to him their best wishes in his new appointment.

F. J. GROCOTT,

Chairman.

Coronation Celebrations Committee's Report

8th MARCH, 1937.

Present: Councillor Steward (Vice-Chairman), in the Chair, the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant, Pateman and Wells, and Councillors Baines, Brooksbank, Burch, Collis, Grobel, Hayter, Jones, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy, Norman, Rutt, Wightman and Wilmot.

961 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of meetings held on the 9th October and the 9th November, 1936, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

962 **Provisional Programme of the Finchley Burgesses Committee:**

The Honorary Secretary reported as follows:—

"The Finchley Burgesses Committee at their meeting on 25th February, 1937, approved a provisional programme of events.

A copy of such programme is attached to this report, and a copy of the proceedings of the various Sub-Committees has been already circulated to each member of the Town Council.

The Burgesses Committee had before them the estimates submitted by their Finance Committee, showing an estimated expenditure of £2,013, and an estimated income of £335—a net expenditure of £1,678.

It was intimated that of this sum it was proposed to include an amount of £430 in the estimates of the Education Committee, and it was therefore

RESOLVED that the Finchley Borough Council be asked to make further provision for meeting the balance of approximately £1,300."

RECOMMENDED that the provisional programme and the net estimated expenditure in connection therewith amounting to £1,678, be approved.

963 **Official Functions:**

The Committee had before them for consideration a list of suggestions as to the official ceremonies to be included in the Coronation Programme, and in connection therewith a letter was submitted from the Honorary Secretary of the Finchley Victoria Ladies' Bowling Club suggesting that the Town Council might include in the official programme the opening of the new Ladies' Bowling Green;

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the following ceremonies be held by the Town Council on Coronation Day:—

(a) Official Opening of new Ladies' Bowling Green at Victoria Recreation Ground;

(b) The planting of a Coronation oak tree in each of the following open spaces, the exact position in each case to be agreed by the Chairman of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee and the Borough Surveyor:—

(1) Avenue House Grounds;

(2) Glebe Land, at rear of Commemoration Tablet;

(3) Cherry Tree Wood;

(ii) that the Mayor be asked to perform the ceremonies in question;

(iii) that the actual times of the ceremonies and the arrangements in connection therewith be left to the Mayor, the Town Clerk and the Borough Surveyor to deal with, subject to report.

964 **Town's Torchlight Procession:**

It was intimated that the Finchley Burgesses Committee had expressed the hope that the Mayor and Members of the Corporation would lead the above procession on the evening of Coronation Day;

RECOMMENDED that such invitation be accepted.

965 **Street Decorations and Illuminations:**

(*a*) Decorations.—A schedule was submitted giving particulars of the shopping centres and public buildings which it was suggested might be decorated with the Council's existing stock of bunting, etc.;

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the schedule be approved;

(ii) that an expenditure of £100 for labour, etc., be approved; and

(iii) that the matter be left to the Borough Surveyor to deal with.

(*b*) Illuminations.—The recommendations of the Electricity Committee which had been adopted by the Town Council were reported;

RECOMMENDED that the matter be left to the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager to deal with.

966 **Use of Town Council's Stores, Plant, etc.:**

Following upon a request from the Finchley Burgesses Committee, it was

RECOMMENDED that the Committee be permitted the use of the services of Council employees and the loan of stores, plant, etc., in connection with the Coronation Celebrations, subject in each case to the approval of the Chief Officer concerned.

967 **Council Employees—Coronation Day:**

The Committee decided to make the following suggestion to the General Purposes Committee:—

"That so far as the public service permits all employees of the Town Council be released from duty on Coronation Day, with full pay, and that those employees who are required to remain on duty on that day be granted a holiday, with pay, on another day in lieu thereof."

968 **Coronation Emblems:**

A communication addressed to the Mayor was submitted from Captain W. G. Willcox, Honorary Organising Secretary for the Coronation Emblem Day, asking for the support of the Town Council in connection with this appeal, which was in aid of King George's Jubilee Trust Fund and the Prince of Wales' British Legion Pension Fund, and stating that the date selected for the sale of the Coronation Emblem, which it was confidently believed all would desire to wear as a mark of their devotion and loyalty to Their Majesties, was Monday, May 10th, for Greater London, and Saturday, May 8th, for all districts outside that area;

RECOMMENDED that as far as possible the Town Council support the scheme.

969 **Expenditure:**

The Committee considered generally the estimated expenditure of the Town Council in connection with the Celebrations, amounting to £1,800, as follows:—

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		£
(*a*)	Estimated net expenditure of the Finchley Burgesses Committee	1,678
(*b*)	Decoration of Streets and Public Buildings—labour, etc.	100
(*c*)	Cost of oak trees, and car hire in connection with official ceremonies and the Torchlight Procession	22
	Total	£1,800

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the expenditure referred to in (c) above be approved; and

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(2) that the total expenditure be referred to the Finance Committee to make the necessary financial arrangements.

HERBERT W. STEWARD,

Chairman, *pro tempore.*

Electricity Committee's Report.

9th MARCH, 1937.

Present: Councillor Caine (Chairman), Councillor Baines (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant, Pateman, Pike and Syrett, and Councillors Burch, Grobel and Hayter.

Non-Members: Councillors Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy, Rutt and Wilmot.

970 **Minutes:**

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

971 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved, subject as regards Item 8902 to typewriters of British manufacture being substituted for those proposed.

972 **Coal:**

It was reported that the present stock of coal was about 420 tons as compared with 350 tons at last meeting.

973 **Output, Maximum Demand and Load Factor:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager submitted the following report:-

	1935/36.	1936/37.	% Increase.
Units purchased during February	2,290,262	2,386,839	4.217
KW. of maximum demand during February	8,266	8,353	11.045
Units purchased April 1st, 1936—28th February, 1937	17,092,025	19,564,807	14.467
Highest M.D. recorded	8,423	9,263	9.972
			% Increase.
Monthly Load Factor—February	39.51%	42.75%	3.24

974 **Loan—Mains and Consumers' Connections:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that the existing loan for unspecified work in connection with mains and consumers' connections would be exhausted at the 31st March next;

RECOMMENDED that application be made to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to the borrowing by the Town Council of a further sum of £40,000, which it is estimated will be required to meet the commitments in respect of unspecified mains and services for a period of two years from the 1st April, 1937.

975 **Telephones:**

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the installation of G.P.O. telephones in the new showrooms at No. 8, New Parade, Hampstead Garden Suburb, and No. 66, High Road, North Finchley, respectively.

976 **Re-decoration of Dwellinghouse at Holne Chase Sub-Station:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that the dwellinghouse attached to Holne Chase Sub-Station, in the occupation of the Sub-Station Engineer, was now in need of re-decoration internally and externally;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the carrying out of the necessary work at a cost of approximately £42.

977 **Works Battery:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

"The storage battery at the Works has been maintained for the operation of station auxiliaries in the event of a failure of the Central Electricity Board's bulk supply, but as the maximum load now exceeds the capacity of the installed generating plant it would be useless to run the plant during a Grid failure.

This battery occupies a large amount of valuable space in the building which could be utilised for urgently needed additional office accommodation.

In these circumstances, therefore, I shall be glad of your authority to issue advertisements inviting tenders for the dismantling and removal of the battery.

It is anticipated that approximately £200 may be realised from the sale and it would be necessary to replace the battery by one of smaller capacity at an approximate cost of £330.

It is possible that the whole or a portion of the cost of a new battery could be recovered from the Joint Electricity Authority."

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for (a) advertisements to be issued inviting tenders for the dismantling and removal of the battery, and

(b) the purchase of a new battery of smaller capacity at a total estimated cost of £330.

Arising on (b) above, it was reported that the battery would be purchased in component parts as required.

978 **Applications for Supply:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager submitted the following report:—

Total number of applications received for supply	15,533	=	40,495 kw.
Number reported at last meeting	15,338	=	40,039 kw.
Increase	195	=	456 kw.

979 **Domestic Tariff:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

	Jan.	Feb.	Increase.
Total enquiries received	1,702	1,795	93
Application forms completed	1,207	1,311	104

In accordance with your instructions I give below a schedule indicating the respective ranges of rateable values of those consumers who have adopted the Two-Part Domestic Tariff:—

	Number of Consumers.	Percentage
Not yet assessed	7	0.5
Assessments under £25	69	5.3
Assessments from £26—£60	917	70.0
Assessments from £61—£100	266	20.2
Assessments from £101—£175	47	3.6
Assessments over £175	5	0.4
	1,311	100.0

980 **Extension of Mains:**

It was reported that since last meeting mains had been laid as under:—

Winnington Road,
Netherfield Road,
Nether Street,
Holden Road;

further, that as a matter of urgency mains had also been laid as follows:—

Position.	Estimated Cost. £
Hutton Grove	303
Brownlow Road	279
Denison Close	424
Ballards Lane Sub-Station to Brownlow Road	198
New Trinity Road	503

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

981 **Change-over Procedure:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

"As the Committee are aware, I am taking the opportunity when changes of tenancy occur of affording the new consumers, wherever possible, a supply by means of Alternating Current.

A case has arisen where the new tenant has taken over a house which is fitted with two Direct Current motors which were installed by the builder some years ago. It does not appear equitable that the new occupier of the property should be put to the expense of changing these motors as he was unaware, at the time of entering into an agreement to lease or purchase the property, that the system of supply would be changed.

Subject to the Committee's approval I propose that in all cases where advantage is taken of a change of tenancy to afford an A.C. supply, the cost of changing over any motors or special apparatus forming part of the house itself, i.e., ventilating motors or motors for heating apparatus, should be borne by the Department."

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

982 **Accounts and Works Sub-Committee:**

It was reported that a meeting of the Sub-Committee had been held on the 3rd March, 1937, and a report of the proceedings thereat was submitted. Arising thereon, it was reported:—

(1) Accounts and Requisitions.—That the Sub-Committee had passed for payment the accounts submitted and approved the requisitions.

(2) Dormant Deposits.—That the Borough Treasurer had submitted a statement showing a number of deposits which had not been claimed by persons who had for certain reasons ceased to be consumers, amounting to a sum of £49 19s. 1d.;

RECOMMENDED that the amount in question be transferred to the Revenue Account.

(3) Irrecoverable Arrears.—That the Sub-Committee had considered a list of irrecoverable arrears in respect of the second half of the year 1936/37, amounting to a sum of £44 15s. 2d.;

RECOMMENDED that the amounts shown in the list (circulated) be written off as irrecoverable.

(4) Payment of Accounts.—That in accordance with instructions, the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager and the Borough Treasurer had submitted further reports upon the proposal to render the accounts of certain consumers once in every quarter instead of monthly as at present; that it was pointed out that the proposed revision would effect a considerable saving of time, and further that each of the 17 cases concerned had been investigated.

In the circumstances, therefore, it was

RECOMMENDED that the 17 consumers set out in the list submitted be given the opportunity of receiving quarterly instead of monthly accounts, subject to any adjustment of deposits or such other conditions as may be set out in the before-mentioned list.

ELECTRICITY (*contd.*).

(5) Assessment of Undertaking.—That a letter had been received from Messrs. J. R. Eve & Son, Valuers, with regard to a proposal to increase the rateable value of the Undertaking from £9,237 to £11,110, and that the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager had been instructed to discuss the matter with Messrs. Eve & Son and to report further at a later meeting.

(6) Change-over, "Green Trees," The Bishop's Avenue.— That the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager had reported upon correspondence which he had had with Mr. J. Lindner, of "Green Trees," The Bishop's Avenue, in respect of the cost of change-over of an electric fan motor from D.C. to A.C.; that it had been pointed out that the change-over had been effected immediately prior to Mr. Lindner's occupation of the premises and that Mr. Lindner had stated that he was unaware of the fact that the motor would not be suitable for the supply available.

Having regard to all of the circumstances explained by the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager, it was

RECOMMENDED that the cost of the change-over in question, amounting to approximately £7, be borne by the Town Council.

(7) Advertising.—That the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager had reported upon a quotation which he had received for advertising in the "Finchley Review," but that he had been instructed to inform the Proprietor of the paper in question that the Town Council were not desirous of availing themselves of the offer;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(8) Staff.—

(*a*) Junior Mains Engineer.—That the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager was of the opinion that the designation of the post occupied by Mr. P. A. Ward should be altered from Junior Mains Engineer to Deputy Mains Engineer;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed and that the necessary action be taken in connection therewith.

(*b*) Junior Typist.—That the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager had reported that he had, in accordance with the authority of the Chairman, engaged Miss B. Morgan as a temporary Junior Typist in his Department at a salary of £65 per annum;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(9) Street Lighting.—That the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager had not been able to prepare his report on the above-mentioned matter, but that it would be circulated to members of the Town Council in time for consideration at the next meeting of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee.

(10) Architectural Surveyor of Works.—That, having regard to the fact that certain additional buildings and re-organisation of accommodation might be necessary in the future, an architectural survey of the Works would be of considerable value to the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager.

It was, therefore,

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager be empowered to engage Mr. Barrington Baker for the purpose of preparing a survey of the Works at a cost not exceeding £50.

983 **Accidents to Employees:**

It was reported that the under-mentioned employees had met with accidents since last meeting and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter:—

J. Davis.
C. Price.
W. Hillier.
E. J. Martin.

984 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

It was reported that a Morris Motor Car belonging to the Electricity Department was damaged in a collision on the 4th February, 1937, and that the matter had been dealt with.

985 **Electricity Undertaking—Development Programme—Proposed Loan—£10,000:**

A letter, dated 24th February, 1937, was submitted from the Electricity Commissioners stating that they had had under consideration the application of the Town Council for sanction to the borrowing of the sum of £10,000 in respect of a scheme for the provision of consumers' electrical apparatus and wiring installations in connection therewith for the purposes of the electricity undertaking; that it was understood from the Borough Electrical Engineer that the amount of the application was allocable as to £8,000 for apparatus and as to £2,000 for wiring installations in connection with such apparatus and that, in connection with the application, the Commissioners had had before them a copy of the report of the Borough Electrical Engineer giving particulars of the estimated financial results of the operation of a special scheme for the hiring of cookers.

It was added that the Commissioners had agreed to sanction the borrowing of the amount of the application, but that it was suggested, that it would be desirable to bring under review from time to time the financial results of the Cooker Scheme in order that the Town Council might satisfy themselves in regard thereto before the Scheme was developed beyond the scope contemplated by the present application.

Enclosed with the letter were the formal sanctions to the borrowing of the sum of £10,000, repayable as follows:—

	Amount.	Period.
Consumers' Electrical Apparatus — —	£8,000	7 years.
Consumers' Wiring Installations — —	£2,000	15 years.
	£10,000	

It was further stated that the sanctions were issued on the understanding that details of the expenditure actually incurred thereunder would be furnished to the Commissioners in due course, and the attention of the Town Council was drawn to the proviso which was attached to each sanction.

986 **Coronation:**

A letter, dated 17th February, 1937, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary (Employers' Side) of the Electricity Supply Industry (Area No. 10) as follows:—

"The Council have had the above matter under consideration and have decided to make the following recommendation to Constituent Members:—

ELECTRICITY (*contd.*).

'This Council recommends the Constituent Undertakers to concede a day's holiday with pay to all employees who are not called upon to work on Wednesday, May 12, 1937, the occasion of His Majesty's Coronation.

In view of the special event for which the holiday is granted, men who are called upon to work on that day should either—

(*a*) be granted a day's holiday with pay at some other convenient time, or

(*b*) be paid for all time worked on 12th May, 1937, at double time.' "

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that a day's holiday with pay be granted to all employees in the Electricity Department who are not called upon to work on Wednesday, the 12th May, 1937, the occasion of His Majesty's Coronation; and

(*b*) that men who are called upon to work on that day be granted a day's holiday with pay at some other convenient time.

987 **Land adjacent to the Electricity Works:**

(*a*) A letter, dated 1st March, 1937, was submitted from the Electricity Commissioners referring to the proposal of the Town Council to appropriate, for purposes of a school playing field, certain land acquired for the purposes of the Council's Electricity Undertaking and stating that the Commissioners saw no objection to the proposal.

It was, however, pointed out that the consent of the Commissioners to the disposal of the land was not required and that it would be necessary for the Council to obtain the consent of the Minister of Health in the matter;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be authorised to make application to the Minister accordingly.

(*b*) It was reported that the following resolution was passed at the last meeting of the Town Council on the recommendation of the Education Committee:—

"That the Town Clerk be asked to obtain the District Valuer's report on the value of the land in question with a view to its appropriation by the Local Education Authority."

Arising thereon, the Town Clerk intimated that he had communicated with the District Valuer on the matter and that he was awaiting his reply.

988 **Incorporated Municipal Electrical Association:**

A letter, dated 2nd March, 1937, was submitted from the Electricity Commissioners consenting, under the provisions of Section 30 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1919, to the payment out of the revenue of the Council's Electricity Undertaking of an annual subscription to the funds of the Incorporated Municipal Electrical Association in accordance with the current scale fixed by the Association. It was stated that the consent given was subject to review by the Commissioners as and when they might think necessary.

989 **Wayleave for Cables between Strathmore Gardens and the Electricity Works:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had been in communication with Mr. Walker hereon who had intimated his willingness to grant the necessary wayleave on the usual terms, namely, that the Town Council would make good any damage done to the existing roadway, etc., and had asked that the preparation of the necessary document might be put in hand providing for payment by the Town Council of a nominal rental;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the Solicitor be authorised to take the necessary steps in the matter;

(*b*) that payment of a rental of 5/- per annum be approved.

990 **Mains and Consumers' Services—Proposed Loan—£38,774 :**

A letter, dated 2nd March, 1937, was submitted from the Electricity Commissioners referring to previous correspondence in regard to the amount of £3,108 for re-connecting services provided for in the above-mentioned application, and stating that the Commissioners had now agreed to sanction the borrowing of the amount of £3,108 for services (re-connecting) repayable within a period of seven years.

It was added that the formal sanction was issued on the understanding that the amount sanctioned would be shewn in the Capital Account of the Electricity Undertaking as deferred expenditure, and that the amount so shewn would be reduced by the equivalent of each provision made for repayment of the loan raised in respect thereof, as and when such provision was made.

991 **Adjournment of Meeting :**

RESOLVED that the meeting be adjourned until Monday, the 15th March, 1937, at 8 p.m.

J. F. KNEALE CAINE,

Chairman.

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General Purposes Committee's Report.

10th MARCH, 1937.

Present: The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands) (Chairman), Alderman Briant (Vice-Chairman), Alderman Syrett and Councillors Collis, Jones and Rutt.

Non-Member: Councillor Mrs. Murphy.

992 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of meetings held on the 5th, 10th and 17th February, 1937, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

993 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved, subject as regards those for the ensuing year, to the Committee's estimates being approved by the Town Council.

994 **Closing of Municipal Offices—Easter Vacation:**

RECOMMENDED that the above Offices be closed on Good Friday, the following Saturday and on Easter Monday.

995 **British Architects' Conference—Leeds—1937:**

It was reported that a communication, dated 19th February, 1937, had been received from the Secretary to the Royal Institute of British Architects stating that it had been decided to invite Local Authorities to send to the above Conference representatives from their architectural staffs in a manner similar to that now in operation in connection with the Annual Conferences of other Professional Societies, and that he would be glad to receive, in due course, the names of the representatives whom the Council might wish to appoint;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken in regard thereto.

996 **Finchley Golf, Sports and Social Club, Ltd.:**

825 It was reported that the following resolution had been passed at the last meeting of the Town Council:—

"That the General Purposes Committee be asked to investigate the reason for the considerable increase in membership subscription imposed upon Finchley Ratepayers by Finchley Golf and Sports Club Ltd."

The Committee also had before them a letter, dated 3rd March, 1937 (circulated), received from the Secretary to the Club in regard to the matter.

A very full discussion ensued, and it was

RECOMMENDED that, in view of the fact that, so far as the Committee are aware there is no justification for the investigation referred to, no further action be taken in the matter.

997 **Children's Safety Committee:**

It was reported that the following recommendation of the Children's Safety Committee had been adopted at the last meeting of the Town Council:—

"That it be suggested to the General Purposes Committee that an amount of £100 be included in their Estimates to cover expenditure by the Children's Safety Committee during the financial year 1937-1938."

The Committee decided to make the necessary provision in their estimates for the ensuing financial year, and the matter was accordingly referred to the Finance Committee.

998 **Electricity Undertaking—Development Programme:**

The resolutions passed by the Town Council on the 15th February, 1937, in regard to the appointment of additional staff in connection with the above were reported and approved.

In view of the urgency of the matter a Sub-Committee consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and the Chairman of the Electricity Committee was appointed to make the appointments in question, subject to report;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

999 **Gift of Newspaper Cutting Book:**

It was reported that Alderman Wells had very kindly presented to the Town Council a book containing cuttings from local newspapers between the years 1888 and 1891 giving interesting and valuable reports relating to the work of the Finchley Local Board;

RECOMMENDED that the best thanks of the Town Council be accorded to Alderman Wells for his gift and that the volume be placed in the Members' Room.

1000 **Post Office Telephone Service:**

The Town Clerk submitted print of a publication issued by the Post Office Authorities entitled "Progress in the London Telecommunications Region, 1936."

1001 **Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922:**

(*a*) Additional Designated Posts.—

(i) A letter, dated 26th February, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Health stating that the Minister had approved the resolution passed by the Town Council on the 22nd February, 1937, designating, as established posts for the purposes of the Act, the under-mentioned positions:—

Junior Clerk—Town Clerk's Department.
Junior Clerk—Borough Treasurer's Department.

(ii) **RECOMMENDED** that, subject to the approval of the Minister of Health, the under-mentioned posts be designated as established posts under the Act and that such posts be occupied by the persons indicated as from and including the 1st April, 1937:—

Name.	Post.
Martin, H. J.	Junior Assistant, Public Library.
Moore, Miss M. S.	Junior Assistant, Public Library.
Barter, C.	Junior Assistant, Public Library.
Jackson, H. W.	Caretaker, North Finchley District Library.

(*b*) Vacant Designated Posts.—

RECOMMENDED that the persons named in column (1) of the following statement occupy, as from and including the 1st April, 1937, the posts set opposite to their respective names:—

Name. (1).	Designated Post. (2).
Barnett, S. H.	Roads Superintendent.
Munday, A. C.	Assistant Roads Superintendent.

1002 **Avenue House :**

The Town Clerk reported hereon as follows :—

"The Air Raid Precautions Committee at their last meeting considered letters received from the Chairman and from the Hon. Secretary of the Finchley and Friern Barnet Branch of the British Red Cross Society which had been referred to that Committee by your Committee, asking if the Town Council would be prepared to remit the annual charge of £15 at present paid by them for accommodation at Avenue House, when it was agreed, in view of the services rendered by the Society in connection with the Town Council's Air Raid Precautions Scheme, to make to that Society a grant of £15 in lieu of any charges or fees in connection with the services in question.

It was also agreed to consider the matter further in one year's time."

1003 **Coronation Procession :**

The Town Clerk reported receipt of a communication, dated 1st March, 1937, from the Secretary to the Non-County Boroughs Association as follows :—

"An intimation has been received from the Minister of Health that it is the intention of the Government to place 590 seats on the Stands now being erected on the processional route at the disposal of representatives of all the Non-County Boroughs. The precise position of the seats has not yet been determined, but the price will be 15/- per seat on an uncovered Stand and 22/6d. on a covered one. The tickets must not be sold. The distribution of the tickets will be entrusted by the Government to the Association of Municipal Corporations and the Non-County Boroughs Association. As some towns belong to both Associations and some to one only or to neither, it is necessary to insure that there shall be no overlapping nor that any town shall be left out. It therefore appears desirable that the distribution of the tickets and the collection of the money should be in the hands of one person. Accordingly by arrangement between the two Associations the work will be undertaken by Sir Harry Pritchard, the Secretary of the Association of Municipal Corporations, of Palace Chambers, Bridge Street, Westminster, S.W. 1., and you will receive a communication from him in due course.

The Executive Committee desire me to acquaint you with the intentions of the Government."

1004 **Staff :**

(*a*) Absence through Illness.—The names of those members of the staff who had been absent through illness since the last ordinary meeting were submitted, together with the necessary medical certificates.

(*b*) Town Clerk's Department—Appointment of Temporary Typist.—The Town Clerk reported as follows :—

"In consequence of the illness of two typists in my Department a temporary typist was, with the approval of the Chairman of the Committee, engaged for a period of two weeks and two days at a cost at the rate of £3 10s. 0d. a week.

As the work in the Department will be very heavy during the next two or three months, I shall be glad if the Committee will authorise the appointment of a temporary typist."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the action taken be approved ;

(*b*) that the Town Clerk be authorised to appoint a temporary typist at a wage of £2 10s. 0d. a week.

(*c*) Borough Surveyor's Department—Appointment of Assistant Roads Superintendent.—It was reported that the Sub-Committee authorised to deal with the above matter had appointed Mr. A. C. Munday, of Surbiton, to the position on the terms mentioned in the advertisement, subject to his passing the necessary medical examination, and that he would commence his duties on the 22nd March, 1937.

(*d*) Public Library—Avenue House—Resignation of Junior Assistant.—The reference from the Public Libraries Committee hereon was reported, and instructions were given for advertisements to be issued forthwith inviting applications for the position of Junior Library Assistant at a commencing salary of £65 per annum and in accordance with the scale approved by the Town Council on the 22nd February, 1937 :

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the action taken be approved;

(*b*) that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and the Chairman of the Public Libraries Committee be authorised to make the appointment, subject to report.

(*e*) Borough Treasurer's Department—Junior Clerk.—The Borough Treasurer reported that Mr. C. S. Merryweather had tendered his resignation as Junior Clerk as from and including the 29th March, 1937.

Instructions were thereupon given for advertisements to be issued forthwith inviting applications for the position at a commencing salary of £65 per annum and in accordance with Grade A of the Town Council's Grading Scheme;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the action taken be approved;

(*b*) that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and the Chairman of the Finance Committee be authorised to make the appointment, subject to report.

1005 **Council Employees—Coronation Day:**

The following recommendation of the Coronation Celebrations Committee was submitted:—

"That so far as the public service permits all employees of the Town Council be released from duty on Coronation Day, with full pay, and that those employees who are required to remain on duty on that day be granted a holiday, with pay, on another day in lieu thereof."

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised thereto so far as this Committee is concerned.

1006 **Council Employees—Regulations as to Sick and Accident Pay and Holidays:**

The Committee had before them the following communication received from the Finchley and District Trades' Council:—

"I am instructed to inform you that at its last meeting this Council passed the following resolution:—

'That the attention of this Trades Council be directed to the Resolution on holidays passed at the Plymouth T.U.C. and that letters urging the adoption of the principle therein contained be forwarded without delay to such quarters as the Trades Council in session may determine.'

The Plymouth resolution referred to is:—

'That this Congress, taking into account the vital interests of the health of all workers, calls upon the General Council to take the necessary action to secure legislation making compulsory for all employers to grant to their employees a fortnights holiday with pay each year, exclusive of bank and public holidays, and including the other points covered by the Convention on Holidays with pay, adopted at the recent I.L.O. Conference. That this shall be recommended for adoption by all local and public authorities.'

This Council wishes to urge the Borough Council to adopt the Plymouth Resolution, and to give effect to it in all cases where the Borough Council is an employer of labour. A deputation consisting of delegates from all working class organisations in Finchley is being arranged under the auspices of the Council, and I am instructed to ask you what arrangements you are prepared to make for the reception of this deputation."

In this connection the Deputy Mayor reported upon a conference which he had had with the Chief Officers of the Town Council, when the question of annual holidays and also the payment of wages during sickness and disablement was discussed, and arising thereon draft revised regulations were submitted;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that as from the 1st April, 1937, the following rules apply, in place of the existing rules, to all workpeople in the service of the Corporation who are comprised within the following groups :—

(*a*) Those who hold designated posts in the Council's Superannuation Scheme (including caretakers of "non-provided" schools) and are in consequence excepted from National Health Insurance contributions ;

(*b*) Those who do not hold designated posts but have completed six months' continuous service in the employment of the Corporation, and are subject to National Health Insurance contributions.

PAYMENTS DURING SICKNESS.

Group (A). During periods of absence not exceeding in the aggregate three months in any financial year (April to March), full wages for four weeks, and half wages for nine weeks ; thereafter at the discretion of the General Purposes Committee on the recommendation of the employing Committee ; the appropriate Officer to report to the latter Committee upon all employees who are absent for a period exceeding four weeks : Provided that, in order to satisfy the terms of the Certificate of Exception granted to the Council under the National Health Insurance Acts, the benefit paid during absence through sickness shall be at least 15/- weekly for the first 26 weeks of absence and thereafter 7/6d. per week during continuance of illness.

Group (B). During periods of absence not exceeding in the aggregate three months in any financial year (April to March), full wages for four weeks, and half wages for nine weeks, less ordinary sickness benefit under the National Health Insurance Acts ; thereafter at the discretion of the General Purposes Committee on the recommendation of the employing Committee ; the appropriate Officer to report to the latter Committee upon all employees who are absent for a period exceeding four weeks.

(*N.B.—Such employees continue to receive sickness benefit under the Acts, viz., 15/– per week until the expiration of 26 weeks from commencement of illness and thereafter 7/6d. per week during continuance of illness*).

ACCIDENT PAY.

When absence is due to an accident or disease for which weekly sums are payable under the Workmen's Compensation Acts, full wages shall be paid during the continuance of the disability, provided that the appropriate Officer shall report to the General Purposes Committee in the case of any employee who is absent for a period exceeding three months.

HOLIDAYS.

Every employee shall be entitled to an annual holiday, with pay as follows :—

After one year's continuous service	.....	6 working days ;
After 2 years' continuous service	.....	9 working days ;
After 3 years' continuous service	.....	12 working days ;

Provided—

(i) that, as regards employees in the Electricity Department who are subject to the conditions of service approved by the District Council (No. 10) London Area for the Electricity Supply Industry,

either those conditions so far as they affect the question of holidays or the regulations regarding the other employees of the Council shall apply which ever are the more favourable ; and

(ii) that this rule shall not apply to—

(*a*) Fire Brigade employees, who shall be entitled after completing 12 months' service to an annual holiday as follows :—

Second Officer—21 days, including Sundays ;

Station Officer—18 days, including Sundays ;

Firemen—14 days, including Sundays ;

(*b*) School Cleaners (Female), who shall be entitled after completing 12 months' service to an annual holiday of—

6 working days, with pay such as would ordinarily be earned in that period.

(2) that a copy of the foregoing Rules, so far as they relate to annual holidays, be forwarded to the Finchley and District Trades' Council.

1007 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

W. C. LANGLANDS,

Chairman.

Finance Committee's Report.

11th MARCH, 1937.

Present: Alderman Syrett (Chairman), Councillor Hayter (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Brooksbank, Burch, Grobel and Rutt.

Non-Members: Aldermen Briant and Pateman, and Councillors Jones, Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Murphy.

1008 **Minutes:**

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

1009 **Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts:**

(*a*) Advance—£440.—

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, subject to satisfactory references being received, an advance with interest at the appropriate rate in force at the date of completion of the Mortgage be made to the applicant whose name is set out below:—

No.	Name.	Property.	Nature of Interest.	Amount applied for £	Period for repayment. Years.	Purchase price. £	Valuation. £
986	Grimsey, A. W.	54, Naylor Road, N. 20	L. 91 years	440	20	600	550

(2) that the Town Clerk take up from the Public Works Loan Board the sum of £440, being the amount of such advance;

(3) that the Town Clerk be authorised to approve the Order for Certificate;

(4) that the Corporate Seal be affixed thereto and to the Receipt therefor;

(5) that the fee of the Public Works Loan Board be paid by the Town Council.

In accordance with the authority delegated to this Committee, it was

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Public Works Loan Board for advance to the Town Council of the sum of £440.

(*b*) The Borough Treasurer reported as follows:—

(i) Approved Advances.—That, including the sum recommended at this meeting, advances amounting to £664,355 had been approved.

(ii) Advances Repaid.—That in the under-mentioned cases the principal outstanding had been paid, together with all interest charges:—

Mortgage No.	Rate of Interest.	Proprietor.	Premises.
140	5¼%	Smith, M. (Miss)	"Bracklyn," Lansdowne Road.
163	5¼%	Wheeler, H. W.	3, Elmhurst Avenue.
635	5¼%	Hore, T. (deceased)	42, Naylor Road.
730	5¼%	Court, C. E.	37, Nethercourt Avenue.

(iii) Advances Outstanding.—That the number of advances now outstanding was 475, representing a sum of £188,331.

1010 **Consents to Loans:**

The Town Clerk reported the receipt from the Ministry of Health of the under-mentioned consents to loans:—

Purpose.	Amount.	Period for Repayment. (not exceeding).
	£	
(*a*) Acquisition of land rear of Broughton Avenue for Public Walks and Pleasure Grounds	2,320	60 years.
(*b*) Erection of Pavilion and Conveniences—Lyttelton Playing Fields	4,662	30 years.
(*c*) Erection of Pavilion for Bowling Green, Glebe Lane	1,100	30 years.
(*d*) Acquisition of land, Totteridge Lane, for Public Walks and Pleasure Grounds	4,815	60 years.

1011 **The Barnet District Gas and Water Company.**
The Colne Valley Water Company:

The Reports of the Directors and Statements of Accounts of the above Companies for the year ended 31st December, 1936, were submitted.

1012 **Erection of Mortuary:**

The recommendations of the Public Health Committee in regard to the above were reported;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that no objection on financial grounds be raised thereto; and

(2) that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £2,900 for the erection of a Mortuary.

1013 **Bowling Green, Glebe Land—Access from High Road:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had received from the Ministry of Health consent to the utilisation of a sum of £75, being part of the loan of £1,010 raised under the authority of the consent issued on the 13th January, 1936, for the construction of a footpath from the High Road to the above bowling green.

He further reported that in a covering letter it was pointed out that the consent of the lenders would be required to the Council's proposal.

1014 **Electricity Undertaking—Sanctions to Loans:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had received from the Electricity Commissioners sanctions to the raising of the under-mentioned loans in connection with the Electricity Undertaking:—

Purpose.		Amount.	Period for Repayment. (not exceeding).
		£	
Development Programme:—			
Consumers' Electrical Apparatus	£8,000	10,000	7 years.
Consumers' Wiring Installations	£2,000		15 years.
Mains and Consumers' Services		3,108	7 years.

1015 **Re-construction of Overhead Equipment for Trolleybus Operation—Lighting Alterations:**

The recommendations of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee in regard to the above were reported and considered:

RECOMMENDED that no objection on financial grounds be raised thereto.

FINANCE (*contd.*)

1016 **Celebration of the Coronation:**

The Town Clerk reported that at the last meeting of the Coronation Celebrations Committee it was decided to inform this Committee that the following was an estimate of the expenditure proposed in connection with the Celebration of the Coronation:—

962/969

	£	£
Estimated net expenditure of the Finchley Burgesses Committee as per details approved by the Coronation Celebrations Committee		1,678
Estimated expenditure of the Town Council:—		
Labour, etc.—decorations	100	
Car hire, planting of 3 Coronation Oaks, opening of Ladies' Ladies' Bowling Green	22	122
		£1,800

RECOMMENDED that the estimate be approved.

1017 **Children's Safety Committee:**

The recommendations of the General Purposes Committee in regard to the above were reported, and it was decided to raise no objection on financial grounds thereto.

1018 **Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants:**

The Borough Treasurer reported that the fifty-second Annual Conference of the above Institute would be held at Bournemouth from the 15th to 18th June next, and that an invitation had been extended to the Council to appoint delegates to attend;

RECOMMENDED that the Chairman of the Committee and the Borough Treasurer be appointed to attend the Conference on behalf of the Town Council.

1019 **Rating and Valuation Act, 1925—Amendment of Rate:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted a list of such amendments of the current rate as appeared to be necessary in order to make the rate conform to the provisions of Part 1 of the above Act;

RECOMMENDED that such list be approved and signed by the Chairman of the Committee on behalf of the Rating Authority.

1020 **Resurfacing Gainsborough Road:**

995

The reference from the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee in regard to the above was reported;

RECOMMENDED that in the circumstances the loan application authorised by the Council for the re-surfacing of Gainsborough Road be not proceeded with.

1021 **Loans Account—Transfers:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement of transfers to be made from the above account on the 31st March, 1937, in the exercise of the statutory borrowing powers described:—

Date of Sanction.	Amount of Sanction. £	Period. years.	Particulars.	Amount of Transfer. £	s.	d.
General Rate Fund Capital:—						
19/ 6/35	100	15	S.D. Works—high level filters	80	0	0
12/ 2/37	2,320	60	Open Space—rear of Broughton Avenue	2,320	0	0
3/12/36	1,004	20	Victoria Recreation Ground—Ladies' Bowling Green	1,004	0	0
1/12/36	1,125	15	Squires Lane Bath—purification plant.....	1,125	0	0
24/ 6/36	1,215	10	Dennis Motor Fire Combination	1,215	0	0
8/ 3/37	4,815	60	Open Space—near Totteridge Lane	4,815	0	0
—	—	—	Housing (No. 3 Scheme) re bonds to be redeemed 31/3/37, etc.	13,312	13	5
				£23,871	13	5
Electricity Capital:—						
27/ 6/36	8,527	25	Extension No. 38—Mains	8,527	0	0
10/ 7/36	15,060	10	,, 39—Meters	5,000	0	0
19/ 8/36	402	10	,, 41—Meter testing equipment	402	0	0
30/12/36	4,970	25	,, 45—Mains	4,970	0	0
2/12/36	3,137	25	,, 43—Mains	3,137	0	0
2/12/36	7,310	20	,, 43—Plant	7,310	0	0
30/12/36	6,917	20	,, 44—Plant	6,917	0	0
27/10/36	201	10	,, 46—Buildings	100	0	0
2/11/36	35,666	25	,, 47—Mains	15,000	0	0
29/12/36	5,200	25	,, 48—Mains and services	5,000	0	0
29/12/36	2,178	20	,, 48—Plant	2,000	0	0
29/12/36	3,397	7	,, 48—Changing Consumers' apparatus	3,000	0	0
10/12/36	1,004	15	,, 50—Fencing	700	0	0
9/12/36	502	7	,, 51—Mains equipment	502	0	0
				£62,565	0	0
			Total Transfer	£86,436	13	5

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council approve the transfer from the loans account of the amounts above referred to.

1022 **Consolidated Loans Fund:**

The Borough Treasurer reported as follows:—

"I shall be glad to have authority to proceed with the preparation, in consultation with the Ministry of Health, of a draft Consolidated Loans Fund Scheme for subsequent adoption by the Council.

In my Special Report on Loans which I submitted in September last I mentioned that such a scheme could be established subject to the Minister of Health's approval under the powers conferred upon the Council by the Middlesex County Council Acts of 1930 and 1934."

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Treasurer be authorised to proceed with the preparation, in consultation with the Ministry of Health, of a draft consolidated loans fund scheme for adoption by the Council in due course.

1023 **Insurances:**

(*a*) General.—The Borough Treasurer reported that he had circulated to each member of the Town Council a schedule giving particulars of insurance quotations which had been considered by the Finance Accounts and General Sub-Committee at its last meeting, together with a note of their recommendations as to acceptance;

RECOMMENDED that the recommendations of the Sub-Committee as outlined in the schedule be adopted, and that the Borough Treasurer take such steps as may be necessary to give effect thereto.

FINANCE (*contd.*)

(*b*) Plate Glass.—The Borough Treasurer reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Committee, he had insured with the Royal Insurance Company, Limited, about 300 sheets of glass against risk of breakage at an annual premium of £8 10s. 0d., less commission;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1024 **General Rate Fund and Housing Accounts—Irrecoverable Amounts:**

A statement giving particulars of the above was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the several sums amounting to £147 6s. 8d. be written off as irrecoverable;

(2) that the Chairman of the Committee be authorised to sign the statement on behalf of the Town Council; and

(3) that in future the Borough Treasurer be instructed to submit to the Committee each month a report as to housing arrears.

1025 **Rate Collection for Period 1st October, 1936 to 27th February, 1937:**

The following statement was submitted by the Borough Treasurer:—

	£		£
Arrears of former Rates	6,249	Amount of Rate collected as per previous report	177,583
Estimated Product of Rate—half-year 1st October, 1936, to 31st March, 1937	191,455	Amount collected 1st—27th February, 1937	9,953
Additions to Rate—new assessments, etc.	8,396	Rate outstanding	18,564
	£206,100		£206,100

1026 **Receipts and Payments—February:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement:—

Fund or Account.	Receipts.	Payments.
	£	£
General Rate Fund Revenue	14,697	27,166
Education Revenue	2,014	5,172
Electricity Revenue	17,671	14,349
Housing Revenue	1,896	519
General Rate Fund Capital	520	8,945
Electricity Capital	19	3,244
Education Capital	—	—
Loans	—	—
Superannuation Fund	659	294
	£37,476	£59,689

1027 **Statement of Bank Balances—10th March, 1937:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement:—

Fund or Account.	Debit. £ s. d.	Credit. £ s. d.
General Rate Fund Revenue		49,704 15 11
Education Revenue	923 7 2	
Electricity Revenue		34,695 7 6
Housing Revenue		7,068 7 6
General Rate Fund Capital		9,201 0 6
Education Capital	118 12 7	
Electricity Capital		13,413 17 10
Loans	98,351 10 1	
Salaries		128 8 0
Advance	8,378 16 0	
Suspense		735 12 4
Totals	£107,772 5 10	£114,947 9 7
Net Balance		£7,175 3 9
Superannuation Fund		£8,762 0 8

1028 **Summary of Accounts Approved and Recommended for Payment:**

The following is a summary of the Accounts included in the Interim Order on Treasurer, and in the Order on Treasurer to be submitted to the Council for approval:—

	Interim Order. £ s. d.	Council Order. £ s. d.	Total. £ s. d.
General Rate Fund Revenue	4,559 7 2	44,998 19 9	49,558 6 11
Education Revenue	189 13 4	5,664 13 5	5,854 6 9
Electricity Revenue	3,343 11 8	18,761 14 7	22,105 6 3
Housing Revenue		4,466 4 2	4,466 4 2
General Rate Fund Capital	1,425 9 2	15,430 5 4	16,855 14 6
Electricity Capital		9,486 0 9	9,486 0 9
Loans	8 2 6	43 14 7	51 17 1
Superannuation Fund		295 11 10	295 11 10
	£9,526 3 10	£99,147 4 5	£108,673 8 3

1029 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Town Clerk, as entered in his Instruction Book, be approved.

C. S. SYRETT,

Chairman.

Finance Committee's Report.

(Special Meeting.)

11th MARCH, 1937.

Present: Alderman Syrett (Chairman), Councillor Hayter (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Brooksbank, Burch, Caine, Grobel, Norman and Rutt.

Non-Members: Aldermen Briant, Pateman and Pike, and Councillors Baines, Collis, Jones, Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Murphy.

1030 **Estimates—Year ending 31st March, 1938:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the Estimates of Income and Expenditure for the above mentioned period, which had been approved by the several spending Committees, together with a report thereon, from which it appeared that the total rate requirements for the year were as follows:—

Net Estimated Expenditure of Spending Committees:—

	£	£
Allotments	279	
Education—Elementary	51,189	
Higher	127	
Finance	785	
General Purposes	34,322	
Highways and Fire Brigade	55,403	
Housing	4,443	
Parks and Open Spaces	20,071	
Public Health	46,376	
Public Libraries	7,509	
Town Planning	195	
		220,699

Estimated Requirements of Precepting Authorities:—

	£	
Middlesex County Council	183,027	
Metropolitan Police	37,631	
North Middlesex Assessment Committee	383	
		221,041
Total Estimated Rate Requirements		441,740
Less General Exchequer Grant (estimated)		39,500
Net General Rate Requirements		£402,240

The Borough Treasurer further reported that the estimated surplus on the General Rate Fund at 31st March, 1937, amounted to £15,277.

After full consideration of the detailed estimates, the Committee decided to request the Committees mentioned below to amend their estimates as follows:—

	Reduction. £	Addition. £
Education.—		
Loan Charges—School Extension and Clinic	335	
General Purposes.—		
New Municipal Offices—Salaries	1,632	
Highways and Fire Brigade.—		
Widening Nether Street, opposite site of Courthouse—Loan Charges		92
Housing.—		
Red Lion Hill—Loan Charges	691	
Public Health.—		
Loan Charges—Clinic	222	
Joint Hospital Precept	300	
	£3,180	£92
Net Reduction		£3,088

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the detailed estimates, as amended, be approved ; and

(2) that, in order to meet the total estimated net expenditure to be incurred by the Town Council during the year ending 31st March, 1938, the sum of £13,832 be appropriated from the estimated surplus at 31st March, 1937 (leaving a balance of £1,445) in aid of the rate and that the Town Council at its meeting on the 5th April, 1937, approve a rate of 9/6d. in the £ (estimated to produce £385,320) as shown by the following statement :—

	£	£
Net Expenditure of Spending Committees—(£220,699—£3,088)		217,611
Precepting Authorities		221,041
		438,652
Less :—		
General Exchequer Grant	39,500	
Appropriation from estimated balance at 31st March, 1937	13,832	
		53,332
Amount to be produced by a rate of 9/6d. in the £		£385,320

C. S. SYRETT,

Chairman.

Air Raid Precautions Committee's Report.

16th MARCH, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (in the Chair), Mrs. E. G. Hammond, Dr. J. D. Holmes, and Messrs. W. S. Murphy and S. J. Stillwell.

Non-Member: Councillor Mrs. Murphy.

1031 **Chair:**

The Town Clerk reported that Alderman Briant had stated that he would not be able to attend the meeting, and further that Councillor Baines had intimated that it was his intention to resign the position of Vice-Chairman of the Committee.

In the circumstances, therefore, it was

RESOLVED that Councillor Rutt be appointed Vice-Chairman of the Committee for the remainder of the present Municipal Year.

Councillor Rutt then occupied the Chair.

1032 **Minutes:**

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

1033 **Constitution of Committee:**

RECOMMENDED that Miss Vickery (the Superintendent of the Finchley and Southgate Women's Section of the St. John Ambulance Brigade) and Mr. E. Clark (Transport Officer of the Finchley Rotary Club) be co-opted as Members of this Committee.

1034 **Draft Air Raid Precautions Scheme:**

Referring to Minute No. 798, the Committee considered reports of the appropriate Officers upon sections of the Home Office Draft Scheme referred to them for further consideration at last meeting:—

Item No. in Home Office Scheme.	Report of Officer.	Recommendation and/or Instruction of Committee (if any).
2. Arrangements for the protection of public caught in streets during raids.	The Borough Surveyor reported:— "I should be glad if the Committee would consider places of public worship in the district as suitable for giving shelter to the public caught in the streets during an air raid. Other structures which might be utilised are cinemas and certain workshops. A list of such buildings will be available at your meeting, together with a district map showing the positions. If these are deemed suitable and the necessary permission could be obtained, the principal provision to be made would be sand-bagging against splinters and the erection of curtains, etc., to exclude (a) light and (b) gas. Provision of steel shelters in public open spaces and elsewhere for the protection of the public might be considered. There are, of course, many details to be borne in mind in this respect and the Committee may think it desirable to have a further report when a qualified anti-gas instructor has been appointed."	The Borough Surveyor was instructed to approach the owners or persons responsible for the buildings set out in the list submitted by him, with a view to such buildings being earmarked as emergency shelters, and to report further at a later meeting.

Item No. in Home Office Scheme.	Report of Officer.	Recommendation and/or Instruction of Committee (if any).
3. General advice to the public. (Flooding of premises).	The Borough Surveyor reported:— "With regard to the flooding of premises, there would appear to be very little danger to be anticipated in Finchley from this cause as the Borough is not flat or basin shaped and any burst sewers or water mains would discharge into the nearest streams. The sewers of large size are for the most part near valleys. With regard to the question of water mains, I have obtained from the Barnet District Gas and Water Co., a plan showing their mains over 6ins. in diameter with positions of sluice valves, and the addresses of the nearest turncocks will be provided. No canals or reservoirs are situated in Finchley which could burst their walls and prove a danger. Ordinary cellars could be pumped out at leisure."	
4. Protection of public undertakings.	It was reported that the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager would not be in a position to report on this matter so far as he was concerned until next meeting, and the Borough Surveyor stated that the only key point under the jurisdiction of his Department was the Broughton Avenue Pumping Station which, however, would not present any serious difficulties.	
5. Restriction of public lighting.	(a) The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that so far as he was concerned he would be in a position to report on this matter at next meeting. (b) In connection with traffic lights and street lighting, the Borough Surveyor reported that certain tests had been carried out at Bedford and that in the circumstances it might be considered advisable to await additional information from the Home Office.	A further report to be submitted when the additional information from the Home Office is available.
6. First Aid Posts.	(a) Arrangements for gas and splinter proofing; (b) Arrangements for darkening, i.e., no lights visible external to the building. The Borough Surveyor and the Medical Officer of Health reported that these matters were receiving their consideration; that plans and lists of materials required were being prepared and that a further report would be submitted in due course. (c) Medical Stores.—The Medical Officer of Health reported that this matter was receiving his attention and that he was in communication with a firm of Chemists thereon.	Samples to be obtained and a further report to be submitted in due course.
7. Decontamination of streets, buildings, vehicles and other material objects.	It was reported by the Borough Surveyor that he understood that the Police were not yet in a position to advise the Town Council on the question of scheduling areas to receive priority treatment.	

Item No. in Home Office Scheme.	Report of Officer.	Recommendation and/or Instruction of Committee (if any).
8. Decontamination and/or destruction of clothing, bedding, food stuffs and animals.	The Borough Surveyor reported that he was of the opinion that many details had to be borne in mind in connection with the preparation of plans for making laundries gas and splinter proof and suggested that the Committee might think it desirable to have a further report when a qualified anti-gas instructor had been appointed.	Pending the training of Finchley men at the Anti-Gas School, the Borough Surveyor was instructed to avail himself of the offer of the Local Division of the St. John Ambulance Brigade to provide qualified anti-gas instructors for the purpose of training the staff required for decontamination centres, etc. The Borough Surveyor was also instructed to have available the materials required for this section.
9. Rescue parties and clearance of the debris.	The Borough Surveyor reported:— "This part of the scheme generally has been already dealt with. A list of firms who are likely to keep such goods in stock for emergency, is in course of preparation in connection with the supply of portable pumps, heavy timbers and explosives for demolition purposes. With regard to priority treatment the remarks under Item 7 may be referred to."	
14. Instructions in Anti-Gas precautions to members of the Council's Staff.	The Town Clerk reported that he had, in accordance with instructions given at the last meeting, communicated with the Hon. Secretary of the Finchley Branch of "Nalgo" hereon, and that as a result 37 offers of assistance had been received from members of the staff.	The offers were referred to the appropriate Officers for attention, and it was **RECOMMENDED** that the Town Council's staff be permitted to attend lectures to qualify them for the duties for which they have volunteered, on afternoons to be arranged.
16. Protective clothing and respirators.	The Borough Surveyor reported:— "The equipment required by my department in the matter of respirators and protective clothing in accordance with the personnel mentioned in the Council's Scheme is 103 sets, to which must be added a certain number for spare men, cycles, etc., say 125 sets."	**RECOMMENDED** that the equipment in question be requisitioned from the Home Office for use by the staff of the Borough Surveyor's Department.
17. Casualty Clearing Hospital.	Adaptation of part of the Hospital as a decontamination Centre.—Medical Officer of Health reported:— "These items have been discussed with the Borough Surveyor. Plans and lists of materials required will be prepared."	

The Committee were of the opinion that the Town Council were not in a position to embody in their own Scheme full details of all the additional matters referred to in the Home Office Draft. It was therefore, agreed to consider the Home Office Draft further at the next meeting of the Committee, but the Town Clerk was instructed in the meantime to incorporate in the Town Council's Scheme, so far as possible, all the additional matters now dealt with;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1035 **Volunteers:**

(*a*) Local Organisations.—The Town Clerk reported that he had, as instructed, communicated with the Secretaries of local organisations asking for volunteers; that a number of acknowledgments had been received stating that the requirements of the Town Council's Draft Scheme would be placed before members of the various organisations in due course.

(*b*) First Aid Section and Casualty Clearing Hospital.—An up-to-date report on the numbers of offers of assistance received showed that 66 men and 60 women, together with the members of the Local Divisions of the St. John Ambulance Brigade and the British Red Cross Society had volunteered in connection with this work.

(*c*) Lectures.—It was reported that 30 persons had attended the first lecture of the further course on Air Raid Precautions and First Aid for Air Raid Casualties at St. Mary's Infants' School on the 17th February, 1937.

(*d*) Public Meeting.—The Town Clerk reported that he had received a letter, dated 9th March, 1937, from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council stating that he hoped that the formation of the County Council's Scheme would be completed very shortly, but that in the meantime the Home Office were particularly anxious that a system of recruiting volunteers should be inaugurated and that they were prepared to send representatives to any authority throughout the County to assist them generally in the preparation of their Scheme or to address public or private meetings on the question of recruitment. The Committee favoured the suggestion of holding a public meeting for the purpose of bringing the requirements of the Town Council's Scheme to the notice of the public and it was, therefore,

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that a public meeting of the nature suggested be held in the King Edward Hall;

(*b*) that the Home Office be asked to nominate one of its officials to address such meeting;

(*c*) that the date of the meeting and the arrangements in connection therewith be left in the hands of the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee and the Town Clerk; and

(*d*) that any necessary expense incurred in connection with the meeting be borne by the Town Council.

1036 **Old No. 2 Fire Engine:**

The Town Clerk submitted the following report:—

"In accordance with the request made by you at your last meeting the recommendation of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee that the above-mentioned machine be disposed of, was referred back to that Committee for further consideration and they are now recommending that in view of the fact that a letter has been received from the Home Office intimating that the Secretary of State would be prepared to consider in due course the question of making a grant to the Council with a view to the retention of the machine for emergency service only, the machine be retained for the time being and that the report thereon required by the Home Office be supplied."

1037 **Home Office Publications:**

It was reported that the following publications had been received from the Home Office:—

"(*a*) Circular letter No. 751865/1, dated 23rd February, 1937, dealing with Emergency Fire Brigade Organisation, together with a detailed Memorandum on the subject;

(*b*) Circular letter No. 701582/10, dated 23rd February, 1937, relating to badges for volunteers;

(*c*) Circular letter No. 701255/3, dated 27th February, 1937, relating to the duties of the Police; and

(*d*) Air Raid Precautions Memorandum No. 4 dealing with Air Raid Wardens.

Arising on (a) the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade stated that he had nothing further to report thereon. So far as (b) was concerned, the Medical Officer of Health pointed out that the Home Office had decided to supply badges to be issued to volunteers in connection with local schemes, and it was, therefore,

RECOMMENDED that application be made to the Home Office for a sufficient number of badges to meet the estimated requirements of the Town Council during the next 12 months.

The Town Clerk reported on the provisions of (c) and (d), and intimated that, based on Home Office calculations, approximately 600 wardens would be required for the Borough, and it was decided in the first place to secure the voluntary services of a suitable person to act as Chief Warden. Certain instructions on this matter were given to the Town Clerk.

1038 **Transport and Ambulance Service—Finchley Rotary Club:**

It was reported that the Medical Officer of Health had had an interview with Mr. Ernest Clark, the Rotary Club Transport Officer, and had discussed with him the services which the Committee would require in the event of an air raid; further that Mr. Clark had stated that he would place the matter before his Council, and that in due course a definite Scheme would be formulated.

1039 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman (*pro tempore*).

Borough of Finchley.

Municipal Offices,

Finchley, N. 3.

30th March, 1937

Sir (or Madam),

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a SPECIAL MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY will be held on MONDAY, the 5th day of APRIL, 1937, at 7.45 o'clock in the afternoon at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, and all and several the members of the said Council are hereby summoned to attend.

The business to be transacted at such meeting is as follows:—

(1) To approve and make a General Rate of 9/6d. in the £ for the year ending the 31st day of March, 1938, payable by two equal instalments of 4/9d. in the £ respectively, and to affix the Corporate Seal thereto.

✓ (2) To authorise the Corporate Seal to be affixed to certain documents (list to be circulated).

(3) Reports of Officers (if any).

✓ (4) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

H. Edwin Barter

Town Clerk.

Questions.

Notice of any question intended to be asked at the Meeting of the Town Council must be given at the office of the Town Clerk not later than Twelve noon on the day of such Meeting.

Borough of Finchley.

Municipal Offices,

Finchley, N. 3.

20th April, 1937.

Sir (or Madam),

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an ORDINARY MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY will be held on MONDAY next, the 26th day of APRIL, 1937, at 8 o'clock in the afternoon at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, and all and several the members of the said Council are hereby summoned to attend.

The business to be transacted at such meeting is as follows :—

(1) Confirmation of the Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 22nd day of March, 1937, and of a Special Meeting held on the 5th day of April, 1937.

(2) To open a tender for the erection of a Ticket Office and Shelter in the Victoria Recreation Ground received after the time stipulated in the advertisement.

(3) Tenders for :—

(*a*) Surface Water Sewer Works—Long Lane and Cromwell Road.

(*b*) Private Street Works—Oakfield Road. (10) Power Lines Constn. Co. 1855. (198

(*c*) External Painting—200 houses—Woodhouse Estate. (9) Pickering & Son 678 7/- 678 (80

(*d*) Supply of Scotch Firebricks for Refuse Destructor. (1) J. J. Bean Ltd. 143 7/- (141

(*e*) Erection of Tea Kiosk—Cherry Tree Wood. Thomas Dilwin Ltd. 160 (160

(*f*) Erection of new Mortuary—North Circular Road, adjoining Fire Station.

(*g*) Extension of Ladies' Bowls Pavilion—Victoria Recreation Ground. Bridgen £155. (130

(*h*) Supply of an Addressing Machine—Electricity Department. Addressograph Ltd. Order v 04 9/- Order v 20. -

(*i*) Purchase and Removal of Battery—Electricity Department. → £250 Colum. -

(4) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(a) **Housing** of the 31st March, 1937.

(b) **Public Libraries** of the 5th April, 1937.

(c) **Town Planning** of the 5th April, 1937.

(d) **Valuation** of the 6th April, 1937.

(e) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 6th April, 1937.

(f) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 7th April, 1937.

(g) **Public Health** of the 8th April, 1937.

(h) **Education** of the 12th April, 1937.

(i) **Allotments** of the 13th April, 1937.

(j) **Electricity** of the 13th April, 1937.

(k) **General Purposes** of the 14th April, 1937.

(l) **Finance** of the 15th April, 1937.

(5) Other Correspondence (if any).

(6) Reports of Officers (if any).

(7) To authorise the Corporate Seal to be affixed to certain documents (list to be circulated).

(8) Payment of Accounts.

(a) The Town Clerk to report that, since the last meeting of the Town Council, a Borough Treasurer's Interim Order for the sum of £15,329 10s. 8d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(b) Motion.—

"That an Order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 15th April, 1937, amounting to £78,997 9s. 5d.

(9) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Council in Committee.

(10) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(a) **Housing** of the 31st March, 1937.

(b) **Public Libraries** of the 5th April, 1937.

(c) **Town Planning** of the 5th April, 1937.

(d) **Valuation** of the 6th April, 1937.

(e) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 6th April, 1937.

(*f*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 7th April, 1937.

(*g*) **Public Health** of the 8th April, 1937.

(*h*) **Education** of the 12th April, 1937.

(*i*) **Electricity** of the 13th April, 1937.

(*j*) **General Purposes** of the 14th April, 1937.

(*k*) **Extensions to Refuse Destructor (Sub)** of the 14th April, 1937.

(*l*) **Finance** of the 15th April, 1937.

(11) Other Correspondence (if any).

(12) Reports of Officers (if any).

(13) To consider, if necessary, the question of the raising of any temporary loan.

(14) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Widow Barber

Town Clerk.

Questions.

Notice of any question intended to be asked at the Meeting of the Town Council must be given at the office of the Town Clerk not later than Twelve noon on the day of such Meeting.

Borough of Finchley.

At an Ordinary Meeting of the Council of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY, held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on MONDAY, the 22nd day of March, 1937.

PRESENT:

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).

Aldermen—

A. J. Briant.
G. H. Pateman.
A. T. Pike, O.B.E., J.P.
C. S. Syrett.
Vyvyan Wells.

Councillors—

A. N. H. Baines.
W. L. Brooksbank.
P. H. Burch.
A. C. D. Collis.
J. Connorton.
C. P. Grobel.
F. J. Grocott.
C. Hayter.
J. Hugh Jones, LL.B.
Mrs. M. E. Legge.
Mrs. E. Murphy.
R. J. N. Norman.
H. A. Rutt.
Major H. W. Steward.
C. F. Wightman.
H. H. Wilmot.

1040 **Chair:**

It was moved by Alderman Pike "that in the absence of the Mayor, the Chair be occupied by the Deputy Mayor."

The motion was duly seconded by Alderman Syrett, and on being put, was carried, and it was

RESOLVED accordingly.

1041 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 22nd day of February, 1937, were presented, and it was

RESOLVED that such Minutes be taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Deputy Mayor as a correct record of the proceedings.

1042 **Absence of the Mayor:**

The Deputy Mayor reported that the Mayor was making good progress towards recovery, and that it was hoped that he would be able to leave Finchley in about 10 days' time in order to complete his recuperation; further, that it was anticipated that shortly afterwards he would be able to resume his official duties.

1043 **Tender received after the time stipulated in the Advertisement:**

It was reported that one tender in respect of the supply of an Addressing Machine for the Electricity Department had been received after the time stipulated in the advertisement;

RESOLVED that such tender be opened but not considered.

1044 **Tenders:**

(*a*) Erection of a Grand Stand on the Glebe Land.

(*b*) Supply and delivery of a 5 cwt. Motor Van.

(*c*) Supply and delivery of dual purpose tractor.

(*d*) Erection of Ticket Office and Shelter—Victoria Recreation Ground.

(*e*) Sale of battery
(*f*) Sale of scrap metal
(*g*) Supply of transformers
(*h*) Supply of kiosks
} Electricity Department.

The tenders received in connection with the above were submitted, and arising thereon it was reported that, as regards (a), two of the tenders had been received after the time stipulated in the advertisement, and that as regards (h) the envelope containing one of the tenders had not been endorsed and consequently had been opened by the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager, to whom it had been addressed;

RESOLVED—

(1) that the said two tenders in respect of (a) be opened but not considered;

(2) that the said tender in respect of (h) be not considered; and

(3) that the remainder of the tenders be opened, and referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

1045 **Reports of Committees:**

RESOLVED that the reports of the under-mentioned Committees be received and adopted as varied by the amendments (if any) set out and adopted:—

(*a*) **Public Libraries** of the 1st March, 1937.

(*b*) **Town Planning** of the 1st March, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 859 (Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6), the Draft Scheme, as amended by the Committee, and the Draft Scheme Map were submitted, and the Chairman of the Committee moved as follows:—

"**Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6.**

That the Town Council hereby adopt the draft of the above Planning Scheme and the Draft Scheme Map, and direct that the Draft Scheme and Map be signed and certified by the Town Clerk."

The motion was duly seconded by Alderman Wells, and on being put was declared carried, and it was

RESOLVED accordingly.

Arising out of paragraph 872 (a) (Plans—Approved), reference was made to a communication, dated 19th March, 1937, received from Messrs. Hallett, Fox and White in connection with Plan No. 9912;

RESOLVED—

(*a*) that the plan in question be withdrawn from the list of approved plans; and

(*b*) that the matter be referred to the Committee for further consideration with power to act.

(*c*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 3rd March, 1937.

(*d*) **Valuation** of the 4th March, 1937.

(*e*) **Public Health** of the 4th March, 1937.

(*f*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 5th March, 1937.

(*g*) **Education** of the 8th March, 1937.

(*h*) **Coronation Celebrations** of the 8th March, 1937.

(*i*) **Electricity** of the 9th March, 1937.

(*j*) **General Purposes** of the 10th March, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1003 (Coronation Procession), reference was made to communications, dated 11th and 17th March, 1937, received from the Secretary to the Association of Municipal Corporations ;

RESOLVED that same be dealt with by the Town Council in Committee.

(*k*) **Finance** of the 11th March, 1937.

(*l*) **Air Raid Precautions** of the 16th March, 1937.

1046 **Death of Mr. F. Goodyear :**

A letter, dated 6th March, 1937, was submitted from Miss Edith Goodyear as follows :—

"My Mother and I thank you for your very kind letter of January 27th. It has been a very real help receiving such messages of sympathy and the generous words used by the Mayor in referring to my Father's work here in Finchley are much appreciated by all the members of the family."

1047 **Proposed Footpath from Housing Estate, North Circular Road to Summers Lane :**

The Town Clerk reported that, in connection with the proposal to utilise certain lands vested in the Town Council for sewage disposal and allotment purposes for the construction of the above footpath, the Ministry of Health had asked to be furnished with a copy of the resolution of the Council authorising the application for consent to the areas being appropriated ;

RESOLVED, on the motion of Councillor Jones, seconded by Councillor Brooksbank, that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the appropriation of the lands coloured pink and green on drawing No. 11018 for the construction of a footpath from the Housing Estate, North Circular Road to Summers Lane. see 1197

1048 **Postal Facilities—"Post Early" Campaign :**

A letter, dated 17th March, 1937, was submitted from the Postmaster, Northern District Post Office, as follows :—

"In connection with the "Post Early" campaign which the Post Office is conducting at the present time and also as a matter of general interest in the operation of this vital public service, I would be glad to know if the Mayor and any members of your Council, together with yourself, would care to visit the Northern District Sorting Office at about 6.45 p.m. to 7.45 p.m. on a date to be mutually approved in the near future. If so, will you please suggest a date or dates (Thursday and Saturday excepted) convenient to your Council and I will then arrange the details for the reception of the party."

RESOLVED that the matter be referred to the General Purposes Committee for consideration, with power to act. see 1238

1049 **Bye-Laws—Houses Let in Lodgings :**

A letter, dated 17th March, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Health, returning the draft of the above Bye-Laws and stating that a series of Bye-Laws agreeing strictly with it might be forwarded for confirmation so soon as the preliminary requirements of section 250 of the Local Government Act, 1933, had been satisfied ;

RESOLVED, on the motion of Councillor Jones, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Legge, that authority be given to the Town Clerk to take the necessary steps for the confirmation of the Bye-Laws in accordance with the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1933.

1050 **Documents for Sealing :**

RESOLVED that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents :—

(1) Borough Surveyor's Apportionments of the cost of making up the several Private Streets included in the 27th Batch.

(2) Order in connection with the Renaming of Conisbee Road, N. 20.

(3) Agreement with and Conveyance from Elford Estates, Ltd., in connection with strip of land for widening Ballards Lane, outside Nos. 56/58.

(4) Agreement with and Conveyance from Varley Estates, Ltd., in connection with land for widening High Road, N. 20.

(5) Agreement with the London Passenger Transport Board for the placing of signs on side poles at Kingsway.

(6) Contract with Mr. Alfred Robinson for works of Surface Water Sewer Reconstruction—Station Road to East End Road.

(7) Contract with G. Glanfield and Son, Ltd., for the supply of Uniforms, etc.

(8) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mrs. G. Brice in connection with the acquisition of Hawthorne Cottage (widening Totteridge Lane).

(9) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mr. and Mrs. Byford in connection with the acquisition of their premises (widening Totteridge Lane).

(10) Agreement with and Assignment from Guest & Byford, Ltd., in connection with acquisition of leasehold premises (widening Totteridge Lane).

(11) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mrs. H. Cannon in connection with the acquisition of Brent Cottage (widening Totteridge Lane).

(12) Agreement with and Conveyance from Messrs. Payne & Co. in connection with the acquisition of land for widening Nether Street opposite the site of Courthouse.

(13) Agreement with and Conveyance from the Slavid Estates, Ltd., in connection with the acquisition of land for widening Nether Street opposite the site of Courthouse.

(14) Licence (in duplicate) to Perry (Repairs and Service), Ltd., to store petroleum spirit at Invicta Works, Ballards Lane.

(15) Agreement with the Middlesex County Council in connection with the exchange of land—Brook Farm.

(16) Agreement with Mr. F. W. Walker in regard to wayleave for electricity cables between Strathmore Gardens and the Electricity Works.

(17) Order for Certificate and Receipt therefor in connection with loan of £440 from the Public Works Loan Board (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts).

(18) Deed of Variation of Mortgages to Barclays Bank, Ltd. (Trustee Department)—£64,633 15s. 6d.

(19) Contract with the General Electric Co., Ltd., for the supply of cookers.

(20) Contract with Aidas Electric, Ltd., for the supply of automatic electric water heaters.

(21) Contract with the Universal Boilers and Engineering Co. for the supply of wash boilers.

(22) Contract with Bulpitt & Sons, Ltd., for the supply of electric kettles.

(23) Contract with Premier Electric Heaters, Ltd., for the supply of electric radiators.

(24) Contract with Ferranti, Ltd., for the supply of 1½KW chromium plated Parabolic Reflector Radiators.

(25) Instrument authorising the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager to sign, on behalf of the Town Council, agreements for installation of wiring under the assisted wiring scheme and for the hire of apparatus.

(26) Agreement with and Conveyance from the Gloucester Construction Co., Ltd., in connection with the acquisition of land in Amberden Avenue for the erection of an electricity sub-station.

(27) Licence from the Middlesex County Council in regard to the construction of a footpath and concrete retaining wall on the embankment to the Barnet Bye-Pass.

(28) Agreement with Hampstead Garden Suburb Free Church Tennis Club as to tenancy of two hard courts at Northway Gardens.

(29) Bye-Laws (in duplicate) with respect to Hairdressers' and Barbers' Premises.

(30) Bye-Laws (in duplicate) with respect to Houses Let in Lodgings.

(31) Agreement with Middlesex County Council as to user of open space land for allotment purposes—Brook Farm.

(32) Discharge of Registered Charge or Vacating Receipt in respect of Mortgage No. 463—P. T. Gunningham—14, Brent Way.

*(33) Contract with Messrs. Pryke & Palmer, Ltd., for supply of Gene mongery and Sundries.

*(34) Contracts with the under-mentioned for wiring of premises a tion of appliances :—

E. Wight & Co.
Day & Night Elite Electric Co.
W.B. & H.C. Cables, Ltd.
Sadd & Halsey.
A. W. Marsh, Ltd.
C. H. Rust.
E. E. Rodick.
Scarborough Mitchell & Co.
Wireless Electric Co.
District Electric, Ltd.

*(35) Contract with Messrs. W. Harold Perry, Lt 5 cwt. motor van.

*(36) Contract with Messrs. W. Harold Perry, dual purpose tractor.

*(37) Contract with Messrs. E. J. & P. Bow and shelter—Victoria Recreation Gro

* See report of Town C

1051 **Payment of Accounts :**

(*a*) The Town Clerk reported that, since the last ordinary meeting of the Town Council, a Borough Treasurer's Interim Order for the sum of £9,526 3s. 10d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(*b*) **RESOLVED** that an Order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 11th March, 1937, amounting to £99,147 4s. 5d.

1052 **General Rate—Estimate :**

RESOLVED that leave be granted to the Chairman of the Finance Committee to speak for more than five minutes in connection with his statement upon the estimate for the Rate.

Alderman Syrett then made the statement in question, and the congratulations of the Town Council were extended to him thereon.

1053 **Reports of Committees (Contd.) :**

RESOLVED that the report of the under-mentioned Committee be received and adopted :—

Finance (Special) of the 11th March, 1937, Councillor Wilmot voting against.

It was thereupon further

RESOLVED that the estimate of the amount required to be raised by a General Rate for the twelve months from the 1st day of April, 1937, to the 31st day of March, 1938, as follows, be recorded on the Minutes of the Town Council :—

GENERAL RATE

SUMMARY *of* ESTIMATES

(1d. Rate = £3380.)

Committee.		Estimate 1937-38. £		Equivalent Rate in £. s.	d.
Allotments		279			.1
Education—Elementary		50854		1.	3.0
Higher		127			.0
Finance		785			.2
General Purposes		32690			9.9
Highways and Fire Brigade		55495		1.	4.4
Housing		3752			1.1
Parks and Open Spaces		20071			5.9
Public Health		45854		1.	1.6
Public Libraries		7509			2.2
Town Planning		195			.0
		217611		5.	4.4
Middlesex County Council		183027		4.	6.2
Metropolitan Police		37631			11.1
Assessment Committee		383			.1
		221041		5.	5.4
		438652		10.	9.8
Less General Exchequer Grant	39500		11.7		
Appropriation from surplus	13832	53332	4.1	1.	3.8
General Rate requirements to be met by levying a rate of 9s. 6d. in the £		£385320		9s.	6d.

1054 **Council in Committee:**

It was proposed by Alderman Syrett, seconded by Councillor Grobel, and

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the Town Council do now go into Committee.

1055 **Director of Education:**

Reference was made by the Deputy Mayor to the fact that this would be the last occasion on which Mr. T. Frost, the Director of Education, would be in attendance in an official capacity as he was leaving the service of the Town Council on the 31st March, 1937.

He spoke in appreciative terms of the manner in which Mr. Frost had at all times carried out his duties, and his remarks were supported by the Chairman of the Education Committee and also by Alderman Syrett as Chairman of the Local Higher Education Committee;

RECOMMENDED, that the Town Council do place on record their sincere appreciation of the services rendered by Mr. Frost during his period of office as Director of Education, and wish him every success in his new sphere.

1056 **Coronation Procession—Tickets :**

The communications, dated 11th and 17th March, 1937, received from the Secretary to the Association of Municipal Corporations hereon were considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the matter be left to the Deputy Mayor and the Town Clerk to deal with.

1057 **Public Libraries Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 1st March, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1058 **Town Planning Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 1st March, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (Plan No. 9891—Extension of Works, Cambridge Works, Bedford Road, N. 2—Mr. F. Seymour), the Borough Surveyor reported that the plan in question was not in order, and in the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that same be disapproved, and that the matter be referred to the Town Planning Committee for further consideration.

1059 **Highways and Fire Brigade Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 3rd March, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 2 (Annual Supplies—General Ironmongery and Sundries), the Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"At the last meeting of the Highways Committee the Town Clerk submitted a letter from Messrs. J. Gibb & Co., Ltd., stating they could not adhere to their tender in respect of certain items. As instructed I have communicated with Messrs. Pryke & Palmer who write under date 17th March, 1937 :—

'We are prepared to adhere to the prices contained in our tender for the twelve months should the Council decide to accept same.'

The two tenders as originally submitted were as follows :—

	£	s.	d.
Messrs. Pryke & Palmer, Ltd	796	7	2
Messrs. J. Gibb & Co., Ltd.	799	16	8

(The latter being subject to 2½ per cent. discount at settlement).

Under the circumstances it would appear desirable to accept the tender submitted by Messrs. Pryke & Palmer, Ltd."

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the tender of Messrs. Pryke and Palmer, Ltd., be accepted, subject to contract ; and

(*b*) that the contract be added to the list of documents for sealing.

1060 **Valuation Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 4th March, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1061 **Public Health Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 4th March, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1062 **Parks and Open Spaces Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 5th March, 1937, was submitted and considered :

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1063 **Education Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 8th March, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1064 **Electricity Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 9th March, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1065 **General Purposes Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 10th March, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 3 (House and Trade Refuse—Sale of Residuals), the Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"I have interviewed the Contractor whose tender was accepted for the residuals recovered from the house and trade refuse and he is prepared to adhere to his contract provided the leakage is stopped, and steps are being taken to this end."

RECOMMENDED that he be instructed to report further to the Public Health Committee at next meeting.

Arising out of paragraph 4 (Lyttelton Playing Fields—Pavilion), the Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"Following the instructions given at the General Purposes Committee when a letter was considered from the lowest contractors for the above, to the effect that owing to the lapse of time they cannot keep to the amount of their tender, I have communicated with the several Contractors and give below statement shewing—

(*a*) the amounts of the three lowest tenders as originally submitted, and

(*b*) the amounts as now amended by the tenderers :—

	Amount of Original Tender. £ s. d.	Amount of Amended Tender. £ s. d.
Messrs. Garsubil, Ltd. ...	4832 0 0	4987 0 0
Messrs. E. S. Moss, Ltd. ...	4993 2 9	5117 19 4
Messrs. Greenaway & Sons...	5053 0 0	5179 6 6

I am also taking the matter up with the Ministry of Health and will report thereon at your meeting."

Arising thereon, it was reported that an intimation had been received from the Ministry of Health to the effect that no objection would in the circumstances be likely to be raised to the acceptance by the Town Council of the lowest tender at the amended figure.

In the circumstances, it was

see 1759

RECOMMENDED that the amended tender of Messrs. Garsubil, Ltd., at the sum of £4,987, be accepted, subject to contract and to the Minister of Health raising no objection thereto.

1066 **Finance Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 11th March, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 3 (b) (Loans—Proposed Issue of Stock), the Chairman of the Committee reported that a meeting of the Finance (Issue of Stock) Sub-Committee had been held that evening, and as to the proceedings thereat.

Arising thereon, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Finance (Issue of Stock) Sub-Committee be empowered to continue the negotiations with Barclays Bank, Ltd., for a reduction in the rate of interest on the outstanding balances of £50,417, and that a report be made on the matter at the next meeting of the Finance Committee;

(2) that the Town Council, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by Section 215 of the Local Government Act, 1933, do raise a temporary loan of £30,000 from the lenders, through the Agents, at the rate of interest and subject to the payment of Agents' commission as indicated in the Instruction Book, for a period of one month and thereafter at one month's notice on either side;

(3) that the Borough Treasurer be instructed to make the necessary arrangements in connection therewith.

(4) that authority be given to the Chairman of the Finance Committee and the Borough Treasurer to negotiate for the advance to the Council of a further sum of £20,000 on the 1st April, 1937, at a rate of interest not exceeding that mentioned in the Instruction Book; and

(5) that authority be given for payment of Agents' reasonable commission.

1067 **Electricity Committee (Adjourned Meeting):**

A report of this Committee, dated 15th March, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of recommendation (9) contained in paragraph 4 (b) (Domestic Development Programme), it was reported that tenders for the carrying out of the works had been received from 19 Contractors;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the tenders of the under-mentioned be accepted, subject to contract:—

E. Wight & Co.
Day and Night Elite Electric Co.
W.B. & H.C. Cables, Ltd.
Sadd & Helsey.
A. W. Marsh, Ltd.
C. H. Rust.
E. E. Rodick.

Scarborough Mitchell & Co.
Wireless Electric Co.
District Electric, Ltd.

(*b*) that the remainder of the tenders be referred to the Electricity Committee for consideration ; and

(*c*) that the contracts be added to the list of documents for sealing.

1068 **Private Street Works—Broughton Avenue :**

Communications were submitted from the Board of Trade, stating that the Court had made a compulsory Winding-up Order against Messrs. P. Gallagher, Ltd., the Contractors for the above work, and that the Official Receiver was the Provisional Liquidator, but that he was unable to complete the contract.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the site be formally entered upon by the Town Council and that the Contractors be excluded therefrom ; and

(*b*) that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the works to be completed, and that if necessary, advertisements be issued inviting tenders therefor.

1069 **Glebe Land :**

Reference was made to a communication, dated 19th March, 1937, received from the War Office, enquiring whether the Town Council would be willing to dispose of a portion of the above land for the use of the Middlesex Territorial Army and Air Force Association for the erection of Headquarters, and if so, on what terms ;

RECOMMENDED that the matter be referred to the General Purposes Committee for consideration.

1070 **Electricity Development Programme—Staff :**

It was reported that the Sub-Committee authorised to deal with this matter had made the following appointments, subject to the candidates passing the necessary medical examination :—

see 1470(d)

Lady Cookery Demonstrators :—

Miss M. O. Candy of the General Electric Co., Ltd.

Miss G. H. Good of Elexcel, Ltd.

Miss C. E. Williams of Wimbledon Corporation Electricity Department.

Outdoor Representatives :—

Mr. F. G. Hancock of Hoovers, Ltd.

Mr. R. Weston of the London and Home Counties Joint Electricity Authority, Sutton.

withdrawn Mr. F. S. F. White of the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Co., Ltd.
Mr. N. H. Robinson

Arising thereon it was intimated that Mr. White had since withdrawn his application, and in the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that Mr. N. H. Robinson of Chepstow be appointed to the position, subject to his passing the necessary medical examination.

Reference was made by the Deputy Mayor to the question of the granting of a car allowance to each of the Outdoor Representatives. After discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the matter be referred to the Electricity Committee for consideration; and

(*b*) that the representatives be assured that reasonable travelling expenses will be allowed from the date of their appointment.

1071 **General Rate—1937/38:**

A report, dated 18th March, 1937, was submitted by the Borough Treasurer hereon:

RECOMMENDED that same be entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1072 **Plan No. 9927—Wooden Shed at Rear of Heatherdene, Woodhouse Road, N. 12—Mr. T. W. Stevens:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the above-mentioned plan, which had been deposited for approval, was incomplete;

RECOMMENDED that in the circumstances same be disapproved.

1073 **Tenders:**

(*a*) Erection of a Grand Stand on the Glebe Land.

(*b*) Supply and Delivery of 5 cwt. Motor Van.

(*c*) Supply and Delivery of dual purpose tractor.

(*d*) Erection of Ticket Office and Shelter—Victoria Recreation Ground.

(*e*) Sale of Battery
(*f*) Sale of Scrap Metal
(*g*) Supply of Transformers
(*h*) Supply of Kiosks
} Electricity Department.

The tenders received in connection with the above were submitted;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that as regards (a), (e), (f), (g), and (h), the tenders be referred to the appropriate Committees for consideration;

(2) that as regards (b), in view of the report of the Borough Surveyor (which report be entered on the Minutes of the Town Council), the tender of Messrs. W. Harold Perry, Ltd., at the sum of £98 be accepted, subject to contract;

(3) that as regards (c), in view of the report of the Borough Surveyor (which report be entered on the Minutes of the Town Council), the alternative tender of Messrs. W. Harold Perry, Ltd., at the sum of £399 15s. 0d. be accepted, subject to contract;

(4) that as regards (d), the tender of Messrs. E. J. and P. Bower, Ltd. (the lowest) at the sum of £175 be accepted, subject to contract: and

(5) that the necessary contracts be added to the list of documents for sealing.

1074 **Resumption of Council:**

RESOLVED that the Town Council do now resume, and that the recommendations above set forth be adopted.

Mayor.

Borough of Finchley.

At a Special Meeting of the Council of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY, held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on MONDAY, the 5th day of April, 1937.

Present:

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).

Aldermen—

G. H. Pateman.
A. T. Pike, O.B.E., J.P.
C. S. Syrett.

Councillors—

A. N. H. Baines.
A. C. D. Collis.
C. P. Grobel.
C. Hayter.
Mrs. M. E. Legge.
H. A. Rutt.
C. F. Wightman.
H. H. Wilmot.

1075 **Apologies for Absence:**

It was reported that Alderman Wells and Councillors Brooksbank and Burch had expressed regret at their inability to be present at the meeting.

1076 **Chair:**

It was moved by Alderman Syrett "that in the absence of the Mayor, the Chair be occupied by the Deputy Mayor."

The motion was duly seconded by Alderman Pike, and, on being put, was carried, and it was

RESOLVED accordingly.

1077 **General Rate—Making of:**

It was moved by Alderman Syrett, seconded by Councillor Hayter, and

RESOLVED by the Town Council, acting as the Rating Authority for the Borough (Councillor Wilmot voting against):—

(*a*) that a General Rate of nine shillings and six pence in the pound on the rateable value of each hereditament in the said Borough for raising the money required according to the estimates duly approved by the Town Council on the 22nd day of March, 1937, for defraying the expenses and meeting the several precepts chargeable on the General Rate Fund which that fund is and will be insufficient to meet during the twelve months commencing the 1st day of April, 1937, and ending the 31st day of March, 1938, be made and approved under the powers and provisions of the Public Health Act, 1875, the Rating and Valuation Acts, 1925 and 1928, the Local Government Acts, 1929 and 1933, and all Acts incorporated therewith and all orders made by virtue of them or any of them, and that the said

General Rate be payable by two equal instalments of four shillings and nine pence in the pound, the first thereof on the 12th day of April, 1937, and the second thereof on the 1st day of October, 1937;

(*b*) that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the General Rate written in the books now produced.

1078 **Council in Committee:**

It was proposed by Alderman Syrett, seconded by Councillor Rutt, and

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the Town Council do now go into Committee.

1079 **Tenders:**

(*a*) Sale of Scrap Metal
(*b*) Sale of Battery } Electricity Department.

A report by the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager hereon, dated 30th March, 1937, was submitted and considered. Arising thereon, the Town Clerk reported receipt of a communication, dated 1st April, 1937, from Messrs. Maden & McKee, Ltd., stating that they were prepared to extend their offer with regard to the purchase and removal of the Battery until the 6th April, 1937;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that in view of the report of the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager, the tender of Messrs. E. Hind (South Bank), Ltd., at the sum of £70 1s. 0d. a ton for scrap copper and £30 11s. 0d. a ton for scrap lead be accepted, subject to contract;

(2) that the tender of Mr. E. A. Churly (the highest) at the sum of £2 10s 0d. a ton for scrap iron be accepted; and

(3) that the tender of Messrs. Maden & McKee, Ltd. (the highest) at the sum of £1,302 10s. 0d. for the purchase and removal of the Battery be accepted, subject to contract.

1080 **Documents for Sealing:**

RECOMMENDED that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the under-mentioned documents:—

(1) Contract with Messrs. E. Hind (South Bank), Ltd., for purchase and removal of scrap copper and scrap lead.

(2) Contract with Messrs. Maden & McKee, Ltd., for purchase and removal of Battery.

1081 **Resumption of Council:**

RESOLVED that the Town Council do now resume, and that the recommendations above set forth be adopted.

Mayor.

Housing Committee's Report.

31st MARCH, 1937.

Present: Councillor Mrs. Legge (Chairman), Councillor Connorton (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant, Pike and Wells, and Councillors Burch, Grocott and Wilmot.

Non-Members: Alderman Pateman, and Councillors Rutt and Steward.

1082 **Minutes:**

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

1083 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1084 **Fencing—Land Rear of St. Mary's Presbytery:**

A letter, dated 10th February, 1937, received from the Rev. W. A. Joyce was submitted drawing attention to the fact that a portion of the fence surrounding the land recently acquired by the Council had been removed enabling intruders to obtain access to the Presbytery garden.

Arising thereon the Town Clerk reported that under the Conveyance of the land to the Town Council, the Council covenanted to erect, at their own expense, within one year from the 1st October, 1936, suitable fencing or fence walls on the south and east boundaries of the land to the reasonable satisfaction of the Trustees' Surveyor.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the carrying out of the work forthwith;

(2) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee to make the requisite financial arrangements. 1253.

1085 **Erection of Houses for Large Families:**

(*a*) The Town Clerk reported that on the recommendation of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee the Town Council at its last meeting decided that the land near to the junction of Long Lane and Squires Lane be not released for housing purposes, but that it be laid out at a later date as a children's playground.

The Committee then discussed further sites upon which it would be possible to erect houses to accommodate large families at present living in overcrowded conditions, and after full consideration, it was

Substitute "Summers Lane" after "in".

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to submit to this Committee at a Special Meeting to be held on the 19th May, 1937, at 8 p.m., sketch plans and a detailed estimate of the cost of erecting 6 4-bedroom, parlour-type houses on a site in the North Circular Road adjacent to the Housing Scheme No. 6.

(*b*) The Town Clerk reported that he had circulated to each member of the Town Council a list prepared by the Valuation Officer of vacant houses in the Borough which it was suggested would be suitable for the housing of large families at present living in overcrowded conditions;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken thereon.

1086 **The Housing Act (Extinguishment of Public Right of Way) Regulations, 1937:**

The Town Clerk submitted a copy of the above Regulations, dated 29th January, 1937, made by the Minister of Health under Section 176 (1) of the Housing Act, 1936.

1087 **Housing (Assisted Scheme)—200 Houses, Woodhouse Estate—External Painting:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the above houses were painted externally in 1933, and should be painted again this year and he submitted particulars of the estimated cost involved;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that tenders be invited for the carrying out of the work in question;

(2) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee with a view to their making the necessary financial arrangements.

1088 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

MARY E. LEGGE,

Chairman.

Public Libraries Committee's Report.

5th April, 1937.

Present: Councillor Collis (Chairman), Councillor Hayter (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Pike, and Councillors Baines, Grobel, Mrs. Legge and Wilmot.

Non-Members: Aldermen Briant, Pateman and Syrett and Councillors Norman, Rutt and Wightman.

1089 **Minutes:**

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

1090 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1091 **Public Libraries and Rest and Reading Rooms:**

(*a*) Closure on Coronation Day and during Whitsun Holiday.—

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Public Libraries and the Rest and Reading Rooms be closed to the public on Coronation Day;

(2) that the Lending Libraries only be closed to the public on Whit Monday and that arrangements be made for the attendants of the Rest and Reading Rooms to be relieved from duty on a day other than Bank Holiday.

(*b*) East Finchley.—

(i) The Town Clerk reported that he had received an advance intimation from the Ministry of Health to the effect that the Minister would raise no objection to the acceptance by the Council of the tender of E. S. Moss, Ltd., for the erection of the above-mentioned Library.

(ii) The Chief Librarian reported that it was in his opinion desirable that the Librarian-in-Charge of the East Finchley Library should commence his duties on the 1st July next if the preparation of the initial book stock was to be completed in time for the opening of the Library early in 1938.

It was thereupon decided to recommend to the General Purposes Committee that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the appointment as from the 1st July next of a Librarian-in-Charge of the East Finchley Library, at a salary in accordance with the scales approved by the Town Council on the 22nd February, 1937; 1248(2)

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*c*) Statistics.—The Chief Librarian reported as under, the figures in brackets being those reported for February, 1936:—

(i) Readers.—That the number of readers registered in the Public Libraries was 11,058 (5,028).

(ii) Stock.—That the book stock now amounted to 32,872 (15,551).

(iii) Loans.—That the number of books lent during the month of February, 1937, from Avenue House was 17,922 (16,253) and from North Finchley 22,700, and that the following table showed the number of books lent from each class of the stock at Avenue House during February, 1936, and February, 1937, and at North Finchley for February, 1937:—

CLASS.	AVENUE HOUSE. Feb., 1937. Loans.	% of total.	Feb., 1936. Loans.	% of total	In-crease.	De-crease.	NORTH FINCHLEY. February, 1937. Adult. Loans.	% of total.	Junior. Loans.	% of total	Total. Loans.	% of total.	GRAND TOTALS. February, 1937.
General	39	.2	19	.1	20	—	32	.2	26	.58	58	.3	97
Philosophy	262	1.5	211	1.3	51	—	196	1.1	1	.02	197	.9	459
Religion	189	1.1	181	1.1	8	—	134	.8	19	.42	153	.7	342
Sociology	611	3.4	475	3.0	136	—	434	2.4	343	.61	777	3.4	1388
Languages	251	1.4	243	1.5	8	—	114	.6	2	.05	116	.5	367
Science	356	2.0	368	2.3	—	12	389	2.1	268	5.94	657	2.9	1013
Useful Arts	842	4.7	784	4.9	58	—	533	2.9	290	6.43	823	3.6	1665
Fine Arts	720	4.1	609	3.7	111	—	502	2.8	90	2.01	592	2.6	1312
Music	242	1.3	233	1.5	9	—	277	1.5	—	—	277	1.2	519
Literature	811	4.5	864	5.3	—	53	633	3.5	117	2.61	750	3.3	1561
History and Travel	2354	13.1	2269	13.9	85	—	1972	10.9	278	6.2	2250	9.9	4604
Biography	747	4.1	857	5.3	—	110	448	2.4	54	1.11	502	2.2	1249
Fiction	10498	58.6	9140	56.1	1358	—	12524	68.8	3024	67.02	15548	68.5	26046
TOTALS	17922	100.0	16253	100.0	1844	175	18188	100.0	4512	100.0	22700	100.0	40622
					(Net Increase 1669)								
Days Open	24		25		—	1	24		24		24		24
Daily Average Loan	747		650		97	—	758		188		946		1693
Readers	5191		5028		163	—	4663		1204		5867		11058
Stock	19799		15551		4239	—	10619		2463		13082		32872
Cash	£16/3/3		£11/7/11		£4/15/4	—	£11/11/5		£1/5/1		£12/16/6		£29/9/9

(iv) Cash Receipts.—That the cash receipts during February, 1937, amounted to £16 3s. 3d. (£11 7s. 11d.) at Avenue House and £12 16s. 6d. at North Finchley.

(*d*) Resignation of Junior Assistant.—The Chief Librarian reported that Miss M. S. Moore had tendered her resignation as a Junior Assistant to take effect on the 30th April, 1937.

It was thereupon decided to recommend to the General Purposes Committee that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the filling of the vacancy at a commencing salary of £65 per annum and in accordance with the scales approved by the Council on the 22nd February, 1937; 1248 (1)

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*e*) North Finchley.—

(i) Readers' Tickets.—The Chief Librarian reported that in a number of cases tickets had been lost by readers. It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that as from the 1st May, 1937, a charge of 1/- be made for the issue of a new ticket.

(ii) Offer of Gifts.—The Chief Librarian reported hereon;

RECOMMENDED that the offer of the First Church of Christ, Scientist, Barnet, to present to the Town Council the following books for use at the North Finchley Library be accepted, and that the thanks of the Council be conveyed to the donors:—

Science and Health, with Key to the Scriptures.

Retrospection and Introspection.

The First Church of Christ, Scientist, and Miscellany.

Miscellaneous Writings, 1883-1896.

Unity of Good and Shorter Writings.

Christian Healing and other Writings.

Mary Baker Eddy; by Lyman P. Powell.

The Life of Mary Baker Eddy; by S. Wilbur.

1092 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

A. C. D. COLLIS,

Chairman.

Town Planning Committee's Report.

5th APRIL, 1937.

Present: Alderman Briant (Chairman), Councillor Wilmot (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Burch, Norman and Wightman.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pike and Syrett, Councillors Baines, Grobel and Mrs. Legge.

1093 **Minutes:**

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

1094 **Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1—External Appearance of Buildings—Tribunal of Appeal:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had, in accordance with instructions, communicated with the two professional members of the above-mentioned Tribunal with regard to the question of fees to be paid to them and that in reply they had suggested that an appropriate fee would be 3 guineas for a session not exceeding two hours and 1 guinea per hour thereafter.

RECOMMENDED that the above-mentioned fees be agreed.

1095 **North Middlesex Joint Town Planning Committee:**

(*a*) **Abstract of Financial Statement of Accounts.**—A copy of the District Auditor's Report upon the Accounts of the above-mentioned Committee for the year ended 31st March, 1936, together with an Abstract of the Financial Statement of Accounts as certified by the Auditor, was submitted.

(*b*) The Minutes of a meeting of the Joint Committee held on the 9th March, 1937, were submitted.

1096 **Town Planning and Restriction of Ribbon Development:**

Referring to Minute No. 1936 (1935/6), the Town Clerk reported that he had received from the Hon. Secretary of the North Middlesex Joint Town Planning Committee a summary of replies to the questionnaire circulated to Local Authorities with regard to the administration of the above Acts, from which it appeared that the majority of Local Authorities were satisfied with the arrangements made in the County for securing co-operation between Planning and Highway Authorities in connection with applications under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act; and, further, that he understood that the summary had been referred to a Conference of Regional Planning Committees.

1097 **Unoccupied Flats:**

The following monthly report of the Valuation Officer hereon was submitted:—

"Number of unoccupied flats in the Borough 156 (198).
Total number of flats erected 1,656 (1,627).

These figures do not include premises converted."

The corresponding figures for last month are set out in brackets.

1098 **Neon Signs, Etc.:**

(*a*) **Neon Signs—Railway Tavern, Church End, Finchley—Claude-General Neon Lights, Ltd.**—An application for permission to erect neon signs at the above-mentioned premises as indicated on an accompanying plan was submitted;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised thereto.

(*b*) **Chronomatic Electric Clock — Woodhouse Road, N. 12 (Messrs. Worths' Premises).**—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had received a letter, dated 25th March, 1937, from Telephone Rentals (Telematic), Ltd., together with sketch asking for the consent of the Town Council to the erection of a chronomatic electric clock at the above-mentioned premises, but that the proposal contravened Clause 28 of the Town Council's Bye-Laws relating to Good Rule and Government, inasmuch as the structure would extend more than 3 feet over the public footway, and he had notified the applicants accordingly.

1099 **Landscape Garden—Adjoining "Horbury," High Road, N. 20:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that he had received a letter, dated 19th March, 1937, from Mr. J. B. Livingstone asking if the Town Council would raise any objection to the continuation of the present user of the plot of land now occupied by Mr. Herbert Brook as a Landscape Garden in the event of his acquiring the business carried on thereat;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. Livingstone be informed that the Town Council would raise no objection, so far as the Town Planning Committee is concerned, to his continuing the existing user of the land in question. See 1129.

Prior to the consideration of the above-mentioned matter, Councillor Burch declared that he had an interest therein and in consequence did not vote or take part in the discussion relating thereto.

1100 **Oak Cottage, High Road, No. 20—Proposed Reformatory Home:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had received a number of letters objecting to an alleged proposal of the Discharged Prisoners Aid Society to use the above-mentioned premises as a Reformatory Home. No proposal of the Society was, however, before the Committee, but, in the circumstances, the Chairman and the Town Clerk were authorised to approach them with regard to the matter.

1101 **Gordon Hall Estate—Nether Street, N. 3—Proposal to Erect Ten Shops with Flats Over and Ten Garages:**

Referring to Minute No. 865, the Town Clerk intimated that the Minister of Health had instructed one of his Officers to visit the district and hold a Local Inquiry for the purpose of hearing representations regarding the above-mentioned matter and inspecting the site concerned, and further that Mr. S. L. G. Beaufoy, A.R.I.B.A., would accordingly attend at the Municipal Offices with that object on Wednesday, the 21st April, 1937, at 10.30 a.m.

1102 **Diamond Works—Arcadia Avenue, Finchley—Proposed Motor Service Station:**

It was reported that Messrs. Halls Car Sales, Ltd., had made application for permission to use the existing building and to erect a further building of a similar size at the above-mentioned property for the purpose of a motor service station and had stated that only light machinery, such as air compressors and washing plant, together with one or two petrol pumps for their own use, would be installed: further, that, in accordance with the provisions of Planning Scheme No. 1, the proposal had been advertised in a local newspaper and that no objection thereto had been received;

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. Halls Car Sales, Ltd., be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, the proposal submitted by them, subject to their taking such steps as the Town Council may desire to secure that there shall be no noise from the premises in question which, in the opinion of the Town Council, may be a nuisance or annoyance to adjoining occupiers, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

1103 **Capel Lodge, High Road, N. 20—Proposed Petroleum Filling Station:**

The Committee considered further the application of Mr. F. Guy Lewin for permission to convert the above-mentioned premises into a petroleum filling station with lock-up garages, workshop, offices, stores and a flat. In connection therewith, the Town Clerk stated that the proposal had been advertised, etc., in accordance with the provisions of Planning Scheme No. 1 and that the only letter which he had received in reply thereto was from the Clerk of the Friern Barnet Urban District Council stating that his Council raised no objection to the proposal. After giving the matter careful consideration and having regard to the fact that the statutory limit of two months would expire prior to the Council Meeting, the Town Clerk was instructed to inform Mr. Guy Lewin that the Town Council approve, in principle, so far as the Town Planning Committee is concerned, the proposal submitted by him, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1104 **Proposed Developments:**

Particulars of applications to develop the under-mentioned properties, as indicated, were submitted, and the Borough Surveyor reported thereon.

(*a*) **Land, East End Road, west of Ossulton Way—6 shops and 12 flats:**

RECOMMENDED that Mr. B. Ewart Dixon be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, the proposal submitted by him to erect 6 shops with 12 flats over on the above-mentioned site, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

(*b*) **16 and 18, Friern Park, N. 12—Proposed Employment Exchange:**

RECOMMENDED that the Director of Lands and Accommodation, H.M. Office of Works be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, the proposal to use the site of the above-mentioned premises for Employment Exchange purposes, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

(*c*) **Land at rear of Woodlands, Whetstone, N. 20—20 flats:**

RECOMMENDED that the Broadoak Building Co., be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to give their consent to the erection of 20 flats on the above-mentioned land as such development would contravene the density zoning provisions of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1.

1105 **Temporary Building:**

RECOMMENDED that a licence be granted in respect of the following for the period indicated:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Licence to expire on.	Applicant.
918T	Store	Rear of 31, High Street, N. 12	1st January, 1938	Messrs. Priors (Tally Ho!), Ltd.

1106 **Plan No. 9912—16 Flats and 10 Garages—Site of 43, Holden Road, N. 12—Casino Properties Ltd.:**

It was reported that the above-mentioned plan had been deleted from the list of plans recommended for approval at the last Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council in view of a letter of objection which had been received on behalf of six nearby residents and referred back to the Committee with power to act; and, further, that since the Council Meeting another objection, viz., from the owners of Nos. 4 and 6, Avondale

Avenue, had been received. Particulars of the objections were circulated, but having regard (*inter alia*) to the fact that the proposal provided for the development of the site at a density lower than the maximum permissible under the Scheme, and that the external appearance of the buildings would resemble semi-detached residences, it was

RESOLVED in accordance with the authority delegated to the Committee, that the plan in question be approved.

1107 **Plans:**

(*a*) Approved;

RECOMMENDED that the following plans be approved subject to the conditions severally mentioned by the Borough Surveyor in his report:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
8577	Additional bay and garage	80, Avondale Avenue, N. 12	Mr. F. Brown.
*9485a	6 shops, 6 flats and 2 maisonettes	High Road, N. 2, between Leslie Road and Leopold Road	The Landed & Trustee Securities, Ltd.
9877a	House	Plot 1052, Ingram Avenue, N.W. 11	Mr. H. Wald.
9882a	Garage with rooms over	North side of house on Plot H.6, Haslemere Gardens, N. 3	Mrs. B. Smith.
*9891	Extension of works	Cambridge Works, Bedford Road, N. 2	Mr. F. Seymour.
9920	House	Plot 1106, Holne Chase, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Messrs. Wm. Willett, Ltd.
9921	2 houses	Plots C.185 and C.186, Holne Chase, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. A. Reast.
9922	House	Plot 1105, Holne Chase, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Messrs. Wm. Willett, Ltd.
9924	Greenhouse	Rear of 12, Highwood Avenue, N. 12	Mr. C. S. Collis.
*9925	Garage and coal sheds	Side of 3, Waverley Grove, N. 3	Mr. M. V. Altman.
9926	House	Plot C.92, Chalton Drive, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. L. C. Gibson.
9928	Trolleybus sub-station	Regents Park Road, N. 3, opposite Mountfield Road	The London Passenger Transport Board.
9929	Garage	Rear of 38, Lansdowne Road, N. 3	Mr. S. J. Andrews.
9930	Additional room over garage	Side of 73, Naylor Road, N. 20	Mr. F. L. Mansfield.
9931	Greenhouse	Rear of "The Limes," Oakfield Road, N. 3	Mr. E. Bryers.
†9932	2 houses	Plots L.106 and L.107, Lyttelton Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. F. Wood.

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No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9933	Extension to workshop	Arcadia Avenue, N. 3	Mr. J. H. Collins.
†9934	Shed	Rear of 35, Market Place, Falloden Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Messrs. Boots Cash Chemists (Southern), Ltd.
9936	2 garages	For flats, Glenhill Close, N. 3	Messrs. Payne & Co.
9937	Garage	Rear of 5, Vines Avenue, N. 3	Mrs. G. Brooks.
9938	14 garages	For flats on site of "Court House," Nether Street, N. 3	Messrs. Payne & Co.
9939	4 flats and 2 garages	57 and 59, Station Road, N. 3	Messrs. North & North.
9940	House	28, Lyndhurst Gardens, N. 3	Mrs. J. Ashley.
9941	House	Plot L.24, Chalgrove Gardens, N. 3	Mr. P. J. Preston.
9942	House	Plot H.20, Haslemere Gardens, N. 3	Mr. P. J. Preston.
9943	House	Plot H.16, Haslemere Gardens, N. 3	Mr. P. J. Preston.
9944	House	Plot H.18, Haslemere Gardens, N. 3	Mr. P. J. Preston.
9945	House	Plot H.9, Haslemere Gardens, N. 3	Mr. P. J. Preston.
9946	House	Plot No. 25, Kingsgate Avenue, N. 3	Mr. J. Norris.
9947	Garage	Side of "Inglenest," Woodside Grange Road, N. 12	Miss Cole.
*9948	Garage	Rear of 52, High Road, N. 2	Mr. A. Chaplin.
‡9949	3 houses and lay-out for new road and sewers	Site of "Rathgar," Dollis Avenue, N. 3	Novean Homes (Kenton), Ltd.
9951	Garage	Side of 32, Broughton Avenue, N. 8	Mr. W. Grossman.
9953	House	Plot 27, Kingsgate Avenue, N. 3	Mr. J. Norris.
*9954	Extension to plant house	North Circular Road, N. 3, opposite Rosemary Avenue	Mr. V. E. R. Bangert.
9955	Additional bedroom	Rear of 8, Sylvan Avenue, N. 3	Mr. J. R. Jones.
9556	Alterations to form staff canteens	College Farm, Fitzalan Road, N. 3	The Express Dairy Co.
†9957	Extension to garage	33, Tillingbourne Gardens, N. 3	Mr. A. Phillips.
9958	House	Plot 2, Amberden Avenue, N. 3	Messrs. G. Tant & Son.

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No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9959	House	Plot H.75, Church Mount, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Messrs. C. Berger & Son.
†9960	Extension to synagogue hall	Norrice Lea, Hampstead Garden Suburb	The Hampstead Garden Suburb Synagogue.
9961	Greenhouse	4, North Circular Road, N. 3	Mr. A. Samuels.

(*b*) Disapproved ;

RESOLVED that the under-mentioned plans be disapproved for the reasons stated by the Borough Surveyor in his report :—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9914	Garage	Montrose Crescent, N. 12, at rear of 1, Granville Road	Mr. C. Till.
9935	Garage	Rear of 199, Regents Park Road, N. 3	Mr. C. M. Armfield.
9950	Conservatory	Rear of 52, Chandos Road, N. 2	Mr. E. C. Hooke.
9952	Extension to Bakeries and Stores, new Warehouse, garage and staff accommodation	Merry Miller Bakeries, The Walks, Park Road, N. 2	The Merry Miller Bakeries, Ltd.

* Referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

† Referred to the Middlesex County Council for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

‡ Referred to Highways and Fire Brigade and Public Health Committees respectively.

1108 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

A. J. BRIANT,

Chairman.

Valuation Committee's Report.

6th APRIL, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), Councillor Connorton (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), and Messrs. Gray and Griffith.

Non-Member: Councillor Steward.

1109 **Minutes:**

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

1110 **Assessments:**

(*a*) 14, Ossulton Court, East End Road.—The Valuation Officer submitted an application for the reduction in the assessment on the above flat. In view, however, of his report that the assessment was still below the rent being obtained for the premises and was the same as that for other adjoining flats, it was

RECOMMENDED that such assessment be not reduced.

(*b*) 3, Gurney House, Gurney Drive.—It was reported that the above flat and garage were jointly assessed at £69 Gross Value, £48 Rateable Value, but that the garage had now been separately let and that the owner had asked for a division of the assessment;

RECOMMENDED that the assessment in question be divided as follows:—

Flat	£52 Gross Value, £42 Rateable Value.
Garage	£10 Gross Value, £ 6 Rateable Value.

(*c*) 27, Woodside Park Road.—It was reported that in February last the Town Council had divided the assessment on the above premises but that they were now again in one occupation:

RECOMMENDED that the original assessment of £70 Gross Value, £56 Rateable Value, be re-instated.

1111 **Instruction:**

RECOMMENDED that the instruction given to the Valuation Officer, as entered in his Instruction Book, be approved.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Parks and Open Spaces Committee's Report.

6th APRIL, 1937.

Present: Alderman Wells (Chairman), Aldermen Pateman and Syrett, and Councillors Collis, Connorton, Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy and Rutt.

Non-Members: Councillors Grobel, Steward and Wilmot.

1112 **Minutes:**

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

1113 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1114 **Vale Farm:**

The Town Clerk reported that the stable premises at above had been vacated;

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to arrange for the demolition of the buildings in question.

1115 **Coronation Celebrations:**

(*a*) Pageant—Avenue House.—It was reported that an application had been received from the Hon. Secretary of the Pageant Committee for the use of the grounds of Avenue House in connection with the above on Thursday, the 13th, and Saturday, the 15th May, 1937, and that it had been suggested that the Grounds should be closed to the public from 6.30 p.m. on the Thursday and from 1.30 p.m. on the Saturday;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the desired permission be granted; and

(*b*) that the Grounds of Avenue House be closed to the public for the periods above-mentioned and that the Town Clerk be authorised to give the necessary public notice in respect thereof.

See also 1232(b)

(*b*) Official Ceremonies.—The recommendations of the Coronation Celebrations Committee which had been adopted at the last Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council were reported and noted.

In connection with the opening of the new ladies' bowling green at the Victoria Recreation Ground, the Committee were of the opinion that the ceremony should include the unveiling of a tablet. In view of the shortage of time, the Borough Surveyor was instructed to arrange for a tablet to be prepared at a cost not exceeding £15;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1116 **Littlewood—Pageant Ground:**

It was reported that, in February last, the Town Council had given consent to the Play and Pageant Union having the use of the pageant ground at above on the 12th, 15th, 17th and 19th June, 1937, and in this connection a communication was submitted from the Secretary stating that his Committee would be glad to have the option of giving a performance on Friday, the 18th June, if any prior performance should have had to be cancelled owing to inclement weather;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed, and that the Town Clerk be instructed to take such action as may be necessary in the matter.

1117 **Glebe Land:**

A communication was submitted from Mr. F. L. Veal suggesting that the Town Council might consider laying out part of the Glebe Land for the purpose of a 9 hole golf-course;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council regret that they cannot see their way to adopt the suggestion.

1118 **Institute of Park Administration:**

It was reported that the Town Council had been invited to appoint delegates to attend the Annual Conference of the above Institute to be held at Harrogate from the 20th to the 23rd July, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. E. R. Westgate, the Parks Superintendent, be appointed to attend the Conference in question and that authority be given for payment of his expenses in connection therewith in accordance with the scale approved by the Town Council.

1119 **Playing Fields:**

A communication was submitted from the Secretary of Simms Motor Units, Ltd., stating that the Company's employees were proposing to form a social club and enquiring whether the Town Council had any land under their control which the Club could rent for use as a playing field;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council regret that they have no land available for the purpose in question.

1120 **Northway Gardens:**

(*a*) Tennis Courts.—An application was submitted from the Hampstead Garden Suburb Conservative and Unionist Association (Hendon Division) for the use of 4 hard tennis courts at above for approximately 4 hours on Saturday, the 12th June, 1937, for the Association's lawn tennis tournament. After hearing a report by the Borough Surveyor as to the public demand for the use of the courts in question, it was

RECOMMENDED that such application be not granted.

(*b*) Housing Accommodation for Attendant—Proposed Bungalow.—The Borough Surveyor submitted preliminary proposals in regard to the above, but the Committee decided to defer the further consideration of the matter in order that a proposal of a less expensive character might be prepared. Meantime, it was

RECOMMENDED that the arrangement contained in Minute No. 822 (1935/36), whereby the Town Council agreed to bear the difference (amounting to £19 10s. 0d. during that financial year) between the rent and rates paid by them in respect of the present accommodation provided and the rent received from Mr. P. Phillips, the attendant, be continued for a further period of 12 months from the 1st April, 1937.

1121 **Swan Lane Open Space:**

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the provision of a sand play pit, approximately 20 ft. by 10 ft., in the above open space at an estimated cost of £25 and that the use thereof be restricted to children not exceeding 5 years of age.

1122 **Wyatts Farm—Proposed Gas Main:**

The Borough Surveyor reported receipt of a communication from the Barnet District Gas and Water Company stating that the Company were proposing to lay an 8 in. steel main across the occupation bridge No. 23 at above, but that preparatory to carrying out the works they were desirous of opening up trial holes on the bridge;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised thereto so far as the Town Council are concerned.

1123 **Arden Playing Field—Hockey Pitch:**

The Borough Surveyor submitted a letter received from Miss K. S. Macdonald stating that, owing to the exceptionally wet weather, the hockey pitch let to her school had only been fit for play on a very few occasions during the 1936/37 season and asking that, in the circumstances, some concession might be made to her in regard to the rent;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council regret that they cannot see their way to accede to the request.

1124 **Rocklands—Gordon Road:**

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Middlesex County Council for a contribution towards the cost of acquiring the above Estate.

1125 **Land rear of Brent Way:**

The Borough Surveyor reported hereon as follows:—

"I have received a letter, dated 9th March, 1937, from Mr. W. H. E. Fransham, of 45, Brentway, expressing appreciation of the fact that a gate has been put in the above fencing opposite Finchley Way, but pointing out that owing to the land being divided by the tennis courts there is no means of access to the other half of the land enclosed by the fencing.

Mr. Fransham asks that another gateway may be placed at the opposite end of the land, the estimated cost of which work is £9."

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to arrange for the erection of a further gate at the point in question at an estimated cost of £9.

1126 **Parks and Open Spaces—Receipts:**

The Borough Treasurer's statement of the weekly receipts for tennis, etc., during the month of March, 1937, was submitted.

1127 **Publicity:**

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the printing of 3,000 folders giving particulars of the sports facilities provided by the Town Council in the open spaces under their control at a cost of approximately 3 guineas.

1128 **Lyttelton Playing Fields—Second Class Football Pitch:**

It was reported that application had been received from the Old Fincunians Football Club for the use of a second class pitch at above for the 1937/38 Season;

RECOMMENDED that the Club be allocated the second class pitch previously occupied by the Old Finchleians Football Club on terms to be considered at a a later date.

1129 **Land adjoining Horbury, High Road, Whetstone:**

The Borough Surveyor submitted a letter, dated 19th March, 1937, received from Mr. J. B. Livingstone stating that he proposed acquiring, on behalf of a small Company, the business at present carried on by Mr. Herbert Brook at Horbury, High Road, Whetstone, and making a tentative application for the tenancy of the piece of land adjoining at present let to Mr. Brook, and for permission to erect a small building for use as an Office and to display a sign advertising the business of Landscape Gardener.

See 1099

It was reported that the communication had been placed before the Town Planning Committee who had decided to raise no objection to the proposal;

RECOMMENDED that the applicant be informed that, in the event of his acquiring the premises in question and the existing tenancy on the adjoining land being determined, the Town Council will be prepared—

(*a*) to grant to him a tenancy of such land upon terms similar to those at present in force; and

(*b*) to raise no objection to the erection of the building and the display of the advertising sign above referred to, subject in each case to their being erected on the land proposed to be acquired by him, and to the statutory requirements of the Town Council in regard thereto being complied with.

1130 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

VYVYAN WELLS,

Chairman.

Highways and Fire Brigade Committee's Report.

7th APRIL, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), Councillor Baines (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant and Pateman, and Councillors Burch, Connorton and Grobel.

Non-Members: Aldermen Syrett and Wells, and Councillor Mrs. Murphy.

1131 **Minutes:**

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

1132 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1133 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

It was reported that the under-mentioned properties of the Town Council had been damaged since last meeting, and that the matters had been dealt with:—

Pedestrian Crossing Beacon—High Road, south of North Circular Road.

Posts of Chain Fence surrounding Grass Plots—Gainsborough Road.

Temporary Refuge—Regents Park Road.

Sand Bin—High Road, East Finchley.

Street Lighting Column attached to Side Pole No. 108—High Road, East Finchley.

Grass Verge—Crooked Usage.

1134 **Third Party Claims:**

It was reported that three claims had been received and dealt with.

1135 **Insurance of Workmen—Accidents—F. W. Smith, W. Geeves and R. J. Legate:**

It was reported that the above employees had met with accidents since last meeting, and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

1136 **Proposed Erection of 9 Shops, 14 Flats and 2 Maisonettes—Site of The Grange, High Road, N. 20:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had communicated with the Clerk to the Friern Barnet Urban District Council intimating that the Town Council would be willing to take the surface water from the above premises on the usual terms, but that he had received a reply to the effect that the plan for the erection of the properties had been considered by the Town Planning Committee, who were recommending that same be disapproved, so that the question of the disposal of the surface water did not at this stage arise.

He also reported that, in the circumstances, he had refrained from communicating with the owners in regard to the proposed widening.

1137 **London Traffic Act, 1924:**

A letter, dated 23rd March, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Transport, stating that the Minister had now made the necessary Regulations, with a view to giving effect to "one-way" traffic working at the junction of the North Circular Road with High Road, as from 8 a.m., on Monday, the 5th April, 1937.

1138 **Telephone Poles—Hampstead Garden Suburb:**

The Town Clerk reported that, in accordance with instructions, he had been in communication with the Post Office Authorities hereon, and that a communication, dated 16th March, 1937, had been received from the Assistant Superintending Engineer as follows:—

"In reply to your letter of 23rd February I have to say that I have carefully reviewed the arrangements for the provision of telephone subscribers' services in Hampstead Garden Suburb. I find that the plant lay-out adequately meets all existing needs and will require very little extension to provide for the ultimate requirements. There are no bays of open wires and the method of distribution by means of posts fed by an underground cable is the normal one in use throughout the country. A large number of underground services have been given where this could be justified economically, thus avoiding the erection of additional posts, and the position will be kept under notice with a view to extending this system where possible. The replacement of the existing system by an entirely underground one as suggested by Mr. Warder-Gunning would, as you are no doubt aware, entail a very heavy expense which could not be justified."

1139 **London Traffic Act, 1924—Section 4—Closing of Streets for Works:**

It was reported that communications, dated 4th and 30th March, 1937, respectively, had been received from the Ministry of Transport in regard to the above and referred to the Borough Surveyor for attention.

1140 **"Roundabout" Traffic Working at the Junction of the North Circular Road with East End Road:**

A letter, dated 4th March, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Transport, stating that, after consulting the London and Home Counties Traffic Advisory Committee and the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis, it had been decided that the existing traffic arrangements at the above point should continue to operate as a permanent traffic feature.

1141 **Omnibus Facilities:**

Communications were submitted from the Operating Manager, London Passenger Transport Board, giving notice of the under-mentioned alterations to 'bus routes 107, 135, 102, 27 and 27a, which took place as from the 24th March, 1937:—

"**Route 107—Enfield and Whetstone ('Black Bull').**

To be withdrawn between Whetstone and East Barnet, junction of East Barnet Road with Longmore Avenue and diverted to Arkley (Arkley Hotel) via East Barnet Road—Station Road—Great North Road—High Street, Barnet and Wood Street.

Route 135—Victoria and Arkley.

To be withdrawn between Arkley and Whetstone junction of Great North Road and Lyonsdown Road and diverted to New Barnet Station via Lyonsdown Road—Longmore Avenue—East Barnet Road and Station Road.

Route 102.

To be extended from Muswell Hill Broadway to Highgate Station (Underground) via Muswell Hill Road, Fortis Green Road, High Road, East Finchley and Archway Road.

Routes 27 and 27a.

To be withdrawn between Muswell Hill Broadway and Highgate Station (Underground)."

1142 **North Circular Road Spur—Improvement at Junction with Regents Park Road:**

It was reported that the following resolution had been passed at a meeting of the Highways Committee of the Middlesex County Council held on the 15th March, 1937, in regard to this matter:—

"That an intimation be given to the Finchley Town Council that the County Council approves of an improvement at the junction of the North Circular Road Spur and Regents Park Road, Finchley, by bringing out the footpath north of the junction and shortening the island between the North Circular Road and Regents Park Road at an estimated cost of £556, which includes the provision of a refuge, subject to the Ministry of Transport accepting the expenditure as a charge against the Classification Grant, and to the Finchley Town Council defraying the cost of lighting the refuge."

RECOMMENDED that the County Council be informed that the Town Council will be prepared to meet the cost of lighting the refuge.

1143 **Automatic Traffic Control Signals:**

(*a*) Junction of Barnet Bye-Pass and The Bishop's Avenue.—It was reported that the following resolution had been passed at a meeting of the Highways Committee of the Middlesex County Council held on the 15th March, 1937, in regard to this matter:—

"That the County Council approves of a contract being entered into with the Automatic Telephone and Electric Company for the maintenance of the traffic signals erected at the junction of the Barnet Bye-Pass and Bishop's Avenue, Finchley, at a cost of £49 5s. 0d. for the first year and £74 5s. 0d. for each subsequent year.

That, in connection with the annual maintenance and lighting of the traffic signals at the junction of the Barnet Bye-Pass and Bishop's Avenue, Finchley, the County Council agrees to meet 20 per cent. of the cost, subject to the Ministry of Transport contributing 60 per cent., and the Finchley Town Council contributing 20 per cent."

RECOMMENDED that the County Council be informed that the Town Council will be prepared to contribute 20 per cent. towards the cost of the maintenance and lighting of the signals.

(*b*) Junction of the North Circular Road and Long Lane.—It was reported that the following resolution had been passed at a meeting of the Highways Committee of the Middlesex County Council held on the 15th March, 1937 in regard to this matter:—

"That the County Council approves of a contract being entered into with the Automatic Telephone and Electric Company for the maintenance of the traffic control signals erected at the junction of the North Circular Road and Long Lane, Finchley, at a cost of £30 0s. 0d. for the first year and £57 0s. 0d. for each subsequent year.

That, in connection with the annual maintenance and lighting of the traffic control signals at the junction of the North Circular Road and Long Lane, Finchley, the County Council agrees to meet 24 per cent. of the cost, subject to the Ministry of Transport contributing 60 per cent., and the Finchley Town Council contributing 16 per cent."

RECOMMENDED that the County Council be informed that the Town Council will be prepared to contribute 16 per cent. of the cost of the maintenance and lighting of the signals.

1144 **Proposed Widening—East End Road—Junction with Stanhope Avenue:**

A letter, dated 25th March, 1937, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council, stating that the County Highways Committee had authorised the acceptance of the offer of the owners to convey to the Town Council a strip of land at above for widening purposes and the carrying out of the necessary paving works, etc., at a cost not exceeding £70, including legal costs.

1145 **Parking or Lorries—Lincoln Road and Dale Grove:**

The Town Clerk reported receipt of letters from—

(*a*) Mr. H. E. Freshwater, dated 31st March, 1937, as follows:—

"I have to thank you for your courteous note of 23rd March regarding parking of lorries in this road and I shall appreciate advice when you hear from the M. of T. As the nuisance has developed in all its aspects I hope you will press the Ministry to expedite an early decision.

At the outset of this issue the local Inspector of Police told me that he could take no action unless the prescribed period of parking of ½ hour was exceeded. As these periods now extend for 2 or 3 hours at a time perhaps you will deem it advisable to again bring the matter before the Police, but, of course, without prejudice to the main question of the entire abolition of the trouble. With reasonable observation I think the Police could convince themselves that their regulations are not being observed and so obtain sufficient evidence to maintain their point in court if necessary."

(*b*) The Ministry of Transport, dated 1st April, 1937, as follows:—

"I am directed by the Minister of Transport to refer further to your letter of the 28th October, regarding annoyance caused to residents by the parking of heavy lorries in Lincoln Road, East Finchley, and to state that it is understood that similar complaints have been received with regard to Dale Grove, North Finchley.

As you are aware, the localities have been inspected, but it has not been found possible to suggest suitable sites for parking places. The Minister is informed, moreover, by the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis that unless the vehicles are left for an unreasonable time and a case of obstruction can be proved, the Police have no grounds upon which they can intervene.

In the circumstances, the Minister regrets that there would not appear to be any action which he can usefully take in this matter."

It was also reported that a communication, dated 5th April, 1937, on the same subject had been received from Mr. K. E. Canham, of 15, Lincoln Road, complaining of the use of No. 19, Lincoln Road for business purposes in connection therewith.

After full consideration of the legal aspect of the matter, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to arrange for observation to kept at the points in question and for evidence of unnecessary obstruction to be collated ;

(2) that the Town Clerk be instructed to communicate further with the Police Authorities, placing before them the evidence obtained by the Borough Surveyor, the information supplied by the complainants and a copy of the opinion of Counsel on the subject of prosecution for obstruction, and pressing for action to be taken against the drivers of the vehicles concerned ; and

(3) that Mr. H. E. Freshwater and Mr. K. E. Canham be informed of the action taken.

1146 **Street Accidents :**

The Returns received from the Police Authorities were submitted, from which it appeared that the number of street accidents which had occurred in the Borough during the month of February, 1937, as compared with the corresponding period for the previous year, was as follows :—

	Fatal.	Personal Injuries.		Total.
1936	2	32		34
1937	1	Serious. 10	Slight. 28	39

1147 **Travelling Facilities :**

Referring to Minute No. 662 (c), a communication, dated 2nd April, 1937, was submitted from the London Passenger Transport Board as follows :—

"I am directed to refer to your two letters of the 23rd February.

Dealing with the general position, as you are aware, the tram and trolleybus services which work along the Great North Road and Ballards Lane respectively are subject to the varying effects of traffic conditions at important centres on their route, which tend to make the service uneven. In addition to this day-to-day difficulty, the trolleybus service and 'bus route 26 have been seriously interrupted by road reconstruction work in Acton. When your Council's tests were being taken the efficiency of all services was reduced by shortage of staff due to the influenza epidemic.

The gaps indicated by your tests have been compared with the Board's records and our records do not entirely agree with your Council's for 'bus services 2 and 84 and for the trolleybus and tram services.

On trolleybus route 660 steps were taken to fill in gaps by 'buses from routes 645 and 662, and these extraneous vehicles do not appear to have been recorded. In similar circumstances on tram routes 9 and 19, trams from service 17 were projected to North Finchley, which also may not have been allowed for in your test.

I should be glad to know whether your observer did take note of these vehicles from other routes, and if so whether the gaps recorded on the regular services were adjusted accordingly.

It is proposed to take a complete test immediately, and the result of this will be communicated to your Council; if you then consider it necessary, a meeting can be arranged with the Operating Managers of the Departments concerned.

With regard to Alderman Syrett's complaint, the delay he experiences is regretted, but on the day in question the roads were wet and greasy, and this would affect the running of 'buses, quite apart from the difficulty that was being experienced owing to the influenza epidemic and the consequent shortage of staff."

RECOMMENDED that the further consideration of the matter be deferred until next meeting, and that the Board be asked to arrange, if possible, for the result of the test to be communicated to the Town Council prior thereto.

1148 **Wayleaves:**

An application was submitted from the Post Office Authorities for permission to lay an underground line on the west side of Courthouse Gardens, from Fursby Avenue to outside No. 7;

RECOMMENDED that such application be granted, subject to the actual position of the line being agreed by the Borough Surveyor, and to the work being carried out to his satisfaction.

1149 **Electric Main Applications:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"The following applications have been received from the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager:—

24th February, 1937	Underground main from existing main in Wentworth Avenue to proposed kiosk near Nether Close.
25th February, 1937	Overground disconnecting box off west side of Northway opposite Thornton Way.
	Overground disconnecting box off north side of Oakwood Road, east of No. 59.
	Overground disconnecting box, west side of Eastholm near junction with Falloden Way.
	Overground disconnecting box, south side of Falloden Way, east of No. 136.
	Overground disconnecting box junction of Falloden Way and Brookland Rise.
8th March, 1937	Underground main extension, Aveton Road and Market Place, N. 2.
12th March, 1937	Underground main extension, High Road from existing box near Percy Road, northwards to Lodge Lane.
15th March, 1937	Underground main extension, Regents Park Road from sub-station near Allandale Avenue to the Barnet Bye-Pass, proceeding along the Barnet Bye-Pass to Haslemere Gardens, down Haslemere Gardens and Kinloss Gardens. The two latter roads are private streets and the Barnet Bye-Pass is under the jurisdiction of the County Council.
19th March, 1937	Underground main extension, crossing Percy Road opposite Albert Street, traversing Albert Street and Lodge Lane between Albert Street and William Street with an overground box on private property on the north side of Lodge Lane opposite William Street.
30th March, 1937	Underground main extension from sub-station in Amberden Avenue to Windermere Avenue and along Windermere Avenue for a distance of approximately 174 yards. Amberden Avenue is at the present time a private street.

Overground disconnecting box in St. Margaret's Avenue, near junction with High Road."

RECOMMENDED that the applications in question be granted so far as the Town Council are concerned.

1150 **Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935 :—**

The Committee considered the under-mentioned plans, which had been referred to them by the Town Planning Committee :—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9485a	6 shops, 6 flats and 2 maisonettes	High Road, N. 2, between Leslie Road and Leopold Road	The Landed & Trustee Securities, Ltd.
9891	Extension of works	Cambridge Works, Bedford Road, N. 2	Mr. F. Seymour
9925	Garage and coal sheds	Side of 3, Waverley Grove, N. 3	Mr. M. V. Altman.
9928	Trolleybus sub-station	Regents Park Road, N. 3, opposite Mountfield Road	The London Passenger Transport Board.
9948	Garage	Rear of 52, High Road, N. 2	Mr. A. Chaplin.

RECOMMENDED that the consent of the Town Council as the Highway Authority be given to the proposals in question under the provisions of Section 2 (1) of the Act, subject, if applicable, to the condition mentioned in Minute No. 200 (a).

1151 **Proposed Widening—High Road by Leslie Road :**

Referring to Minute No. 1120 (1935/36), it was reported that a revised plan had recently been deposited on behalf of Mrs. Fleming's Trustees, showing a slightly different area of land to be conveyed to the Town Council on the above site ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the amended offer as shown on deposited plan No. 9485a be accepted;

(2) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in connection with the Conveyance ; and

(3) that, if necessary, payment of legal costs and Surveyor's fees be approved.

1152 **Proposed Widening—Dollis Road :**

The Borough Surveyor presented plans and estimates showing alternative schemes for the proposed widening of Dollis Road to 50 ft. between the viaduct and the Borough boundary ;

RECOMMENDED that the scheme shown on drawing No. 11121, at an estimated cost of £7,118, be approved and transmitted to the County Council for consideration ;

1153 **Tram and Omnibus Shelters :**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

(*a*) High Road by Squires Lane.—that a communication had been received from the London Passenger Transport Board as follows :—

"We beg to inform you that we are prepared to erect one of our standard type roadside shelters at the agreed site at the rear of the tram stop in Great North Road, opposite Squires Lane. We would, however, point out that it may be necessary to move the shelter when trolleybus working and consequent revision of stops is brought into operation along this route."

(*b*) By St. Mary's Schools, N. 3.—that a communication had been received from the Board, pointing out that, as only one service now stopped at this point, they were of the opinion that the provision of a shelter was not justified, but that the observations of the Town Council on the subject would be appreciated;

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to inform the Board, in reply, that the Town Council are still of opinion that there is an urgent need for the provision of a shelter at the point in question.

(*c*) Island Site—Tally Ho! Corner—that a communication had been received from the Board enclosing a drawing showing the type of shelter which, after reconsideration, they were prepared to erect on the above site;

RECOMMENDED that same be approved by the Town Council.

1154 **Neon Signs:**

Arising on a communication received from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council in regard to this matter, the Borough Surveyor reported that all the neon signs in the neighbourhood of traffic control lights had been inspected, and that none of them would appear to cause confusion with the traffic signals;

RECOMMENDED that the County Council be notified accordingly.

1155 **Re-numbering:**

(*a*) Derwent Crescent.—A plan (drawing No. 11,107) was submitted showing the proposed re-numbering of the premises in the above street;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that such plan be approved; and

(2) that, in accordance with the provisions of the Towns Improvement Clauses Act, 1847, notices be served upon the occupiers of the premises affected, requiring them respectively to adopt the numbering shown on the plan.

(*b*) Spaniards Close.—A plan (drawing No. 11,106) was submitted showing the proposed re-numbering of the premises in the above street;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that such plan be approved; and

(2) that, in accordance with the provisions of the Towns Improvement Clauses Act, 1847, notices be served upon the occupiers of the premises affected, requiring them respectively to adopt the numbering shown on the plan.

1156 **Private Street Works—30th Batch:**

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the streets known as

Walfield Avenue, N. 20,
Westbury Grove, N. 3,
Fursby Avenue, N. 3 (remaining portion),
Derwent Crescent, N. 20 (including new surface water sewer),
Fenstanton Avenue, N. 12,

Kinloss Gardens, N. 3,
Hutton Grove, N. 12 (portion),
Chandos Road, N. 2 (remaining portion),

(not being highways repairable by the inhabitants at large), situate within the Borough of Finchley, not being sewered, levelled, paved, metalled, flagged, channelled and made good, or lighted to the satisfaction of the Town Council, the plans, sections and estimates submitted by the Borough Surveyor for the carrying out of the works be approved by the Town Council, and that the Town Clerk be instructed to give notice to the respective owners and occupiers of the premises fronting, adjoining or abutting on the said streets respectively, requiring them to carry out the works shown in such plans, sections and estimates within the period of three months mentioned in such notices;

(*b*) that, failing compliance with such notices, the Town Council do themselves carry out the works at the cost of the owners;

1261(b) (*c*) that it be referred to the Finance Committee to make the necessary financial arrangements;

(*d*) that advertisements be issued at the appropriate time inviting tenders for the carrying out of the works; and

(*e*) that authority be given for the appointment of a Clerk of Works.

1157 **Green Lane:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that, under the provisions of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1, the highway known as Green Lane was declared to be diverted or stopped up, and that all public rights therein had ceased.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the stopping up of the street in question.

1158 **Deposited Plan No. 9884—10 Houses adjoining Manor House, East End Road, N. 3—Messrs. W. Smirk, Ltd.:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"Adverting to Minute No. 680, I give below copy of letter, dated the 17th March, 1937, which has now been received from Messrs. W. Smirk, Ltd., relative to this matter:—

'Further with reference to the proposed erection of ten houses in East End Road, we confirm our conversation of yesterday with Mr. Newman when Mr. Newman pointed out that a service road 16 ft. in width, together with a 4 ft. footpath, would be required in order to comply with the Ribbon Development Act.

Following the conversation, we have been in communication with the Vendors who have agreed to let us have a small strip of land at the rear of the site which we intend to purchase. This will entail considerable expenditure, but we think that the acquisition of this extra land is essential especially having regard to the fact that a strip of 20 ft. will be taken up by the access road and footpath.

No doubt you will remember your Council's consent was given to our scheme subject to the access being provided, and we now confirm that we are prepared to give up the land as shown on our plan, for road widening purposes, together with a 20 ft. strip for the access road. This is subject to your Council demolishing the existing wall and depositing the bricks on the site and to your Council erecting the dwarf palisade walls to the ten houses.

We understand from the Vendors that an agreement had been reached between themselves and your Council to the effect that your Council would set back the existing high wall to the new road widening line, but having regard to your requiring the access road, the re-erection of the wall will be unnecessary and we feel sure that you will agree our suggestion will be far less expensive than that which formed the basis of the agreement between yourselves and the Vendors.

In addition, we shall require the Middlesex County Council to pay the costs of laying down the access road and footpath.

As you are aware, considerable delay has taken place in this matter, and we are very anxious to commence building operations as early as possible, and we shall be glad, therefore, if you will give us your formal approval of the amended scheme in order that building may be commenced.

It would be of considerable assistance to us if you could let us have a copy of the plan for the proposed road access.'

A plan showing the proposed service road was forwarded to the County Surveyor, together with a copy of the foregoing letter and he now writes under date 25th March as follows:—

'I am in receipt of your letter of the 24th inst., enclosing copy of a letter and plan from the Managing Director of the Smirk Estates, Ltd.

As far as the lay-out is concerned, I see no objection to the proposal and you will no doubt negotiate with the developers on the basis of their letter of the 17th inst.

When these are concluded you will no doubt let me have a detailed estimate of any expenditure involved in order that I may obtain the approval of my Committee.

It will be advisable for this to be allocated between main road improvement works and works behind the improvement line.' "

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that, subject to the approval of the Middlesex County Council, the terms suggested by Messrs. Smirk, Ltd., be accepted;

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in connection with the Conveyance; and

(*c*) that, if necessary, payment of legal costs be approved.

1159 **Appointment of Tree Foreman:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that, in accordance with instructions, he had considered the question of the appointment of a full-time Tree Foreman, and that he was of opinion that it was opportune for such an appointment to be made, as there were approximately 6,000 trees in the highways.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the appointment of a Tree Foreman, at a wage of £3 15s. 0d. a week rising by two annual increments of 2/6d. a week to £4 a week;

(*b*) that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman of the Committee and Alderman Wells be authorised to make the appointment in conjunction with the Borough Surveyor, subject to report; and

(*c*) that the Foreman be responsible to the Parks Superintendent.

1160 **Cross Road Signs—Junction of Manor View, Squires Lane and Rosemary Avenue:**

It was reported that a communication, dated 15th March, 1937, had been received from the Ministry of Transport, suggesting that conditions at the above junction would be improved if cross road signs were erected in Squires Lane on the centre of the bridge and in Manor View just south-west of Lichfield Grove.

The Borough Surveyor intimated that it was probable that such signs would serve a useful purpose, and that the estimated cost thereof was £6;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the erection of the signs in question.

1161 **Pedestrian Crossing—Junction of East End Road and North Circular Road:**

The Borough Surveyor reported receipt of a communication from the Ministry of Transport as follows:—

"The Commissioner of Police has suggested that a pedestrian crossing would be of assistance across the North Circular Road, across the northern refuge of the junction.

I shall be glad to know whether you are in agreement, and will agree with the Middlesex County Council as to the placing of this crossing."

He added that there would appear to be no objection to the proposal, provided that, if the crossing terminated where there was a grass verge, slab paving were laid to link the crossing with the existing slab paving;

RECOMMENDED that the proposal be approved by the Town Council, and that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to place same before the County Council for consideration.

1162 **Traffic Direction Signs—Island Site—Junction of Kingsway with High Road:**

The Borough Surveyor reported further on the question of the provision of direction signs at the above junction, and after consideration it was

RECOMMENDED that, notwithstanding anything contained in Minute No. 899, the Borough Surveyor be authorised to arrange, at an additional estimated cost of £10 5s. 0d., for the erection, on the tramway standard on the above island site, of a three-way direction sign for traffic proceeding southwards along the High Road and of a sign pointing southwards for traffic proceeding in a southerly direction from Woodhouse Road.

1163 **Deposited Plan No. 9949—3 Houses—Site of Rathgar, Dollis Avenue—Novean Homes (Kenton), Ltd.—Surface Water Sewer:**

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The above plan was submitted;

RECOMMENDED that same be approved so far as this Committee is concerned.

1164 **Street Lighting:**

A joint report by the Borough Surveyor and the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager hereon dated 3rd April, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the whole matter be referred to a Sub-Committee consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, Alderman Briant and the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman of the Committee for consideration.

1165 **Fire Brigade:**

(*a*) Fire Brigade Sub-Committee.—It was reported that a meeting of the above Sub-Committee had been held on the 24th March, 1937, and the following report was submitted:—

"Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands) and Alderman Briant.

1.—**Out-of-Area Fires:**

The Sub-Committee considered a letter, dated 14th January, 1937 (circulated) from the Clerk of the London County Council enquiring whether, in connection with the above, the Town Council would be prepared to enter into a mutual arrangement with his Council on the terms set out therein.

The arrangements proposed by the London County Council were compared with those existing between the Town Council and other neighbouring authorities, and it was found that the major difference consisted in the payment of an agreed charge in the event of the London County Council or the Town Council calling on the other for assistance instead of the present arrangement with other authorities under which no charge is made to the neighbouring authority.

Having regard, however, to the fact that the possibility of operating the reciprocal arrangement would occur very infrequently, it was

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council enter into a mutual arrangement with the London County Council on the lines set out in the above-mentioned letter.

2.—**Ambulance:**

(*a*) Charges for Private Removals.—In accordance with the reference from the full Committee, the question of the collection of ambulance charges prior to the removal of a patient, was considered. After investigating the matter fully, the Sub-Committee were of opinion that there was no need for any alteration to be made in the present procedure.

(*b*) Convalescent Children.—The Chief Officer reported that it had been the practice of the Education Department to have the use of the ambulance for the purpose of conveying convalescent children to London terminus stations, free of charge, and that in consequence, it had been necessary, on certain occasions, to call and pay for the services of the ambulance of another Authority.

It was therefore

RECOMMENDED that the practice in question be discontinued, and that the School Medical Officer be informed accordingly.

3.—**Appointment of Fireman:**

The Sub-Committee received a letter, dated 8th March, 1937, from Fireman Outhwaite, tendering his resignation from the Fire Brigade on being appointed Second Officer of the Borough of Redcar Fire Brigade.

In the circumstances, the Town Clerk was authorised to issue the usual advertisement inviting applications for the appointment of a single Fireman at a commencing wage of £2 15s. 0d. a week in accordance with the scale adopted by the Town Council.

4.—**Fire Station:**

(*a*) Outside Lighting.—The question of providing outside lighting at the Fire Station was considered carefully by the Sub-Committee, but they were of the opinion that it was unnecessary to take any steps in the matter at the present time.

(*b*) Chief Officer's Quarters.—The Sub-Committee authorised the Chief Officer to arrange for certain renovations to be carried out in his quarters at a cost not exceeding £7 10s. 0d., provision having been made therefor in the estimates;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*c*) (i) Second Officer's Quarters;

(ii) House vacated by Fireman Outhwaite (No. 1, Pointalls Close).—

The Chief Officer was authorised to arrange for the carrying out of certain works of decoration, etc., at each of the above-mentioned premises at a cost not exceeding £10 per house, for which provision had been made in the estimates.

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*d*) Drainage—Workshop Pit.—The Chief Officer reported that provision had been made in the Estimates for certain works of drainage to be carried out in connection with the workshop pit and that he was of the opinion that the work should be done immediately, in view of the existing conditions.

He was therefore instructed to arrange for the work to be carried out forthwith at a cost not exceeding £30;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*e*) External Stone Work.—Further consideration of the execution of certain repairs to the external stone work, which had been rendered necessary by settlement was deferred until the meeting of the full Committee to enable the Borough Surveyor, in the meantime, to prepare and submit a report thereon.

5.—**No. 1, Pointalls Close:**

The Chief Officer reported that Fireman Goward had intimated that he proposed to be married in the near future, and had made application for permission to occupy the house recently vacated by Fireman Outhwaite;

RECOMMENDED that in the circumstances Fireman Goward be given permission to occupy the premises in question.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman."

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted.

Arising out of paragraph (3) (Appointment of Fireman), it was

RECOMMENDED that the Fire Brigade Sub-Committee be authorised to make the appointment in question, subject to report.

Arising out of paragraph 4 (e) (Fire Station—External Stone Work), the Borough Surveyor reported on the matter;

RECOMMENDED that he be authorised to arrange for the pointing of the brickwork to be carried out, at a cost not exceeding £10, and instructed to report further on the matter at a later meeting, if necessary.

(*b*) Chief Officer's Report.—The Chief Officer of the Brigade reported as follows:—

(i) Fires.—that a number of fires, as shown in the list circulated, had occurred between the 21st February and the 20th March, 1937.

(ii) Ambulance Calls.—that the following ambulance calls had been received between the 21st February and the 20th March, 1937:—

Private Removals.	Accidents. Motor.	Accidents. Other.	Illness in street.	Not required on arrival.	Hoax calls.	Total.
34	8	4	3	2	0	51

(iii) Fire Drill—Finchley Memorial Hospital.—that Fire Drill had been carried out at the above hospital on the 10th and on the 19th March, 1937, and that the result on both occasions was satisfactory.

(iv) Attendance at Fire.—that a communication, dated 9th March, 1937, had been received from Mr. D. Chambers of Beresford House, Beresford Road as follows:—

"I feel very grateful for your help in the recent fire at the above address, and cannot speak too highly of the manner in which the Firemen carried out their work.

Particularly the two men who were left, who in their unfailing courtesy helped my wife very much in a very trying and anxious time."

(v) Illness—Staff.—that one of the Firemen had been absent from duty, owing to illness, from the 24th to the 28th March, 1937, and that medical certificates had been submitted.

1166 **Coronation Day—Children's Tea:**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon a communication received from Mrs. Moran with regard to a tea which was proposed to be given on Coronation Day to children living in Hamilton Road and enquiring whether permission could be granted for same to take place in the roadway;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that no objection be raised thereto by the Town Council;

(*b*) that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the erection of the necessary barriers; and

(*c*) that the Police Authorities be notified accordingly.

1167 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Public Health Committee's Report.

8th APRIL, 1937.

Present: Councillor Grobel (Vice-Chairman) in the Chair, Aldermen Briant and Pike, and Councillors Collis, Mrs. Murphy and Steward.

Non-Member: Councillor Wilmot.

1168 **Minutes:**

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

1169 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved, subject to the deletion for the time being of the under-mentioned item:—

"Conversion of Laundry into Dressing Room, Squires Lane Baths, £125."

1170 **Medical Officer's Report:**

The following report of the Medical Officer of Health for the five weeks ended 27th March, 1937, was submitted and approved:—

	Wards. N.	E.	W.	1937.	1936.
" 1. **Deaths.**—					
Number registered	21	27	24	72	79
Infants under one year	2	1	1	4	7
Infectious disease	—	—	—	—	—
2. **Births.**—					
Number notified under the Notification of Births Acts	30	29	16	75	81
3. **Infectious Disease.**—					
Cases notified	3	4	4	11	26
Scarlet Fever	2	1	4	7	14
Diphtheria	—	—	—	—	2
Pneumonia	1	1	—	2	6
Erysipelas	—	2	—	2	3
Puerperal Fever	—	—	—	—	1
4. **Tuberculosis.**—					
Pulmonary cases	1	2	3	6	6
Non-pulmonary cases	—	—	1	1	3
5. **Patients in Hospital.**—					
Number in hospital on the 26th February	—	—	—	17	8
Number admitted	—	—	—	7	18
Number discharged	—	—	—	16	13
Number of deaths	—	—	—	—	—
Number in hospital on the 2nd April	—	—	—	8	13 "

1171 **Sanitary Inspector's Report:**

This was submitted. Arising thereon the Inspector reported as follows:—

(1) Houses without Proper Dustbins (Section 22 of the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908).—

32, Station Road, N. 3.
98, Station Road, N. 3.
39, Leggatt Grove, N.12.
79, High Street, N.12.
250, Long Lane, N. 3.

That the above dwellinghouses were not provided with proper dustbins;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that notices be served upon the owners of the said dwellinghouses requiring them to provide at their respective premises a strong galvanised iron dustbin with a suitable cover; and

(*b*) that, failing compliance with such notices, proceedings be taken for recovery of the penalties mentioned in Section 22 of the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908.

(2) Nuisances (Public Health Act, 1875, and Acts amending the same).—

7, Summers Lane, N.12.
65, Lodge Lane, N. 12.

That the above premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health.

The Committee being satisfied of the existence of the nuisances, it was

RECOMMENDED that statutory notices be served upon the owners of the said premises requiring them to execute the works referred to by the Inspector in his report within the time mentioned in such notices.

(3) Defective Drainage.—

36, Eversleigh Road, N. 3.
Simms Motor Units, The Grange Works, Oak Lane, N. 2.
16, Beechwood Avenue, N. 3.
86, Huntingdon Road, N. 2.
45, Woodside Park Road, N. 12.
Inglenest, Woodside Grange Road, N. 12.

That the drains on or belonging to the above-named premises had been found to be in a defective condition and that the work of re-laying the said drains was now in progress or had been completed by the owners.

(4) Statutory Notices.—

Melrose, 197, High Road, N.2.
11, Chamberlain Road, N. 2.
Passage rear of Nos. 20-36b, Ballards Lane, N. 3.
332a, Regents Park Road, N. 3.
16, Gruneisen Road, N. 3.
4, Coleridge Road, N.12.

That the statutory notices requiring the owners of the above-named premises to carry out certain works had been complied with.

(5) House Unfit for Human Habitation.—

41, Station Road, N. 3.

That the work of reconditioning the above house in order to make the same fit for habitation was now in progress.

(6) Complaints.—

That since the 24th February, 1937, the following complaints had been received and dealt with:—

re Condition of house	11
,, Blocked or defective drains	6
,, Dampness	7
,, Absence of water supply	1
,, Accumulation of refuse	2
,, Burning of refuse	3
,, Rats	3
,, Ants	1
,, Keeping of animals	1
,, Condition of foodstuffs	1
,, Smell of petrol in house	1
,, Noise	1
,, Shops Acts	1
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(7) Application for Consent to Establish the Trade of a Fish Frier.—

4, Market Parade, Woodhouse Road, N. 12.

That an application, dated 31st March, 1937, had been received from Mr. Edward E. Hillier of 325a, Ballards Lane, N. 12, for the consent of the Town Council to establish the trade of a fish frier at 4, Market Parade, Woodhouse Road, N. 12;

RECOMMENDED that the application be not granted.

(8) Unsound Food.—

That the diseased or unsound food, particulars of which were submitted, had been destroyed since last meeting.

(9) Petroleum (Consolidation) Act, 1928.—

H. Pope & Sons Limited, Petrol Service Station, 39, Ballards Lane, N. 3.

That an application had been received from H. Pope & Sons Limited for the permission of the Town Council to erect at the above premises two Avery Hardoll electrically operated petrol pumps in addition to the two existing petrol pumps;

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted, subject to the conditions mentioned in the Report of the Inspector.

1172 **Conferences:**

The Town Clerk reported that invitations had been extended to the Town Council to appoint delegates to attend the undermentioned Conferences:—

(*a*) Twenty-third Annual Conference of the National Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis—Bristol—1st to 3rd July, 1937.

(*b*) Third Annual Conference of the National Federation of Personal Health Associations—London—24th June, 1937.

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken thereon.

1173 **Public Health Act, 1936:**

The Town Clerk reported that a circular letter (No. 1597) had been received from the Ministry of Health drawing attention to the more important amendments which the above Act had made in the law relating to Public Health; further, that a copy of the circular had been referred to the Medical Officer of Health and to the Borough Treasurer.

1174 **Shops Acts, 1912 to 1934—Serving Customers after the General Closing Hours—316, Ballards Lane, N. 12:**

The Town Clerk reported that the case against Mr. and Mrs. Glover was duly heard at Highgate Court on the 31st March, 1937, when fines of forty shillings were inflicted on each of the Defendants; further, that Mrs. Glover was in addition ordered to pay two guineas costs, seven days being allowed for payment.

1175 **Midwives Act, 1936—Domiciliary Service of Midwives:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had circulated to each member of the Town Council a copy of the proposals which had been submitted to the Minister of Health by the Middlesex County Council for the provision by the County Council of a domiciliary service of Midwives under Section 1 (1) of the above Act.

He further reported that in a letter, dated 25th March, 1937, received from the Clerk of the County Council, it was pointed out that any representations made to the Minister in pursuance of Section 1 (5) of the Act would need to be submitted to him before the 25th May, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken thereon.

1176 **Local Government Act, 1929—Section 93—Maternity and Child Welfare:**

A letter, dated 24th March, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted referring to the Minister's letter of December last transmitting a draft of the proposed scheme in respect of the years 1937/38 to 1941/42 under Section 93 of the Local Government Act, 1929, as respects the County of Middlesex, and stating that the Minister had given consideration to any representations made to him by the Council of the County or the County Districts concerned, and enclosing a copy of the scheme which had been made by him under the powers contained in the above Section.

Arising thereon the Town Clerk reported that a copy of the approved Scheme had been forwarded to each member of the Town Council and he pointed out that it conformed to the draft scheme to which the Council at its meeting in January last decided to raise no objection.

1177 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

The Town Clerk reported that the money box portion of a lock at the Cherry Tree Wood Convenience had been stolen by a person or persons unknown, and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

1178 **Shops (Sunday Trading Restriction) Act, 1936:**

A letter, dated 4th March, 1937, received from the Home Office was submitted drawing the attention of the Council to certain provisions of the above Act which might necessitate administrative action on their part before the Act came into force on the 1st May next.

The Town Clerk reported that a copy of the letter had been referred to the Shops Acts Inspector.

1179 **Public Baths:**

(*a*) Squires Lane—Monthly Statement.—A statement (circulated) was submitted, showing the number of bathers and the receipts for the five weeks ended 28th March, 1937.

(*b*) Open Air Pools.—

(i) Broadcast of Copyright Music.—At the request of the Town Clerk, the Committee considered the desirability or otherwise of arranging for music to be broadcast from the pools during the coming summer season;

RECOMMENDED that, so far as the coming season is concerned, music be not broadcast from the open-air pools.

(ii) Finchley Swimming Club—Polo.—The Borough Surveyor reported the receipt of a letter from the Secretary of the Finchley Swimming Club, asking that the Club might be granted the same facilities for playing Polo at the main Pool on Friday evenings as were enjoyed last year;

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted.

1180 **Proposed Mortuary, Long Lane:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that he had made arrangements for Messrs. J. S. Paul & Son to prepare the quantities for the above in accordance with their terms of 1¾ per cent. on the accepted contract price;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1181 **Plan No. 9949—3 Houses, Site of "Rathgar," Dollis Avenue:** 1107. 1163.

The above plan was submitted, and it was

RECOMMENDED that the plan be approved so far as this Committee is concerned.

1182 **National Health Campaign:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had circulated to each member of the Town Council a copy of a letter, dated 18th March, 1937, received from the Central Council for Health Education with regard to the above;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Medical Officer be instructed (i) to inform the Central Council that the Town Council will be prepared to co-operate in the Campaign and (ii) to forward a provisional list of the posters, leaflets, etc., which would be required; and

(2) that the Medical Officer report at a later meeting as to the estimated cost which will fall upon the Council in respect of the over-printing and posting of the notices.

1183 **Bi-Weekly Collection of House Refuse from Flats:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that it was desirable that in the case of certain blocks of flats a bi-weekly collection of house refuse should be undertaken during the coming summer months.

He further reported that the refuse collection contract made provision for a second collection per week at an additional cost of 9/6d. per 100 houses or flats, and that a sum of £250 was included in the current estimates to cover the cost of such work;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to make arrangements with the Contractors for a bi-weekly collection of house refuse from approximately 211 flats during the months of June, July, August and September; and

(2) that the Borough Surveyor report to the Committee at a later meeting in regard to those premises where he considers it desirable that a bi-weekly collection should be undertaken throughout the whole of the year.

1184 **Maternity and Child Welfare Sub-Committee:**

It was reported that a meeting of the above Sub-Committee had been held on the 8th April, 1937, and the following report was submitted:—

Present: Alderman Pike and Councillors Collis, Grobel, Mrs. Murphy and Steward, and Mrs. Reeves.

1.—**Vice-Chairman:**

Councillor Grobel was appointed Vice-Chairman of the Sub-Committee for the remainder of the present year.

2.—**Chair:**

In the absence of the Chairman, Councillor Grobel occupied the Chair.

3.—**Erection of Health Centre, Oak Lane:**

In accordance with instructions the Borough Surveyor submitted preliminary plans and an estimate amounting to £13,800 for the erection of the above Health Centre.

He also reported that it might shortly be necessary to divert a portion of the drain which ran across the land and in this connection the Town Clerk drew attention to the fact that the Ministry of Health intimated on the 12th November, 1936, that consent would be issued to the borrowing of the necessary sum (estimated at £350) in respect of the cost of diverting the drain if and when the Council found it necessary to carry out the work.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the preliminary plans submitted be approved; and

(2) that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to submit at the meeting of this Committee to be held in June, 1937, detailed plans based on the preliminary plans above referred to, together with a detailed estimate including a sum to cover the cost of diverting such portion of the drain as may need to be diverted in consequence of the erection of the building.

C. P. GROBEL,

Chairman (*pro tempore*)."

RECOMMENDED that the report be received and adopted.

1185 **Maternity Hospital Accommodation:**

The Town Clerk reported the receipt of the following letter, dated 6th April, 1937, from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council:—

"In reply to your letter of the 12th January last, enclosing a copy of a resolution adopted at a meeting between representatives of the Councils of Finchley, Hornsey, and Wood Green, with regard to the question of maternity hospital accommodation for the residents of those Boroughs, I have to inform you that the County Council is fully aware of the position as regards beds for maternity cases in the districts in question and that plans for the proposed rebuilding of North Middlesex County Hospital are already under consideration. Pending the rebuilding, however, a proposal is in hand to augment the number of beds available for such cases as a temporary expedient.

It is appreciated, of course, that the additional beds which will be available in the new hospital will not entirely meet the needs of the districts served thereby, but as stated in my previous communication, it is anticipated that additional beds will ultimately be provided. It is not possible at the present time to state when and where these beds are likely to be available.

With regard to your enquiry as to whether the agreement between the Hertfordshire and Middlesex County Councils for the admission of cases to the Wellhouse Hospital, which is due to expire on the 31st March, 1938, will be renewed, I have to say that no representations in this connection have yet been made to the Hertfordshire Council."

Arising thereon the Medical Officer of Health reported that the accommodation for Finchley cases at the Wellhouse Hospital was progressively becoming more restricted and that in consequence more cases were being diverted to the North Finchley Hospital.

After full consideration, the Committee were of opinion that every possible step should be taken to improve the present unsatisfactory position and instructions were thereupon given to the Town Clerk—

(*a*) to request the Finchley members of the Middlesex County Council to bring the utmost pressure to bear upon the County Council to make their intentions known and to take early action; and

(*b*) to forward a copy of the letter to the Borough Councils of Hornsey and Wood Green and to suggest (i) that they should communicate with their respective County Councillors on similar lines, and (ii) that the three Authorities should approach the Ministry of Health and ascertain whether consent would be forthcoming to the erection of a joint Maternity Hospital to meet the needs of the areas concerned ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the action taken be approved ; and

(2) that, subject to the approval of the Borough Councils of Hornsey and Wood Green to the above suggestion, the Town Clerk be instructed to approach the Ministry of Health, on the lines indicated above, on behalf of the three Authorities concerned.

1186 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books be approved.

C. P. GROBEL,

Chairman (*pro tempore*).

Education Committee's Report.

12th APRIL, 1937.

Present: Councillor Grocott (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), County Councillor Boggon, Councillors Burch, Jones, Langlands, Steward and Wilmot; Miss Davey, Mrs. Miall.

Non-Member: Councillor Mrs. Murphy.

1187 **Accounts:**

Accounts amounting to £4,510 1s. 3d. have been examined and passed to the Finance Committee for payment.

1188 **School Attendance Return:**

The following are the school attendance figures for the month of March, 1937:—

School.	Average No. on Books.	Average Attendance.	Percentage.
Alder Senior	295	272	92.2
Alder Infants	131	116	88.5
Northside Senior	211	181	85.7
Northside Junior	484	431	89.0
Manorside Senior	262	237	90.4
Manorside Junior	526	463	88.0
Martin Junior	450	399	88.6
Summerside Junior	530	475	89.6
St. Mary's Junior	497	409	82.2
St. John's Junior	290	261	90.0
Christ Church Senior	186	169	90.8
Holy Trinity Junior	306	271	88.5
Our Lady of Lourdes Mixed	274	245	89.4
Totals	4442	3929	88.4

1189 **Reports of Meetings of the Children's Care Committee and the Juvenile Employment Committee,** held on 31st March, 1937, circulated to members, have been considered and adopted.

1190 **Special School Children:**

(i) "K.G.S.," a mentally defective boy who is being educated and maintained at the Besford Court Mental Welfare Hospital, reaches the age of sixteen years in June, 1937. Medical reports have been considered.

RECOMMENDED that the boy be notified to the Middlesex County Council under Section 4 of the Mental Deficiency (Notification of Children) Regulations, 1928.

(ii) "H.A.S.," a girl aged 5 years 4 months, suffering from phlyctenular conjunctivitis, is advised admission to the White Oak Hospital, Swanley, Kent.

RECOMMENDED that this Authority accept responsibility for the treatment of this child while an in-patient at the White Oak Hospital, Swanley, Kent, at a fee of £3 1s. 3d. per week, the parent to contribute 5s. 0d. per week towards this expense.

(iii) "A.B.," a child 7 years of age attending the Martin Junior School, has been prescribed a surgical instrument.

RECOMMENDED that this Authority accept responsibility for the cost of the surgical instrument, to be supplied by the Royal National Orthopædic Hospital, at a cost of £2 5s. 0d., the parent to contribute one-half of this amount.

1191 **Supply of Fuel, 1937-1938:**

RECOMMENDED that authority be given to the Education Committee to obtain tenders for the supply of coal and coke, such tenders to apply to all services of the Council other than Electricity. Tenders to be submitted to the Council in May, 1937.

1192 **Empire Day, 24th May, 1937:**

Instructions have been given to the Head Teachers to celebrate Empire Day in the schools on the morning of Monday, 24th May, and a holiday has been granted on the afternoon of that day.

1193 **School Medical Service:**

A report by the School Medical Officer on the work of the School Medical Service for the year 1936, a copy of which was sent to each member with the agenda for the April meeting of the Education Committee, has been considered.

1194 **Northside Junior School—Report by H.M. Inspector:**

A copy of a report on Northside Junior School, by H.M. Inspector, Mr. A. F. Watts, circulated with the agenda for the April, 1937, meeting of the Education Committee, has been considered.

F. J. GROCOTT,

Chairman.

Allotments Committee's Report.

13th APRIL, 1937.

Present: Councillor Brooksbank (Chairman), Mr. Rolfe (Vice-Chairman), Councillor Connorton, and Messrs. Hewitt and Sunderland.

Non-Member: Alderman Pateman.

1195 **Minutes:**

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

1196 **Membership of the Committee:**

The Town Clerk submitted a letter received from the Honorary Secretary of the Whetstone Stray Allottees' Association stating that Mr. J. F. Hewitt had been appointed to represent the Association on the Committee.

Mr. Hewitt was present at the meeting and the Chairman welcomed him on behalf of the Committee.

1197 **Proposed Footpath—Summers Lane to North Circular Road:**

see 1004

It was reported that the consents of the Minister of Health and the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries to the appropriation of approximately 95 square yards of allotment land for the purpose of the construction of the proposed footpath at above had been received.

1198 **Allotments:**

(*a*) Brook Farm.—It was reported that the tenant of plot B.4. at above had taken over the plot under the Council's scheme for unemployed men; that in April, 1936, the Town Council had allowed him to have the use of the plot rent free for a further period of twelve months; and that communications had now been received from him stating that he was still unemployed and asking that he might be allowed to continue to hold the plot rent free for a further period;

RECOMMENDED that the tenant in question be allowed the use of the plot at a rent of 5s. for the twelve months ending 31st March, 1938.

(*b*) East Finchley.—A letter, dated 26th February, 1937, was submitted from the Honorary Secretary of the East Finchley Allotment Holders' Association Ltd., thanking the Town Council for granting the Association a reduction in their rent for the current financial year.

(*c*) Finchley Manor.—A letter, dated 16th March, 1937, was submitted from the Honorary Secretary of the Finchley Manor Allotment Society Ltd., thanking the Town Council for granting the Society a rebate in respect of their rent for the past financial year.

(*d*) Vacant Plots.—Particulars hereof were submitted.

1199 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Town Clerk, as entered in his Instruction Book, be approved.

W. L. BROOKSBANK,

Chairman.

Electricity Committee's Report.

13th APRIL, 1937.

Present: Councillor Caine (Chairman), Councillor Baines (Vice-Chairman), Aldermen Patemen, Pike and Syrett, and Councillors Burch and Hayter.

1200 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of a meeting of the Committee held on the 9th March, and of an Adjourned Meeting held on the 15th March, 1937, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

1201 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1202 **Coal:**

It was reported that the present stock of coal was approximately 506 tons as compared with 420 tons at last meeting.

1203 **Output Maximum Demand and Load Factor:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager submitted the following report:—

	1935/36.	1936/37.	% Increase.
Units purchased during March.....	1,932,978	2,580,245	33.48%
KW. of maximum demand during March	7,513	8,833	17.57%
Load Factor	34.69%	39.51%	4.82%
Units purchased April 1st—31st March	19,025,003	22,145,052	16.39%
Highest Maximum Demand recorded	8,423 Dec. 23rd.	9,263 Jan. 29th.	9.97%

1204 **Agreement with Cable Makers' Association:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported hereon;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that an Agreement be entered into with the Cable Makers' Association for all rubber covered cables required by the Electricity Department in order that the preferential discounts allowed under such agreement may be obtained; and

(*b*) that the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager be authorised to sign the agreement on behalf of the Town Council.

1205 **Incorporated Municipal Electrical Association—Annual Convention:**

It was reported that the Annual Convention of the Incorporated Municipal Electrical Association would be held at Brighton from the 31st May to the 5th June, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that the Chairman of the Committee and the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager be appointed to represent the Town Council thereat.

1206 **Insurance of Boilers:**

It was reported that the Insurance Company had carried out an internal and external test of No. 7 boiler and superheater, together with the economiser, and had reported that the boiler was in a satisfactory condition for service.

1207 **Supply of Kiosks:**

The tenders received in connection with the above which were opened at the last ordinary meeting of the Town Council were considered in conjunction with a report of the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager;

RECOMMENDED that, in view of such report, the tender of Messrs. A. Reyrolle and Co., Ltd., on the schedule of prices submitted, be accepted, subject to Contract.

1208 **Supply of Transformers:**

The tenders received in connection with the above which were opened at the last ordinary meeting of the Town Council were considered in conjunction with a report of the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager;

RECOMMENDED that, in view of such report, the tender of Messrs. Bruce Peebles & Co., Ltd., on the schedule of prices submitted, be accepted, subject to Contract.

1209 **Applications for Supply:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager submitted the following report:—

Total number of applications received for supply	15,662	=	40,959 kw.
Number reported at last meeting	15,533	=	40,495 kw.
Increase	129	=	464 kw.

1210 **Domestic Tariff:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

	Feb.	Mar.	Increase.
Total enquiries received	1,795	1,925	130
Application forms completed	1,311	1,410	99

1211 **Domestic Tariff Consumers:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

"In accordance with your instructions I give below a schedule indicating the respective range of rateable values of those consumers who have adopted the Two-Part Domestic Tariff:—

	Number of Consumers.	Percentage.
Not assessed	12	.9
Assessments under £25	73	5.2
Assessments from £26— £60	984	69.8
Assessments from £61—£100	282	20.0
Assessments from £101—£175	53	3.7
Assessments over £175	6	.4
	1,410	100.0."

1212 **Extensions of Mains:**

It was reported that since last meeting mains had been laid as under:—

Holyoake Walk (Kiosk E.H.T. Supply)
Birkbeck Road
Hamilton Road;

further, that as a matter of urgency, mains had or were now being laid as follows:—

Position.	Estimated Cost.
Chapel Street — — — — — — — — —	£142
Aveton Road — — — — — — — — —	£264
High Road, North Finchley (Friern Park Feeder Pillar to Woodside Park Road) — — — — — — — —	£440

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1213 **Stoneware Conduits:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that the Contract for the supply of stoneware conduits would expire on the 30th June, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for advertisements to be issued inviting tenders for supplies covering a period of 9 months to the 31st March, 1938.

1214 **Loan—Sub-Station Equipment:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that, during the next two years, alternating current equipment would be installed in all existing sub-stations and that a number of additional kiosk sub-stations would be established;

RECOMMENDED that application be made to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £15,000 for unspecified sub-station plant and equipment over a period of 2 years.

1215 **Wiring for Cookers:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that he would be glad of authority to add the following additional items to the schedule and specification for wiring:

Single core 7/.044 bare tinned copper wire installed complete at 3d. per ft. run.

Single core 7/.036 bare tinned copper wire installed complete at 2d. per ft. run.

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council approve of the additional items in question, and that the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager be authorised to take up the matter with the Contractors concerned.

1216 **Electrical Radiators:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

"As instructed, I have enquired from Premier Electric Heaters as to whether they are in a position to supply reflector type radiators of a higher loading than that quoted in their tender at a cost not exceeding £2 each.

They have replied to the effect that if the Council will undertake to take delivery in lots of 36, they would be prepared to enter the orders at £2 1s. 0d. each or, if orders were for lots of 50, at £2 each.

The best price they can offer for orders in lots of 24 is £2 1s. 11d. each."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that authority be given for 50 radiators of the type in question to be purchased, as and when required, at a cost of £2 each; and

(*b*) that the rental to be charged for the hire of radiators be agreed as follows:—

Type 1—Premier — — — —	1/–	per quarter.
Type 2—1½ kw. Premier Countess —	1/–	per quarter.
Type 3—Ferranti — — — —	1/6d.	per quarter.
Type 4—2¼ kw. Premier Countess —	1/6d.	per quarter.

ELECTRICITY (*contd.*).

1217 **Supply to Border Premises—High Road, Whetstone:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported receipt of a communication from the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Company stating that they were desirous of affording a supply of electricity to a new block of shops and flats on the site of The Grange, High Road, Whetstone;

RECOMMENDED that the consent of the Town Council be given to the proposal, subject to the necessary Fringe Order being obtained by the Company.

1218 **Electricity Works—Fault on Transformer:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that a fault had developed on a Transformer at the Works on the 12th April, 1937; further, that no interruption of supply was occasioned but that it would be necessary to forward the defective machinery to the makers for repair.

1219 **Electricity Mains Easements:**

(1) Northway to Southway—Bigwood Court and Southwood Court;

(2) Lyttelton Road—Lyttelton Court and Monarch Court.

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that easements were required for the laying of electricity distributing mains which were urgently needed under the properties mentioned in (1) above and under the service roads at the front of the properties mentioned in (2) above;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk and the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager be instructed to negotiate with the parties concerned and report on the matter at the Council Meeting.

1220 **Accounts and Works Sub-Committee:**

It was reported that a meeting of the Sub-Committee had been held on the 6th April, 1937, and a report of the proceedings thereat was submitted. Arising thereon, it was reported:—

(1) Date of Meetings.—That it had been suggested that future meetings of the Sub-Committee be held on the Thursday in the third week before the meeting of the Town Council instead of on the Wednesday in that week;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

(2) Accounts and Requisitions.—That the Sub-Committee had passed for payment the accounts submitted and approved the requisitions.

(3) Electricity Accounts.—That the Sub-Committee had considered the monthly report of the Borough Treasurer in regard to the above.

(4) Showrooms—Staff.—

(i) That the Sub-Committee had considered a report of the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager hereon, together with a letter received from the Electrical Association of Women regarding the suggestion of appointing a Junior Assistant at each of the showrooms; further, that it had been pointed out that at the present time only three lady demonstrators had been appointed to serve the two showrooms.

In the circumstances, it was

1220 (2)

RECOMMENDED that, subject to the approval of the General Purposes Committee, two Junior Assistants (ladies) be appointed as trainees, each at a commencing salary of £65 per annum.

(ii) That the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager had reported upon a letter which he had received from the Electrical Development Association referring to a course of training in salesmanship which he considered the lady demonstrators should undergo and had stated that the fee for the course would be £5 in respect of each student.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that, in the event of any of the lady demonstrators appointed by the Town Council desiring to take the course in question, a moiety of the fees be paid by the Town Council.

(5) Cookers.—That the Sub-Committee had considered a letter received from Messrs. Wight & Co. asking if the Town Council would supply, on loan, for display purposes, samples of the cookers which the Town Council intended to instal in connection with their domestic development campaign, and had approved the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager's reply to the effect that the matter would receive the consideration of the Committee.

(6) Staff—Payment of Salaries.—That the question of transferring the payment of salaries of the clerical and technical staff from a weekly basis to a monthly basis had been considered by the Sub-Committee, but that before coming to any decision thereon, the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager had been instructed to discuss the matter further with the Borough Treasurer;

1245 (8)

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that, subject to the approval of the General Purposes Committee, notice expiring on the 31st May, 1937, be given of the Town Council's intention, as from the 1st September, 1937, to pay the salaries of the staff concerned monthly in lieu of weekly; and

(ii) that during the months of June, July and August, the Borough Treasurer be authorised to arrange for bi-monthly payments to be made with a view to preventing any financial embarrassment to the staff concerned.

(7) Bulk Supplies to Finchley.—That the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager had reported that the Chief Engineer of the London and Home Counties Joint Electricity Authority had communicated with him in regard to the bulk supplies to the Finchley Undertaking and that at the present time supply was afforded through Hornsey, but that it would not be practicable to lay further cables from Hornsey to augment the supply at Finchley sufficiently to meet the future needs of the Undertaking; further, that the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager had explained that in the circumstances the Central Electricity Board were considering a proposal to lay two 66 k.V. cables from the Board's substation at Islington direct to Finchley, stepping down at Finchley to 6.6 k.V. by means of two 15 M.V.A. transformers (which would involve the Town Council in a cost of approximately £20,000), and that it had been suggested that the connections with Hornsey should be retained for the time being for emergency purposes; further, that after discussing the matter at some length, the Sub-Committee had authorised the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager to continue negotiations and to report again thereon at a later date.

(8) Adjustment of Accounts.—That the Borough Treasurer had been authorised to make the necessary reductions amounting to £3 17s. 9d. in the accounts of three consumers;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(9) Alternative Two-Part Domestic Tariff.—That a letter, dated 8th March, 1937, from Dr. Chave Cox hereon had been submitted and considered, and that arising thereon, the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager had been instructed to reply to the effect that the Town Council were unable to make the application of the alternative two-part tariff retrospective.

1221 **Insurance of Workmen—Accident—H. Bainbridge:**

It was reported that the above employee had met with an accident since the last meeting of the Committee and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

1222 **Electricity Undertaking—Change of System of Supply—Loan—£10,000:**

A letter, dated 31st March, 1937, was submitted from the Electricity Commissioners enclosing formal sanction to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £10,000, made up as follows:

Purpose.	Amount. £	Period. Years.
Services	2,500	25
Works consequent upon change of system of supply:—		
Changing and altering consumers' apparatus	7,500	7
	£10,000	

see 1262.

It was stated that the sanction was issued on the understanding that details of the expenditure actually incurred thereunder, together with details of expenditure incurred under the sanction to borrow, dated 29th December, 1936, in so far as it related to the amount of £3,397 for changing consumers' apparatus, would be furnished to the Commissioners in due course, and that only the net cost of changing apparatus after allowing for credits arising from the sale of recovered materials, etc., would be charged to the loan.

Arising on the above, the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager was authorised to dispose of recovered materials on the best terms possible.

1223 **48, Rasper Road:**

The Town Clerk reported that the above premises had now been let.

1224 **District Joint Board of Employers and Members of Staff—Electricity Supply Industry—Area No. 10 Greater London:**

A copy of the Minutes of a meeting of the District Joint Board held on the 5th March, 1937, was submitted.

1225 **Electricity Tariffs:**

Statement of published tariffs for the supply of electricity, hire of meters, etc., in force in the London and Home Counties Electricity District as at 1st January, 1937, was submitted;

RECOMMENDED that a print thereof be obtained and forwarded to each member of the Committee.

1226 **Electricity Week:**

A report (circulated) of a meeting of the Sub-Committee appointed to make the necessary arrangements in connection with the above, dated 6th April, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that same be approved.

1227 **Next Meeting:**

It was reported that the next meeting of the Committee would fall due on the 11th May, 1937, the eve of Coronation Day.

Having regard to the fact that certain functions were taking place on that evening, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the meeting of the Committee be not held unless any matter of urgency should arise; and

(*b*) that the Accounts and Works Sub-Committee be authorised to deal with any ordinary business at their meeting in May and to report direct to the Town Council.

1228 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved;

J. F. KNEALE CAINE,

Chairman.

General Purposes Committee's Report.

14th APRIL, 1937.

Present: The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands) (Chairman), Alderman Briant (Vice-Chairman), Aldermen Syrett and Wells and Councillors Collis and Jones.

Non-Members: Alderman Pike and Councillors Mrs. Murphy and Steward.

1229 **Minutes:**

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

1230 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1231 **International Union of Local Authorities:**

It was reported that the Town Council had been invited to appoint delegates to attend the Conference of the above Union to be held in Paris in July, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken in regard thereto.

1232 **Avenue House:**

(*a*) Letting to British Red Cross Society.—The Town Clerk reported hereon as follows:—

> "In accordance with the authority delegated to your Chairman and myself at the December meeting of the Committee, consent has been given to the British Red Cross Society to use the rooms occupied by them at above on Thursday evenings regularly in connection with Air Raid Precautions work in addition to their user on Monday evenings."

(*b*) Coronation Celebrations—Pageant.—It was reported that an application had been received from the Hon. Secretary of the Pageant Committee for permission to use such accommodation as might be available at Avenue House on the 13th and 15th May, 1937, the dates upon which the performances were to take place: further, that the use of a spare room in the house for the purpose of storing properties, etc., was also required;

see also 1115

RECOMMENDED that the desired permission be granted.

(*c*) Air Raid Precautions.—It was reported that the Medical Officer of Health was proposing to hold a class for members of the staff in connection with the above at 4 p.m. on Fridays, and that the Chairman of the Committee had given permission for one of the rooms at Avenue House to be used for the purpose;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

1233 **Devonshire Royal Hospital—Buxton:**

The Town Clerk referred to a communication which had been received appealing for funds in connection with extensions which were being made to the above Hospital;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken in the matter.

1234 **Non-County Boroughs' Association—Annual Meeting:**

It was reported that the Town Council had been invited to appoint representatives to attend the Annual Meeting of the above Association to be held on the 27th May, 1937, at the Chartered Surveyors' Institution, Westminster;

RECOMMENDED that the Mayor and the Town Clerk be appointed to represent the Town Council thereat.

1235 **Urban District Councils' Association—Election of Executive Council:**

Voting paper in connection with the above was submitted;

RECOMMENDED that same be referred to the Town Clerk to deal with.

1236 **Proposed Middlesex Whitley Council for Local Authorities' Administrative Technical and Clerical Services:**

It was reported that the Hon. Secretary to the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association had forwarded, for the information of the Town Council, a copy of the draft Constitution and Functions of the above Council which would be considered at the inauguration Meeting of the Council to be held on the 3rd May, 1937.

1237 **Municipal Offices—Closure of—Whitsun Vacation:**

RECOMMENDED that the above Offices be closed on Whit Monday and on the previous Saturday.

1238 **Postal Facilities:**

(*a*) A communication, dated 24th March, 1937, was submitted from the Postmaster, Northern District Post Office, referring to the difficult problem with which the Department was faced owing to the heavy load which was imposed at night and morning by the custom of posting the bulk of the day's letters at the close of business hours, and asking for the Town Council's co-operation in the matter.

(*b*). A communication was also submitted from the Postmaster inviting the Mayor and the Members of the Town Council to visit the Northern District. Sorting Office between 6.45 p.m. and 7.45 p.m. on a date to be mutually approved in the near future in order that the members might view the operation of this vital public service. It was reported that the communication had been considered at the last ordinary meeting of the Town Council and referred to the Committee for consideration, with power to act.

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The Committee decided to accept the invitation and instructed the Town Clerk to make the necessary arrangements in connection therewith.

1239 **Local Government Act, 1929—First General Review of County Districts:**

The Town Clerk submitted a print of the County of Middlesex (Finchley, Hornsey and Friern Barnet Boundaries) Order, 1937, which came into operation on the 1st April, 1937, and, in connection therewith, the Borough Surveyor reported that the necessary adjustments with regard to the public services affected had been made and that arrangements with respect to town planning, maintenance of the transferred portion of the High Road and the operation of the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935, were receiving attention.

1240 **Barnet District Gas and Water Company:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"I have received from the General Manager of the above Company notice of the alteration in the calorific value of gas to be supplied by the Company on and after the 1st July, 1937.

It is stated that gas will be supplied in future of the same calorific value as that supplied by the neighbouring Gas Companies."

1241 **Gas Regulation Act, 1920—North Middlesex Gas Company:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"The Clerk of the Middlesex County Council has forwarded a copy of a letter which he has received from the Board of Trade stating that the Board proposes to make an Amending Order authorising the above Company to charge a new standard price of 12.8d. per therm in substitution for the existing standard price of 13.2d. per therm."

1242 **Hendon Employment Committee:**

The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated 19th March, 1937, received from the Divisional Controller, Ministry of Labour, stating that the above Committee had completed its fifth term of office, but that it had been decided to re-appoint the Committee for a further period of three years; further, that he would be glad to know whether it was desired that Councillor Mrs. Legge should continue to represent the Town Council for this term or, alternatively, the name and address of another representative;

RECOMMENDED that Councillor Mrs. Legge be re-appointed to represent the Town Council on the Hendon Employment Committee.

1243 **Dates of Meetings—May, 1937:**

In view of the Coronation Celebrations, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that meetings of Committees be not held during Coronation Week but that the meetings which would normally fall due during that week take place on the corresponding days in the following week, with the exception of the meeting of the Education Committee, the date of which be considered at the meeting of the Town Council; and

(*b*) that the ordinary meeting of the Town Council in May be held on the 31st instead of on the 24th of that month.

1244 **Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922:**

(*a*) Additional Designated Posts.—A letter, dated 25th March, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Health stating that the Minister had approved the resolution passed by the Town Council on the 22nd March, 1937, designating as established posts for the purposes of the Act the post of Caretaker at the North Finchley Library and three posts of Junior Assistant in the Public Library.

(*b*) Vacant Designated Post.—

RECOMMENDED that, as from and including the 29th April, 1937, Mr. Charles Copping, employed at the Sewage Disposal Works, occupy the designated post of Labourer in the Borough Surveyor's Department vacated by Mr. J. C. Dunn.

1245 **Safes:**

In accordance with instructions, the Town Clerk submitted quotations for the supply of a new safe and offers for the purchase of an old safe which was no longer required;

RECOMMENDED that the under-mentioned quotations of the Ratner Safe Co., Ltd., be accepted, subject to Contract:—

Supply of New Safe:—

£103 less 5 per cent.

Allowance for Old Safe:—

£15.

1246 **Trees adjoining Municipal Offices:**

The Town Clerk reported hereon as follows:—

"At a recent meeting of the Committee it was reported that certain trees in St. Mary's Churchyard obscured the light from one of the rooms in the Borough Treasurer's Department, and in accordance with instructions I enquired of the Parochial Church Council whether they would allow the Town Council to remove such trees and replace them with shrubs. The matter is at present under consideration.

It subsequently transpired, however, that two of the trees in question were on land included in the Town Council's lease of the Municipal Offices. I accordingly approached the Clerk to the Finchley Charities on the matter, who informs me that the Trustees are prepared to allow the Town Council to remove such trees, subject to the Council bearing the expense involved, accepting all risk in and about the removal, and making good any damage done to the Trustees property."

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to arrange for the removal of the two trees in question, subject to the conditions mentioned above.

1247 **Coronation :**

It was reported that the Middlesex County Council were arranging on their behalf and on behalf of all the Local Authorities in Middlesex, for an illuminated Address to be presented to Their Majesties on the occasion of their Coronation ;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council participate in such presentation.

1248 **Staff :**

(*a*) Absence through Illness.—The names of those members of the staff who had been absent through illness since last meeting were submitted, together with the necessary medical certificates.

(*b*) Public Libraries.—

(1) Junior Assistants.—

(i) It was reported that Mr. N. Hebblethwaite had been appointed to the position of Junior Assistant and that he would commence his duties on the 19th April, 1937.

(ii) It was also reported that, at the last meeting of the Public Libraries Committee, the Chief Librarian had submitted the resignation of Miss M. S. Moore, Junior Assistant, to take effect on the 30th April, 1937, and that the Committee had suggested that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the filling of the vacancy ; further that a communication had been received from Miss J. C. Charlier resigning her position as a Junior Assistant, she having been appointed to a similar position on the staff of the Hendon Public Libraries. 1091(d)

In view of the urgency of the matter, instructions were given for advertisements to be issued forthwith inviting applications for the appointment of two Junior Library Assistants each at a commencing salary of £65 per annum in accordance with the appropriate scales ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(2) Librarian-in-Charge—East Finchley.—It was reported that at the last meeting of the Public Libraries Committee the Chief Librarian had reported that it was in his opinion desirable that the Librarian-in-Charge of the East Finchley Library should commence his duties on the 1st July, 1937, if the preparation of the initial book stock was to be completed in time for the opening of the Library early in 1938 ; further that the Public Libraries Committee had decided to recommend to this Committee that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the appointment as from the 1st July next of a Librarian-in-Charge of the East Finchley Library, at a salary in accordance with the scales approved by the Town Council on the 22nd February, 1937. 1091(b)

In view, however, of the uncertainty as to the date of commencement of the erection of the new building, it was decided to defer consideration of the matter until the meeting of the Town Council, and the Borough Surveyor was instructed to report thereat as to the latest position in regard to the Contract ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*c*) Valuation Department—Appointment of Temporary Assistant.—It was reported that the Sub-Committee authorised to deal with the above matter had appointed Mr. C. E. Allen and that he would commence his duties on the 19th April, 1937.

(*d*) Electricity Department.—

(i) Lady Cookery Demonstrators and Outdoor Representatives.—The Town Clerk reported that the dates of commencement of duties of the staff appointed in connection with the Electricity Development Programme were as set out hereunder :—

Lady Cookery Demonstrators.	Date of Commencement.
Miss M. O. Candy.	1st April, 1937.
Miss G. H. Good	1st April, 1937.
Miss C. E. Williams	19th April, 1937.
Outdoor Representatives.	
Mr. R. Weston	5th April, 1937.
Mr. F. G. Hancock	12th April, 1937.
Mr. N. H. Robinson	—

further, that as regards Mr. Robinson, a communication had been received from him stating that he would be able to commence his duties fourteen days after receiving particulars of the arrangements for payment of travelling expenses.

(ii) Showrooms—Junior Assistants.—The recommendations of the Electricity Committee in regard to the appointment of two Junior Assistants (ladies), as trainees, each at a commencing salary of £65 per annum, were reported ;

RECOMMENDED that same be approved and that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and the Chairman of the Electricity Committee be authorised to make the appointments, subject to report.

(iii) Payment of Salaries.—The recommendations of the Electricity Committee hereon were reported ;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised thereto so far as this Committee is concerned.

1249 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

W. C. LANGLANDS,

Chairman.

Finance Committee's Report.

15th APRIL, 1937.

Present: Alderman Syrett (Chairman), Councillor Hayter (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Burch, Grobel and Norman.

1250 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of Meetings of the Committee held on the 11th March, 1937, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

1251 **Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts:**

(*a*) Advance—£460.—

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, subject to satisfactory references being received, an advance with interest at the rate in force at the date of completion of the mortgage be made to the applicant whose name is set out below :—

No.	Name.	Property.	Nature of Interest.	Amount applied for £	Period for repayment. Years.	Purchase price. £	Valuation. £
987	Blakey, D. S.	23, Avondale Road, N. 3	L. 76 years	460	20	625	600

(2) that the Town Clerk take up from the Public Works Loan Board the sum of £460, being the amount of such advance;

(3) that the Town Clerk be authorised to approve the Order for Certificate;

(4) that the Corporate Seal be affixed thereto and to the Receipt therefor;

(5) that the fee of the Public Works Loan Board be paid by the Town Council.

In accordance with the authority delegated to this Committee, it was

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Public Works Loan Board for advance to the Town Council of the sum of £460.

(*b*) The Borough Treasurer reported as follows :—

(i) Approved Advances.—That, including the sum recommended at this meeting, advances amounting to £664,815 had been approved.

(ii) Advances Repaid.—That in the under-mentioned cases the principal outstanding had been paid, together with all interest charges :—

Mortgage No.	Rate of Interest.	Proprietor.	Premises.
27	5¼%	Pearce, G. F.	37, Brentway.
226	5¼%	Andrews, S. J.	38, Lansdowne Road.
380	5¼%	Wilson, A. S. (Mrs.)	57, Chandos Road.
445	5¼%	Parry, E. J.	89, Ridgeview Road.
463	5¼%	Gunningham, P. T.	14, Brentway.
566	5¼%	Marshall, A. E.	28, Nethercourt Avenue.
567	5¼%	Roberts, C. A.	17, West Avenue.
841	4¼%	Chapman, J.	31, Wentworth Avenue.

(iii) Advances Outstanding.—That the number of advances now outstanding was 468, representing a sum of £184,971.

(*c*) Arrears of Instalments to 31st December, 1936.—The Town Clerk reported that the arrears to the 31st December, 1936, in the case of Advances Nos. 696 and 868 had now been discharged.

(*d*) Proposed Transfer of Mortgages.—The Borough Treasurer reported that in accordance with the authority of the Town Council, the Chairman of the Committee, the Deputy Town Clerk and he had had an interview with the Manager of the Mortgage and Accounts Department of the Abbey Road Building Society and had settled the outstanding details relative to the proposed transfer of mortgages to that Society; further, that subject to the Solicitor's approval of the form of the Deed of Variation, he hoped to be able to circulate particulars of the offer to the mortgagors concerned at an early date.

1252 **Metropolitan Water Board (Charges) Act, 1921—Section 18:**

A letter, dated 31st March, 1937, received from the Clerk of the Metropolitan Water Board was submitted, stating that the Board had decided to discontinue as from the 1st April, 1937, and pending further order, the additional one-half per cent. in respect of domestic rates and 1d. per 1,000 gallons in respect of meter services charged in the case of supplies to premises in the non-contributory areas.

1253 **Fencing—Land Rear of St. Mary's Presbytery:**

1084 The recommendations of the Housing Committee in regard to the above were reported and considered.

Arising thereon the Borough Surveyor intimated that a sum of £94 was included in the loan sanctioned by the Ministry of Health in respect of fencing, and that a quotation had now been obtained for the carrying out of the work at the sum of £96;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the expenditure in question.

1254 **Housing (Assisted Scheme)—200 Houses, Woodhouse Estate—External Painting:**

The recommendations of the Housing Committee in regard to the above were reported and considered;

RECOMMENDED that no objection on financial grounds be raised thereto.

1255 **Housing Acts, 1935 and 1936, Housing (Rural Workers) Acts and Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts—Interest on Loans, etc.:**

A circular letter (No. 1611), dated 22nd March, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted, stating that His Majesty's Treasury had directed that the rate of interest to be charged on loans, secured on Local Rates, made on and after the 15th March, 1937, from the Local Loans Fund to Local Authorities for any purposes of the Housing Acts, the Housing (Rural Workers) Acts, 1926 and 1931, and the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, 1899 to 1923, should be 3½ per cent., whereas the rate previously fixed was 3¼ per cent.

The letter further stated that by virtue of Sections 37 (3) and 92 (2) of the Housing Act, 1935, the rate of interest on (i) loans made by local authorities under the provisions of Section 2 of the Housing (Rural Workers) Act, 1926, and (ii) advances made by local authorities under the provisions of the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts was fixed at a rate of one-quarter per cent. in excess of the rate of interest which, one month before the date on which the terms of the loan or advance were settled, was the rate fixed by the Treasury in respect of loans from the Local Loans Fund to local authorities for housing purposes.

1256 **Municipal Mutual Insurance Limited:**

The Report of the Directors and Statement of Accounts of the above Company for the year ended 31st March, 1936, was submitted.

Instructions were given to the Town Clerk to obtain sufficient copies of the Report and Statement for circulation to each member of the Committee.

1257 **Gas Regulation Act, 1920:**

The Town Clerk reported that in accordance with the provisions of Section 15 (2) of the above Act, the Southgate & District Gas Company and the North Middlesex Gas Company had forwarded copies of their respective Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1936.

1258 **Exchequer Grants under Part VI. of the Local Government Act, 1929:**

A letter, dated 11th March, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted, stating (*inter alia*) that the amount of the General Exchequer Grant payable to the Town Council in respect of the year 1937/38 was £39,085.

1259 **Lyttelton Playing Fields—Erection of Pavilion:**

The Town Clerk intimated that arising out of the report which the Borough Surveyor made to the General Purposes Committee and to the Town Council in regard to the additional payment required by the Contractors in connection with the above owing to the rise in prices of materials, etc., since their tender was first submitted, he had been in communication with the Ministry of Health and had been informed that the Minister would raise no objection to the proposal of the Town Council to incur additional expenditure; further, that it was understood that, in the event of the amount of the loan sanctioned being exceeded, the Minister would issue a consent in respect of the additional expenditure on completion of the works. see 1065

1260 **Air Raid Precautions—Public Meeting:**

The Town Clerk reported that at the last ordinary meeting of the Town Council it was decided, on the recommendation of the Air Raid Precautions Committee, to hold a Public Meeting on the question of recruitment at King Edward Hall on a date to be arranged, but that it was not anticipated, however, that the expenditure in connection therewith would exceed £10;

RECOMMENDED that no objection on financial grounds be raised to this expenditure.

1261 **Private Street Works:**

(*a*) 29th Batch.—The Town Clerk reported that the Ministry of Health had informed him that the Public Inquiry in connection with the above would be held at the Municipal Offices, on Wednesday, the 28th April, 1937, at 11 a.m.

(*b*) 30th Batch.—It was reported that the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee were recommending that the usual steps be taken for the making up of the several private streets included in the above batch and that the estimated cost involved was £12,002. 1156

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £12,002 for the making up of the several private streets included in the 30th Batch.

1262 **Electricity Undertaking—Change of System of Supply—Loan—£10,000:**

A letter, dated 31st March, 1937, received from the Electricity Commissioners was submitted, enclosing formal sanction to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £10,000, made up as follows:—

FINANCE (*contd.*)

Purpose.	Amount. £	Period. Years.
Services	2,500	25
Works consequent upon change of system of supply :—		
Changing and altering consumers' apparatus ...	7,500	7
	£10,000	

1263 **Proposed Loan for Erection of New Municipal Offices :**

A letter, dated 10th April, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted, stating that arrangements were being made for a Local Inquiry to be held in connection with the above and that due notice of the date and time would be given.

1264 **Elementary Education—Exchequer Grant :**

The Borough Treasurer reported that he had received from the Comptroller of the London County Council a copy of a report which was adopted by the London County Council on the 2nd March last, regarding the withdrawal of the 50 per cent. minimum grant for Elementary Education.

He further reported that after relating the circumstances in which the minimum 50 per cent. Exchequer Grant was withdrawn in 1931 and the representations which had since been made from time to time on the subject of its restoration, the report recorded the passing of the following resolutions :—

" (*a*) That the Council desires to place on record its regret that H.M. Government should have allowed the Council to accept the withdrawal of the 50 per cent. minimum grant for elementary education as an emergency measure and solely on financial grounds, if, as is now contended, H.M. Government, in fact, intended a permanent change; that the President of the Board of Education be so informed.

(*b*) That the Council is of opinion that it should receive Government grant for education of not less than 50 per cent. of its approved expenditure, as provided for in section 118 (2) of the Education Act, 1921; and that the President of the Board of Education be so informed."

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council accord its support to the foregoing resolutions and that the President of the Board of Education be informed accordingly.

1265 **Payment of Electricity Accounts :**

The Borough Treasurer reported as follows :—

" In connection with the opening of the two Electricity Showrooms, I am making arrangements in collaboration with the Electrical Engineer and Manager whereby consumers may pay their accounts at the showrooms.

With regard to the arrangement for payment through the local branches of Barclays Bank, Limited, I have now the records of a complete financial year for the purpose of considering the success of the facilities granted to consumers.

During the year ended 31st March last, 12,020 consumers' accounts have been paid through the Bank, as compared with 48,113 paid at the Central Office. Approximately 20 per cent. of the consumers have taken advantage of the arrangement, and undoubtedly the convenience has been appreciated.

From time to time, however consumers have suggested that the facility should include any Branch of Barclays Bank and not be restricted to local Branches. I believe this matter was before the Finance Committee when the system was inaugurated, but the proposal did not find favour with the Bank at the time. Removal of the restriction to local branches is, I think, desirable, and the question might be again raised wtih Barclays Bank."

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Treasurer be authorised to communicate with Barclays Bank, Limited, on the lines above suggested.

1266 **Payment of Rates:**

The Borough Treasurer reported as follows:—

"In view of the success of payment through the Bank of the Electricity Accounts, I suggest that consideration might now be given to extending the facility to payment of Rates, providing satisfactory arrangements can be made with Barclays Bank.

I might mention that quite a number of ratepayers have expressed surprise that they could pay their Electricity Accounts through the Bank but not their Rates.

The question of the extension of the arrangement to Rates was, I understand, deferred until experience showed whether the facility would be taken sufficient advantage of to warrant inclusion of other payments."

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Treasurer be instructed to ask Barclays Bank, Limited, if they would be prepared to accept payment of Rates through the various Branches of the Bank, and, if so, upon what terms.

1267 **Mortgage Pool:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the accounts of the Loans Pool for the period 1st October, 1936, to 31st March, 1937.

He pointed out that the rate of interest charged to the various capital accounts in respect of advances made in the exercise of borrowing powers on the 1st October and the 31st December, 1936, was 2 per cent. per annum.

1268 **Superannuation Fund:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted particulars of the Association of Superannuation and Pension Funds with a recommendation that the Council should become a member of the Association;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council become a member of the above Association and that authority be given for payment of the subscription of £1 1s. 0d. in respect of the present financial year.

1269 **Rate Collection:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following comparative statement of the results of the collection of the General Rate for the years 1935/36 and 1936/37:—

Year ended 31st March, 1936.					Year ended 31st March, 1937.	
£	Percentage.				£	Percentage.
4,960			Arrears brought forward		5,381	
346,818		8s. 8d.	General Rate levied	9s. 6d.	394,914	
£351,778			Total amount collectible		£400,295	
329,475	93.66		Cash collected		379,509	94.83
10,489	2.99		Empty Allowances		10,888	2.72
6,433	1.82		Otherwise Irrecoverable		3,680	.90
5,381	1.53		Recoverable Arrears carried forward		6,218	1.55
£351,778	100.00				£400,295	100.00

He pointed out that although the Rate Arrears had increased from £5,381 at 31st March, 1936, to £6,218 at 31st March, 1937, the arrears, expressed as a percentage of the amount collectible, were practically unchanged at 1.55 per cent., as compared with 1.53 per cent.

1270 **Outstanding Loan Debt:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted a statement of the outstanding loan debt at the 31st March, 1937.

1271 **Receipts and Payments—March:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement:—

Fund or Account.	Receipts. £	Payments. £
General Rate Fund Revenue	31,765	49,558
Education Revenue	741	5,854
Electricity Revenue	14,556	22,105
Housing Revenue	3,734	4,663
General Rate Fund Capital	25,169	16,856
Electricity Capital	62,577	9,486
Education Capital	—	—
Loans .... —	33,578	87,091
Superannuation Fund	679	296
	£172,799	£195,909

1272 **Statement of Bank Balances—14th April, 1937:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement:—

Fund or Account.	Debit. £ s. d.	Credit. £ s. d.
General Rate Fund Revenue		32,633 17 4
Education Revenue		1,676 1 5
Electricity Revenue		24,634 12 7
Housing Revenue		4,535 6 10
General Rate Fund Capital		14,714 11 6
Education Capital	144 7 1	
Electricity Capital		62,400 6 7
Loans	131,839 17 7	
Salaries		3 9 2
Advance	13,774 12 9	
Suspense	35 14 10	
Totals	£145,794 12 3	£140,598 5 5
Net Balance (Dr.)	£5,196 6 10	
Superannuation Fund		£10,115 16 8

1273 **Summary of Accounts Approved and Recommended for Payment:**

The following is a summary of the Accounts included in the Interim Order on Treasurer, and in the Order on Treasurer to be submitted to the Council for approval:—

	Interim Order.			Council Order.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
General Rate Fund Revenue	8,875	14	4	15,735	6	2	24,611	0	6
Education Revenue	237	12	10	4,464	10	7	4,702	3	5
Electricity Revenue	5,547	2	2	8,108	3	7	13,655	5	9
Housing Revenue		18	5	2,651	6	6	2,652	4	11
General Rate Fund Capital	658	2	11	1,373	0	9	2,031	3	8
Electricity Capital	10	0	0	6,227	14	2	6,237	14	2
Loans				40,130	2	9	40,130	2	9
Superannuation Fund				307	4	11	307	4	11
	£15,329	10	8	£78,997	9	5	£94,327	0	1

1274 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

C. S. SYRETT,

Chairman.

Borough of Finchley.

Municipal Offices,
Finchley, N. 3.

1st May, 1937.

Sir (or Madam),

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a SPECIAL MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY will be held on THURSDAY NEXT, the 6th day of MAY, 1937, at 9 o'clock in the afternoon at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, and all and several the members of the said Council are hereby summoned to attend.

The business to be transacted at such meeting is as follows:—

To receive and consider a report of a meeting of the Finance (Issue of Stock) Sub-Committee of the 29th April, 1937.

BY ORDER OF THE MAYOR.

Edwin Barter

Town Clerk.

Borough of Finchley.

Municipal Offices,
Finchley, N. 3.

6th May, 1937.

Sir (or Madam),

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a SPECIAL MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY will be held on WEDNESDAY NEXT, the 12th day of MAY, 1937, at 12 o'clock noon at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, and all and several the members of the said Council are hereby summoned to attend.

The business to be transacted at such meeting is as follows:—

Admission of County Councillor John Boggon, J.P., as an Honorary Freeman of the Borough of Finchley.

Edwin Barter

Town Clerk.

Borough of Finchley.

Municipal Offices,

Finchley, N. 3.

25th May, 1937.

Sir (or Madam),

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an ORDINARY MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY will be held on MONDAY NEXT, the 31st day of MAY, 1937, at 8 o'clock in the afternoon at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, and all and several the members of the said Council are hereby summoned to attend.

The business to be transacted at such meeting is as follows:—

(1) Confirmation of the Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 26th day of April, 1937, and of Special Meetings held on the 6th and 12th day of May, 1937.

(2) To open one tender in respect of each of the following received after the time stipulated in the advertisements:—

(*a*) Erection of Tea Kiosk—Cherry Tree Wood.

(*b*) Supply of Scotch Firebricks for Refuse Destructor.

(3) Tenders for:—

(*a*) Supply of Portable Air Compressor.

(*b*) Reconditioning, Low Pressure Hot Water Installation—Manorside School.

(*c*) Repairs and Decorations at the Town Council's Schools.

(*d*) Erection of new Infants' School, Summerside School.

(*e*) Electrical Re-Wiring—Alder School.

(*f*) Supply of Stoneware Conduits.

(4) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees and Sub-Committee and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(*a*) **Children's Safety** of the 29th April, 1937.

(*b*) **Public Libraries** of the 3rd May, 1937.

(*c*) **Town Planning** of the 3rd May, 1937.

(*d*) **Valuation** of the 4th May, 1937.

(*e*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 4th May, 1937.

(*f*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 5th May, 1937.

(*g*) **Electricity Accounts and Works (Sub)** of the 6th May, 1937.

(*h*) **Public Health** of the 6th May, 1937.

(*i*) **Education** of the 10th May, 1937.

(j) **General Purposes** of the 19th May, 1937.

(*k*) **Finance** of the 20th May, 1937.

(*l*) **Housing (Special)** of the 24th May, 1937.

(5) Other Correspondence (if any).

(6) Reports of Officers (if any).

(7) Notice of Motion by Alderman Vyvyan Wells as follows :—

"That notwithstanding any previous decisions of the Council, the proposed erection of new Municipal Offices and all matters in connection therewith be suspended for a period of 3 years."

(8) To authorise the Corporate Seal to be affixed to certain documents (list to be circulated).

(9) Payment of Accounts.

(*a*) The Town Clerk to report that, since the last Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council, Borough Treasurer's Interim Orders for the sums of £11,771 14s. 0d. and £105,042 10s. 11d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(*b*) Motion.—

"That Orders in writing be signed by three Members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay :—

(1) the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 20th May, 1937, amounting to £24,922 4s. 6d. ; and

(2) the sum of £11,800 0s. 0d., made up as follows :—

	£	s.	d.
Barclays Bank Ltd. (General Rate Fund Revenue Account)	1,300	0	0
Barclays Bank Ltd. (Superannuation Fund) —	10,500	0	0
	£11,800	0	0

(10) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Council in Committee.

(11) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees and and Sub-Committee and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(*a*) **Public Libraries** of the 3rd May, 1937.
(*b*) **Town Planning** of the 3rd May, 1937.
(*c*) **Valuation** of the 4th May, 1937.
(*d*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 5th May, 1937.
(*e*) **Electricity Accounts and Works (Sub)** of the 6th May, 1937.
(*f*) **Public Health** of the 6th May, 1937.
(*g*) **Education** of the 10th May, 1937.
(*h*) **General Purposes** of the 19th May, 1937.
(*i*) **Finance** of the 20th May, 1937.
(*j*) **Housing (Special)** of the 24th May, 1937.
(*k*) **Electricity (Special)** of the 26th May, 1937.
(*l*) **Finance (Special)** of the 31st May, 1937.

(12) Other Correspondence (if any).

(13) Reports of Officers (if any).

(14) To consider, if necessary, the question of the raising of any temporary loan.

(15) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Edwin Barker

Town Clerk.

Questions.

Notice of any question intended to be asked at the Meeting of the Town Council must be given at the office of the Town Clerk not later than Twelve noon on the day of such Meeting.

Borough of Finchley.

At an Ordinary Meeting of the Council of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY, held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on MONDAY, the 26th day of April, 1937.

PRESENT:

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).

Aldermen—

A. J. Briant.
G. H. Pateman.
A. T. Pike, O.B.E., J.P.
C. S. Syrett.
Vyvyan Wells.

Councillors—

A. N. H. Baines.
W. L. Brooksbank.
P. H. Burch.
J. F. Kneale Caine.
A. C. D. Collis.
J. Connorton.
C. P. Grobel.
F. J. Grocott.
C. Hayter.
J. Hugh Jones, LL.B.
Mrs. M. E. Legge.
Mrs. E. Murphy.
R. J. N. Norman.
H. A. Rutt.
Major H. W. Steward.
C. F. Wightman.
H. H. Wilmot.

1275 **Chair:**

It was moved by Alderman Syrett "that in the absence of the Mayor, the Chair be occupied by the Deputy Mayor."

The motion was duly seconded by Alderman Pike and, on being put, was carried, and it was

RESOLVED accordingly.

1276 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 22nd day of March, 1937, and of a Special Meeting held on the 5th day of April, 1937, were presented and it was

RESOLVED that such Minutes be taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Deputy Mayor as a correct record of the proceedings.

1277 **Absence of the Mayor:**

The Deputy Mayor reported that the Mayor was continuing to make good progress towards recovery from his recent indisposition, and that it was confidently hoped that he would be well enough to take part in the Coronation Celebrations next month.

1278 **Director of Education:**

The Deputy Mayor, on behalf of the Town Council, extended a welcome to Mr. H. L. Hume, the newly appointed Director of Education.

1279 **Tender received after the time stipulated in the Advertisement:**

It was reported that one tender in respect of the erection of a ticket office and shelter in the Victoria Recreation Ground had been received after the time stipulated in the advertisement;

RESOLVED that such tender be opened but not considered.

1280 **Tenders:**

(*a*) Surface Water Sewer Works—Long Lane and Cromwell Road.

(*b*) Private Street Works—Oakfield Road.

(*c*) External Painting—200 houses—Woodhouse Estate.

(*d*) Supply of Scotch Firebricks for Refuse Destructor.

(*e*) Erection of Tea Kiosk—Cherry Tree Wood.

(*f*) Erection of new Mortuary—North Circular Road, adjoining Fire Station.

(*g*) Extension of Ladies' Bowls Pavilion—Victoria Recreation Ground.

(*h*) Supply of an Addressing Machine—Electricity Department.

(*i*) Purchase and Removal of Battery—Electricity Department.

The tenders received in connection with the above were submitted, and arising thereon it was reported that as regards (g), one tender had been received after the time stipulated in the advertisement;

RESOLVED—

(1) that the said tender be opened but not considered; and

(2) that the remainder of the tenders be opened, and referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

1281 **Reports of Committees:**

RESOLVED that the reports of the under-mentioned Committees be received and adopted as varied by the amendments (if any) set out and adopted:—

(*a*) **Housing** of the 31st March, 1937, with the exception of paragraph 1085 (a) (Erection of Houses for Large Families), which be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

(*b*) **Public Libraries** of the 5th April, 1937.

(*c*) **Town Planning** of the 5th April, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1100 (Oak Cottage, High Road, N. 20—Proposed Reformatory Home), the Town Clerk reported receipt of a petition against the use of the premises for the purpose in question, containing 1,135 signatures. He also intimated that, since the meeting of the Committee, a further number of objections had been received.

The Deputy Mayor then stated that, in view of the public interest displayed, and the fact that it was a matter which gravely involved the Borough, it had been arranged that Mr. Whitby, the Chairman of St. Giles' Christian Mission should appear before the Town Council in order that the correct facts might be known.

The Chairman of the Town Planning Committee reported upon an interview which the Town Clerk and he had had with Mr. Whitby on the matter.

Mr. Whitby then appeared before the Town Council, and made a full statement, from which it appeared that the Mission had no connection with the Discharged Prisoners' Aid Society. He pointed out that Oak Cottage had been acquired for the purpose of starting a Boys' Home similar to that at Upper Holloway; that it would be occupied by 24 boys between 14 and 16 years of age who had been before the Juvenile Courts; that they would go to work in the day-time, and in the evenings would be occupied by various activities, such as boot repairing and book-binding, and he assured the Town Council that steps would be taken to see that the boys did not become a nuisance in the neighbourhood.

Mr. Whitby was thanked for his attendance, and retired.

It was thereupon

RESOLVED that the petitioners be informed that the Town Council have no jurisdiction in the matter.

(*d*) **Valuation** of the 6th April, 1937.

(*e*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 6th April, 1937.

(*f*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 7th April, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1166 (Coronation Day—Children's Tea), the Chairman of the Committee reported upon a further application which had been received from Mr. C. E. Abbott with regard to a tea proposed to be given on Coronation Day in Brackenbury Road;

RESOLVED—

(*a*) that no objection be raised thereto;

(*b*) that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the erection of the necessary barriers; and

(*c*) that the Police Authorities be notified accordingly.

(*g*) **Public Health** of the 8th April, 1937, subject to the word "Middlesex" being substituted for the word "Finchley" in the 22nd line of paragraph 1185.

(*h*) **Education** of the 12th April, 1937.

(*i*) **Allotments** of the 13th April, 1937.

(*j*) **Electricity** of the 13th April, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1219 (Electricity Mains Easements), the Town Clerk reported that draft easements had been prepared and forwarded to the parties concerned, providing for the payment to each of them of an annual acknowledgment rent of 5s. in each case; further, that it was understood that they were in agreement with the proposals, subject to any necessary drafting amendments, and to the Town Council meeting their reasonable legal costs;

RESOLVED—

(1) that this be agreed; and

(2) that in view of the urgency of the matter authority be given to the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager to proceed with the carrying out of the necessary work, subject to the consent of the interested parties.

(*k*) **General Purposes** of the 14th April, 1937, with the exception of paragraph 1248 (b) (2) (Staff—Public Libraries—Librarian-in-Charge —East Finchley), which be referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

Arising out of paragraph 1243 (Dates of Meetings—May, 1937), it was moved by Councillor Grocott and seconded by Alderman Syrett "that the meeting of the Education Committee be held on the normal date."

On being put, the motion was carried, and it was

RESOLVED accordingly.

(*l*) **Finance** of the 15th April, 1937.

1282 **Non-County Boroughs' Association—Election of Executive Committee:**

Voting paper in connection with the above was submitted;

RESOLVED that same be left to the Town Clerk to deal with.

1283 **Hospitals Week:**

A communication was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the above as follows:—

"You will remember that some little time ago Lord Luke wrote to all Local Authorities situated in the Metropolitan Police District and subsequently the Lord Mayor held a meeting at the Mansion House when the purpose of Hospitals Week was explained to Mayors and Chairmen of Urban District Councils.

Hospitals Week has been fixed for 2nd to 8th May, 1937, and in your own town and district will be organised to the benefit of your own voluntary Hospital. We are confident that such an effort will commend itself.

May we ask if it is possible:—

(*a*) To bring the purpose of Hospitals Week officially to the notice of your Council?

(*b*) To display some of our posters and notices on the hoardings at the disposal of the Council?

I can assure you that your help and co-operation in facilitating our work and in making known our needs will be greatly appreciated."

RESOLVED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council will be pleased to co-operate in the manner desired.

1284 **County of Middlesex (Finchley, Hornsey and Friern Barnet Boundaries) Order, 1937:**

A communication, dated 20th April, 1937, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council, forwarding a certified copy of the appropriate extract from the map referred to in the above-mentioned Order.

1285 **Land adjoining Electricity Works:**

The Town Clerk reported that it had been suggested that the application to the Ministry of Health for their consent to the appropriation of the above land for educational purposes might be deferred until the Education Committee had considered the question of the re-conditioning of the land;

RESOLVED that this be agreed.

1286 **Documents for Sealing:**

RESOLVED that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents:—

(1) Loyal Address of the Local Authorities in the County of Middlesex to H.M. the King on the occasion of his Coronation.

(2) Agreement with the Old Fincunian's Football Club for the tenancy of a second class pitch at the Lyttelton Playing Fields.

(3) Agreement with the Middlesex County Council in connection with the lighting and maintenance of traffic signals at the junction of the Barnet Bye-Pass and The Bishop's Avenue and at the junction of the North Circular Road and Long Lane.

(4) Agreement with and Conveyance from W. Smirk, Ltd., in connection with acquisition of land adjoining the Manor House for the widening of East End Road.

(5) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mrs. Burridge in connection with the acquisition of a strip of land for widening Nether Street outside site of Court House.

(6) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mrs. Eade in connection with the acquisition of the freehold of Lytton Cottage for the widening of Totteridge Lane.

(7) Contract with A. Reyrolle & Co., Ltd., for the supply of kiosks.

(8) Contract with Bruce Peebles & Co., Ltd., for the supply of transformers.

(9) Variation Agreement with the London and Home Counties Joint Electricity Authority as to bulk supply of electricity.

(10) Contract with the Ratner Safe Co., Ltd., for the supply and delivery of a safe and for the purchase of one in the possession of the Town Council.

(11) Order for Certificate and Receipt therefor in connection with advance of the sum of £460 from the Public Works Loan Board (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts).

(12) Deed of Variation with the Liverpool Victoria Friendly Society of the rate of interest on loans of £5,635 and £35,702.

(13) Discharges of Registered Charges or Vacating Receipts in respect of the following :—

Mortgage No. 364—R. A. Legge, 23, Avondale Road.
Mortgage No. 849—E. C. Brown, 1, Fallowcourt Avenue.

(14) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mrs. Gardiner in connection with the acquisition of Ashton Villa for the widening of Totteridge Lane.

*(15) Contract with The Carrier Engineering Co., Ltd., for extensions to Refuse Destructor.

*(16) Mortgage from the Midland Bank, Ltd., to secure repayment of the sum of £50,000 and interest.

*(17) Contract with The Power Lines Construction Co., Ltd., for Private Street Works, Oakfield Road.

*(18) Contract with Messrs. W. T. Pickering & Sons for external painting—200 houses—Woodhouse Estate.

*(19) Contract with Messrs. J. G. Stein & Co., Ltd., for supply of Scotch Firebricks for Refuse Destructor.

*(20) Contract with Messrs. Hosier & Dickinson for erection of Tea Kiosk—Cherry Tree Wood.

*(21) Contract with Messrs. C. & F. Bryen for extension of Ladies' Bowls Pavilion—Victoria Recreation Ground.

*(22) Contract with Addressograph-Multigraph, Ltd., for the supply of an Addressing Machine—Electricity Department.

*(23) Contract with Messrs. S. Cohen & Sons for purchase and removal of Battery—Electricity Department.

* See report of Town Council in Committee.

1287 **Payment of Accounts:**

(*a*) The Town Clerk reported, that, since the last meeting of the Town Council, a Borough Treasurer's Interim Order for the sum of £15,329 10s. 8d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(*b*) **RESOLVED** that an Order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 15th April, 1937, amounting to £78,997 9s. 5d.

1288 **Questions:**

In accordance with notice, the following question was asked by Councillor Wilmot:—

"Will the Chairman of the Highways Committee bring before his Committee the question of the Council providing suitable apparel for roadmen during the execution of their duties in order to protect them from inclement weather—as is done by other local authorities?"

The Chairman of the Committee replied in the affirmative.

1289 **Council in Committee:**

It was proposed by Alderman Syrett, seconded by Councillor Caine, and

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the Town Council do now go into Committee.

1290 **Staff—Public Libraries—Librarian-in-Charge—East Finchley:**

Paragraph 1248 (b) (2) of the General Purposes Committee's Report of the 14th April, 1937, was considered, in conjunction with a communication, dated 7th April, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health, and arising thereon, the Borough Surveyor reported upon an interview which he had had with a representative of the Ministry in regard to the Town Council's application for consent to the necessary loan for the carrying out of the work in connection with the East Finchley Library, when he stated he had been informed that the order might be given to the Contractor to commence the work, as delay would probably result in his withdrawal or a claim for higher prices.

He added that, with regard to the question of heating, the Ministry would not raise any objection to electrical heating if the Town Council so decided, but that the Ministry would like an assurance that comparative figures were available at the time the decision was made.

The Borough Surveyor further intimated that, with regard to the prime cost items, the Ministry were agreeable to the Town Council dispensing with the issue of advertisements for tenders, provided competitive prices were obtained.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the works to be commenced immediately the Contract is executed;

(*b*) that the question of heating be considered further at the next meeting of the Public Libraries Committee; and

(*c*) that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the appointment of a Librarian-in-Charge at the East Finchley Library at a salary in accordance with the scales approved by the Town Council on the 22nd February, 1937 (Alderman Syrett voting against).

1291 **Housing Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 31st March, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1292 **Public Libraries Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 5th April, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1293 **Town Planning Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 5th April, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1294 **Valuation Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 6th April, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1295 **Parks and Open Spaces Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 6th April, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (Rocklands, Gordon Road), the Town Clerk reported that the consent of the Ministry of Health to the necessary loan in connection with the acquisition of the property had now been received.

1296 **Highways and Fire Brigade Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 7th April, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1297 **Public Health Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 8th April, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1298 **Education Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 12th April, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1299 **Electricity Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 13th April, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 5 (Proposed Sub-Station Site—Turners Wood), the Chairman of the Committee reported that it would not be necessary to proceed further in the matter, as an alternative site was now under consideration ;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the negotiations in regard to the alternative site to be continued.

Arising out of paragraph 9 (Sale of Scrap Copper and Scrap Lead), the Chairman of the Committee reported that, in accordance with instructions, the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager had been in communication with Messrs. E. Hind (South Bank), Ltd., and had received a quotation from them, dated 24th April, 1937, as follows :—

"Referring to the writer's conversation on the telephone this morning, we beg to confirm the prices quoted, subject to acceptance **before noon** on Monday, as follows :—

	Per ton. £ s. d.
Copper Scrap	58 11 0
Lead Scrap	24 16 0

Trusting that these offers will meet with your favourable consideration."

He further intimated that the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager had accepted the amended quotation, subject to confirmation ;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the action taken be approved ; and

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in connection with the contract.

1300 **General Purposes Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 14th April, 1937, was submitted.

Arising out of paragraph 7 (Glebe Land), the Borough Surveyor reported upon correspondence which had taken place with the War Office since the meeting of the Committee.

He also intimated that it now transpired that the Army Council were prepared to accept a Conveyance of a portion of the Glebe Land situate to the south of the swimming pools, and extending over the public footpath.

After full discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the recommendations of the Committee be not adopted ;

(*b*) that negotiations be entered into immediately with a view to the conveyance to the Army Council, subject to contract and to the approval of the Minister of Health and the Middlesex County Council, of that portion of the Glebe Land defined on drawing No. 11150, and that the transaction be subject also (*inter alia*) to the following conditions :—

(1) that as regards the buildings to be erected on the land, the actual site thereof and the plans, elevations and materials to be used will be subject to the approval of the Town Council ;

(2) that an annual contribution in lieu of rates upon such buildings will be paid to the Town Council ;

(3) that the Town Council will be granted a right of pre-emption upon the land in the event of its not being required for the purpose in question at some future date ;

(4) that, except in cases of emergency, no ammunition, blank or otherwise, will be fired upon the land ;

(5) that all costs in connection with the diversion of the footpath at present running across the land will be borne by the Army Council ; and

(6) that sufficient land will be reserved, if necessary, for the erection of an Electricity Sub-Station ;

(c) that the Town Clerk be authorised to obtain the District Valuer's Report and valuation on the land in question.

It was thereupon further

RECOMMENDED that the report, as amended, be adopted and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council (Alderman Pateman, and Councillors Brooksbank, Collis and Mrs. Legge voting against the recommendations in connection with the Glebe Land).

1301 **Sub-Committee re Extensions to the Refuse Destructor :**

A report of this Sub-Committee, dated 14th April, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1302 **Finance Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 15th April, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

Arising out of paragraph 3 (Proposed Widening—Nether Street—Opposite site of Courthouse), it was

RECOMMENDED that in the circumstances the amount of compensation to be paid to Mrs. Burridge be increased to £270.

Arising out of paragraph 6 (b) (Loans), a report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 22nd April, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED—

(a) that the Town Council, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by Section 215 of the Local Government Act, 1933, do raise a temporary loan of £40,000 from the lenders, through the Agents, at the rate of interest and subject to the payment of Agents' commission as indicated in the Instruction Book, for a period of one month and thereafter at one month's notice on either side ; and

(b) that the Borough Treasurer be instructed to make the necessary arrangements in connection therewith.

Arising out of paragraph 7, the Chairman of the Committee reported on the matter ;

RECOMMENDED—

(a) that same be referred to the Finance Accounts Sub-Committee for further consideration and report ; and

(b) that the instruction given by the Town Council, as entered in the Instruction Book, be approved.

Arising out of paragraph 10 (Private Street Works — Outstanding Charges), the Chairman of the Committee reported that, as regards the first three cases, no payment had been received ; that as regards the fourth case, a payment on account had been made, and that as regards the fifth case, the amount owing had been discharged ;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that, as regards the fourth case, the name be deleted from the list, and that the matter be referred to the Committee for further consideration; and

(*b*) that as regards the fifth case, the name be deleted from the list.

It was thereupon further

RECOMMENDED that the report, as amended, be adopted and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1303 **Cycling on Footpaths:**

The following report received from the Police Authorities was submitted:—

"At 12.10 p.m. on 17th April, 1937, P.C. 357 'S' Rowe saw Mr. George Bowyer, of No. 29, Lichfield Grove, Finchley, N. 3, age 40, riding a pedal cycle, owned by him, on the footpath in Lovers Walk, Finchley, N. 3. On seeing the P.C., Mr. Bowyer jumped off the bicycle. The P.C. pointed out the offence to him, to which he replied:—'I had only just got on.' The P.C. told him the facts would be reported with a view to proceedings being taken, to which he replied:—'I suppose I must leave it to you.'"

'Will you please reply if the Council are instituting proceedings in this case."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that proceedings be instituted against the offender; and

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in the matter.

1304 **Coronation Medals:**

A confidential communication, dated 19th April, 1937, received from the Under Secretary of State, Home Office (Fire Brigades Division) was submitted;

RECOMMENDED that same be left to the Deputy Mayor and the Town Clerk to deal with.

1305 **District Library—North Finchley:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"At the meeting of the Town Council held on the 27th July, 1936, it was resolved that the Dickman Charging System for the issue of books be installed at the above Library for an experimental period of six months from the date of opening, subject to the condition that, if at the expiration of that period the system were found to be satisfactory, the apparatus lent should be purchased and payment made for the stationery which had been used.

The Public Libraries Committee at an unofficial meeting on the 19th April, 1937, inspected the system in operation and also the system at Avenue House, and I understand that the Chief Librarian is submitting a report in regard to the matter and that the Chairman of the Committee is reporting thereon."

Arising thereon, a report presented by the Chief Librarian was considered;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that authority be given for the Dickman Charging System to be installed permanently at the North Finchley District Library; and

(*b*) that authority also be given for the necessary apparatus to be purchased, and for payment to be made for the stationery used during the experimental period.

1306 **Erection of Ticket Office and Shelter—Victoria Recreation Ground:**

A communication, dated 19th April, 1937, was submitted from Messrs. E. J. and P. Bower, Ltd., as follows:—

"We have recently entered into heavy commitments, and we feel we would not be able to give the Council the satisfaction in the above work that we would like.

We trust that you will appreciate our position and that it will in no way inconvenience the Council."

Arising thereon, a report by the Borough Surveyor was submitted;

RECOMMENDED that the matter be referred to the Parks and Open Spaces Committee for consideration.

1307 **Staff—Town Clerk's Department—General Clerk:**

The Town Clerk reported that Mr. C. N. Booth had resigned his appointment on the Staff, and would be leaving the service of the Town Council on the 23rd May, 1937; further, that in accordance with the authority of the Chairman of the General Purposes Committee, advertisements had been issued inviting applications for a Junior Committee Clerk at a commencing salary of £200 per annum;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the action taken be approved; and

(*b*) that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor be authorised to make the appointment, subject to report.

1308 **Proposed New Municipal Offices:**

The Town Clerk reported that an intimation had been received from the Ministry of Health to the effect that the Minister proposed to hold a Public Inquiry in connection with the Town Council's application for consent to a loan in respect of the above, and that the date thereof would be notified in due course.

1309 **Barnet District Gas and Water Bill:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"The Barnet District Gas and Water Company are not prepared to give the Corporation any greater protection in regard to the constancy and pressure of supply than is contained in the Company's Act of 1904.

The Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade states that while the actual pressure given by the Company at the moment is satisfactory for his purposes, the statutory pressure would not under any circumstances be adequate for the present needs of the Borough.

The Company have also provided in the amended Bill that the Minister of Health in considering any application for an increase in the water charges shall have regard to the profit on the Gas Undertaking—this would appear to have the effect of providing a guarantee of the gas profits by the water consumers.

On the instructions of the Chairman of the Committee, a Petition is being lodged in the House of Commons against the Bill on these two points."

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1310 **Temporary Loans:**

The Borough Treasurer reported that he had received notice requiring repayment of the temporary loan of £20,000 from the Imperial Bank of Iran on the 21st May, 1937;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the Town Council, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by Section 215 of the Local Government Act, 1933, do raise a temporary loan of £20,000 on the terms indicated in the Instruction Book, for a period of one month and thereafter at one month's notice on either side; and

(*b*) that the Borough Treasurer be instructed to make the necessary arrangements in connection therewith.

1311 **Surface Water Sewer—Long Lane and Cromwell Road:**

The Borough Surveyor presented his formal report as to the necessity for the above works, in accordance with the provisions of the Public Health Act, 1875;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the service of the necessary statutory notices.

1312 **Proposed Extensions to Refuse Destructor:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"The Council will recollect that the three lowest tenders for the above were as follows:-

The Carrier Engineering Co.	£11,710
Messrs. Woodall Duckham Vertical Retort and Oven Construction Co. (1920), Ltd.	£13,166
Messrs. Heenan & Froude	£16,646

Questionnaires sent to the contractors have elicited the necessary information to place all the tenders on a comparable basis, the result being as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
The Carrier Engineering Co.	13,105	0	0
Messrs. Heenan & Froude	14,816	0	0
Messrs. Woodall Duckham Vertical Retort and Oven Construction Co. (1920), Ltd.	15,081	10	0

Messrs. Heenan & Froude erected your existing destructor and also the extensions and their work has given every satisfaction, but I find it difficult to advise you to pass over the lowest tender in view of the great difference in price and this view is supported by Mr. Codling. The Council in December last (Minute No. 356) authorised the Town Clerk to make application to the Ministry of Health for sanction to the borrowing of the sum of £13,660 in respect of extensions to the Destructor, which sum includes loan costs, Clerk of Work's and Assistant's salaries. Adverting to the instruction on page 27 of the typed matter, the foregoing report has been issued direct to the Council after consultation with the Chairman of the Public Health Committee, and as the matter is urgent I would recommend that the application to the Ministry of Health for the loan be made as soon as possible."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that, in the circumstances, the amended price of the Carrier Engineering Company at the sum of £13,105 for the carrying out of the work be accepted, subject to contract and to the consent of the Minister of Health being received to the necessary loan; and

(*b*) that the contract be added to the list of documents for sealing.

1313 **Regional Open Spaces:**

A communication, dated 22nd April, 1937, was submitted from the Clerk to the Barnet Urban District Council, forwarding a copy of a letter sent by him to the North Middlesex Regional Town Planning Committee, making application for a grant towards the cost of acquisition of certain areas of land which the Authority were desirous of purchasing for the purpose of open spaces, and expressing the hope that the Town Council would see their way to support such application;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

1314 **Loans:**

The Chairman of the Finance Committee reported that the Borough Treasurer and he had made enquiries as to the terms on which a loan could be raised on mortgage for the purpose of repaying the amount of the mortgage loans from Barclays Bank, Ltd., amounting to a sum of £50,417, and that it had been ascertained that the Midland Bank, Ltd., were willing to advance the sum of £50,000 on mortgage for a term of 3 years at 2¾ per cent. or for five years at 3 per cent.;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the outstanding balances amounting to £50,417 on loans taken up from Barclays Bank, Ltd., be repaid;

(*b*) that the offer of the Midland Bank, Ltd., to advance to the Town Council the sum of £50,000 for a term of five years at 3 per cent. interest be accepted ;

(*c*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in the matter ; and

(*d*) that the Mortgage be added to the list of documents for sealing.

1315 **Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922 :**

RECOMMENDED that the question of the investment of the balance in hand on the Superannuation Fund Account, amounting to £10,000, be referred to the Finance Accounts and General Sub-Committee for consideration and report.

1316 **Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908—Advertising Vehicles :**

RECOMMENDED that consent be given to the Finchley Burgesses Committee to use within the Borough a vehicle with a loud speaker attached thereto for advertising purposes in connection with the forthcoming Coronation Celebrations.

1317 **Tenders :**

(*a*) Surface Water Sewer Works—Long Lane and Cromwell Road.

(*b*) Private Street Works—Oakfield Road.

(*c*) External Painting—200 houses—Woodhouse Estate.

(*d*) Supply of Scotch Firebricks for Refuse Destructor.

(*e*) Erection of Tea Kiosk—Cherry Tree Wood.

(*f*) Erection of new Mortuary—North Circular Road, adjoining Fire Station.

(*g*) Extension of Ladies' Bowls Pavilion—Victoria Recreation Ground.

(*h*) Supply of an Addressing Machine—Electricity Department.

(*i*) Purchase and Removal of Battery—Electricity Department.

The tenders received in connection with the above were submitted ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that as regards (a) and (f), the tenders be referred to the appropriate Committees for consideration ;

(2) that as regards (b) the tender of The Power Lines Construction Co., Ltd. (the lowest), at the sum of £1,855, be accepted, subject to contract ;

(3) that as regards (c) the tender of Messrs. W. T. Pickering & Sons (the lowest) at the sum of £673 5s. 0d. be accepted, subject to contract ;

(4) that as regards (d), the tender of Messrs. J. G. Stein & Co., Ltd., at the sum of £143 7s. 7d. be accepted, subject to contract ;

(5) that as regards (e) the tender of Messrs. Hosier & Dickinson (the lowest) at the sum of £124 17s. 3d be accepted, subject to contract ;

(6) that as regards (g), the tender of Messrs. C. & F. Bryen (the lowest) at the sum of £155 be accepted, subject to contract ;

(7) that as regards (h), the tender of Addressograph-Multigraph, Ltd. (the lowest) at the sum of £414 16s. 0d. be accepted, subject to contract ;

(8) that as regards (i), the tender of Messrs. S. Cohen & Sons (the highest) at the sum of £252 be accepted, subject to contract ; and

(9) that the necessary contracts be added to the list of documents for sealing.

1318 **Resumption of Council :**

RESOLVED that the Town Council do now resume, and that the recommendations above set forth be adopted.

Mayor.

Borough of Finchley.

At a Special Meeting of the Council of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY, held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on THURSDAY, the 6th day of May, 1937.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.).

Aldermen—

A. J. Briant.
G. H. Pateman.
A. T. Pike, O.B.E., J.P.
C. S. Syrett.

Councillors—

P. H. Burch.
C. P. Grobel.
C. Hayter.
J. Hugh Jones, LL.B.
Mrs. E. Murphy.
R. J. N. Norman.
H. A. Rutt.
H. H. Wilmot.

1319 **Council in Committee:**

It was moved by Alderman Syrett, seconded by Alderman Pike, and

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the Town Council do now go into Committee.

1320 **Finance (Issue of Stock) Sub-Committee:**

A report of this Sub-Committee, dated 29th April, 1937, was submitted and considered.

Arising thereon, a statement was made by Alderman Syrett, and after discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1321 **Glebe Land:**

A letter, dated 1st May, 1937, was submitted from Col. W. Hunt, M.C., T.D., Commd. 61st A.A. Brigade, asking for permission for his Brigade to use the portion of the Glebe Land proposed to be acquired by the Army Council as from the 9th May, 1937, pending a final settlement of the negotiations.

After discussion, it was

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the Army Council entering on the 9th May, 1937, upon the land proposed to be acquired, subject to their agreeing to pay to the Town Council interest at the rate of 4 per cent. on the amount of the purchase money which may ultimately be agreed, and to their accepting the conditions set out in the letter addressed to the Under Secretary of State on the 29th April, 1937 (Alderman Pateman voting against).

1322 **Resumption of Council:**

RESOLVED that the Town Council do now resume, and that the recommendations above set forth be adopted.

Mayor.

Borough of Finchley.

At a Special Meeting of the Council of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY, held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on WEDNESDAY, the 12th day of MAY, 1937.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.).

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).

Aldermen—

A. J. Briant.
G. H. Pateman.
A. T. Pike, O.B.E., J.P.
C. S. Syrett.
Vyvyan Wells.

Councillors—

A. N. H. Baines.
W. L. Brooksbank.
P. H. Burch.
J. F. Kneale Caine.
C. Connorton.
F. J. Grocott.
C. Hayter.
J. Hugh Jones, LL.B.
Mrs. M. E. Legge.
Mrs. E. Murphy.
R. J. N. Norman.
H. A. Rutt.
Major H. W. Steward.
C. F. Wightman.
H. H. Wilmot.

1323 **Presentation of the Honorary Freedom of the Borough to County Councillor John Boggon, J.P.:**

At the request of the Mayor, the Town Clerk read the following resolution of the Town Council of the 22nd February, 1937, conferring the Honorary Freedom of the Borough on County Councillor John Boggon, J.P.:—

"That, at a special meeting of the Town Council to be convened for Wednesday, the 12th May 1937, at 12 noon, County Councillor John Boggon, J.P., be admitted to be an Honorary Freeman of the Borough of Finchley and that the Corporate Seal of the Council be affixed to such documents in the matter as may be requisite."

The Mayor congratulated the new Freeman, and, on behalf of the Corporation, invited his acceptance of a Silver Casket containing the Certificate of Freedom.

The new Freeman then signed the Roll of Honorary Freemen of the Borough, and the Mayor declared the Council Meeting closed.

Alderman Vyvyan Wells moved a vote of appreciation, which was supported by Alderman C. S. Syrett, County Alderman G. Marlow Reed, J.P., and G. Stubbs, Esq., C.B.E.

The new Freeman then returned thanks.

Mayor.

Children's Safety Committee's Report.

29th APRIL, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), Councillors Mrs. Murphy and Wilmot; Messrs. H. Cowen and M. C. Hackett; Inspector Hooper.

1324 **Railway Bridge over Squires Lane:**

A "Halt—Cross Roads" sign has been placed on the railway bridge over Squires Lane subsequent upon representations of the Committee.

1325 **Report on Street Accidents:**

The following analysis of street accidents to children under fifteen years of age known to the Police to have occurred in Finchley during the period 1st December, 1936, to 31st March, 1937, has been considered, together with a map shewing where these accidents occurred:—

Nature of Accident.	Number of Cases. Fatal Injury.	Serious Injury.	Slight Injury.	Total.
Pedestrian injured by Motor Vehicle.....	—	1	13	14
Pedal cyclist injured in collision with Motor Vehicle	—	—	2	2
Passenger in Motor Vehicle injured in Motor Vehicle accident	—	—	2	2
Pedestrian injured by pedal cyclist	—	—	3	3
Pedal cyclist injured by fall from cycle, etc., where no other vehicle was involved	—	1	1	2
	—	2	21	23

1326 **The Prevention of Accidents to Child Cyclists:**

Suggested rules, etc., for pupils who cycle to school have been considered;

RECOMMENDED that the Education Committee be asked to give consideration to the issue of rules, etc., as set out in Appendix III. of the Report of the Inter-Departmental Committee on Road Safety, to pupils who cycle to school.

1327 **Road Safety Code for Parents:**

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the Education Committee be asked to arrange for the distribution, through the schools, of pamphlets giving the "Road Safety Code for Parents" suggested in Appendix II. of the Report of the Inter-Departmental Committee on Road Safety.

(*b*) that authority be given for the printing of a sufficient number of pamphlets, the cost therefor being charged to the Children's Safety Committee.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Public Libraries Committee's Report.

3rd MAY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Collis (Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Pike and Councillors Baines, Brooksbank, Caine, Grobel, Mrs. Legge and Wilmot.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pateman and Syrett, and Councillors Mrs. Murphy, Norman, Rutt and Wightman.

1328 **Minutes:**

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

1329 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1330 **Public Libraries and Rest and Reading Rooms:**

(*a*) East Finchley.—The Borough Surveyor reported that, in accordance with instructions, he had circulated to each member of the Council a statement, prepared after consultation with the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager, as to the estimated comparative costs of heating the above Library by electricity and low pressure hot water.

Arising thereon he reported that he understood from the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager that the figures for electrical heating were arrived at on the assumption that the heating would be turned off from approximately 4.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. each evening.

After full consideration, it was decided that a system of electrical heating be adopted for the East Finchley Library and instructions were thereupon given to the Town Clerk to inform the Ministry of Health accordingly and to furnish the Department with a copy of the statement referred to above.

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*b*) North Finchley.—

(i) Lecture Hall.—The Chief Librarian reported the receipt of a letter from the Appeal Committee of the Finchley Memorial Hospital asking for the use of the Lecture Hall as a depôt on the occasion of the Hospital Flag Day to be held on the 8th May, 1937.

The Committee decided to accede to the request, subject to all arrangements being made to the satisfaction of the Chief Librarian;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(ii) Notice Board.—The Committee considered a report by the Borough Surveyor on the question of the provision of a notice board with strip lighting at the North Finchley Library. After full consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Borough Surveyor arrange for the provision and erection of a notice board at an estimated cost of £11; and

(2) that the question of the provision of strip lighting remain in abeyance for the time being.

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Arising out of recommendation (1) above, instructions were given to the Town Clerk to notify the Finance Committee of the proposal and to suggest that the expenditure be met out of the item included in the estimates of this Committee in respect of contingencies.

(*c*) Appointment of Junior Assistant.—The Town Clerk reported that Mr. N. Hebblethwaite had been appointed to the position of Junior Assistant and that he commenced his duties on the 19th April, 1937.

(*d*) Statistics.—The Chief Librarian reported as under, the figures in brackets being those reported for March, 1936 :—

(i) Readers.—That the number of readers registered in the Public Libraries was 11,913 (5,130).

(ii) Stock.—That the book stock now amounted to 33,623 (15,868).

(iii) Loans.—That the number of books lent during the month of March, 1937, from Avenue House was 19,086 (16,513), and from North Finchley 23,497, and that the following table showed the number of books lent from each class of the stock at Avenue House during March, 1936 and March, 1937, and at North Finchley for March, 1937 :—

CLASS.	AVENUE HOUSE. March, 1937. Loans.	% of total.	March, 1936. Loans.	% of total	In-crease.	De-crease.	NORTH FINCHLEY. March, 1937. Adult. Loans.	% of total.	Junior. Loans.	% of total	Total. Loans.	% of total.	GRAND TOTALS. March, 1937.
General	40	.2	21	.1	19	—	20	.1	19	.4	30	.2	79
Philosophy	288	1.5	243	1.4	45	—	175	.9	5	.1	180	.5	468
Religion	216	1.1	204	1.2	12	—	154	.8	14	.3	168	.5	384
Sociology	624	3.2	460	2.7	164	—	424	2.3	350	7.5	774	4.9	1398
Languages	264	1.3	232	1.8	32	—	99	.5	1	.02	100	.26	364
Science	385	2.0	363	2.2	22	—	372	1.9	276	5.9	648	3.9	1033
Useful Arts	835	4.4	812	4.9	23	—	537	2.9	292	6.2	829	4.5	1664
Fine Arts	753	4.0	597	3.6	156	—	518	2.8	88	1.9	606	2.3	1359
Music	242	1.3	276	1.7	—	34	258	1.4	—	—	258	1.4	500
Literature	945	5.0	776	4.7	169	—	645	3.4	172	3.7	817	3.55	1762
History and Travel	2508	13.2	2281	13.8	217	—	1932	10.3	329	7.1	2261	8.7	4769
Biography	802	4.2	814	4.8	—	12	510	2.7	54	1.15	564	1.42	1366
Fiction	11184	58.6	9433	57.1	1751	—	13190	70.0	3063	65.73	16253	67.87	27437
TOTALS	19086	100.0	16512	100.0	2610	46	18834	100.0	4663	100.0	23497	100.0	42583
					(Net Increase 2564)								
Days Open	25		26		—	1	25		25		25		25
Daily Average Loan	763		635		128	—	755		186		941		1704
Readers	5252		5130		122	—	5352		1339		6691		11943
Stock	20125		15868		4257	—	10936		2562		13498		33623
Cash	£13/17/10		£14/17/8		—	19/10d.	£13/2/5		£1/12/2		£14/14/7		£28/12/5

(iv) Cash Receipts.—That the cash receipts during March, 1937, amounted to £13 17s. 10d. (£14 17s. 8d.) at Avenue House and £14 14s. 7d. at North Finchley.

(*e*) Offer of Gifts.—The Chief Librarian reported hereon;

RECOMMENDED that the offer of Mr. F. W. Robinson to present to the Council the following books for use in the Public Libraries be accepted with thanks:—

The International Library of Famous Literature (20 volumes).
Glover, T. R.—Conflict of Religions in the Early Roman Empire.

1331 **South-Eastern Regional Library System:**

The Town Clerk intimated that he had received a copy of the report of the Executive Committee of the South-Eastern Regional Library System on the permanent financial and staffing arrangements of the System.

He pointed out that as from April, 1938, it was proposed to increase all membership subscriptions from local authorities by 50 per cent., such subscriptions to be calculated annually upon the Registrar General's estimate of the population for the preceding year.

Instructions were given to the Chief Librarian to report at next meeting the number of volumes borrowed by the Council from the Library System and by the System from the Finchley Libraries.

1332 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

A. C. D. COLLIS,

Chairman.

Town Planning Committee's Report.

3rd MAY, 1937.

Present: Alderman Briant (Chairman), Councillor Wilmot (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Wells, Councillors Burch, Caine, Mrs. Murphy, Norman and Wightman.

Non-Members: Alderman Pateman, Councillors Mrs. Legge and Rutt.

1333 **Minutes:**

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

1334 **Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6:**

(*a*) **Draft Scheme.**—It was reported that copies of the Draft Scheme had been supplied to members of the public at the same price as that paid for prints of Planning Scheme No. 1, viz., 1/6d.;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved and that the price be fixed at 1/6d. per copy.

(*b*) **Objections to Draft Scheme.**—The Town Clerk reported that certain objections had been made to the Draft Scheme, but that the time within which they might be received would not expire until the 4th May. In the circumstances, therefore, it was

RECOMMENDED that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Committee, the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor and Councillor Norman be appointed to consider all objections and to interview the objectors, and report to the Committee in due course.

1335 **Planning of Greater London:**

A letter, dated 6th April, 1937 (circulated) and statement, received from the Town and Country Planning Division of the Ministry of Health regarding a proposal for the establishment of a Standing Conference on Regional Planning to take the place of the Greater London Regional Planning Committee which was dissolved a few months ago, was submitted. It appeared from the statement dealing with the constitution, etc., of the proposed Conference that the Town Council would not be called upon to make any monetary contribution towards the Conference and that indirectly they would be represented through the Association of Municipal Corporations;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council concur in the proposal for the establishment of a Standing Conference on Regional Planning on the lines set out in the above letter and statement.

1336 **Unoccupied Flats:**

The following monthly report of the Valuation Officer hereon was submitted:—

"Number of unoccupied flats in the Borough 138 (156).

Total number of flats erected 1,656 (1,656).

These figures do not include premises converted.

The corresponding figures for last month are set out in brackets."

1337 **Land Fronting Woodhouse Road, Adjoining Kimberley Parade, N. 12:**

Referring to Minute No. 866, the Town Clerk reported that he had received a letter, dated 6th April, 1937, from Messrs. Williams & Poole making application on behalf of their client, Dr. N. A. Duncan, for permission to use the plot of land adjoining Kimberley Parade, Woodhouse Road, situate within the area of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1 for the erection of shops; further, that the land was situate within an area zoned

in the Scheme for the erection primarily of dwellinghouses only and that in consequence the application had been advertised in accordance with the requirements of the Scheme, and no objection thereto had been received;

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. Williams & Poole be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, so far as the Town Planning Committee is concerned, the proposal to erect shops on the above-mentioned site, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

1338 **National Hospital Convalescent Home—East Finchley—Proposed Block of Flats:**

It was reported that the Town Clerk had received a letter, dated 7th April, 1937, from Messrs. Cole, Adams and Phillips, on behalf of their clients, The Board of Management of the National Hospital, asking whether the Town Council would be prepared to agree to the erection of a large block of flats approximately on the site of the present convalescent home buildings at East Finchley with attractive amenities such as squash courts, badminton courts and ornamental gardens, and also, if the Town Council were willing to consent to such development, how many flats would be permitted on the site;

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. Cole, Adams and Phillips be informed (a) that, without prejudice, the Town Council will be prepared to consider plans for the erection of a block of flats on the site in question, subject to the elevations and height of the proposed building being to their satisfaction; and (b) of the basis upon which the density of flat development is calculated.

1339 **Meadowside, 58, Holden Road, N. 12—Proposed Flats:**

The Committee considered a letter, dated 27th April, 1937, from Mr. C. H. Vernon objecting so far as the above-mentioned property was concerned to the experimental basis adopted by the Town Council in respect of the calculation of the density of flats, and it was

RECOMMENDED that Mr. Vernon be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to vary their usual procedure in connection with the calculation of the density of flats.

1340 **Public Health Act, 1936—Moveable Dwellings:**

Circular No. 1600 from the Ministry of Health regarding the provisions of the Public Health Act, 1936, so far as moveable dwellings are concerned, was submitted and referred to the appropriate Officers for attention.

1341 **Carrimore Works, High Road, N. 12—Additional Building:**

Referring to Minute No. 624 (4) (e), the Borough Surveyor reported upon a further letter, dated 21st April, 1937, received from Messrs. Rix & Rix renewing their application for permission to extend the above-mentioned premises by the erection of an additional building to be used as a factory for work in connection with national defence. It was pointed out that the front portion of the land in question had been scheduled for "general business" purposes and the rear portion for residential purposes under the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6, and in the circumstances, therefore, it was

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. Rix & Rix be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to alter their previous decision not to allow the erection of the proposed additional building in view of the fact that such development would contravene the character zoning provisions of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6.

1342 **Merry Miller Bakeries—The Walks, Park Road, N. 2—Proposed Extension:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that since deposited plans in connection with a proposed extension at the above-mentioned Bakeries (No. 9952) had been disapproved by the Town Council at their last meeting, two further letters had been received from Messrs. Marshall & Tweedy, the Architects, submitting further tentative plans;

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. Marshall & Tweedy be informed—

(1) that the Town Council are not prepared to give their consent to the proposed extension as shown on the tentative plan submitted with their letter of the 21st April, 1937; and

(2) that the Town Council approve, in principle, the proposals submitted with their letter of the 22nd April, 1937, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

1343 **Plan No. 9974—Tool Shed, side of 48, Oakdene Park, N. 3—Mr. J. Cohen:**

It was reported that the proposal shown on the above-mentioned plan would contravene the provisions of the Public Health (Buildings in Streets) Act, 1888, in as much as the building would be erected in advance of the front main wall of adjoining property. It was, however,

RECOMMENDED that the above-mentioned plan be approved, subject to the owner entering into the usual Agreement with the Town Council to remove the building at any time when called upon so to do.

1344 **Plan No. 9979—House—Plot H.12, Haslemere Gardens, N. 3—Mr. P. J. Preston:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the above-mentioned plan showed a proposal to erect a house over a soil sewer belonging to the Corporation, but that he saw no objection thereto. In the circumstances, therefore, it was

RECOMMENDED that Plan No. 9979 be approved, so far as this Committee is concerned, subject to the owner of the property in question entering into an Agreement with the Town Council in a form to be approved by the Solicitor to provide (*inter alia*) that he shall bear any extra cost in respect of repairs, etc., to the sewer occasioned by the existence of the proposed building and further that he will pay the cost of the construction of an additional manhole adjacent to such building.

1345 **Plan No. 9986—6 Lock-up Garages—Rear of 78, Lincoln Road, N. 2, in Durham Road—Mr. W. W. Hedgecoe:**

RECOMMENDED that the above-mentioned plan be approved, subject to the garages being used for the housing of private motor cars only.

1346 **Plans:**

(*a*) Approved;

RECOMMENDED that the following plans be APPROVED subject to the conditions severally mentioned by the Borough Surveyor in his report:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
‡9134b	14 flats and 8 garages	Abingdon Road, N. 2	Mr. E. P. King.
9962	Tool shed	Rear of 28, Fallowcourt Avenue, N. 12	Mr. S. A. Turner.
9963	4 houses	On plots C.94, C.94a, C.96 and C.97, Chalton Drive, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. L. C. Gibson.
9964	4 houses	Nos. 90, 92, 94 and 96, Ossulton Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. G. C. Swanson.
9965	House	Plot H.79, Church Mount, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. H. E. Brown.

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
‡9966	Conversion of front living room into garage and canopy	9, Westbury Road, N. 12	Mr. R. B. Pilcher.
9967	House and garage	Ossulton Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb, corner of Neale Close	Mr. G. C. Swanson.
*†9968	Extension of showroom	Henlys Garage, North Circular Road, N. 3, at junction with Regents Park Road	Messrs. Henlys, Ltd.
*9969	Extension to garage	8, Waverley Grove, N. 3	Mr. E. Charrington.
9970	House	Plot C.66, Holne Chase, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. H. Meckhonik.
*9971	Additional bay	Front of 3 Talbot Avenue, N. 2	Mr. E. F. Sewell.
†9972	22 houses	Nos. 1-11 and 2-32, Hillcrest Gardens, N. 3	Messrs. Golders, Ltd.
9973	2 houses	Nos. 10 and 12, on plots C.95 and C.95a, Chalton Drive, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. L. C. Gibson.
9975	Extension of garage	56, Southway, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. N. W. Neale.
9976	6 houses	Nos. 3, 5, 9, 11, 15 and 17, Chalton Drive, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. H. Lawrence.
9977	Additional room in roof	45, The Ridgeway, N. 3	Mr. G. H. Thorne.
9978	Tool shed	19, Wentworth Close, N. 3	Mr. M. Dewar.
9980	Garage	Side of 28, Howard Walk, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. H. V. Sautell.
9981	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	22, Falkland Avenue, N. 3	Mr. S. B. Williams.
*9983	Steel sheds for storing timber	Hopping's Works, High Road, N. 20	Messrs. Hopping Bros. (Whetstone), Ltd.
9984	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	65, Lichfield Grove, N. 3	The Teachers and General Investment Co., Ltd.
9985	Tool shed and glass lean-to	Rear of "Brecon," Woodside Lane, N. 12	Mr. F. H. Marlow.
9987	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	49, Fallowcourt Avenue, N. 12	Mrs. V. Dodd.
9988	House	Plot H.77a, Church Mount, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. H. E. Brown.
*9989	Garage	Rear of 209, Regents Park Road, N. 3	Mr. R. E. Woolley.

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
*9990	Garage	Rear of "Roxburgh," High Road, N. 20, in Woodside Lane	Dr. R. E. Isaac.
9991	Addition	Rear of house on plot K.5, Kinloss Gardens, N. 3	Mr. P. J. Preston.
9992	House	Plot C.21, Neville Drive, Hampstead Garden Suburb, at corner of Spencer Drive.	Mr. C. Golsdetz.
9993	House	Plot C.16, Neville Drive, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. H. Meckhonik.
9994	Alterations and additions	Workshop, Arcadia Avenue, N. 3	Messrs. Halls Car Sales, Ltd.
9995	Garage	"Brooklyn House," High Road, N. 20	Mr. B. T. Lee.
9997	House	On Plot H.121, Norrice Lea, Hampstead Garden Suburb at corner of Chalton Drive	Messrs. R. C. Watson and Co., Ltd.
9998	2 houses	Plots 7 and 8 on site of "Rathgar," Dollis Avenue, N. 3	The Novean Homes (Kenton), Ltd.

(*b*) Disapproved;

RESOLVED that the under-mentioned plans be DISAPPROVED for the reasons stated by the Borough Surveyor in his report:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9982	Alterations	2, Moss Hall Grove, N. 12	Finchley Division Liberal and Radical Association.
9996	Store shed and lean-to	Rear of No. 68, Ballards Lane, N. 3	Messrs. Newton & Wright.

* Referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

† Referred to the Middlesex County Council for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

‡ Prior to the consideration of Plans Nos. 9134b and 9966, Councillor Burch disclosed that he had an interest therein and in consequence did not vote or take part in the discussion relating thereto.

1347 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

A. J. BRIANT,

Chairman.

Valuation Committee's Report.

4th MAY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), Councillor Connorton (Vice-Chairman), The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Brooksbank and Wightman, and Messrs. Gray and Griffith.

1348 **Minutes:**

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

1349 **Assessment of Garages and Garden Sheds:**

The Valuation Officer reported that Conferences of Rating Officers in the County of Middlesex, together with the Officers of the County Valuation Department, had been held on the 22nd and 28th April, 1937, to discuss the above matter. After hearing a resumé of the views expressed at such Conferences, it was

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council continue the procedure at present in operation in the Borough in regard to the assessment of garages and garden sheds.

1350 **Borough of Finchley Electricity Undertaking:**

The Valuation Officer reported that he had received from the County Valuation Officer a report from Messrs. Gerald Eve & Company with a proposal to increase the assessment on the above Undertaking from £9,237 Rateable Value to £11,110 as from the 1st April, 1937.

After full consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED that a proposal be made to increase the assessment in question from £9,237 Rateable Value to £11,110.

1351 **Assessment—Brinmaur, 265, Nether Street:**

It was reported that the owner of the above premises had applied for a reduction in his present assessment owing to the building of small houses and flats in the vicinity.

After hearing a report thereon by the Valuation Officer, it was

RECOMMENDED that the assessment in question be not reduced.

1352 **Railways (Valuation for Rating) Act, 1930—"Let Out" Properties:**

It was reported that objections had been received in respect of all the assessments proposed for the above properties.

1353 **Conference of the Incorporated Association of Rating and Valuation Officers:**

The Valuation Officer reported that he had attended the above Conference on the 23rd and 24th April, 1937, and reported briefly upon the views expressed by representatives of the Central Valuation Committee and other authorities on the Basis of Assessment for the Third Quinquennial Re-valuation.

In view of the importance of the matter, the Valuation Officer was instructed to report further thereon at a later meeting.

1354 **Rating and Valuation (Apportionment) Act, 1928—De-rating Claim:**

It was reported that an application for de-rating had been received in respect of the factory premises at No. 1, Park Works, High Road, East Finchley;

RECOMMENDED that the Rating Authority do not oppose the application in question.

HAROLD A. RUTT,
Chairman.

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Parks and Open Spaces Committee's Report.

4th MAY, 1937.

Present: Alderman Wells (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Pateman and Syrett, and Councillors Collis, Connorton, Mrs. Murphy, Mrs. Legge and Rutt.

Non-Member: Councillor Wightman.

1355 **Minutes:**

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

1356 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved, subject, as regards Requisition No. 272 to the substitution of "£150" for "£220."

1357 **Finchley National Memorial Fund:**

It was reported that, in connection with the above, there had been subscribed a sum of £461 11s. 8d. to be utilised for the acquisition as a local memorial to King George V. of open spaces and/or playing fields within the Borough.

In view, however, of the comparatively small sum available it did not appear practicable to utilise the money for the acquisition of land, and the Mayor, therefore, kindly undertook to communicate with the donors with a view to ascertaining whether, in the circumstances, they would raise any objection to the amount being applied towards the improvement of existing open spaces.

1358 **Arden Playing Fields—Cricket Club:**

The Statement of Accounts of the above Club for the financial year ended 31st January, 1937, was submitted.

1359 **Brookside Walk—Junction of North Circular Road and Regents Park Road (West Side):**

The Town Clerk reported that the proprietors of the garage abutting upon the Brookside Walk at above had deposited a plan for the extension of the premises and that in the elevation certain windows were indicated overlooking the open space; further, that such plan had been considered by the Town Planning Committee who were recommending that same be approved.

In connection therewith a communication was submitted from the owners' surveyors referring to the proposed windows and enquiring as to what form of Agreement could be entered into between the Town Council and their clients with respect thereto;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the provision of the windows as indicated on the deposited plan in question subject (a) to the type of window being first approved by the Borough Surveyor; (b) to an Agreement being entered into with the Town Council providing (*inter alia*) for the payment of an acknowledgment rental of 1/- per annum in respect of each window; and (c) to all legal costs in connection with the matter being borne by the owners.

1360 **Brook Farm:**

(*a*) Cricket Pitches.—The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"Following the authority given me by the Committee I beg to report that cricket pitches at Brook Farm have been let as follows for the 1937 season:—

Pitch No.	Charge. £ s. d.	Let to.
1	2 2 0	Woodhouse Sports Club.
3	10 6	Finchley Crusaders Cricket Club.
5	10 6	Whetstone Junior Cricket Club.

Pitches Nos. 2, 4, 6 and 7 remain unlet at present."

(*b*) Football Pitches.—The Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"I understand the formation of a Junior League is being considered in connection with clubs who would play their matches on Sundays. I shall be glad if the Committee will consider this matter from the point of view of policy as it would probably have a tendency to slightly increase our revenue."

He also reported that he had obtained a report of the Parks Superintendent as to the possible effect of the proposal upon the land from which it appeared that, owing to the ground usually being very wet during the winter months, it was unsuitable for play on two consecutive days. In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that the pitches in question be not let for Sunday League play.

1361 **Lyttelton Playing Fields :**

(*a*) Cricket Pitch—Acorn Club, Ltd.—The Town Clerk reported that he had received an application from the above Club for permission to sub-let the cricket pitch occupied by them at above to the Leas House School upon terms similar to those which were approved for last season ;

RECOMMENDED that the desired permission be granted.

(*b*) Temporary Dressing Accommodation.—The Town Clerk referred to certain correspondence which he had had with the Solicitors to Co-Partnership Tenants, Ltd., in regard to a temporary shed which had been erected at above in contravention of the restrictions affecting the land and reported that, after consulting the Chairman of the Committee, he had given an undertaking on behalf of the Corporation that the shed in question would be removed within 14 days after the new pavilion had been handed over by the Contractors ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1362 **Northway Gardens—Housing Accommodation for Attendant :**

In accordance with instructions the Borough Surveyor submitted an amended Scheme for the erection of a bungalow for the attendant at above at an estimated cost of £745. Before making a definite recommendation in regard to the proposal the Committee were of opinion that tenders should be obtained for the carrying out of the necessary work and instructions were given accordingly ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1363 **Land—North Side of Totteridge Lane :**

The Town Clerk reported that the Conveyance of the above land to the Town Council had been completed and instructions were given to the Borough Surveyor to submit at the next meeting of the Committee a scheme for the laying out of the land.

1364 **Open Spaces :**

A letter, dated 3rd May, 1937, was submitted from the Reverend A. J. Raymont stating that the clergy and ministers of the Churches within the Borough were proposing to organise several united open air services on Sunday evenings during the coming summer ; that it was desired to hold such services in certain of the Town Council's open spaces, but that the dates had not yet been definitely agreed.

The Town Clerk pointed out that the Town Council's Bye-Laws prohibited the holding of public meetings in certain of the open spaces except with the permission of the Town Council.

The Committee were in agreement, in principle, with the proposal but it was decided to defer further consideration of the matter until the Council Meeting by which time it was anticipated that further details would be available.

1365 **Glebe Land—Bowling Green:**

RECOMMENDED that the seasonal charge for the use of lockers in the pavilion at above be fixed at 2/6d. each.

1366 **Swan Lane Open Space:**

RECOMMENDED that arrangements be made for the above open space to be closed to the public at night.

1367 **Victoria Recreation Ground:**

(*a*) Erection of Ticket Office and Shelter.—The Town Clerk reported that at the last meeting of the Town Council a communication had been submitted from Messrs. E. J. and P. Bower, Ltd., whose tender for the above had been accepted, stating that they were unable to undertake the work, and that the matter had been referred to the Committee for consideration. After hearing a report by the Borough Surveyor as to the other tenders received, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the tender of Messrs. William Wood & Son, Ltd. (the next lowest) at the sum of £236 be accepted subject to contract; and

1485 (2) that the question of the additional expenditure involved be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration.

(*b*) Ladies' Bowling Green.—

RECOMMENDED that the seasonal charge for the use of lockers in the pavilion at above be fixed at 2/6d. each.

1368 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

It was reported that the under-mentioned properties of the Town Council had been damaged since last meeting and that the matters had been dealt with:—

Window Panes	.....	Brook Farm Pavilion.
Tennis Pavilion	.....	Glebe Land.

1369 **Whetstone Stray:**

It was reported that at the last meeting of the Allotments Committee reference had again been made to the nuisance caused by dogs straying from the Brookside Walk at above on to the adjacent allotments and that that Committee had asked that certain fencing around Field V. might be removed and re-erected between the allotments and the Brookside Walk. In this connection the Borough Surveyor reported that the estimated cost of carrying out the proposal was £32;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the carrying out of the work in question.

1370 **Proposed Tramway Shelter—High Road—Opposite Squires Lane:**

The Borough Surveyor submitted a communication received from the London Passenger Transport Board in regard to the erection of a shelter at above;

RECOMMENDED that the site thereof be approved so far as this Committee is concerned.

1371 **Parks and Open Spaces Receipts:**

The Borough Treasurer's statement of the weekly receipts for tennis, etc., during the month of March, 1937, was submitted.

1372 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

VYVYAN WELLS,

Chairman.

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Highways and Fire Brigade Committee's Report.

5th MAY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), Councillor Baines (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant and Pateman, and Councillors Burch, Connorton, Grobel and Wightman.

Non-Members: Councillors Mrs. Murphy and Wilmot.

1373 **Minutes:**

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

1374 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1375 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

It was reported that the under-mentioned properties of the Town Council had been damaged and that the matters had been dealt with:—

Paving—Junction of Ballards Lane and Kingsway.
Temporary Refuge—Regents Park Road, north of North Circular Road.
Temporary Refuge—Regents Park Road, south of North Circular Road.
Temporary Refuge—Regents Park Road, junction with Mountfield Road.
Paving—New Oak Road.

1376 **Third Party Claims:**

It was reported that one claim had been received and dealt with.

1377 **Insurance of Workmen—Accidents—R. J. Legate and S. J. Anderson:**

It was reported that the above employees had met with accidents since last meeting and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

1378 **Street Accidents:**

The Returns received from the Police Authorities were submitted, from which it appeared that the number of street accidents which had occurred in the Borough during the month of March, 1937, as compared with the corresponding period for the previous year, was as follows:—

	Fatal.	Personal Injuries.		Total.
1936	2	21		23
1937	2	Serious. 5	Slight. 17	24

1379 **The Association of Public Lighting Engineers—Fourteenth Annual Meeting and Conference—Folkestone—6th to 9th September, 1937:**

It was reported that an invitation had been extended to the Town Council to appoint delegates to attend the above Conference;

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be appointed to attend the Conference in question.

1380 **London Traffic Act, 1924 :**

A letter, dated 9th April, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Transport forwarding a printed copy of the London Traffic (Prescribed Routes) (No. 14) (Great North Road, Finchley) Regulations, 1937.

1381 **Automatic Traffic Control Signals :**

(*a*) North Circular Road and High Road.—A letter, dated 19th April, 1937, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council stating that the traffic signals at the junction of the North Circular Road and High Road were brought into operation on the 25th March, 1937, and that authority had been given for the necessary maintenance Contract to be entered into with the Automatic Telephone and Electric Company on the following terms :—

	£	s.	d.
First year	42	15	0
Subsequent years	67	15	0

He added that, in view of the fact that pedestrian signals were included in the installation, it was considered that the Town Council should bear £13 15s. 0d. of the total cost, viz., £660, and that the following apportionment of the maintenance and lighting cost in respect of the signals had been approved :—

Ministry of Transport	60 per cent.
County Council	38 per cent.
Finchley Town Council	2 per cent.

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council will be prepared to make the necessary contribution.

(*b*) It was reported that a communication had been received from Landor Developments, Ltd., drawing attention to a new patent device which they stated was an improvement on the present system of Traffic Lights, and that the matter had been referred to the Borough Surveyor for consideration.

1382 **Proposed Footpath—North Circular Road to Summers Lane :**

A letter, dated 8th April, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Health forwarding the formal consent and approval of the Minister to the appropriation by the Town Council of 95 square yards of allotments land and 890 square yards of sewage disposal land for the construction of the above footpath.

1383 **Widening—High Road, Whetstone—Site of Woodlands :**

It was reported that, in connection with the widening of the above point, Messrs. T. Wall & Sons had erected a dwarf wall at the back of the footpath and had laid out the land conveyed to the Council with grass ; further, that they had asked that the carrying out of the paving works might be deferred until a widening of the adjoining property had been effected and were prepared to execute the necessary Agreement providing (*inter alia*) for payment of an acknowledgment rental of 1/- per annum.

It was also reported that it was understood that the County Surveyor raised no objection to this course.

RECOMMENDED that the proposal be approved by the Town Council and that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in the matter.

1384 **Private Street Works—29th Batch:**

(*a*) The Town Clerk reported that, at the Public Inquiry held on the 28th April, 1937, it was decided, in view of objections received to the specifications, to ask the Committee to recommend the Council to agree to the substitution of grass verges for red paving bricks in the following streets:—

Deansway (1st Portion).
Greenhalgh Walk.
Gurney Drive.
Widecombe Way.
Blandford Close.

After discussion the Borough Surveyor was instructed to communicate with the frontagers in each of the streets in question enquiring whether they would raise any objection to grass verges being provided in lieu of red paving bricks in the event of the Council deciding to arrange therefor, and to report at the Council Meeting upon the replies received.

(*b*) The Borough Surveyor reported that, in connection with the suggested making up of The Leys, the estimated cost per foot run was considerably in excess of his original estimate due to the increased cost of kerb and other materials.

After discussion, the Borough Surveyor was instructed to communicate with the frontagers in the street explaining fully the position, and to submit their replies at the Council Meeting.

(*c*) The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"The Borough Surveyor's estimate of the cost of making up the several streets included in this batch (inclusive of loan costs) was £28,300, whereas the tenders accepted by the Council amounted to £28,959 6s. 7d. to which amount a sum of £1,447 13s. 5d. should be added in respect of contingencies. As it is now unnecessary to add anything in respect of loan costs, the Committee may desire to recommend to the Finance Committee that a recommendation be made authorising an amended application to borrow an increased amount of £30,407."

RECOMMENDED that a recommendation be made to the Finance Committee accordingly.

1385 **Private Street Works—Oakfield Road:**

A letter, dated 30th April, 1937, was submitted from Messrs. E. E. Pugh & Co. as follows:—

"We have been consulted by Mrs. Bryers, Mr. Stanford, Mr. Hammond, Mr. Hayley and others, being frontagers to the above-mentioned road. Our instructions are, that some time ago tenders were obtained in respect of the making up of the road; a tender was accepted, and a Contract entered into.

It is understood that the position now is, that having regard to circumstances which have transpired, the cost of making up the road will be considerably more than would have been involved under the Contract above-mentioned, since the Contractor has refused to proceed with his Contract.

Our clients naturally view the position with disfavour, and feel considerable anxiety regarding the possibility that the cost will, in fact, be more. We should appreciate receiving your observations upon this point at your earliest convenience."

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to forward an appropriate reply thereto.

1386 **Coronation Day—Children's Tea:**

Reference was made to a communication received by the Mayor from Mr. C. Woolley with regard to a tea which was proposed to be given on Coronation Day to children living in Elmfield Road.

The Committee decided (a) that no objection be raised thereto by the Town Council; (b) that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the erection of the necessary barriers; and (c) that the Police Authorities be notified accordingly;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1387 **Public Meetings—Stanhope Road:**

A communication, dated 1st May, 1937, was submitted from Mr. E. M. Stephens drawing attention to the annoyance caused owing to the holding of public meetings on Saturday evenings in Stanhope Road at its junction with High Road, North Finchley;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the matter is one for the Police Authorities to deal with.

1388 **Proposed Widening—Hendon Lane:**

Reference was made to a communication, dated 3rd May, 1937, received from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council in regard to the above, and arising thereon the Town Clerk was instructed to interview the Clerk of the County Council on the matter and to report thereon at next meeting.

1389 **Proposed Sub-Station Site—Hendon Lane:**

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A communication, dated 30th April, 1937, was submitted from the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager enquiring whether it would be possible for arrangements to be made for an electricity sub-station to be erected on a portion of the land in Hendon Lane forming the site of "The Old House" which was acquired by the Town Council some years ago for road widening purposes.

Arising thereon, the Borough Surveyor reported that part of the land would be required in connection with the widening of Hendon Lane but that the improvement line had not yet been approved by the Ministry of Transport;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the proposal to erect an electricity sub-station on the land in question be approved, in principle, so far as this Committee is concerned and that the matter be considered further at next meeting; and

(*b*) that, in the meantime, the Borough Surveyor be instructed to communicate with the Ministry of Transport with a view to obtaining their decision in regard to the question of the improvement.

1390 **Proposed Roadside Shelter—Lyttelton Road:**

A communication, dated 4th May, 1937, was submitted from the London Passenger Transport Board intimating that they were desirous of erecting one of their standard type of roadside shelters in Lyttelton Road near to its junction with The Bishop's Avenue;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised thereto so far as the Town Council are concerned.

1391 **Electric Main Applications:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"Applications for underground electric cables and overground disconnecting boxes have been received from the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager as follows:—

25th March, 1937	Disconnecting box junction of Litchfield Way and Sutcliffe Close. Sutcliffe Close is a private street.
25th March, 1937	Disconnecting box Oakwood Road junction of Denman Drive South.
25th March, 1937	Disconnecting box junction of Middleway and Litchfield Way.

25th March, 1937	Disconnecting box junction of Meadway and Cotman Close. Cotman Close is a private street.
30th March, 1937	Disconnecting box junction of Southway and Thornton Way.
6th April, 1937	Electric cable from Electricity Works, along Squires Lane to Park Avenue.
12th April, 1937	Electric cable from existing main in The Bishop's Avenue down Bishop's Grove. Bishop's Grove is a private street.
16th April, 1937	Electric cable along Sherwood Street from Green Road to Friern Park, crossing both latter roads.
29th April, 1937	Electric main extension Ballards Lane from Hutton Grove to Nether Street, N. 12 and down Nether Street to sub-station by Gaumont Theatre."

RECOMMENDED that the applications in question be granted so far as the Town Council are concerned.

1392 **Telephone Kiosk on Footpath to High Barnet, Totteridge Lane:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"Adverting to Minute No. 891, passed at your March meeting relative to an application from the London Telephone Service for the above-mentioned kiosk, it was subsequently found desirable to place the kiosk on the north footpath of Totteridge Lane adjoining the entrance to the footpath to High Barnet and a resolution amending the Minute above referred to should be passed, as the actual position of the kiosk has to be set out in the agreement with the London Telephone Service."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that no objection be raised to the site for the kiosk now suggested ; and

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to arrange for the kiosk in question to be included in the schedule attached to the existing agreement with the Post Office Authorities.

1393 **Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935 :**

The Committee considered the under-mentioned plans which had been referred to them by the Town Planning Committee :—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9968	Extension of showroom	Henlys Garage, North Circular Road, N. 3, at junction with Regents Park Road	Messrs. Henlys, Ltd.
9969	Extension to garage	8, Waverley Grove, N. 3	Mr. E. Charrington.
9971	Additional bay	Front of 3, Talbot Avenue, N. 2	Mr. E. F. Sewell.
9983	Steel sheds for storing timber	Hopping's Works, High Road, N. 20	Messrs. Hopping Bros. (Whetstone), Ltd.
9989	Garage	Rear of 209, Regents Park Road, N. 3	Mr. R. E. Woolley.
9990	Garage	Rear of "Roxburgh," High Road, N. 20, in Woodside Lane	Dr. R. E. Isaac.

RECOMMENDED that the consent of the Town Council as the Highway Authority be given to the proposals in question under the provisions of Section 2 (1) of the Act, subject, if applicable, to the condition mentioned in Minute No. 200 (a).

1394 **Suggested Omnibus Stop for Southbound 'Buses, High Road, Near Ravensdale Avenue, N. 12:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that, in accordance with instructions, he had been in communication with the London Passenger Transport Board hereon and that a communication, dated 4th May, 1937, had been received from the Board as follows:—

"Your letter of the 15th April has been passed to me for reply, and I find that observations taken of the passenger traffic movement at this point showed that there was little movement to and from the 'buses.

At the moment 'buses are permitted to pick up and set down between Tally Ho! Corner and the "Swan and Pyramids," in accordance with demands so far as conditions permit, and it would be misleading to fix a stop sign at one selected spot.

At the present time the Board are engaged in completing the system of fixed stops for the Central area. This will, of course, take some time, but when the work is finished attention will be given to suburban districts. Your Council's request will be borne in mind in this connection."

1395 **Proposed Traffic Signals—Falloden Way at Junction of Hill Rise and Northway:**

The Borough Surveyor reported receipt of a communication, dated 17th April, 1937, from the County Surveyor in regard to this matter as follows:—

"I have your letter of the 16th instant, the contents of which I have noted.

In this connection, I have to advise you that the Ministry of Transport have now approved of a scheme for signalling this junction, and I am obtaining tenders for the work.

As soon as these come to hand, and road works estimates are prepared, I will make application to the Ministry for a Grant towards the cost."

1396 **Old Sub Fire Station, Whetstone:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"A letter was received on the 6th March, 1937, from Mr. Leslie G. Breed, Secretary to Toc H. who are the Council's tenants at the old sub fire station, Whetstone, stating that with the approach of the lighter and warmer evenings, they require a little ventilation and suggest that the problem could be solved by the insertion of one or two small windows. A sketch accompanying the letter indicates the suggested positions for three additional windows. In a further letter, dated the 8th April, Mr. Breed states that the Whetstone Group of Toc H. would be prepared to do the work of fixing the windows to the satisfaction of the Council and I will report further on the matter at your meeting."

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the work being carried out by Toc H on the understanding that same will be executed to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor and that no expense in connection therewith will fall upon the Town Council.

1397 **Proposed Widening—60/68, Ballards Lane, N. 3—Deposited Plan No. 9867:**

It was reported that the above-mentioned plan, which had been approved by the Town Council, showed an area of land proposed to be given up for widening purposes, without monetary compensation;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that, subject to the approval of the Middlesex County Council, the offer be accepted;

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in connection with the Conveyance; and

(*c*) that, if necessary, payment of reasonable legal costs be approved.

1398 **Land—Nether Street by New Road to be known as "Huntly Drive," Near Gordon Hall:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"In order to construct a crossing in Nether Street at the junction of the new road to be known as Huntly Drive adjoining Gordon Hall, it will be necessary to obtain a small portion of land belonging to the 10th Finchley Scout Group Committee and Mr. W. L. Barclay writes under date 21st April, 1937, as follows:—

'With further reference to your letter of the 1st inst. regarding the widening of Nether Street at its junction with Huntly Drive, this matter has been considered by the Tenth Finchley Scouts' Group Committee.

The Committee passed a resolution to the effect that for road widening purposes eight feet of land be dedicated to the Finchley Borough Council, provided the Council bear all expenses of the conveyance and that free right of access to Gordon Hall be reserved so long as necessary.

I might mention that Mr. E. E. Pugh is the Scouts' Hon. Solicitor and if therefore the Borough Council wish to proceed with this the Group Committee will get in touch with Mr. Pugh on the matter.

I presume, of course, that Mr. Lovesay is agreeable as his consent would be necessary seeing that he has a right of way over this land.

I don't know how quickly the Council may wish to secure this land but should the Ministry of Health support the Council in the matter of the shops question it would no doubt save expense if the matter could be deferred until then.'"

The Committee decided that the further consideration of the matter be deferred until the Council Meeting.

1399 **Reconstruction of Surface Water Sewer—Long Lane and Cromwell Road:**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon the tenders received in connection with the above which were opened at the last meeting of the Town Council;

RECOMMENDED that the tender of Messrs. D. R. Paterson, Ltd., the lowest, at the sum of £6,275 15s. 0d., be accepted, subject to Contract and to the consent of the Minister of Health being received to the necessary loan.

1400 **Litter on Highways:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that it had been drawn to his notice that litter had been thrown on to certain highways in the Hampstead Garden Surburb by a person owning a motor greengrocery van;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to warn the offender that, in the event of a repetition of the occurrence, the Town Council will have no alternative but to take a serious view of the matter.

1401 **Proposed Shelters:**

(*a*) High Road, near Athenæum Road, N. 20.—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had interviewed the Ministry of Transport hereon but that they would not approve of the erection of a shelter in the position suggested.

(*b*) High Road, near Squires Lane.—The Borough Surveyor presented a communication, dated 26th April, 1937, together with plan, received from the London Passenger Transport Board in connection with the suggested shelter in the High Road immediately north of the junction with Squires Lane:

RECOMMENDED that the suggested site be approved so far as the Town Council are concerned.

1402 **Protective Clothing for Employees during Inclement Weather:**

The Committee considered carefully the above matter in conjunction with a report of the Borough Surveyor and they were of the opinion that some form of protective clothing should be provided.

The Borough Surveyor was therefore instructed to ascertain the particular type which would be most likely to meet the needs of the employees concerned and to report further at next meeting with particulars of the estimated cost involved.

1403 **London Traffic Act, 1924—Stopping Places for Omnibuses and Trolleybuses on Route from Cricklewood to North Finchley :**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"Adverting to Minute No. 884, March, 1937, the experimental period for the above stopping places expires on the 24th May. The stops have been kept under observation from time to time and there would not appear to be any objection thereto."

Arising thereon the Borough Surveyor was instructed to look into the question of the desirability of a stop sign in Regents Park Road being removed from Pole No. 85 to Pole No. 84 and to report on the matter at next meeting.

1404 **Private Street Works—26th Batch :**

Mayfield Avenue.
Beechwood Avenue (2nd portion).
Edge Hill Avenue.
Leopold Road.
Eversleigh Road.
Kingsley Way.
Creighton Avenue.

The Borough Surveyor reported that the above-named streets had been made up to his satisfaction, and that the maintenance periods had expired ;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that whereas the above-named streets within the Borough of Finchley, not being at the date hereof highways repairable by the inhabitants at large, have been sewered, levelled, paved, metalled, flagged, channelled and made good and provided with proper means for lighting, and the Town Council being of opinion that the said streets ought to become highways repairable by the inhabitants at large, such streets be and the same are hereby declared to be highways repairable by the inhabitants at large from the date of the notices hereinafter mentioned ; and

(*b*) that the Town Clerk be and he is hereby instructed and authorised to sign and affix the necessary notices in accordance with the provisions of the Public Health Acts (Amendment) Act, 1890 ; provided that if within one month after the putting up of such notices the owners, or a majority in number or value of the owners of the said streets, shall by notice in writing object to the same becoming highways so repairable the same shall not become highways so repairable.

1405 **Proposed Re-building of "The Old White Lion" P.H., East Finchley :**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon a communication, dated 29th April, 1937, received from Mr. W. G. Ingram enclosing a block plan showing the proposed position of the new public house ;

RECOMMENDED that the views of the County Surveyor be obtained on the matter.

1406 **Footpaths—Hampstead Garden Suburb :**

(*a*) From Maurice Walk to Falloden Way.

(*b*) From Sutcliffe Close to Northway and Middleway.

The Borough Surveyor reported upon a communication, dated 30th April, 1937, received from the Surveyor to Co-Partnership Tenants, Ltd., stating that his Committee had approved the specification submitted to them in connection with the making up of the above footpaths. In these circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that authority be given to the Borough Surveyor to proceed with the carrying out of the works subject to the necessary Agreement being entered into by Co-Partnership Tenants, Ltd.; and

(*b*) that the Borough Surveyor enquire of Co-Partnership Tenants, Ltd., whether it would be possible for the footpath situate between Hutchings Walk and Eastholm also to be included in the arrangement.

1407 **Council Employee—Decease of:**

The Borough Surveyor reported, with regret, that Scavenger F. C. Bracey passed away on the 1st May, 1937.

1408 **Fire Brigade:**

(*a*) Fire Brigade Sub-Committee.—It was reported that a meeting of the above Sub-Committee had been held on the 30th April, 1937, and the following report was submitted:—

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), and the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).

1.—**Appointment of Fireman:**

The Sub-Committee interviewed four selected applicants for the vacant position of Fireman, and in accordance with the authority delegated to them, appointed Mr. Lionel Brooks of 86, Rathcoole Gardens, Hornsey, N. 8, thereto, at a commencing wage of £2 15s. 0d. a week, plus quarters, light and coal, in accordance with the scale adopted by the Town Council, subject to his passing the necessary medical examination.

2.—**Fireman Loom:**

The Chief Officer reported that Fireman Loom would probably be tendering his resignation from the Fire Brigade within the course of the next few days.

The Sub-Committee were therefore of the opinion that if such resignation was received Mr. Henry John Cutts of 7, Beechwood Gardens, South Harrow, Middlesex, an applicant for the position referred to in paragraph 1, should be appointed to the vacancy at a commencing wage of £2 15s. 0d. a week, plus quarters, light and coal, subject to his passing the necessary medical examination.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted.

Arising out of paragraph 2, the Chief Officer of the Brigade reported that Fireman Loom was transferred to the Borough Surveyor's Department on the 3rd May, 1937. In these circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that Mr. H. J. Cutts of South Harrow be appointed to the vacancy at a commencing wage of £2 15s. 0d. a week, plus quarters, light and coal, subject to his passing the necessary medical examination.

(*b*) Old No. 2 Fire Engine.—A letter, dated 10th April, 1937, was submitted from the Home Office stating that the question of a grant towards the retention of the above engine in connection with the emergency Fire Brigade organisation would be considered when the form of Return issued to the Council on the 24th March, 1937, had been completed and submitted to the Department.

(*c*) Damage to Austin Tender and Chief Officer's Car.—It was reported that a collision occurred between the Austin Tender and the Chief Officer's car in the drill yard on the 16th April, 1937, when slight damage was caused to both vehicles, and that the matter had been dealt with.

(*d*) Chief Officer's Report.—The Chief Officer of the Brigade reported as follows:—

(i) Fires.—that a number of fires, as shown in the list circulated, had occurred between the 21st March and the 20th April, 1937.

(ii) Summary of Fire Calls.—That he had prepared a summary of fire calls for 1934/35, 1935/36 and 1936/37 (circulated).

(iii) Fire Drill and Instruction.—That during the year ended 31st March, 1937, 94 drills and instructions had been given and that the general efficiency of the Brigade had improved and was satisfactory.

(iv) Summary of Ambulance Calls, etc.—That he had prepared a summary of ambulance calls for the year 1936/37 and a comparison of calls from 1926—1936/37 (circulated).

(v) Ambulance Calls.—That the following ambulance calls had been received between the 21st March and 20th April, 1937 :—

Private Removals.	Accidents. Motor.	Accidents. Other.	Illness in street.	Not required on arrival.	Hoax calls.	Total.
40	9	3	4	2	0	58

(vi) Accident—Staff.—That owing to an injury to his left hand when on duty at a fire on the 16th April, 1937, Fireman Goward was absent from duty from that date until the 22nd April, 1937, and that medical certificates had been submitted.

(vii) First Aid Examinations.—That the under-mentioned men who entered for the recent First Aid examinations were successful in gaining the following awards :—

3rd year Medallion	.....	.....	Firemen Fisher, Wilkins and Douch.
2nd year Voucher	.....	.....	Firemen Goward and Fensome.
1st year Certificate	.....	.....	Fireman Leppard.

RECOMMENDED that the Chief Officer of the Brigade be instructed to convey the congratulations of the Town Council to the men concerned.

(viii) Retirement—Fireman Evans.—That he had received a communication, dated 19th April, 1937, from Fireman Evans as follows :—

> "I beg to inform you that I attain the age of 55 years on the 9th August, 1937, and ask you to accept this as three months' notice of my intention to retire as from the above date."

Arising thereon the Borough Treasurer reported as to the amount of the superannuation allowance to which Fireman Evans would be entitled on his retirement.

1409 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Electricity Accounts and Works Sub-Committee's Report.

6th MAY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Caine (Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Baines and Hayter.

1410 **Accounts and Requisitions:**

The Sub-Committee passed for payment the Accounts submitted and approved the requisitions.

1411 **Electricity Accounts:**

The Sub-Committee considered the monthly report of the Borough Treasurer hereon.

1412 **Output, Maximum Demand and Load Factor:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager submitted the following report hereon:—

	1936/37.	1937/38.	% Increase.
Units purchased during April	1,615,130	1,854,498	14.85%
KW. of maximum demand during April	6,820	7,560	10.85%
Load Factor—April	32.89%	34.07%	1.18%
Units purchased from April 1st	1,615,130	1,854,498	14.85%
Highest Maximum Demand recorded since April 1st	6,820	7,560	10.85%

1413 **Applications for Supply:**

The following report of the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager was submitted:—

"Total number of applications received for supply	15,763	=	41,639 kw.
Number reported at last Committee meeting	15,662	=	40,959 kw.
Increase	101	=	680 kw."

1414 **Domestic Tariff:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

	March.	April.	Increase.
"Application forms completed	1,410	1,602	192"

1415 **Domestic Tariff Consumers:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

"In accordance with your instructions I give below a schedule indicating the respective range of rateable values of those consumers who have adopted the Two-Part Domestic Tariff:—

	No. of Consumers.	Percentage.
Not assessed	14	0.9
Assessments under £25	94	5.9
Assessments from £26—£60	1126	70.3
Assessments from £61—£100	304	19.0
Assessments from £101—£175	57	3.5
Assessments over £175	7	0.4"

1416 **Domestic Apparatus:**

It was reported that during the month of April instructions had been issued to Contractors for the installation of the following appliances:—

" Cookers	276
Water Heaters	34
Immersion Heaters	3
Wash Boilers	21
Radiators	29
Kettles	69 "

1417 **Alternating Current Supplies:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

" The present position of the Alternating Current supply is as follows for the month of April: —

Transformer Maximum Demands	284 K.V.A.
Unit consumption	63,809
No. of A.C. consumers at 28th April	450 "

referred back 1418 **Special Tariff for Places of Entertainment:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported upon the question of fixing a special alternative tariff in respect of the supply of electricity to places of entertainment, and it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that supplies be offered to places of entertainment at a fixed charge of £6 10s. 0d. per annum per kw. of maximum demand plus a unit charge of one half-penny per unit for all electricity consumed for any purpose;

(2) that the foregoing tariff operate as from the 1st July, 1937.

referred back 1419 **Off-Peak Power Tariff:**

This matter was carefully considered by the Sub-Committee in conjunction with a report of the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager thereon;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that so far as business premises, churches, public halls, schools, libraries and hospitals are concerned, supplies be offered for heating purposes at a flat rate of one half-penny per unit, subject to a restriction on supply between peak periods in the months of November, December, January and February and to the consumer providing his own equipment;

(2) that the foregoing tariff operate as from the 1st July, 1937.

1420 **Hornsby Boilers:**

The question of the disposal of two old Hornsby boilers which were installed in 1905 and were of a very limited capacity was considered, in conjunction with a report of the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager thereon;

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager be authorised to obtain the views of the Joint Electricity Authority on the matter, and report.

1421 **Alternative Two Part Domestic Tariff—Equipment:**

Arising out of a letter, dated 30th April, 1937, received from Mr. R. S. Holt, the Sub-Committee considered the question of the purchase of privately owned electric cookers from persons desiring to avail themselves of the facilities afforded by the authorised domestic tariff, which include the loan, free of charge, of a cooker, and also the question of the issue of associated equipment to persons owning electric cookers;

RECOMMENDED that in the event of any consumer desiring to change over to the authorised domestic tariff, the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager be authorised to purchase any electric cooker owned by such consumer at a figure to be agreed, providing no payment exceeds the cost price of the smallest cooker issued by the Town Council in connection with the tariff.

1422 **Electrical Apparatus and Wiring Installations—Loans:**

It was reported that the Electricity Commissioners issued their consent on the 24th February last to the borrowing of the sum of £10,000 in respect of the provision of consumers' electrical apparatus and wiring installations in connection therewith, but that the demand for appliances was such that that sum would shortly be expended and that it was desirable that application should be made for consent to borrow a further sum of £30,000;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that application be made to the Electricity Commissioners for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £30,000 for the purpose in question; and

(*b*) that the matter be reported to the Finance Committee.

1423 **Lathe and Machine Tools:**

After hearing a report of the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager hereon, it was

RECOMMENDED that advertisements be issued inviting offers for certain machine tools in the Fittings Shop no longer required by the Department.

1424 **Extensions of Mains:**

(*a*) It was reported that, as a matter of urgency, mains had been laid as follows:—

	£
Ballards Lane (Sub-station Newton & Wright) to Redbourne Avenue	209
Albert Street, William Street, Lodge Lane	310
Aveton Road	264
Sherwood Street	118
Manor Cottages, from Long Lane	115
Western Court	122

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*b*) **RECOMMENDED** that authority be given for mains to be laid as under-mentioned:—

	£
The Bishop's Avenue	101
Amberden Avenue, Kingsgate Avenue, Windermere Avenue	1,342
Old Nether Street, west side of Ballards Lane to Hutton Grove	641
Western Court	1,589
North Circular Road, Haslemere Gardens, Kinloss Gardens	2,045

1425 **Agreement with Association of Steel Conduit Manufacturers:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported hereon :—

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that an Agreement be entered into with the Association of Steel Conduit Manufacturers for all conduit required by the Electricity Department in order that the preferential discounts allowed under such Agreement may be obtained ; and

(2) that the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager be authorised to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Town Council.

1426 **Sub-Station Sites:**

(*a*) Hendon Lane.—The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that a plot of land in Hendon Lane, opposite the Municipal Offices, had been acquired by the Town Council some years ago for road widening purposes and that it was anticipated that there would be sufficient space behind the building line for the erection of the sub-station necessary in that area ; further that he had asked the Town Clerk to bring the matter before the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for their consideration ;

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RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the action taken be approved ;

(ii) that, in the event of the land in question being transferred to the Committee—

(*a*) Mr. J. Barrington-Baker be instructed to prepare a suitable design for the sub-station, together with the necessary plans and Bill of Quantities to enable tenders to be invited for the erection of the sub-station building ;

(*b*) authority be given for the necessary advertisements to be inserted, inviting tenders for the sub-station building ; and

(*c*) the expenditure be defrayed temporarily out of the Electricity Revenue Account.

(*b*) Summers Lane.—A plan showing the position of a proposed site for an additional sub-station in Summers Lane on a site at the north-west corner of the Sewage Disposal Works was submitted, and it was

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be authorised to bring the matter before the Public Health Committee for consideration.

1427 **Sub-Station Plant:**

The following report of the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager was submitted :—

"In connection with the establishment of new Sub-stations, the authority of the Sub-Committee is requested to the following expenditure to be defrayed out of the loan for £15,000 in respect of unspecified works for which sanction is being obtained from the Electricity Commissioners :—

(i) Barnet Bye-Pass :—	£	£
Kiosk structure and L.T. Switchgear	282	
H.T. Switchgear	750	
Transformer (500 K.V.A.)	266	
Foundations and internal connections	75	
Contingencies	137	
		1,510

	£	£
(ii) Western Court:—		
Kiosk structure and L.T. Switchgear	282	
H.T. Switchgear	750	
Transformer (500 K.V.A.)	266	
Foundations and internal connections	75	
Contingencies	137	
		1,510
(iii) Belvedere Court:—		
H.T. Switchgear	800	
Transformer (500 K.V.A.)	266	
L.T. Switchgear	651	
Foundations, internal connections, cable trenches, wiring and sundries	150	
Contingencies	187	
		2,054

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

1428 **Woodhouse Housing Estate:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

"My attention was drawn, some months ago, to the mains distribution in the Woodhouse Housing Estate and instructions were given that as soon as possible a complete new scheme should be prepared for this area. Pressure of work has delayed the preparation of this scheme, but the matter has now become extremely urgent and immediate action should be taken to augment the supply in this area owing to the demand for cookers and other appliances.

The present distribution system comprises sections of overhead lines and under-eaves wiring on the backs of the properties with looped services to the houses. The mains employed in some cases serve 10 or 12 houses but actually are only of sufficient capacity for supplying one house.

I propose, therefore, that a new distribution network should be installed immediately to be fed by Alternating Current from the new Sub-station which it is proposed to establish in Summers Lane and that the change-over of the whole of the 400 houses in this estate be put in hand without delay as at the present moment there is very little electrical apparatus requiring conversion.

I shall be glad of your authority to put this work in hand at an estimated cost as under:—

	£	£
L.T. Cable supplied and laid	5,000	
16 Disconnecting Boxes	550	
Contingencies	555	
		6,105
Change-over consumers' apparatus		2,000
		£8,105

If the foregoing is approved it will be necessary to apply to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to a loan in respect of the £6,105. The cost of changing-over consumers' apparatus can be defrayed from the existing loan for change-over purposes."

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the foregoing be approved;

(2) that application be made to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £6,105 in respect of the work in question; and

(3) that the matter be reported to the Finance Committee.

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1429 **Electricity Week :**

The Sub-Committee considered a report upon the "Electricity Week" held in April last and expressed appreciation of the excellent organisation in connection therewith and of the willing assistance of all members of the staff of the Electricity Department.

1430 **Staff :**

(*a*) It was reported that the Senior Accounts Clerk had been absent from duty since the 17th April on account of illness and that to relieve the consequent pressure of work in the Department, the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager had engaged Mr. J. A. Chew as a temporary Clerk for a period of 2 months at a salary of £4 a week ;

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RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved, and that the matter be reported to the General Purposes Committee.

(*b*) The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager stated that he would be reporting to the full Committee at their June meeting upon the question of the staff in his Department, but that it was essential that the present staff should be augmented immediately. In the circumstances, therefore, he was instructed to issue advertisements, except where otherwise stated, inviting applications for the following appointments :—

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(1) General Office.—Senior Male Clerk at a salary of £190 per annum.

(2) Rental Section.—

(i) Senior Male Clerk at a salary of £190 per annum.

(ii) Junior Male Clerk at a salary of £65 per annum.

(3) Consumers' Section.—Senior Male Clerk at a salary of £190 per annum.

(4) Junior Typist at a salary of £65 per annum.

(5) Addressograph Operator at a salary of £65 per annum (to be selected from candidates to be submitted by manufacturers of machine).

(6) Showrooms.—Two lady demonstrators each at a salary of £150 per annum.

(7) Two Office Juniors each at a wage of 10/- per week (to be obtained through the Juvenile Employment Bureau) ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the action taken be approved ; and

(2) that the matter be brought before the General Purposes Committee.

J. F. KNEALE CAINE,

Chairman.

Public Health Committee's Report.

6th MAY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Jones (Chairman), Councillor Grobel (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), Aldermen Briant and Pike and Councillor Mrs. Murphy.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pateman and Syrett and Councillor Rutt.

1431 **Minutes:**

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

1432 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1433 **Medical Officer's Report:**

The following report of the Medical Officer of Health for the four weeks ended 24th April, 1937, was submitted and approved:—

	Wards. N.	E.	W.	1937.	1936.
" 1. **Deaths.**—					
Number registered	13	18	10	41	41
Infants under one year	1	1	1	3	1
Infectious disease	1	—	—	1	—
2. **Births.**—					
Number notified under the Notification of Births Acts	17	21	24	62	63
3. **Infectious Disease.**—					
Cases notified	5	5	3	13	13
Scarlet Fever	3	2	2	7	8
Pneumonia	1	2	1	4	2
Erysipelas	1	1	—	2	1
Puerperal Pyrexia	—	—	—	—	2
4. **Tuberculosis.**—					
Pulmonary cases	1	—	1	2	1
Non-pulmonary cases	—	—	1	1	1
5. **Patients in Hospital.**—					
Number in hospital on the 2nd April				8	13
Number admitted				7	17
Number discharged				5	16
Number of deaths				—	—
Number in hospital on the 30th April				10	14 "

1434 **Sanitary Inspector's Report:**

This was submitted. Arising thereon the Inspector reported as follows:—

(1) Nuisances (Public Health Act, 1875, and Acts amending the same).—

15, Percy Road.
23, Lodge Lane.

That the above premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health.

The Committee being satisfied of the existence of the nuisances, it was

RECOMMENDED that statutory notices be served upon the owners of the said premises requiring them to execute the works referred to by the Inspector in his report within the time mentioned in such notices.

(2) "Street" or "Passage" at rear of Grand Hall Cinema and other premises, and the west side of Lambert Road, N.12 :—

That a number of complaints had been received in regard to the condition of the above street or passage ;

RECOMMENDED that the Inspector report fully on the matter at a later meeting with a view, if possible, to notices being served upon the respective owners under Section 20 of the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908.

(3) Statutory Notices.—

29, Claverley Grove, N. 3.
48, Stanhope Road, N. 12.
16, Finchley Park, N. 12.

That the statutory notices requiring the owners of the above-named premises to carry out certain works had been complied with.

(4) Complaints.—

That since the 2nd April, 1937, the following complaints had been received and dealt with :—

re Condition of house	11
,, Blocked or defective drains	8
,, Dampness	5
,, Accumulation of refuse	4
,, Burning of refuse	1
,, Insufficient dustbins	1
,, Smoke	1
,, Condition of passageway	2
,, Offensive smells	1
,, Rats	3
,, Nuisance from keeping of animals	2
,, Shops Acts	1
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(5) Application for consent to establish the trade of a Fish Frier.—

10, Friern Watch Parade, High Road, N. 12.

That an application, dated 19th April, 1937, had been received from Mr. J. Hammersley for the consent of the Town Council to establish the trade of a fish frier at 10, Friern Watch Parade, High Road, N. 12 ;

RECOMMENDED that the application be not granted.

(6) Unsound Food.—

That the diseased or unsound meat, particulars of which were submitted, had been destroyed since last meeting.

(7) Housing Act, 1936.—

Demolition Order—41, Station Road, N. 3.

That progress was being made with the execution of the works required to make the above house fit for human habitation, and that a further report would be made at the next meeting of the Committee.

(8) Petroleum (Consolidation) Act, 1928.—

(*a*) Halls Car Sales Limited, Service Station, Arcadia Avenue, N. 3., formerly the Diamond Works.—That an application had been received from Hall's Car Sales Limited for a licence to keep 500 gallons of petroleum spirit in bulk at their Service Station, Arcadia Avenue, N. 3 ; that it was proposed to keep

the petroleum spirit in an underground storage tank, with a petrol pump connected thereto, placed in the open space on the west side of the premises and that details of the installation were shown on the plans numbered 27 and 28 submitted by the applicants;

RECOMMENDED that the licence now submitted be granted to the above-mentioned applicants for the period ending 30th June, 1937, subject to the conditions mentioned in the report of the Inspector.

(*b*) Robert Deards, Limited, Manor Farm, East End Road, N. 3.—That an application had been received from Robert Deards, Limited, for the permission of the Town Council to erect at the above premises a five-gallons capacity Gilbert and Barker pump in place of the existing small commercial pump;

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted subject to the conditions mentioned in the report of the Inspector.

(9) Shops (Sunday Trading Restriction) Act, 1936—Application for Registration of a Shop under Section 7 of the Act by a person observing the Jewish Sabbath.—That an application had been received from the under-mentioned trader for registration of his shop under Section 7 of the above Act:—

Colman Myer, 73, Market Place, Lyttelton Road, Finchley, N. 2—Grocer and Provision Merchant;

further, that the application was accompanied by the required statutory declaration and appeared to be in order;

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted.

(10) Milk & Dairies Acts; Milk & Dairies Order, 1926—Registration.—That applications had been received from the under-mentioned traders to be registered as retail purveyors of milk within the Borough of Finchley, namely:—

Harry James Buxton, Laurel House, Woodside Lane, N. 12.
Colman Myer, 73, Market Place, Lyttelton Road, N. 2.

RECOMMENDED that the applications be granted.

1435 **Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922:**

Arising from a report by the Chief Sanitary Inspector hereon, the Committee decided to suggest to the General Purposes Committee that Mr. H. J. May, aged 30, who was appointed Labourer and Drain Tester in the Public Health Department on the 6th February, 1937, in place of Mr. J. Roberts, should now occupy the designated post formerly held by Mr. Roberts;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1436 **Housing Acts, 1935 and 1936:**

(*a*) Nos. 1 and 2, Rustic Cottages, Dunger Place, N. 12.—The Town Clerk reported the receipt of the following letter, dated 27th April, 1937, from Messrs. Purvis & Purvis, the Surveyors for the owners of the above premises:—

"We regret to inform you that we have not yet been able to make arrangements for the demolition of the above houses.

We are anxious to do this but it does not appear wise to pull down these two houses before the adjoining houses are demolished. The questions of shoring and waterproofing are almost certain to arise in consequence of the demolition.

We are keeping in touch with the adjoining owner and immediately he is in a position to carry out the demolition of his properties we will make arrangements accordingly."

(*b*) Nos. 3 and 5, Rustic Cottages, Dunger Place, N. 12.—The Town Clerk reported that in accordance with the resolution of the Town Council, notices had been served on the persons interested in the above premises under Section 11 (1) of the Housing Act, 1936, intimating that the condition of the premises and any offer with respect to the carrying out of works or the future user of the houses which they might wish to submit would be considered at the meeting and that such persons would be entitled to be heard thereat.

The Town Clerk further reported that he had received the following letter, dated 10th April, 1937, from Clayhall Park Estates, Limited, the owners :—

"We acknowledge receipt of your registered letter of the 5th inst. enclosing the two statutory notices condemning the above cottages, and, of course, as you are aware, we are fully in agreement with these cottages being condemned, and as your Mr. Franklin, the Chief Sanitary Inspector, is also aware, we have done everything in our power to get the present tenants out.

We shall, of course, in no way oppose the notices and we take it, therefore, that we shall be put to no further trouble, and that any steps which are necessary to get these tenants removed to enable the property to be demolished will be done by your goodselves."

Arising thereon, the tenant of No. 3, Rustic Cottages, and the daughter of the tenant of No. 5 attended the meeting and gave particulars of the family circumstances in each case.

After full consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that whereas the Town Council are satisfied that the houses known as Nos. 3 and 5, Rustic Cottages, Dunger Place, N. 12, which are occupied or of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes, are unfit for human habitation and are not capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered so fit ;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with the requirements of Section 11 (1) of the Housing Act, 1936, notices of the time and place fixed for the consideration of the condition of the above-mentioned houses and any offer with respect to the carrying out of works or the future user of the houses have been duly served upon all persons upon whom such notices are required to be served ;

AND WHEREAS the Council after such consideration have not accepted an undertaking from an owner or mortgagee with respect to the carrying out of works or the future user of the houses ;

NOW THEREFORE the Council, in pursuance of Sub-Section (4) of Section 11 of the Housing Act, 1936, hereby order as follows :—

(1) that the said houses be vacated within twenty-eight days from the date on which these Orders become operative ;

(2) that the said houses be demolished within six weeks after the date of expiration of the last mentioned period, or if the houses are not vacated before the expiration of that period within six weeks after the date on which they are vacated.

(2) that copies of the Demolition Orders be served in the form prescribed and in accordance with the provisions of the said Sub-Section ;

(3) that, if and when the Orders become operative, the Town Clerk be instructed to serve the necessary notices under Sub-Section (1) of Section 155 of the Act.

1437 **Land—Summers Lane :**

A letter, dated 22nd April, 1937, received from Mr. C. F. Hooton was submitted, stating that the Vicar and Churchwardens of Christ Church, North Finchley, could not see their way to accept the offer of the Town Council to lease the above land to them on the terms proposed, viz., for a period of 7 years at a rental of £5 per annum.

1438 **Erection of Health Centre—Oak Lane :**

Letters, dated 19th and 25th April, 1937, received from the Finchley and Friern Barnet Labour Party and the Finchley Political Council of the London Co-operative Society, Limited, respectively were submitted, to the effect that they had learned with pleasure the decision of the Town Council to erect a new Health Centre in Oak Lane and suggesting that a nursery school should be incorporated in the scheme .

The Town Clerk reported that the letters were being reported to the Education Committee at its next meeting.

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1439 **The Shops Regulations, 1937 :**

The Town Clerk reported that he had received from the Home Office and had referred to the Chief Sanitary Inspector a copy of the above Regulations, dated 6th April, 1937, made by the Secretary of State in pursuance of Section 17 of the Shops Act, 1912, and the Shops (Sunday Trading Restriction) Act, 1936.

1440 **Proposed Mortuary—North Circular Road :**

(*a*) A letter, dated 16th April, 1937 received from Mr. E. P. King of 8, Parkside, Mill Hill, was submitted, asking that the Town Council would reconsider its decision to erect the mortuary on the site proposed in the North Circular Road and in any case for an assurance that there would be no entrance to the building from Abingdon Road or Avondale Road ;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed (i) to inform Mr. King that the Town Council cannot see its way to vary the decision already arrived at and (ii) to give the assurance asked for above.

(*b*) The Borough Surveyor submitted particulars of the tenders received for the above which were opened at the last meeting of the Town Council ;

RECOMMENDED that the tender of Messrs. Lees of Enfield, Limited (the lowest) at the sum of £2,870 be accepted, subject to contract and to the consent of the Minister of Health being received to the raising of the necessary loan.

1441 **Open Air Pools :**

The Town Clerk reported that an application had been received from the Keystone Press Agency, Limited, for permission to take photographs at the Open Air Pools during the summer season ;

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted.

1442 **Health Education Year Book, 1937-38 :**

The Town Clerk reported that the Central Council for Health Education had forwarded a complimentary copy of the first issue of the Health Education Year Book ; further, that in a covering letter it was stated that copies of the Year Book were being despatched to the Medical Officer of Health and the Director of Education and that additional copies could be obtained at a charge of 5/6d. for each additional copy.

1443 **Empire Health Week—3rd–9th October, 1937 :**

A letter, dated 28th April, 1937 received from the Royal Sanitary Institute was submitted, stating that the opening of the National Health Campaign planned by the Minister of Health and the President of the Board of Education to take place from October, 1937, to March, 1938, would coincide with Empire Health Week, the object of which was to draw the attention of the community for one week each year to the importance of health.

The letter further stated that the celebration of Empire Health Week in 1937 would commence on the 3rd October and that it was hoped that the Town Council would co-operate in a nation-wide effort by organising a Health Week celebration which would enlist the sympathy and support of the whole of the community for the plan of action for the National Campaign ;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken by the Town Council in regard to the celebration of Health Week.

1444 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

The Town Clerk reported that the automatic locks at the Cherry Tree Wood Convenience and the Swan and Pyramids Convenience had been damaged since last meeting and that the matters had been dealt with.

1445 **Hornsey Deanery Association for Preventive and Rescue Work:**

A letter, dated 5th May, 1937, received from the above Association was submitted enclosing copy of its Twenty-ninth Annual Report.

1446 **Working Hours of Milk Roundsmen:**

The Town Clerk reported that the Finchley Women Citizens' Association had forwarded to him a copy of the following resolution which had been passed by the Association:—

> "That the Finchley Women Citizens' Association desire to call the attention of the Finchley Borough Council to the long hours worked by local milk roundsmen on Sundays—it pledges itself to support the delivery of one round only on Sunday where as now there are two—and requests the Finchley Borough Council to use its powers to bring this about."

After hearing a report by the Chief Sanitary Inspector, it was

RECOMMENDED that the Association be informed that the Town Council are unable to take any action in the matter.

1447 **Public Baths—Squires Lane—Monthly Statement:**

A statement (circulated) was submitted, showing the number of bathers and receipts for the four weeks ended 25th April, 1937.

1448 **Sewage Analysis:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that a sample of sewage effluent was taken from the High and Low Level Outfalls by the Lee Conservancy Board on the 6th April, 1937, and the analysis figures of the check sample were submitted.

1449 **Plan No. 9979—House—Plot H.12—Haslemere Gardens, N. 3:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the above house was shown to be built over a soil sewer and that the Town Planning Committee were recommending that Plan No. 9979 be approved, subject to the owner entering into an agreement to meet any extra expense which might at any time be incurred in connection with the maintenance of the sewer and also the cost of construction of an additional manhole adjacent to the premises.

The Committee were in accord with the recommendation of the Town Planning Committee.

1450 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books be approved.

J. HUGH JONES,

Chairman.

Education Committee's Report.

10th MAY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Grocott (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), Alderman Syrett, County Councillor Boggon, Councillors Jones, Langlands and Wilmot; Miss Davey, Mrs. Miall, Mr. Merry.

Non-Member: Councillor Mrs. Murphy.

1451 **Accounts:**

Accounts, amounting £5,431 4s. 8d. have been examined and approved for submission to the Finance Committee for payment.

1452 **School Attendance Return:**

The following are the school attendance figures for the month of April, 1937:—

School.	Average No. on Books.	Average Attendance.	Percentage.
Alder Senior	302	281	93.0
Alder Infants	122	105	86.0
Northside Senior	236	215	91.1
Northside Junior	463	432	93.3
Manorside Senior	291	274	94.1
Manorside Junior	505	467	92.4
Martin Junior	446	410	91.9
Summerside Junior	472	446	94.4
St. Mary's Junior	519	447	86.1
St. John's Junior	311	284	91.3
Christ Church Senior	219	206	94.0
Holy Trinity Junior	321	291	90.6
Our Lady of Lourdes Mixed	286	267	93.3
Total	4493	4125	91.8

1453 **Martin School Playground:**

An order has been placed with the Borough Surveyor for repairs to be effected to the Martin Junior School playground at an estimated cost of £33.

1454 **The Coronation—Board of Education:**

A special message from the President of the Board of Education, addressed to all school children in England and Wales, was read to children in Finchley elementary schools on the morning of Tuesday, 11th May, 1937.

1455 **Nursery Schools and Nursery Classes:** See 1438

Letters have been received from each of the following local organisations asking the Authority to consider the question of providing a Nursery School on the site of the proposed new Health Centre:—

(1) The Women's Section of the Finchley and Friern Barnet Labour Party.

(2) The Finchley Individual Members Section of the Finchley and Friern Barnet Labour Party.

(3) The Finchley Political Council of the London Co-operative Society.

Each of these organisations has been informed that the Authority now have under consideration the question of the provision of Nursery Classes in certain Infants' Schools within the Borough.

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1456 **Reciprocal Arrangements for the Appointment of Heads of Public Elementary Schools:**

Notification has been received from the Ealing, Enfield and Wood Green Education Authorities of their intention to withdraw from the above-mentioned arrangements and the Middlesex Education Committee have decided, therefore, that no useful purpose will be served by the continuance of the scheme, which is now terminated.

1457 **School Libraries:**

The Second Annual Report on the work of the School Libraries for the year ended 31st March, 1937, has been considered. A copy of this report was circulated to members with the agenda for the May meeting of the Education Committee.

1458 **Use of Playgrounds out of School Hours:**

A report by the Director of Education on the use of playgrounds by school children out of normal school hours has been considered. A copy of the report was circulated to members with the agenda for the May meeting of the Education Committee.

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the playgrounds at the Alder and Northside Schools be opened out of school hours during the months of June, July and August, 1937, at the times and under the same conditions as were in force in 1936.

(*b*) that, during the months of June, July and August, 1937, a payment of five shillings a week be paid to each of the Caretakers of the Alder and Northside Schools while the playgrounds at these schools are open out of school hours.

(*c*) that instructions be given for a record to be kept, during the period involved, of the extent to which the playgrounds are used by school children, with a view to consideration being given, before the next financial year, to the whole question of "open" playgrounds and its relation to Play Leadership.

1459 **Appointment of Teachers:**

With reference to Minute No. 959, approved by the Council on 22nd March, 1937, it is

RECOMMENDED that each of the persons whose names are set out below be appointed in the full-time service of the Finchley Education Authority exclusively in the capacity of a teacher; salaries to be in accordance with Scale IV. of the Burnham Arbitration Award, and the decisions of the Board of Education relating thereto, or upon the terms and subject to the conditions of any other scale of salaries that may be adopted by the Authority, and subject to the terms and conditions approved by the Council in September, 1927; the appointments to date from 30th August, 1937:—

Miss Helen Jones.

Mr. Gordon J. Bennett.

F. J. GROCOTT,

Chairman.

General Purposes Committee's Report.

19th MAY, 1937.

Present: The Deputy Mayor (Chairman), Alderman Briant (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), Aldermen Syrett and Wells, and Councillors Caine, Collis, Jones and Rutt.

Non-Members: Alderman Pike and Councillors Baines, Mrs. Legge and Wilmot.

1460 **Minutes:**

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

1461 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of Requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1462 **Association of Municipal Corporations—Election of Council:**

Voting paper in connection with the above was submitted, and in view of the fact that it was necessary for same to be received by the Secretary of the Association by the day following the meeting of the Committee, the Town Clerk was authorised to deal with the matter;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1463 **Gas Undertakings Act, 1934—The Gas Light and Coke Company:**

Notice was submitted, under Section 6 of the above Act, relating to the price of gas in the Gas Light and Coke Company's area.

1464 **The British Legion (Finchley Branch):**

It was reported that the Mayor had received an invitation to attend, in company with the Members of the Town Council, a Church Parade of the Finchley Branch of the British Legion at Holy Trinity Church, East Finchley, on Sunday, the 6th June, 1937, at 11 a.m.; further, that the Mayor had intimated that he proposed to attend and had expressed the hope that as many Members of the Town Council as could do so would accompany him.

1465 **Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922:**

(*a*) Additional Designated Posts.—

RECOMMENDED that, subject to the approval of the Minister of Health, the under-mentioned posts be designated as established posts under the Act and that such posts be occupied by the persons indicated as from and including the 1st June, 1937:—

Name.		Post.
Taylor, Miss F. J.	.....	Clerk, Public Health Department.
Watts, R. W.	.....	Engineering Assistant, Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Department.
Bond, C. M.	.....	Architectural Assistant, Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Department.

(*b*) Vacant Designated Post.—

RECOMMENDED that, as from and including the 3rd June, 1937, Mr. H. J. May occupy the designated post of Labourer in the Public Health Department formerly held by Mr. J. Roberts.

1466 **Staff :**

(*a*) Absence through illness.—The names of those members of the staff who had been absent through illness since last meeting were submitted, together with the necessary medical certificates.

(*b*) Borough Treasurer's Department—Appointment of Junior Clerk.—It was reported that Mr. J. P. Jarvis had been appointed to the above position and that he commenced his duties on the 30th April, 1937.

(*c*) Public Libraries.—

(i) Appointment of Junior Assistants.—It was reported that the Sub-Committee authorised to deal with the above matter had appointed the under-mentioned as Junior Library Assistants with effect as from the dates set opposite to their respective names :—

Name.	Date of Commencement.
Miss B. Y. Grylls	11th May, 1937.
Mr. J. S. T. Munro	13th May, 1937.

(ii) Librarian-in-Charge — East Finchley District Library.—

RECOMMENDED that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and the Chairman of the Public Libraries Committee be authorised to make the above appointment, subject to report.

(*d*) Electricity Department.—

1430(a)

(i) It was reported that at the last meeting of the Electricity Accounts and Works Sub-Committee the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager had reported that, owing to the absence of a member of the staff through illness, and extreme pressure of work in the Accounts Section, he had engaged Mr. J. A. Chew as a temporary clerk for a period of two months at a wage of £4 a week :

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1430 (b)

(ii) It was also reported that, at the same meeting, the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager had intimated that he would be reporting at the meeting of the Electricity Committee in June upon the whole question of the staff in his Department but that it was essential that the present staff should be augmented immediately, and that in the circumstances the Sub-Committee had given instructions for advertisements to be issued, except where otherwise stated, inviting applications for the following appointments :—

(1) General Office.—Senior Male Clerk at a salary of £190 per annum.

(2) Rental Section.—

(i) Senior Male Clerk at a salary of £190 per annum.

(ii) Junior Male Clerk at a salary of £65 per annum.

(3) Consumers' Section.—Senior Male Clerk at a salary of £190 per annum.

(4) Junior Typist at a salary of £65 per annum.

(5) Addressograph Operator at a salary of £65 per annum (to be selected from candidates to be submitted by manufacturers of machine).

(6) Showrooms.—Two lady demonstrators each at a salary of £150 per annum.

(7) Two office juniors each at a wage of 10/- a week (to be obtained through the Juvenile Employment Bureau).

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the action taken be approved;

(2) that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and the Chairman of the Electricity Committee be authorised to make the appointments, subject to report.

(*e*) Public Health Department.—

RECOMMENDED that the Medical Officer of Health be authorised to arrange for the employment of a temporary Medical Officer for four sessions a week for Maternity and Child Welfare work at 1½ guineas a session for a period of three weeks during the absence of the Assistant Medical Officer of Health on annual leave.

(*f*) Valuation Department.—The Town Clerk reported that Mr. A. F. Bailey, Junior Clerk in the Valuation Department, had passed the Final Examination of the Chartered Surveyors' Institution;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to convey to Mr. Bailey the Town Council's congratulations upon his success.

1467 **Municipal Offices:**

The Town Clerk reported that it had been suggested that the names of the Mayors of the Borough might be inserted in the panel above the fireplace recently placed in the entrance hall to the Municipal Offices.

The Committee were in agreement with the proposal and the Borough Surveyor was instructed to report at the next meeting of the Committee as to the cost involved;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1468 **Council Minutes and Reports:**

A letter, dated 15th May, 1937, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the North Finchley Ratepayers' Association making application to be supplied with copies of the Council Minutes and Reports;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be authorised to forward a copy of the printed Minutes and Reports to the Association after each meeting of the Town Council.

1469 **Loyal Address to His Majesty the King:**

A copy of the Loyal Address of the Members of the Association of Municipal Corporations on the occasion of the Coronation of His Majesty King George the Sixth was submitted.

1470 **Glebe Land:**

A letter, dated 17th May, 1937, was submitted from Dr. C. Gouldesbrough making application on behalf of the British Union of Fascists and National Socialists for permission to hold an open air meeting on the Gun Station Site to be addressed by Sir Oswald Mosley in about three months' time;

RECOMMENDED that the desired permission be not granted.

1471 **Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908:**

A letter, dated 19th May, 1937, was submitted from Mr. S. H. Franks making application on behalf of the "Sunday Pictorial" for permission to use an advertising vehicle fitted with a loudspeaker within the Borough on one day between the 24th and 29th May, 1937, for the purpose of advertising a Festival in connection with the National Cycling Union.

The Committee were of the opinion that the application was one which should not be granted and the Town Clerk was instructed to notify Mr. Franks accordingly;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1472 **48, Hendon Lane:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that two offers to rent as a store-room the remaining portion of the above premises had been received, and that with the authority of the Chairman of the Committee the offer of Mr. J. M. da Costa of 10/- a week (the higher) had been accepted;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved, and that the Solicitor be instructed to arrange for the preparation of the necessary agreement.

1473 **Municipal Offices—Water Heating:**

The Borough Surveyor submitted an estimate which he had received from the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager of the hire and maintenance costs in connection with the substitution of electric water heaters for the existing gas boilers in the Cloak-rooms at the Municipal Offices;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the "change over" to electric water heaters to be effected.

1474 **Scouts' Camping Ground—Frith Lane—Proposed Hut:**

The Borough Surveyor submitted a plan of a hut proposed to be erected at above by the Finchley Local Boy Scouts' Association;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the proposal, subject to the Association complying with the requirements of the Hendon Borough Council in regard to the erection of the building in question.

1475 **North Finchley District Library:**

It was reported that the British Red Cross Society were holding a Flag Day within the Borough on the 8th June, 1937, and had made application for permission to place a table outside the North Finchley District Library and to use the Lecture Hall as a depôt for collecting boxes;

RECOMMENDED that the desired permission be granted.

1476 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

W. C. LANGLANDS,

Chairman.

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Finance Committee's Report.

20th MAY, 1937.

Present: Alderman Syrett (Chairman), Councillor Hayter (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), and Councillors Brooksbank, Burch, Grobel, Norman and Rutt.

1477 **Minutes:**

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

1478 **Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts:**

(*a*) The Borough Treasurer reported as follows:—

(i) Approved Advances.—That advances amounting to £664,815 had been approved.

(ii) Advances Repaid.—That in the under-mentioned case the principal outstanding had been paid, together with all interest charges:—

Mortgage No.	Rate of Interest.	Proprietor.	Premises.
849	5¼%	Brown, E. C.	1, Fallow Court Avenue, N. 12.

(iii) Advances Outstanding.—That the number of advances now outstanding was 468, representing a sum of £182,934.

(*b*) Proposed Transfer of Mortgages.—

(i) The Borough Treasurer submitted a copy of the letter and enclosure which he had addressed to 322 mortgagors relative to the proposed transfer of mortgages to the Abbey Road Building Society, and he intimated that up to the present 159 mortgagors had expressed a desire to avail themselves of the facilities offered.

(ii) The Town Clerk reported that an enquiry had been made by the Society as to whether the Council would be prepared to inform their Solicitors, free of charge, whether there were any entries in the Local Land Charges Register affecting each property to be transferred and also supply them with certain information, particulars of which were submitted, outside the scope of the Register;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Society be informed that the Council will be prepared to supply their Solicitors, free of charge, with a letter giving the above information as regards each property to be transferred, on the distinct understanding that no responsibility will rest with the Council in respect thereof; and

(2) that authority be given to the Town Clerk to supply the Society with the required information at the appropriate time.

1479 **Municipal Mutual Insurance, Ltd.:**

The Town Clerk reported that in accordance with instructions he had circulated to each member of the Committee a print of the Report of the Managing Trustees and Statement of Accounts of the above Company for the year ended 31st December, 1936.

He further reported that in a letter, dated 28th April, 1937, received from the Company it was pointed out that already this year they had increased their investments by approximately £75,000.

1480 **Private Street Works:**

(*a*) Oakfield Road.—The Town Clerk reported that he had received from the Ministry of Health formal consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of a further sum of £92, repayable within a period not exceeding 10 years, for works of private street improvement in Oakfield Road

See also 1385

He further reported that in a covering letter, dated 19th May, 1937, it was stated that the item for supervision, viz., £5, was included in the consent on the understanding that it would only be expended in respect of actual expenditure of the Council; also, that in consenting to the loan the Minister must not be understood as expressing any opinion as to whether the cost of all the works provided for in the estimate was properly chargeable to the frontage owners.

(*b*) 29th Batch.—

(i) Deansway (Section 1).—The Town Clerk reported that a Public Inquiry had been held on the 28th April, 1937, into the application of the Town Council for consent to the raising of a loan for the making up of the several streets included in the 29th batch, and that at such Inquiry a request was made on behalf of a number of frontage owners in Deansway (Section 1) that they might have as long as possible in which to meet the cost apportioned to them;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, as a general practice, the Borough Treasurer be authorised to allow frontage owners who do not wish to pay the amount due forthwith, to spread their payments over periods of from three to five years for payment of road charges, on the understanding, however, that if any application is received for a longer period, such application shall be referred to the Committee for consideration;

(2) that in future the Borough Treasurer be instructed to forward a covering letter with the demand notes informing frontage owners that, as an alternative to making payment forthwith, periods of from three to five years will be allowed for payment of road charges with interest at the appropriate rate.

1384 (c)

(ii) Loan.—The Town Clerk reported that at the last meeting of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee it was reported that the Borough Surveyor's estimate of the cost of making up the several streets included in this batch (inclusive of loan costs) was £28,300 whereas the tenders accepted by the Council amounted to £28,959 6s. 7d. to which amount a sum of £1,447 13s. 5d. should be added in respect of contingencies; further, that it was thereupon decided to recommend to this Committee that a recommendation be made authorising an amended application to borrow an amount of £30,407 in lieu of that previously authorised;

RECOMMENDED that, notwithstanding anything contained in Minute No. 2375 (1935/6), the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £30,407 for the making up of the several streets included in the 29th batch.

1481 **Acquisition of "Rocklands," Gordon Road:**

The Town Clerk reported the receipt from the Ministry of Health of consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £9,148, repayable within a period not exceeding 60 years, for the purchase of the above property for purposes of public walks and pleasure grounds.

1482 **Gas Light and Coke Company (No. 2) Bill, 1936:**

A letter, dated 6th May, 1937, received from the Town Clerk of the Borough of Hammersmith was submitted stating that the Joint Opposition Committee, appointed in

connection with the opposition to the above-mentioned Bill, had approved and passed for payment the expenses incurred on behalf of the 26 petitioning Councils, amounting to a total sum of £2,875 14s. 8d., and that the amount payable by the Town Council was £108 6s. 5d.;

RECOMMENDED that such expenditure be approved.

1483 **North Finchley District Library—Notice Board:**

The Town Clerk reported that the Public Libraries Committee were recommending that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to arrange for the provision and erection of a notice board at the North Finchley Library at an estimated cost of £11; 1330 b6

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the expenditure proposed and that it be met out of the item in respect of contingencies included in the estimates of the Public Libraries Committee.

1484 **Flat over Electricity Showroom—51a, Market Place, N.W. 11:**

The Town Clerk reported that a remittance for £14 had been received from the Agents responsible for the letting of the above flat, being one quarter's rent of £20, less £6 commission.

1485 **Erection of Ticket Office and Shelter—Victoria Recreation Ground:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"At the last meeting of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee it was reported that Messrs. E. J. & P. Bower whose tender for the above had been accepted had written stating that they were unable to undertake the work. The Borough Surveyor reported that the next lowest tender was that of William Wood & Son, Ltd., at the sum of £236, but that the amount provided in the estimates was 200. 1367

The Committee are recommending that the tender of William Wood & Son, Ltd., be accepted and that the question of the additional expenditure involved be referred to your Committee for consideration."

The Town Clerk further reported that he understood that, as an offset against the above additional expenditure, a sum of approximately £70 would be saved by the Parks and Open Spaces Committee on the purchase and erection of a greenhouse in Avenue House Grounds;

RECOMMENDED that, in view of this saving, no objection be raised by the Council to the proposed additional expenditure of £36.

1486 **Victoria Recreation Ground—Extension of Ladies' Bowling Green Pavilion:**

The Borough Treasurer reported that he had been informed by the Borough Surveyor that the tender accepted for this work amounted to £155, whereas the sum provided in the current estimates was £130;

RECOMMENDED that, in view of the saving referred to in the preceding paragraph, no objection be raised to the additional expenditure of £25.

1487 **Electricity Undertaking:**

The Town Clerk reported that the Electricity Accounts and Works Sub-Committee were recommending that application be made to the Electricity Commissioners for sanctions to the following loans:— 1422

(*a*) a further £30,000 in respect of the provision of consumers' electrical apparatus and wiring installations; and 1422

(*b*) £6,105 for the carrying out of works in connection with the change over to alternating current—Woodhouse Housing Estate. 1429

The Committee decided to draw the attention of the Council to the fact that the above applications had been reported to them from the Electricity Accounts and Works Sub-Committee and not from the full Committee as required by the Standing Orders of the Council.

1488 **East Finchley District Library—Loan for Book Purchase:**

The Town Clerk reported that at the meeting of the Town Council in March, 1936, he was instructed to apply to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Council of the sum of £4,015 for the purchase of the initial book stock for the North and East Finchley District Libraries; that a consent was subsequently received for £2,008 for the provision of books for North Finchley, but that in a covering letter it was stated that the Minister proposed to defer consideration of the application so far as East Finchley was concerned until the erection of the Library had been approved; further, that the Public Libraries Committee had made provision in their current estimates for a half year's loan repayment on the sum of **£2,500** for the provision of books for the East Finchley Library and that the Chairman of that Committee had asked that this Committee would, as a matter of urgency, recommend that authority be given to the Town Clerk to apply to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing of the sum of £2,500;

RECOMMENDED that, notwithstanding anything contained in Minute No. 949 (1935/6), the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £2,500 for the provision of books for the East Finchley District Library.

1489 **Discount for Rates:**

The Borough Treasurer reported that as arranged at the last meeting of the Committee he had circulated to each Member of the Council a copy of an article on this subject which was published in Volume 4 of Lord MacMillan's "Local Government Law and Administration in England and Wales."

RECOMMENDED, that no action be taken in regard to the matter.

1490 **Consolidated Loans Fund:**

The Borough Treasurer reported that in accordance with the authority given by the Council at its meeting in March, 1937, he had prepared a draft scheme upon which he had had several discussions with officers of the Ministry of Health and that he had circulated to each member of the Council a draft in the form which, he understood, the Minister of Health would be prepared to approve. The scheme was in the main based upon the model scheme drawn up by the Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants some years ago, but a number of improvements had been incorporated in it.

The proposed "Appointed Day" for the scheme was the 1st April, 1937.

The scheme in its operation would have beneficial effects upon the capital finances of the Council, as it would permit eventually the complete "pooling" of all capital resources and would remove the disadvantages which result from the "earmarking" of loans to particular borrowing powers. The field of borrowing would be considerably widened by the fact that the loans would not be required to be related to individual borrowing powers—thus making it possible to meet the requirements of varied classes of investors. Borrowing transactions would be dissociated from individual borrowing powers, and the Council would be able to exercise the widest freedom in regard to the amount and period of the various loans to be raised. This might be of special importance if it enabled the Council to encourage local and other investors who desired to invest comparatively small amounts for short periods.

An additional flexibility which would accrue was that the annual Sinking Fund contributions and any appropriate capital receipts would also be paid into the Loans Fund, thus obviating the necessity for investment and, at the same time, increasing the amount of money available for capital operations; there would therefore be some reduction in the amount of external borrowings. "Spare moneys" of the Electricity Reserve Fund, the Housing Repairs Fund, and similar funds might be invested in the Loan Fund —again avoiding the costs of external investment.

The general scheme of operation contemplated the separation of external loan transactions (*i.e.*, those relating to the actual borrowings from, and repayments to, lenders) and internal loan transactions (*i.e.*, the advance of money from the Loans Fund to the borrowing accounts in the exercise of sanctions and its repayment to the "pool" by the transfer of the appropriate sinking fund contributions). The borrowing accounts had no direct relations with the lenders. They were financed by advances made by the pool, and they repaid those advances to the pool in accordance with the statutory conditions attached to the borrowing power exercised. The pool was responsible both for raising the loans required to make and maintain the advances, and for the eventual repayment to the lenders of the money borrowed. The net amount of interest payable by the pool would be reimbursed annually by the borrowing accounts at an equalised average rate in proportion to the amounts of the advances outstanding from time to time. The expenses of management would similarly be re-charged to the borrowing accounts on an average basis.

The initiation of the scheme would involve considerable clerical and accounting work, but ample compensation would be obtained from the subsequent simplicity of operation. Concentration of the whole of the Council's loan transactions in one central fund would conduce to economical finance and would simplify the management of debt. In the first year of its operation, the Fund would embrace about one-half of the Council's total outstanding debt; other debt would be brought into the pool as "earmarked" loans were repaid and replaced by "General Loans" until ultimately the Fund would cover all the Council's debt—with the exception of Housing Bonds and loans from the Public Works Loan Commissioners, which were excluded by law.

Arising from the foregoing report, the Town Clerk intimated that he had received a communication from the Ministry of Health stating that the Minister provisionally approved, subject to one amendment, the draft Scheme submitted by the Borough Treasurer and that, when the Scheme had been made and sealed by the Council, formal application should be made to the Minister for his approval accompanied by three copies of the Scheme, two of which should be sealed;

RECOMMENDED that the draft Consolidated Loans Fund (Finchley) Scheme 1937, in the form now submitted, be made and adopted by the Council, and that the Town Clerk be instructed to submit three copies to the Ministry of Health for approval.

1491 **Insurance:**

The Borough Treasurer reported that in the case of officers of the Town Council who were granted allowances in consideration of the use of their private cars on Council business, it appeared to be desirable that the officers' insurance policies should be suitably endorsed so as to indemnify the Council in respect of third party liability arising whilst the car was in use for official purposes; that in a number of cases an endorsement to this effect had been obtained, but that he would suggest

(1) that he be authorised to communicate with all officers in receipt of a car allowance to ensure that the Council's liability was covered; and

(2) that the obligation to obtain such cover should be a condition of the grant of a car allowance.

Instructions were given to the Borough Treasurer to communicate with the officers concerned in accord with suggestion (1) above, and it was

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the action taken be approved;

(*b*) that the obligation to obtain such cover as is mentioned above, be a condition of the grant to any officer of a car allowance.

1492 **Payment of Wages—Brandt Automatic Cashier:**

The Borough Treasurer reported that in February last, authority was given for the hire of this machine for a period of three months at a fee of £5 and that he was now able to report that, both in connection with the making up of wages and the giving of change at the counter, the machine had been extremely useful and had secured a saving of staff time, whilst it had also afforded an automatic check on the accuracy of transactions; further, that the machine was in almost continuous use, and in view of its efficiency, he recommended that it be now purchased, at a cost of £57 10s. 0d., less the £5 paid for hire, or a net figure of £52 10s. 0d.;

RECOMMENDED that the machine be purchased from the Brandt Automatic Cashier Co., Ltd. for the sum of £52 10s. 0d., subject to a Contract being entered into.

1493 **Payment of Rates:**

The Borough Treasurer reported as follows:—

"The Manager of Barclays Bank Limited (Church End Branch) has informed me that the Bank will be pleased to offer facilities for the payment of Rates in the same way as now operate for payment of Electricity Accounts and on the same terms, viz., on payment at the rate of £10 per 1,000 receipts.

With regard to the request that the demand note should contain a note that payment may be made at any of the local branches, 'or at any other branch of the Bank,' Mr. Doo would prefer that this matter should not be pressed, as it would necessitate circularising over 1,500 branches. The Bank would be pleased, however, to add the addresses of any other branches in and about the area which might prove useful. Mr. Doo further points out that in certain cases electricity accounts are actually being paid at other branches of the Bank, but the Bank prefer not to issue definite instructions to all branches on this matter."

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the offer of the Bank, as outlined above, be accepted on the terms mentioned, for a trial period of twelve months as from October next; and

(2) that the suggestion of the Council that payment be allowed through any Branch of the Bank, be not pressed for the time being.

1494 **Rate Arrears—Analysis:**

(*a*) The Borough Treasurer reported that at the last meeting of the Committee he submitted a statement of the comparative results of the Rate Collection for the years 1935-36 and 1936-37, showing that the recoverable arrears at the 31st March, 1937, amounted to £6,192 (amended from £6,218) representing 1.55 per cent. of the total amount collectible, as compared with £5,381 or 1.53 per cent. outstanding at 31st March, 1936.

He further reported that he had now prepared an analysis of the figures at the two comparative dates as follows:—

At 31st March, 1936. £	Percentage.		At 31st March, 1937. £	Percentage.
351,778	100.00	Total amount collectible	400,295	100.00
4,601	1.31	Arrears in respect of which legal proceedings had been taken ...	4,908	1.23
511	.15	Rates demanded late in the half-year	898	.22
269	.07	Other amounts pending (Bankruptcies, revision of assessments, probate cases, etc.)	386	.10
£5,381	1.53	**Total Arrears Outstanding**	£6,192	1.55

He pointed out that from the above figures it appeared that the arrears at 31st March last were somewhat inflated in consequence of late demands due to the assessment of new properties and that the basic comparison showed a slight reduction in arrears from 1.31 to 1.23 per cent.

(*b*) The Borough Treasurer submitted the following further analysis for the two years concerned of the "empty allowances" and "otherwise irrecoverable" items shown in the statement submitted last month :—

1935-36. £		1936-37. £
10,670	Empty properties	10,841
5,092	Revision of assessments	3,168
475	Absconded	445
452	Bankruptcies and liquidations	27
187	Excused	69
27	Deceased (no effects)	44
19	Committed to prison	—
£16,922		£14,594

1495 **Rate Collection for Period 1st—30th April, 1937 :**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement :—

	£		£
Arrears of former Rates	6,192	Amount collected 1st—30th April 1937	22,004
Estimated Product of Rate—half-year 1st April to 30th September, 1937	199,709	Rate outstanding	185,183
Additions to Rate—new assessments, etc.	1,286		
	£207,187		£207,187

1496 **Statement of Bank Balances—19th May, 1937 :**

The following statement was submitted by the Borough Treasurer :—

Fund or Account.	Debit. £ s. d.	Credit. £ s. d.
General Rate Fund Revenue ...		47,978 8 8
Education Revenue		7,992 4 6
Electricity Revenue		25,053 3 0
Housing Revenue		4,792 17 5
General Rate Fund Capital ...		13,013 3 9
Education Capital	144 7 1	
Electricity Capital		54,546 9 10
Loans	82,100 16 9	
Salaries		51 12 9
Advance	4,640 4 1	
Suspense	7 5 4	
Totals	£86,892 13 3	£153,427 19 11
Net Balance		£66,535 6 8
Superannuation Fund		£10,505 0 9

1497 **Receipts and Payments—April :**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement :—

Fund or Account.	Receipts. £	Payments. £
General Rate Fund Revenue	39,784	24,611
Education Revenue	1,530	4,702
Electricity Revenue	10,585	13,655
Housing Revenue	1,791	2,652
General Rate Fund Capital	440	2,031
Electricity Capital	17	6,238
Education Capital	—	—
Loans	20,000	40,129
Superannuation Fund	1,840	307
	£75,987	£94,325

1498 **Summary of Accounts Approved and Recommended for Payment :**

The following is a summary of the Accounts included in the Interim Order on Treasurer, and in the Order on Treasurer to be submitted to the Council for approval :—

	Interim Order.			Council Order.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
General Rate Fund Revenue	25,759	17	0	5,312	17	10	31,072	14	10
Education Revenue	4,094	0	1	1,394	10	11	5,488	11	0
Electricity Revenue	3,119	13	5	13,700	18	8	16,820	12	1
Housing Revenue	819	9	5				819	9	5
General Rate Fund Capital	460	0	0	2,482	9	11	2,942	9	11
Electricity Capital	39	15	0	2,031	7	2	2,071	2	2
Loans	70,442	3	5				70,442	3	5
Superannuation Fund	307	12	7				307	12	7
	£105,042	10	11	£24,922	4	6	£129,964	15	5

The Borough Treasurer reported that owing to the abnormally large amount of payments passed through the Advance Account since the last meeting the Committee, it had been necessary, in order to avoid exceeding the limit of £15,000 placed on payments through the Advance Account, to obtain an interim order on the 6th May, 1937, particulars of which were as follows :—

Fund or Account.	£	s.	d.
General Rate Fund Revenue	6,922	13	7
Education Revenue	73	11	10
Electricity Revenue	4,447	8	0
General Rate Fund Capital	84	11	9
Electricity Capital	111	5	0
Loans	132	3	10
	£11,771	14	0

1499 **Finance Accounts and General Sub-Committee—Alteration in Date of Next Meeting:**

The Committee decided that the date of the next meeting of the Finance Accounts and General Sub-Committee should be altered from the 15th to the 14th June, 1937, at 6.30 p.m.;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1500 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

C. S. SYRETT,

Chairman.

Housing Committee's Report.

24th MAY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Mrs. Legge (Chairman), Councillor Connorton (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant and Wells, and Councillors Burch, Grocott and Wilmot.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pateman and Syrett and Councillor Rutt.

1501 **Minutes:**

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

1502 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1503 **Erection of Houses for Large Families:**

In accordance with the instructions of the Council, the Committee further discussed the question of the erection of six 4-bedroom parlour-type houses on a site in the North Circular Road, adjacent to the Housing Scheme No. 6.

After full consideration the Committee decided to adhere to their previous decision, and it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that six 4-bedroom parlour-type houses be erected on a site in the North Circular Road, adjacent to the Housing Scheme No. 6;

(2) that the Borough Surveyor, after consultation with the Officers concerned, submit detailed plans of such houses at a Special Meeting of the Committee to be held on the 21st June, 1937, and that an itemised estimate of the cost with full particulars as to how the figures are arrived at be circulated to the Committee prior to the meeting; and

(3) that the Borough Surveyor endeavour to obtain from the District Valuer a report as to the value of the land to be utilised and if possible to submit it at the meeting referred to above.

1504 **Proposed Footpath—North Circular Road to Summers Lane:**

A letter, dated 8th April, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted, forwarding the formal consent and approval of the Minister to the appropriation by the Town Council of 95 square yards of allotment land and 890 square yards of sewage disposal land for the construction of the above footpath.

1505 **Meetings of Committee:**

This matter was considered, and it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that special meetings of the Committee be held on the 21st June and 19th July, respectively, at 8 p.m.;

(2) that the meeting fixed for the 2nd June be not held; and

(3) that the Committee consider at the meeting to be held on the 19th July, the question of holding monthly meetings of the Committee.

1506 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

MARY E. LEGGE,
Chairman.

Borough of Finchley.

Municipal Offices,

Finchley, N. 3.

22nd June, 1937.

Sir (or Madam),

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an ORDINARY MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY will be held on MONDAY NEXT, the 28th day of JUNE, 1937, at 8 o'clock in the afternoon at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, and all and several the members of the said Council are hereby summoned to attend.

The business to be transacted at such meeting is as follows:—

(1) Confirmation of the Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 31st day of May, 1937.

(2) Tenders for :—

(*a*) The erection of a Ladies' Convenience at Brook Farm Open Space.

(*b*) Purchase and removal of Lathe—Electricity Department.

(*c*) The supply of Coal and Coke.

(3) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees, and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(*a*) **Valuation** of the 8th June, 1937.

(*b*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 8th June, 1937.

(*c*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 9th June, 1937.

(*d*) **Public Health** of the 10th June, 1937.

(*e*) **Public Libraries** of the 11th June, 1937.

(*f*) **Town Planning** of the 11th June, 1937.

(*g*) **Education** of the 14th June, 1937.

(*h*) **Electricity** of the 15th June, 1937.

(*i*) **General Purposes** of the 16th June, 1937.

(*j*) **Finance** of the 17th June, 1937.

(*k*) **Coronation Celebrations** of the 17th June, 1937.

(*l*) **Housing (Special)** of the 21st June, 1937.

(4) Other Correspondence (if any).

(5) Reports of Officers (if any).

(6) To authorise the Corporate Seal to be affixed to certain documents (list to be circulated).

(7) Payment of Accounts.

(*a*) The Town Clerk to report that, since the last Meeting of the Town Council, a Borough Treasurer's Interim Order for the sum of £96,833 11s. 9d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(*b*) Motion.—

"That an Order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 17th June, 1937, amounting to £64,528 15s. 4d.

(8) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Council in Committee.

(9) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees, and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(*a*) **Valuation** of the 8th June, 1937.

(*b*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 8th June, 1937.

(*c*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 9th June, 1937.

(*d*) **Public Health** of the 10th June, 1937.

(*e*) **Public Libraries** of the 11th June, 1937.

(*f*) **Town Planning** of the 11th June, 1937.

(*g*) **Education** of the 14th June, 1937.

(*h*) **Electricity** of the 15th June, 1937.

(*i*) **General Purposes** of the 16th June, 1937.

(*j*) **Finance** of the 17th June, 1937.

(*k*) **Housing (Special)** of the 21st June, 1937.

(*l*) **Finance (Special)** of the 28th June, 1937.

(10) Other Correspondence (if any).

(11) Reports of Officers (if any).

(12) To consider, if necessary, the question of the raising of any temporary loan.

(13) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Hildover Barker

Town Clerk.

Questions.

Notice of any question intended to be asked at the Meeting of the Town Council must be given at the office of the Town Clerk not later than Twelve noon on the day of such Meeting.

Borough of Finchley.

At an Ordinary Meeting of the Council of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY, held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on MONDAY, the 31st day of May, 1937.

PRESENT:

His Worship the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.).
The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).

Aldermen—

A. J. Briant.
G. H. Pateman.
A. T. Pike, O.B.E., J.P.
C. S. Syrett.
Vyvyan Wells.

Councillors—

A. N. H. Baines.
W. L. Brooksbank.
P. H. Burch.
J. F. Kneale Caine.
A. C. D. Collis.
C. P. Grobel.
F. J. Grocott.
C. Hayter.
J. Hugh Jones, LL.B.
Mrs. M. E. Legge.
R. J. N. Norman.
H. A. Rutt.
Major H. W. Steward.
C. F. Wightman.

1507 **Prayers:**

The Mayor's Chaplain attended the meeting, and opened the proceedings with prayer.

1508 **Apologies for Absence:**

It was reported that Councillors Connorton, Mrs. Murphy and Wilmot had expressed regret at their inability to be present at the meeting.

In connection with the absence of Councillor Mrs. Murphy, the Mayor intimated that he was pleased to report that she was making satisfactory progress towards recovery from her recent indisposition.

1509 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 26th day of April, 1937, and of Special Meetings held on the 6th and 12th day of May, 1937, were presented, and it was

RESOLVED that such Minutes be taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a correct record of the proceedings.

1510 **Tenders Received After the Time Stipulated in the Advertisements:**

It was reported that one tender in respect of each of the following had been received after the time stipulated in the advertisements:—

(*a*) Erection of Tea Kiosk—Cherry Tree Wood;
(*b*) Supply of Scotch Firebricks for Refuse Destructor;

RESOLVED that such tenders be opened, but not considered.

1511 **Tenders:**

(*a*) Supply of Portable Air Compressor.

(*b*) Reconditioning, Low Pressure Hot Water Installation—Manorside School.

(*c*) Repairs and Decorations at the Town Council's Schools.

(*d*) Erection of new Infants' School, Summerside School.

(*e*) Electrical Re-Wiring—Alder School.

(*f*) Supply of Stoneware Conduits.

RESOLVED that the tenders received in connection with the above be opened and referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

1512 **Reports of Committees:**

RESOLVED that the reports of the under-mentioned Committees be received and adopted, as varied by the amendments (if any) set out and adopted:—

(*a*) **Children's Safety** of the 29th April, 1937.

(*b*) **Public Libraries** of the 3rd May, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1330 (a), a letter, dated 4th May, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Health, stating that, as the Borough Surveyor was informed at the interview with officers of the Ministry on the 26th April, 1937, the Minister was prepared in the circumstances to dispense with the issue of advertisements in regard to the tenders for the prime cost items.

(*c*) **Town Planning** of the 3rd May, 1937, with the exception of paragraph 1341 (Carrimore Works, High Road, N. 12—Additional Building), which be referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

Arising out of paragraph 1346 (b) (Plans—Disapproved), it was

RESOLVED that Plan No. 9982 be considered further by the Town Council in Committee.

(*d*) **Valuation** of the 4th May, 1937.

(*e*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 4th May, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1364 (Open Spaces), a communication, dated 29th May, 1937, was submitted from the Rev. Raymont, as follows:—

"On behalf of the Finchley Ministers' United Fraternal I wish to supplement my former letter.

We desire to use the Victoria Recreation Ground for a second large United Service for the whole of Finchley on Sunday evening, July 25th, at 8 p.m. The first is to take place on June 6th in the Football Ground, when the Mayor has kindly consented to preside.

The Anglican and Free Churches of East Finchley ask permission to hold a smaller regional Service in Cherry Tree Woods on Sunday evening, June 27th, at 8.15 p.m.

The Rector hopes to apply personally for the Council's consent to the use of either the Avenue House Terrace or the Victoria Recreation Ground by the Church End Churches on a Sunday evening about the end of June or beginning of July.

With thanks in anticipation of the Council's kind goodwill."

RESOLVED, on the motion of Alderman Wells, seconded by Councillor Langlands, that permission for the holding of the Services in question be granted.

(*f*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 5th May, 1937, with the exception of paragraphs 1384 (a) and 1384 (b) (Private Street Works—29th Batch), which be referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration, and paragraph 1398 (Land—Nether Street by New Road to be known as Huntly Drive, Near Gordon Hall), which be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

(*g*) **Electricity Accounts and Works (Sub)** of the 6th May, 1937, with the exception of paragraphs 1418 (Special Tariff for Places of Entertainment), 1419 (Off-Peak Power Tariff), 1421 (Alternative Two-Part Domestic Tariff—Equipment), 1426 (Sub-Station Sites) and 1428 (Woodhouse Housing Estate), which be referred to the Electricity Committee for further consideration.

(*h*) **Public Health** of the 6th May, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1440 (a) (Proposed Mortuary—North Circular Road), a further communication, dated 19th May, 1937, was submitted from Mr. King;

RESOLVED that same be not adopted but that the matter be referred to the Committee for further consideration in conjunction with the said letter.

(*i*) **Education** of the 10th May, 1937.

(*j*) **General Purposes** of the 19th May, 1937.

At this stage it was moved by the Deputy Mayor that paragraph 3 contained in the report of the Committee proposed to be considered by the Town Council in Committee be now dealt with.

The motion was duly seconded, and on being put was carried, and it was

RESOLVED accordingly.

The paragraph in question was as follows:—

"3.—GLEBE LAND:

(i) The Committee had before them a communication, dated 7th May, 1937 (circulated), received from the War Office replying to the Town Council's letter of the 29th April, 1937, setting out the terms upon which the Town Council would be prepared to convey to the War Office a portion of the Glebe Land as Headquarters for the 61st Anti-Aircraft Brigade. It appeared from such communication that the conditions imposed by the Town Council relating to the following matters were acceptable to the War Office:—

(*a*) The plans, etc., of buildings to be erected on the land to be subject to the approval of the Town Council;

(*b*) The Town Council to be granted a right of pre-emption; and

(*c*) The costs in connection with the diversion of the footpath to be paid by the War Office.

As regards the conditions which were **not** accepted by the Department, the points raised in connection therewith were as follows:—

(*a*) Payment of Contribution in Lieu of Rates.—It was pointed out that rates were not payable on buildings occupied by the Territorial Army (except when they were used for non-military purposes) and that no contribution could be made in lieu of rates.

(*b*) Firing of Ammunition.—It was assumed that the Town Council would raise no objection to the provision of a miniature rifle range which would be indoors and would form part of the main block of buildings.

(c) Reservation of Site for Electricity Sub-Station.—It was assumed that the Sub-station would be a small building and that it could be placed at the edge of the site in such a way as not to interfere with training.

It was also pointed out in the letter that an adequate sky view was essential to the training of an Anti-Aircraft Brigade and that this would be interfered with if high buildings were erected to the south of the site and the Army Council asked if an undertaking could be given that the erection of high buildings to the south, fronting the North Circular Road, would not be permitted. It was also stated in the communication that the Army Council would be obliged if, without waiting for the formal conveyance of the site, the Town Council would allow a survey of the land to be made and permit the erection of temporary hutting which would be dismantled after the permanent Headquarters had been constructed.

After full consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Town Clerk be authorised to negotiate with the Army Council in regard to the price to be paid in respect of the Conveyance of the land in question to the Department and that in view of the fact that no contribution will be paid in lieu of rates, he be instructed to press for an increased price for the land;

(2) that no objection be raised to the provision of a miniature rifle range as suggested;

(3) that, as regards the proposed electricity sub-station, the Officers be instructed to negotiate with the Department with a view to the possibility of the sub-station being placed in the basement of the proposed buildings;

(4) that the Army Council be informed that the Town Council assume that the land will be enclosed in a manner satisfactory to the Town Council;

(5) that with regard to the desired undertaking that no high buildings shall be erected to the south of the site proposed to be acquired, the Department be asked to define the angle of sight required from their boundary; and

(6) that permission be given for the land to be surveyed and for temporary huts to be erected pending the completion of the Conveyance, subject to the temporary buildings being removed within a period of 12 months from the date of the Conveyance.

(ii) The Town Clerk submitted a further communication received from Colonel Hunt in regard to his having the use of the land pending completion of the Conveyance, from which it appeared that he desired to use the land on Sundays between the hours of 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. with a view to encouraging recruiting by using instruments and guns on the ground. It was pointed out, however, that the writer was not in a position to agree or otherwise to the terms imposed by the Town Council in regard to the conveyance of the land.

The Town Clerk was instructed to inform Colonel Hunt that no objection would be raised to the land being used forthwith for the purposes of the Brigade between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. on Sundays pending the completion of the purchase, subject to the user being a reasonable one;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved."

Arising thereon, reference was made by the Deputy Mayor to the following resolutions received from the North Finchley Ratepayers' Association and the Church End Finchley Ratepayers' Association, respectively, on the matter:—

"That this Public Meeting of the North Finchley Ratepayers' Association (North Ward Association) strongly protests against the intention of the Finchley Borough Council to sell or let any portion of the Glebe Land to the War Office (or any other party) for the building of a Military Barracks or like building.

The Glebe Land was purchased by the local Council for an open space and sports ground for the people, and this Association deplores the action of the Finchley Borough Council."

"In the matter of the proposed acquisition of part of the Glebe Land by the War Office, the members of the Church End Finchley Ratepayers' Association are of opinion that any disposal of public open space should be strenuously opposed."

After discussion, it was

RESOLVED that the paragraph in question be adopted (Alderman Pateman and Councillor Brooksbank voting against).

(*k*) **Finance** of the 20th May, 1937.

(*l*) **Housing** of the 24th May, 1937.

1513 **Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908—Advertising Vehicle:**

A letter, dated 22nd May, 1937, was submitted from Mr. L. F. Lloyd Smith of 20, Clarence Road, Clapham Park, S.W. 4, as follows:—

"I am writing to enquire if you would grant us permission to advertise some Religious Meetings which we are holding for six weeks in the Odeon Theatre, High Road, Finchley, by the use of Banners displayed on a private car.

The Police informed me that you were adverse to the use of loud speakers, and the causing of obstruction, but I hasten to assure you that we shall not use the former or cause the latter.

If you would be so kind as to grant us this would you let me know as soon as possible, so that, subject to your approval, we may display same either next Friday or Saturday before the meeting in the Cinema on the Sunday night, May 30th."

RESOLVED that the desired permission be granted (Councillor Caine voting against).

1514 **Licensing Acts:**

A notice was submitted from Mr. Harry William Chester of intention to apply to the Magistrates for permission to transfer to Mr. William Hampton of 84, Bedford Hill, Balham, the licence to sell exciseable liquor by retail to be consumed off the premises situate at 116, High Road, East Finchley, and known by the sign of "East Finchley Stores";

RESOLVED that no action be taken thereon.

1515 **Proposed New Municipal Offices:**

In accordance with notice, Alderman Vyvyan Wells moved as follows:—

"That notwithstanding any previous decisions of the Council, the proposed erection of new Municipal Offices and all matters in connection therewith be suspended for a period of 3 years."

The motion was duly seconded by Councillor Mrs. Legge, and a full discussion ensued, during the course of which Alderman Pike referred to the following resolution which had been received from the North Finchley Ratepayers' Association:—

"That this Association is very strongly opposed to the £100,000 scheme of the Municipal Buildings Committee of the Council. It affirms that the need is not urgent and that the Ratepayers cannot afford the cost of such extravagant proposals at the present juncture, when national needs are predominant and the state of the Council's finances call for economy rather than further expenditure. It further deplores the fact that the Ministry of Health has been asked to sanction such expenditure prior to any tenders having been received, also bearing in mind that the nominal figures put forward by Councils are frequently greatly exceeded."

On being put, the motion was lost, eight voting in favour (Aldermen Briant and Wells, and Councillors Brooksbank, Burch, Grobel, Hayter, Jones and Mrs. Legge) and twelve against (Aldermen Pateman, Pike and Syrett, and Councillors Baines, Caine, Collis, Grocott, Langlands, Norman, Rutt, Steward and Wightman).

1516 **Documents for Sealing:**

RESOLVED that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents:—

(1) Agreement with Messrs. Henlys in connection with the provision of windows overlooking the Brookside Walk in the proposed extension to garage in Regents Park Road.

(2) Contract with William Wood & Son, Ltd., for the erection of a ticket office and shelter at the Victoria Recreation Ground.

(3) Borough Surveyor's apportionments of the cost of making up the several private streets included in the 28th Batch.

(4) Agreement with and Conveyance from Eton Trust, Ltd., in connection with the acquisition of a strip of land for widening Ballards Lane outside Nos. 60/68.

(5) Contract with D. R. Paterson, Ltd., for works of Surface Water Sewer Reconstruction—Long Lane and Cromwell Road.

(6) Agreement with Co-Partnership Tenants, Ltd., in connection with the making up of certain footpaths—Hampstead Garden Suburb.

(7) Authority to the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager to sign an Agreement with the Association of Steel Conduit Manufacturers in connection with the supply of steel conduit required by the Electricity Department.

(8) Lease from Mr. Meckhonik of room at Belvedere Court, Lyttelton Road for use as Electricity Sub-Station.

(9) Licence (in duplicate) to Halls Car Sales, Ltd., to store petroleum spirit at Service Station, Arcadia Avenue.

(10) Demolition Order (in duplicate) in respect of No. 3, Rustic Cottages, Dunger Place.

(11) Demolition Order (in duplicate) in respect of No. 5, Rustic Cottages, Dunger Place.

(12) Contract with Messrs. Lees of Enfield, Ltd., for the erection of a mortuary.

(13) Agreement with Mr. P. J. Preston as to building over sewer—plot H.12, Haslemere Gardens.

(14) Consolidated Loans Fund (Finchley) Scheme, 1937 (in duplicate).

(15) Contract with the Brandt Automatic Cashier Co., Ltd., for the supply of a Brandt Automatic Cashier.

(16) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mrs. J. Wheatley in connection with the acquisition of 1, 2 and 3, Vane Cottages, Red Lion Hill.

(17) Agreement with and Conveyance from the trustees of E. Sayer, deceased, in connection with the acquisition of properties in the Red Lion Hill area.

(18) Discharges of Registered Charges or Vacating Receipts (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts) in respect of the following:—

Mortgage No. 490—J. Hewson, 8, Brunner Close.
" " 457—A. Cox, 6, Brackenbury Road.
" " 66—I. F. J. Jackson, 13, Brookland Hill.
" " 716—D. B. Sale, 9, Eastholm.
" " 552—S. J. Roberts, 24, Nethercourt Avenue.
" " 9—H. N. Taylor, 13, Elm Gardens.
" " 897—Miss I. B. Burrows, 19, Chandos Road.
" " 720—D. H. Harrison, 38, West Avenue.
" " 209—M. Isaacs, 41, Princes Avenue.
" " 701—Miss E. M. Edwards, 44, West Avenue.
" " 704—F. Lipscombe, 59, Naylor Road.
" " 705—F. Titmus, 53, Naylor Road.
" " 816—A. C. Grace, 14, Walfield Avenue.
" " 835—Mr. and Mrs. T. Beach, 67, Hervey Close.
" " 342—A. N. Fuller, 61, Chandos Road.
" " 737—W. G. Harris, Joeshouse, North Circular Road.

*(19) Contract with Mr. S. Spittle for the erection of fencing at rear of St. Mary's Presbytery, East Finchley.

*(20) Contract with Messrs. Wenham & Fowler for Re-conditioning Low Pressure Hot Water Installation—Manorside School.

*(21) Contract with J. A. Dumayne & Co., Ltd., for erection of new Infants' School—Summerside School.

*(22) Contract with the Albion Clay Co., Ltd., for supply of Stoneware Conduits.

* See report of Town Council in Committee.

1517 **Payment of Accounts :—**

(*a*) The Town Clerk reported that, since the last Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council, Borough Treasurer's Interim Orders for the sums of £11,771 14s. 0d. and £105,042 10s. 11d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(*b*) **RESOLVED** that Orders in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council, and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay :—

(1) the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 20th May, 1937, amounting to £24,922 4s. 6d. ; and

(2) the sum of £21,800 made up as follows :—

	£
Barclays Bank Ltd. (General Rate Fund Revenue Account)	1,300
Barclays Bank Ltd. (Superannuation Fund)	10,500
London and Home Counties Joint Electricity Authority on account of amount due for bulk supply of electricity to 31st March, 1937	10,000
	£21,800

1518 **Questions :**

In accordance with notice, the following question was asked by Councillor Collis :—

"Has the Chairman of the Highways Committee had his attention drawn to the evident malicious breaking off of a head of blossom from a tree in the highway of Long Lane and opposite Ivy Lodge, and will he have the notice of the public drawn to the Council reward of £5 to anyone giving information which shall result in a conviction ?"

In reply, the Chairman of the Committee stated that the matter had been investigated by the Borough Surveyor and that the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee would at their next meeting consider the desirability of publishing further notices offering a reward for information leading to the conviction of persons damaging trees in the Borough.

1519 **Council in Committee:**

It was proposed by Councillor Langlands, seconded by Alderman Syrett, and

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the Town Council do now go into Committee.

1520 **Carrimore Works, High Road, N. 12—Additional Building:**

Paragraph 1341 of the Town Planning Committee's Report of the 3rd May, 1937, was considered;

RECOMMENDED that same be adopted.

1521 **Plan No. 9982—Alterations—2, Moss Hall Grove, N. 12—Finchley Division Liberal and Radical Association:**

The above plan, referred to in paragraph 1346 (b) of the Town Planning Committee's Report of the 3rd May, 1937, was considered further, and arising thereon it was intimated that the whole matter would be re-considered at the next meeting of the Committee, when a deputation from the Association was being received.

1522 **Private Street Works—29th Batch:**

(1) Paragraph 1384 (a) of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee's Report of the 5th May, 1937, was considered, and arising thereon, the Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"I have communicated with the frontagers in the above-mentioned roads asking whether they would raise any objection to grass verges being provided in the footways in lieu of margins of red paving bricks in the event of the Council deciding to arrange therefor. It was pointed out that the substitution of grass verges in place of red paving bricks would have a tendency to reduce the street works charges and the replies received to date are as follows. The figures in brackets indicate the number of persons to whom letters were sent in each street:—

	In favour of grass verges.	In favour of red brick margins.	Neutral.
(25) Blandford Close	17	7	—
(11) Deansway	10	1	—
(22) Greenhalgh Walk	15	4	1
(59) Gurney Drive	48	6	—
(33) Widecombe Way	28	4	— "

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council agree to the substitution of grass verges for red brick margins in the footways in the streets in question.

(2) Paragraph 1384 (b) of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee's Report of the 5th May, 1937, was considered, and arising thereon, the Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

The following letter has been circulated to the frontagers in The Leys with regard to the above matter and the replies received will be submitted at your meeting:—

"With reference to the making up of the above street, the Council has obtained tenders by advertisement and the lowest works out at approximately 24/10d. per foot run of frontage.

Two years ago an estimate was prepared for the purpose of arriving at the amount of the loan required, and though it was approximate, it only amounted to 17/3d. per foot run of frontage.

The Highways Committee are of opinion that such a large variation is not warranted by the recent increase in the cost of materials, and I am directed to explain the position and to enquire whether you would agree to the work being carried out at the present time if the cost were kept within £1 0s. 0d. per foot run of frontage, which is a figure considered sufficient by the department.

It would be much appreciated if you could reply at your earliest convenience, and in any case by not later than first post on Monday, the 31st May. A stamped addressed envelope is enclosed."

After consideration of the replies received from the nine frontagers, it was

RECOMMENDED that the whole matter be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

1523 **Public Libraries Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 3rd May, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1524 **Town Planning Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 3rd May, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (Plan No. 9144a—Block of 28 Flats and 20 Garages, North Circular Road, N. 3, between Haslemere Gardens and Kinloss Gardens—Mr. O. I. Hitchings), the Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"In accordance with your instructions, I have taken up with the Architect the question of roofing the block of flats proposed to be erected on the above site. The Architect informs me that he amended his original plan which showed a pitched roof because the vendors of the estate required buildings of this number of storeys not to have a pitched roof. I may also add that the Council has approved plans showing a flat roof for blocks of flats three or four storeys in height, and under the circumstances, I presume the Council will approve the plan."

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that the plan in question be approved.

1525 **Valuation Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 4th May, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1526 **Highways and Fire Brigade Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 5th May, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (Obstructions on Public Footpaths), it was

RECOMMENDED that the matter be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

1527 **Electricity Accounts and Works Sub-Committee:**

A report of this Sub-Committee, dated 6th May, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report, with the exception of paragraph 4 (which be deleted), be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1528 **Public Health Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 6th May, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1529 **Education Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 10th May, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the report, with the exception of paragraphs 1, 5 and 8, be adopted ; and

(2) that paragraphs 1, 5 and 8 be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

1530 **General Purposes Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 19th May, 1937 (with the exception of paragraph 3, which had already been dealt with in open Council), was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (Bye-Laws—Good Rule and Government—Wireless Loud-speakers), after hearing a report by the Solicitor on the matter, it was

RECOMMENDED that same be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

1531 **Finance Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 20th May, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1532 **Housing Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 24th May, 1937, was submitted and considered.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (a) (Finchley Housing Confirmation Order, 1935,), the Borough Surveyor presented, in accordance with instructions, drawings numbered 11195 and 11213, being amended wash-house plans in respect of Mowbray House and Craven Lodge sites referred to in recommendation (2) ;

RECOMMENDED that such drawings be approved.

Arising further out of paragraph 1 (a), it was

RECOMMENDED that recommendation (3) be not adopted, but that the matter be referred to the Committee for further consideration with a view to the question of heating by electricity being discussed.

RECOMMENDED that the report, as amended, be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1533 **Electricity Committee :**

A report of a Special Meeting of this Committee, dated 26th May, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1534 **Finance Committee :**

A report of a Special Meeting of this Committee, dated 31st May, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1535 **Barnet District Gas and Water Bill:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"The Town Council will remember that a petition was lodged against the above Bill in the second House, in which the main points of opposition were:—

The Clause dealing with the Revision of Water Charges;

Pressure of Water in Finchley; and

Protective Clause in regard to Highways.

The Promoters conceded the Corporation's requirements on the last point immediately, but the other two matters have been under discussion for some time.

As regards the pressure question, the Company were proposing to give the Corporation the same protection as was contained in the 1904 Act, namely, such pressure as would be afforded by gravitation from the Company's Reservoir at Arkley, and it will be realised that this is almost incapable of measurement owing to 'draw-off' and various other matters.

Considerable negotiations have been proceeding with the Company, who stated that they would shortly be compelled to take further supplies of water from the Metropolitan Water Board, and as these increased Finchley would take less and less from Arkley. In the circumstances it was of prime importance that some standard of pressure which could be definitely ascertained should be applied to Finchley.

The Company intimated that they were proposing to construct a large main down the Great North Road from Barnet to the Reservoir at Fortis Green, and proposed to the Corporation that after the expiration of 7 years from the passing of the Act, by which time this main would be constructed, they would provide a constant supply of water in Finchley in accordance with the terms of the Waterworks Clauses Act, 1847, provided that they should not in any event be required to supply water in Finchley at a pressure greater than would make the water reach a level of 60 feet above the level of the road nearest the point at which such supply should be given.

On the instructions of the Chairman of the Legal and Parliamentary Committee, the Company were asked to reduce the period of 7 years for the construction of the main to 5 years and to raise the pressure from 60 feet to 80 feet.

After further negotiations between Messrs. Lees & Co. and the Company's Agents, the Company intimated that they would be prepared to construct the main by 31st December, 1943, but that they could not agree to anything beyond 60 feet in regard to the pressure.

I would point out that Finchley is the only area in the Company's water limits which has now obtained a definite standard for pressure, as the pressure in the rest of the Company's area is to be governed by gravitation.

So far as the Clause dealing with the Revision of Charges is concerned, the Promoters have accepted part of the amendment put forward on behalf of the Corporation, but inasmuch as all the other authorities decided not to petition in this House, Messrs. Lees & Co. advise that the Corporation would be unlikely to succeed if they decided to go before the Committee, and would, in any circumstances, be involved in considerable expense.

The Chairman of the Committee has, therefore, authorised the withdrawal of the Corporation's petition on the terms above-mentioned, and he will no doubt make a short statement thereon."

Arising on the above, the Chairman of the Legal and Parliamentary Committee made a statement on the matter;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1536 **Red Lion Hill Housing Estate—Fencing at Rear of St. Mary's Presbytery, East Finchley:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"Adverting to Minute No. 1084 authorising the erection of certain fencing at the rear of St. Mary's Presbytery, East Finchley, N. 2, two prices have been received for this work, the lowest being that submitted by Mr. S. Spittle amounting to £95 10s. 0d. We have promised to erect this fence as soon as possible and I shall be glad if the Council will authorise the Town Clerk to prepare the necessary contract with Mr. Spittle."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the quotation of Mr. S. Spittle, at the sum of £95 10s. 0d., be accepted, subject to contract; and

(*b*) that the contract be added to the list of documents for sealing.

1537 **Open Air Pool—Charges for Admission :**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"In February last when considering the question of admission charges for the current season, the Council decided that the issue of rolls of 500 tickets at 4d. per ticket to Clubs should be discontinued. This rate was in operation for the first time during the previous season, but no advantage was taken thereof.

The tickets were not available on Sundays and Bank Holidays and unused tickets at the end of season were not returnable.

A letter, dated the 26th May, 1937, has been received from the Simms Social Club (1937) offering to take an initial batch of 500 tickets if the facilities are renewed and their letter adds :—

'From the enthusiasm which is in evidence among members of the Swimming Section of our Club, there seems every possibility that we might be able to take even larger quantities in the future.'

I shall be glad of your instructions."

RECOMMENDED that the matter be referred to the Public Health Committee for consideration.

1538 **Tenders :**

(*a*) Supply of Portable Air Compressor.

(*b*) Reconditioning—Low Pressure Hot Water Installation—Manorside School.

(*c*) Repairs and Decorations at the Town Council's Schools.

(*d*) Erection of new Infants' School—Summerside School.

(*e*) Electrical Re-Wiring—Alder School.

(*f*) Supply of Stoneware Conduits.

The tenders received in connection with the above were submitted ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that as regards (a), (c) and (e), the tenders be referred to the appropriate Committees for consideration ;

(2) that as regards (b), the tender of Messrs. Wenham & Fowler (the lowest) at the sum of £1,598, be accepted, subject (a) to contract, (b) to the approval of the Board of Education, and (c) to the consent of the Minister of Health being received to the necessary loan ;

(3) that as regards (d), the tender of J. A. Dumayne & Co., Ltd. (the lowest) at the sum of £10,280, be accepted, subject (a) to contract, (b) to the consent of the Minister of Health being received to the necessary loan, and (c) to the approval of the Board of Education ;

(4) that as regards (f) the tender of the Albion Clay Co., Ltd., on the schedule of prices submitted, be accepted, subject to contract ; and

(5) that the necessary contracts be added to the list of documents for sealing.

1539 **Resumption of Council :**

RESOLVED that the Town Council do now resume, and that the recommendations above set forth be adopted.

Mayor.

Valuation Committee's Report.

8th JUNE, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), Councillor Connorton (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Brooksbank and Wightman, and Messrs. Gray and Griffith.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pateman and Syrett.

1540 **Minutes:**

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

1541 **North Middlesex Assessment Committee:**

(*a*) Annual Report, 1937.—A copy of the Annual Report of the above Committee was submitted from which it appeared that the total reduction made in the Finchley assessments as the result of appeals during the year amounted to £63 only, and the congratulations of the Committee were accorded to the Valuation Officer for the very satisfactory result.

(*b*) Proposal List No. 14.—It was reported that the above Proposal List was considered by the Assessment Committee at its meeting on the 28th May, 1937; that eight objections were received but no reductions made.

(*c*) Conferences of Rating and Valuation Officers.—The Valuation Officer reported briefly upon the proceedings at Conferences of Rating and Valuation Officers with the Chairman and Officer of the Assessment Committee which were held on the 22nd March and 13th April, 1937.

1542 **Assessments:**

The Committee had before them the following resolution passed at the last meeting of the Committee of the North Finchley Ratepayers' Association:—

> "That this Association is of the opinion that the rateable value of property in Finchley is generally too high, especially as rents are substantially falling and when comparison is made with the rateable values in many other nearby districts, and requests the Finchley Borough Council to take the necessary steps with a view to a general reduction of rateable values."

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Rating Authority is of the opinion that there is no evidence that Assessments in Finchley are too high, but that the Rating and Valuation Act, 1925 provides a remedy for ratepayers who are aggrieved as to the assessments upon their premises by giving them the right to appeal to the Assessment Committee and to Quarter Sessions.

1543 **Railways (Valuation for Rating) Act, 1930—"Let Out" Properties:**

It was reported that statutory notices had been received of the County Valuation Committee's intention to appear in opposition to certain Ratepayers' Objections to the Rating Authority's Proposals in respect of "Let Out" Properties on the London and North Eastern Railway Company's Undertaking in the Finchley Rating Area.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Parks and Open Spaces Committee's Report.

8th JUNE, 1937.

Present: Alderman Wells (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Pateman and Syrett, and Councillors Connorton and Rutt.

Non-Member: Councillor Wightman.

1544 **Minutes:**

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

1545 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1546 **Arden Playing Field:**

A letter, dated 4th June, 1937, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the Finchley Cricket Club making application for permission to hold an informal meeting on the Arden Playing Field on Friday, the 18th June, 1937, in connection with the suggested formation of a Unit to be attached to the proposed Anti-Aircraft Battery.

The Committee decided to grant the desired permission;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1547 **Brook Farm:**

(*a*) Proposed Ladies' Convenience.—The Borough Surveyor submitted Drawing No. 11219 in connection with the above and intimated that a sum of £200 had been provided in the current estimates in respect thereof.

Instructions were given for tenders to be invited for the carrying out of the work;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*b*) Football Pitches.—The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

> "Twenty-two applications have been received to date for the football pitches in Brook Farm and I shall be glad to receive authority to allocate these as in previous years subject to report. It should be pointed out that these clubs have for the most part very slender financial resources and no definite lettings can be arranged until the Town Council have arrived at a decision with regard to the rents to be charged. The clubs are, of course, anxious to get the question of grounds decided to enable them to settle their fixture lists."

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the letting of the pitches in question for the 1937/8 season, subject to report; and

(2) that similar rents, etc., to those which obtained for the 1936/7 season be charged in respect of the forthcoming season.

1548 **Glebe Land:**

(*a*) First-Class Rugby Pitch.—A letter, dated 29th May, 1937, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the Finchley Rugby Football Club enquiring whether a small Sub-Committee of the Club could meet representatives of the Town Council for the purpose of discussing the future arrangements in regard to the first-class rugby pitch when the relaying was completed and the Open Spaces Sub-Committee were authorised to meet the representatives of the Club and report.

(*b*) Finchley Football Club.—It was reported that the Finchley Football Club were desirous of holding a boxing display at above in the near future and that application had been made for the consent of the Town Council to the proposal;

RECOMMENDED that the desired permission be granted, subject to the boxing display not taking place on a Sunday.

1549 **Lyttelton Playing Fields—Entrance from Lyttelton Road—Electricity Cable and Overground Disconnecting Box:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"At the meeting of the Town Council in April last the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager was instructed to proceed with the laying of a distributing cable in front of Lyttelton Court and Monarch Court. Reference to the plans shows that the line of the cable crosses the entrance to the Lyttelton Playing Fields, and involves the erection of an overground disconnecting box adjoining the fence on the east side, all such works being outside the entrance gates. I understand that the work has been completed by the Department, but your formal approval is required to put the matter in order."

The Committee decided not to raise any objection to the action taken.

1550 **Swan Lane Open Space:**

In accordance with instructions, the Borough Surveyor submitted Drawing No. 11214 showing a suggested site on the above open space which might be levelled for the playing of cricket by juniors and intimated that the estimated cost of the necessary works amounted to £70.

The Committee viewed the proposal with favour but the Borough Surveyor was instructed to bring the matter forward for consideration in conjunction with the estimates for the next financial year.

1551 **Southgate and District Annual Flower Show:**

It was reported that the Mayor had received from the Mayor of Southgate an invitation to arrange on behalf of the Town Council for the entry of an exhibit at the above Show which was to be held on the 3rd and 4th September, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that such invitation be accepted subject to the Parks Superintendent being able to make the necessary arrangements in connection with the exhibit.

1552 **Land North Side of Totteridge Lane:**

(*a*) It was reported that the following resolution had been passed by the Middlesex County Council on the 27th May, 1937, in regard to the Town Council's application for a contribution towards the cost of acquiring the above land:—

"That, subject to the under-mentioned conditions, a contribution be made to the Finchley Borough Council of a sum of £1,605, or of such less sum as shall be equivalent to 33⅓ per cent. of the purchase money and legal expenses, and of the vendors' surveyors' fees and compensation to tenants, if any, paid by the Finchley Borough Council in connection with the acquisition, for the purposes of a public open soace, public park, walks or pleasure ground, of about .92 of an acre of land, situate on the north side of Totteridge Lane in the Borough of Finchley and coloured pink on the plan now submitted:—

(*a*) To the consent of the Minister of Health to the borrowing by the County Council of the amount of its contribution;

(*b*) To the whole of the land being dedicated for the purposes of a public open space, public park, walks or pleasure ground;

(*c*) To no buildings being erected on any part of the land other than lodges, bandstands, lavatories, sports pavilions, refreshment rooms, shelters, sheds and buildings of a like nature, except with the consent of the County Council, which consent shall only be granted on condition that such buildings are to be used for purposes ancillary to the use of the land for the aforesaid purposes;

(*d*) To there being no differentiation in the use of the land between the inhabitants of the Borough of Finchley and those of other parts of the County, with the exception of any part set apart for the playing of organized games;

(*e*) To the Borough Council's not exercising in connection with the land, without the previous consent of the County Council, any powers obtained under a local Act in relation to the user of the land;

(*f*) To an agreement, in form approved by the Clerk of the County Council, being entered into with the Borough Council, embodying the above conditions and such other covenants and conditions as may be considered desirable for giving full effect to the arrangements."

RECOMMENDED that the County Council be informed that the terms of the above-mentioned resolution are acceptable to the Town Council.

(*b*) In accordance with instructions the Borough Surveyor submitted an estimate amounting to £91 for laying out the above land including the provision of a drinking fountain, 4 seats and the planting of trees and shrubs. In this connection the Chairman referred to the offer made by Mr. G. H. Kemp to contribute a sum of 100 guineas towards the cost of acquiring the land for open space purposes and suggested that, in order to obviate the necessity for a supplemental estimate, Mr. Kemp might be invited to bear the cost of laying out the land instead of contributing towards the purchase thereof.

The Committee were in agreement with the suggestion and the Town Clerk was instructed to communicate with Mr. Kemp accordingly ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1553 **Victoria Recreation Ground :**

The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated 31st May, 1937, received from Mr. W. C. Hinton drawing attention to an infringement of the Bye-Law relating to cycling in the above recreation ground. After hearing a report by the Borough Surveyor, the Town Clerk was instructed to warn the offender that in the event of a repetition of the occurrence the Town Council would take a serious view of the matter ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1554 **Parks and Open Spaces—Receipts :**

The Borough Treasurer's statement of the weekly receipts for tennis, etc., during the month of May, 1937, was submitted.

1555 **Avenue House—Sale of Refreshments :**

In accordance with instructions the Borough Surveyor submitted sketch plans for converting the open portico at the rear of Avenue House for use in connection with the sale of light refreshments and intimated that the estimated cost of the work was £45. The Committee decided to consider the matter further in conjunction with the estimates for the next financial year.

1556 **Land—High Road, Whetstone :**

It was reported that the London Passenger Transport Board were desirous of obtaining a site adjacent to the High Road, Whetstone upon which to erect an Electrical Transformer Station and that they had approached the Town Council with a view to acquiring a small piece of land at the entrance to the Brook Farm Open Space for the purpose in question. The Borough Surveyor was instructed to negotiate with the Officers of the Board on the matter and to consult the District Valuer in regard to the value of the site proposed, and to report further at a later meeting ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1557 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

VYVYAN WELLS,

Chairman.

Highways and Fire Brigade Committee's Report.

9th JUNE, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), Councillor Baines (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), and Councillors Burch, Connorton, Grobel and Wightman.

Non-Members: Alderman Wells and Councillor Wilmot.

1558 **Minutes:**

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

1559 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1560 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

It was reported that the under-mentioned properties of the Town Council had been damaged, and that the matters had been dealt with:—

Paving—Eversleigh Road.
Lamp Column—North Circular Road.
Lamp Column—Hill Top.
Lamp Column—Cornwall Avenue, junction with Ballards Lane.
Pedestrian Crossing Beacons—East End Road (2 at Church Lane and 1 at Abbots Gardens).
"Keep Left" Sign—Hampstead Lane.

1561 **Insurance of Workmen — Accidents — A. Vardy and E. Matthews:**

It was reported that the above employees had met with accidents since last meeting and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

1562 **Street Accidents:**

The Returns received from the Police Authorities were submitted, from which it appeared that the number of street accidents which had occurred in the Borough during the month of April, 1937, as compared with the corresponding period for the previous year, was as follows:—

	Fatal.	Personal Injuries.		Total.
1936	1	31		32
1937	2	Serious. 3	Slight. 35	40

1563 **Highways—Trees:**

A letter, dated 1st June, 1937, was submitted from Mrs. E. M. Corrick of 18, Leicester Road, N. 2, as follows:—

"May I be permitted to send a word of appreciation of the little trees that have been planted in this road? Though they are still small in size, a week or so ago, all were covered with very pretty blossom, and now that this is gone, and the leaves have formed, the appearance of the road is still greatly improved."

1564 **Proposed Widening—Ballards Lane—Elford Estates, Ltd.:**

A communication, dated 28th May, 1937, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council, intimating that the County Highways Committee had approved of the Town Council accepting the offer of the owners to dedicate the forecourts of Nos. 56 and 58, Ballards Lane, and had authorised an expenditure of £35 in respect of paving works and legal charges.

1565 **Public Works, Roads and Transport Congress and Exhibition (1937):**

It was reported that an invitation had been extended to the Town Council to appoint delegates to attend the above Congress and Exhibition to be held at the Royal Agricultural Hall from the 15th to 20th November, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be appointed to represent the Town Council thereat.

1566 **Highways:**

A communication, dated 22nd May, 1937, was submitted from Mr. T. S. Maxfield Follis of 17, The Ridgeway, N. 3, suggesting that the practice of gritting roads, when wet, was liable to increase, rather than decrease, the risk of skidding of motor vehicles;

RECOMMENDED that he be informed that the matter will be carefully investigated, and that, if necessary, appropriate action will be taken so as to obviate any cause for further complaint.

see also 1567.

1567 **Road Traffic Act, 1930—Section 46—Road and Rail Traffic Act, 1933—Section 29:**

A circular letter, dated 30th April, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Transport forwarding for the information of the Town Council, a copy of a revised Memorandum as to the procedure to be adopted in submitting to the Minister, for confirmation, Orders made by Councils under Section 46 of the Road Traffic Act, 1930, as amended by Section 29 of the Road and Rail Traffic Act, 1933.

This Memorandum, it was stated, was in substitution for that circulated on the 16th March, 1934.

1568 **Cycling on Footpaths—Lovers Walk:**

It was reported that the case against Mr. George Bowyer for cycling on the above footpath, in respect of which proceedings were authorised in April last, was heard at the Highgate Court on the 19th May, 1937, when a fine of 5s. was inflicted.

1569 **Renumbering—Ingram Avenue:**

The Town Clerk reported that, in December, 1934, the Town Council had approved a plan for the renumbering of premises in Ingram Avenue, and that the statutory notices were subsequently served; that according to the plan, the number assigned to the house to be built on one plot, then vacant, was 38; that this house had now been built, and that the owner had marked it as No. 34; further that a letter had been received from Messrs. Robert Hart & Sons, Ltd., on his behalf, requesting that, as the plots to which the numbers 34 and 36 had been assigned could not be built on for 990 years, he might be allowed to retain the number 34 for his property;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised thereto by the Town Council.

1570 **County Roads—Pedestrian Crossings:**

A letter, dated 5th May, 1937, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council as follows:—

"I beg to inform you that the County Council has had under consideration its policy in respect of contributions towards the cost of erecting traffic safety devices.

It is noted that as a result of modern traffic conditions heavy expense is being incurred in the erection of traffic signals, pedestrian signals, pedestrian crossings and barrier rails, and where such expenses have been necessary primarily to meet local conditions, the County Council has asked the local authority to contribute towards the cost of pedestrian signals and barrier rails. In the case of traffic signals, as you are aware, where they are wholly on County Roads, the County Council bears the whole of the net cost, but where County and District Roads form a junction the local authority are requested to defray a proportion of the net cost.

In the case of pedestrian crossings on County Roads the County Council has hitherto borne the whole of the net cost after taking into account the Ministry of Transport's grant. It would appear that the policy of the County Council is inconsistent in this respect and that the principle

of the local authority contributing towards local services should be extended to pedestrian crossings. The County Council accordingly at its last Meeting adopted a resolution that in future it will only be prepared to contribute 20 per cent. of the cost of the installation and maintenance of pedestrian crossings, in order that a uniform policy may be adopted in respect of contributions towards the cost of installing traffic safety devices."

1571 **Proposed Electricity Sub-Station Site—Hendon Lane:**

Referring to Minute No. 1389, the Borough Surveyor reported that he had now been informed by the County Surveyor that the view of the Ministry of Transport that a classified road should not be scheduled for a less width than 60 feet had been modified to some extent, and that it had been suggested by the County Engineer and Surveyor that a revised plan, showing the most economical line for a 50 ft. road with a 30 ft. carriageway and two 10 ft. footways, should be submitted.

An amended plan prepared by the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager showing the site of the proposed electricity sub-station was submitted, together with a drawing showing the result of a survey carried out by the Borough Surveyor.

After full discussion it was decided that the Officers in question be instructed to confer and submit at the meeting of the Town Council a joint report on the whole matter.

In the meantime, it was agreed that the Borough Surveyor should ask the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager to furnish him with a block plan of the proposed sub-station building for submission to the Middlesex County Council;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1572 **The National "Safety First" Association:**

The thirteenth Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the above Association was submitted.

1573 **New Road—Gordon Road to Brentway—Oakdene Estates, Ltd.:**

The Town Clerk reported that, in connection with the conveyance to the Town Council of the site of the above, he had received a letter from the owners' Solicitors asking if the Town Council would be prepared to give an undertaking:—

(1) Not to use the roadway as a dump;

(2) To indemnify them and the adjoining owners against all charges for occupation of land and user of the road;

(3) To indemnify them and adjoining owners against any expenses in connection with the road, *i.e.*, street lamps, etc.;

(4) To make good any damage done to the new road to be known as Oakdene Park.

He also intimated that in a further letter the Solicitors had asked that the undertaking should be extended as follows:—

(5) To keep the new road level with Oakdene Park; and

(6) To erect lamp posts in due course free of all expense to their Clients and the adjoining owners.

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council agree in principle to the giving of the undertaking in question, and that the matter be left to the Town Clerk to deal with.

1574 **Highways—Chamberlain Road:**

It was reported that a letter, dated 2nd June, 1937, had been received from Mrs. J. M. Enefer of 7, Chamberlain Road, N. 2, as follows:—

"On behalf of the ratepayers of the above-named road, I wish to make a complaint, regarding the condition in which this road is kept. Because it is only a side road it is only swept once a week, this is on Thursday afternoons, and the rest of the week the road looks a disgrace. The houses in the road all in good condition; the tenants all taking a pride in their appearances and front gardens, and we all pay our rates the same as the rest of the ratepayers of Finchley, yet because the road is a side road we have to suffer this anomaly.

Is this fair?

Trusting you will be able to be in a position to rectify the matter."

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the complaint is one which will be kept under observation, and that if in the opinion of the appropriate Officers it would appear to be necessary for the road to be cleansed more frequently than at present, the matter will receive further consideration by the Town Council.

1575 **Public Works Conciliation Board for London Area—Local Authorities' Section:**

A letter, dated 14th May, 1937, was submitted from the Secretary to the above, enclosing statement of receipts and expenditure of the Local Authorities' Section of the Board for the year ended 31st March, 1937, and stating that he would be glad to receive the Town Council's contribution of two guineas for the ensuing year;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for payment of the sum in question.

1576 **National Safety Congress—London—7th to 9th October, 1937:**

A circular letter was submitted from the General Secretary of the National "Safety First" Association, expressing the hope that the Town Council would be represented at the above Congress;

RECOMMENDED that Councillor Connorton be appointed to attend the Congress on behalf of the Town Council.

1577 **Wayleaves:**

An application was submitted from the Post Office Authorities for permission to instal an overground line with one pole in Montpelier Road, N. 2, opposite Nos. 16/18.

In connection therewith, the Borough Surveyor reported that an enquiry made of the Post Office Authorities had elicited the fact that the Department would require to be paid the sum of £76 to substitute underground work, and in the circumstances it was

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted, subject to the actual position of the pole being agreed by the Borough Surveyor, and to the work being carried out to his satisfaction.

1578 **Electric Main Applications:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"Applications for underground electric cables and overground disconnecting boxes have been received from the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager as follows:—

1st May, 1937	...	Disconnecting box in Devon Rise junction with Vivian Way. Devon Rise is a private street.
1st May, 1937	...	Disconnecting box in Harford Walk junction with Vivian Way. Harford Walk is a private street.
1st May, 1937	...	Disconnecting box in Brim Hill junction with The Leys.
1st May, 1937	...	Disconnecting box in Gurney Drive junction with Brim Hill, No. 46. Gurney Drive is a private street.
1st May, 1937	...	Disconnecting box in Gurney Drive junction with Brim Hill, No. 70. Gurney Drive is a private street.
1st May, 1937	...	Disconnecting box in Vivian Way near Lyttelton Road. Vivian Way is a private street.

1st May, 1937	...	Disconnecting box in Devon Rise junction with Brim Hill. Devon Rise is a private street.
1st May, 1937	...	Disconnecting box in Greenhalgh Walk junction with Lyttelton Road. Greenhalgh Walk is a private street.
1st May, 1937	...	Disconnecting box in Howard Walk junction with Brim Hill. Howard Walk is a private street.
1st May, 1937	...	Disconnecting box in Winnington Road near junction with Lyttelton Road. Winnington Road is a private street.
11th May, 1937	...	Disconnecting box in Kingsgate Avenue junction with Clandon Gardens. Kingsgate Avenue is a private street.
11th May, 1937	...	Disconnecting box in Amberden Avenue junction with Kingsgate Avenue. Amberden Avenue is a private street.
21st May, 1937	...	Disconnecting box in Dollis Park near junction with Regents Park Road. This is an amended application following a request made at your last meeting that an endeavour should be made to obtain a better site. The path at the point in question is approximately 9 feet wide.
27th May, 1937	...	Electric cable extension in Litchfield Way from Middleway to Grey Close, Grey Close both sides and Brunner Close, both sides. Brunner Close is a private street.
27th May, 1937	...	Electric cable extension in the North Circular Road from Kinloss Gardens to the Barnet Bye-Pass. The North Circular Road is a retained County Road.
27th May, 1937	...	Electric cable extension in Long Lane from Church Lane to New Trinity Road.
28th May, 1937	...	Electric cable extension, Woodhouse Estate, affecting the following roads:— Woodhouse Road; Schoolway; Crossway; Ingleway; Crescentway; Garthway; Upway; Downway; Sunnyway; Summers Lane; Castle Way; Dunger Place; also crossing the gardens of houses between Summers Lane and Crescentway and private gardens at the top of Sunnyway,

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the applications in question be granted so far as the Town Council has jurisdiction in the matter; and

(*b*) that as regards the length of cable under private gardens on the Woodhouse Estate, the matter be referred to the Housing Committee.

1579 **Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"As the Town Planning Committee does not meet this month until after the date of your meeting, I am proposing to submit a report to the Council meeting giving particulars of any plans which require the consent of the Town Council as the Highway Authority under the above-mentioned Act."

1580 **Street Lighting:**

(*a*) Holden Road by Laurel Way.—The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"Following the instructions given at your March meeting, I have been in communication with the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager and the estimated cost of moving the nearest lamp in Holden Road to a position opposite the end of Laurel Way is £5. To deal satisfactorily with the lighting at this point, it is desirable that in addition to the above mentioned work, a new column should be erected and a second lamp moved, all as shown on drawing No. 11,132 which will be on the table at your meeting. The total estimated cost including reinstatement works is £36."

RECOMMENDED that the expenditure in question be approved, and that it be defrayed out of item 13/3 (Public Lighting) in the current estimates.

(*b*) Junction of Dollis Avenue and Hendon Lane, N. 3.—The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"The question of the lighting at this junction has been investigated and it is suggested that the position of an existing lamp should be altered and one new column provided at an estimated cost of £40 including reinstatement works. Drawing No. 11,131 indicating the lamps in question will be available at your meeting."

RECOMMENDED that the expenditure in question be approved, and that it be defrayed out of item 13/3 (Public Lighting) in the current estimates.

(*c*) East End Road from Park Farm to Cromwell Hall Estate.—The Borough Surveyor reported that, in consequence of improvement works which were proposed to be carried out at above, it would be desirable for additional lighting to be provided as shewn on drawing No. 11154, and that the cost in connection therewith was estimated at a sum of £130;

RECOMMENDED that such expenditure be approved, and that it be defrayed out of item 13/3 (Public Lighting) in the current estimates.

1581 **Falloden Way Junction with Brookland Rise:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"Following the instructions given at your meeting in April last, I communicated with the Hampstead Garden Suburb Residents' Association and have received a reply from the Hon. Secretary as follows:—

'In reply to your letter of the 21st April, 1937, No. JI/RB/1303 enclosing the accompanying drawing, I am requested to inform you that the drawing shows a much more elaborate arrangement than was contemplated when the question was raised originally by this Association.

In our letter to the Ministry of Transport it was suggested to have an island to the eastward of the five road ends and it was stated that Falloden Way appeared to be wide enough at that point and also that land was available to increase the width. This was completely ignored in the Ministry's reply thereto and accordingly it is proposed to repeat this suggestion to the Ministry of Transport as soon as we have agreed with you as to the method.

The letter from the Ministry shows such a perfunctory handling of the question that we feel fully justified in pressing for reconsideration of our proposal.

Your drawing is returned herewith with a request that you will be good enough to consider the feasibility of erecting an island where indicated.'

Drawing No. 11,191 showing the island in the position suggested by the Association with the consequent amendment of the kerb line, etc., will be presented at your meeting."

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to transmit drawing No. 11,191 to the Middlesex County Council, with a view to obtaining their observations thereon.

1582 **'Bus Stops—Regents Park Road, N. 3 :—**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"At the last meeting of your Committee a member suggested that the 'bus stop on pole No. 85 should be removed to pole No. 84. An inspection showed that the latter pole is at the entrance to the Express Dairy Farm and any 'bus stopping there would impede vehicles entering or leaving the Farm entrance and it is doubtful whether the Traffic Advisory Committee would be in favour of the alteration suggested in view of the possible complaint from the Dairy. The experimental period in respect of these stops expired on the 24th of last month and on the authority of your Chairman no suggestion was put forward to alter the 'bus stop from pole 85 to pole 84."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the action taken be approved ; and

(*b*) that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to make a further inspection with a view to ascertaining whether a suitable alternative site for the stopping place in question can be proposed.

1583 **Proposed Trolleybus Warning Sign—Ballards Lane, N.12, Opposite Omnibus Depot :**

The Borough Surveyor reported receipt of a communication, dated 20th May, 1937, from the London Passenger Transport Board, together with accompanying plan, making application for permission to erect signs on Pole No. 15 on the down track and Pole No. B.6 on the up track, Ballards Lane, adjacent to the 'bus depot, giving warning of a trolleybus turning place ;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised thereto so far as the Town Council has jurisdiction in the matter, subject to the exact positions of the signs being agreed by the Borough Surveyor.

1584 **Private Street Works—Castle Way :**

The Borough Surveyor reported that it was proposed to provide a concrete surface to the carriageway when making up this street, but that he was of opinion that, as the gradient was somewhat steep, the Committee should consider the desirability of providing a tarmacadam surface with a top dressing of anti-skid material.

He further intimated that he did not consider that the proposed alteration would involve any additional expenditure.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that the proposal be approved.

1585 **Proposed Shelter by St. Mary's School :**

The Borough Surveyor reported that, in accordance with the instructions contained in Minute No. 1153 (b), he had communicated with the London Passenger Transport Board, pointing out that the Town Council were still of opinion that there was urgent need for the provision of a shelter at the above point, and that he had now received from them a letter, dated 20th May, 1937, as follows :—

"Further to our letter of the 10th instant, we have given further consideration to the provision of a shelter at St. Mary's School, Hendon Lane, and would inform you that investigations into the traffic movement at this point confirm our previous opinion that the expense of providing shelter facilities is not justified.

We would point out that the monies allocated to the erection of shelters is strictly limited and we are able to take action only in cases of outstanding merit.

Under these circumstances, we hope your Council will appreciate our position and not press for the erection of a shelter at St. Mary's School."

RECOMMENDED that no further action be taken in the matter for the time being.

1586 **Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the under-mentioned employees were due to retire on the dates stated below:—

Sweeper H. Down—30th June, 1937 (by second period of extension).

Sweeper R. Beaumont—30th June, 1937 (by fourth period of extension).

He also intimated that the employees in question had consented to continue in the Town Council's service for a further period, and the Committee decided to recommend to the General Purposes Committee that their services be retained until the 30th June, 1938.

1587 **Crushed Flint for Gritting:**

See also 1566

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"Complaints have been received with regard to the gritting of the main roads owing to the fact that the traffic quickly disperses the granite chippings, throwing them into the side channels. I have consulted the County Surveyor on the matter and he is agreeable that crushed flint be used as it has been found to remain on the road longer in other districts. I am obtaining prices, but do not think it would be wise to enter into a contract until a trial has been made of several grades of material."

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

1588 **Lichfield Grove—Flooding—Reconstruction of Surface Water Sewer—Station Road to East End Road, N. 3:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that during the execution of the above work it had been discovered that the soil drainage of Nos. 274, 276, 284, 302, 304 (Education Department) 306 and 308 (Public Health Department), Regents Park Road, was connected to the surface water sewerage system, and that it was possible that other properties would be found to be similarly connected; further, that the matter would be considered at the next meeting of the Public Health Committee;

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to take such action as may be necessary in order to secure authority to enter the premises in question with a view to the preparation of a scheme for the re-drainage of the properties.

1589 **Protective Clothing for Employees during Inclement Weather:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"I have given consideration to the question of providing protection to the scavengers during wet weather and am of opinion that the articles in column 1 are necessary, and those in column 2 desirable.

(1).	(2).
Three-quarter waterproof Raglan.	As (1), plus:—
Leggings.	Smock.
Sou'wester.	Peak cap with rainproof cover.

The Committee could, if they so desire, procure the articles in the first column during the present financial year and make provision for both columns in the next year's estimates. If this procedure commends itself to the Committee, I estimate the cost this year at 22/6d. per man, totalling £63, and the cost next year at approximately 44/6d. per man, totalling £124."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that authority be given for the purchase of the articles indicated in column (1), at an estimated cost of £63, and that the expenditure be defrayed out of item 12/1 (Unclassified Roads — Sundries) in the current estimates; and

(*b*) that the question of the purchase of the articles mentioned in column (2) be considered further when the next annual estimates are being dealt with.

1590 **Travelling Facilities:**

The Borough Surveyor reported on a diagram submitted by the London Passenger Transport Board, showing the result of the running tests taken by the Board arising out of the representations made by the Town Council, from which it appeared that some improvement in the services had been shewn;

RECOMMENDED that no further action be taken in the matter.

1591 **Private Street Works—Kingsley Close:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the above-named street had been made up to his satisfaction, and that the maintenance period had expired;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that whereas the above-named street within the Borough of Finchley not being at the date hereof a highway repairable by the inhabitants at large, has been sewered, levelled, paved, metalled, flagged, channelled and made good and provided with proper means for lighting, and the Town Council being of opinion that the said street ought to become a highway repairable by the inhabitants at large, such street be and the same is hereby declared to be a highway repairable by the inhabitants at large from the date of the notices hereinafter mentioned; and

(*b*) that the Town Clerk be and he is hereby authorised to sign and affix the necessary notices in accordance with the provisions of the Public Health Acts (Amendment) Act, 1890; provided that if within one month after the putting up of such notices the owners, or a majority in number or value of the owners of the said street, shall by notice in writing object to the same becoming a highway so repairable the same shall not become a highway so repairable.

1592 **Cromwell Hall Estate, East End Road, N. 2:**

It was reported that a communication, dated 4th May, 1937, had been received from the Cromwell Hall Residents' Association, putting forward the following matters:—

(*a*) A request that a strip of slab paving should be laid on the island at the junction of Abbots Gardens and East End Road for the convenience of 'bus passengers;

(*b*) A request that certain grass verges should be replaced with red bricks or tarmacadam; and

(*c*) A complaint that the islands in the centre of Deansway were on occasion used for the parking of cars, and an enquiry as to whether the Council intended to enclose the islands with posts and chains.

The Borough Surveyor reported on these points as follows:—

As regards (a), that he estimated the cost of the work involved, including a small retaining wall, at £25; that the area in question was situate entirely in East End Road, and that the matter was one which would need to be referred to the Middlesex County Council;

As regards (b), that an inspection showed that pedestrians traversed the grass verge at the junction of Abbots Gardens and East End Road with consequent damage to the turf, and that he estimated the cost of red brick paving at £35;

As regards (c), that he would suggest that the consideration of the matter be deferred until the road had been made up and taken over as a highway repairable by the inhabitants at large;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that as regards (a), the Borough Surveyor be instructed to approach the Middlesex County Council with a view to obtaining their approval to the carrying out of the work in question;

(2) that as regards (b), the carrying out of the work be approved, and that the cost be defrayed out of item No. 12/1 (Unclassified Roads—Repairs to Carriageways, Footways, etc.) in the current estimates, but that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to approach the Middlesex County Council with a view to obtaining a contribution from that Body towards the cost thereof; and

(3) that as regards (c), the consideration of the matter be deferred until the road has been made up and taken over as a highway repairable by the inhabitants at large.

1593 **Proposed Pedestrian Crossing—North Circular Road at Junction of the Existing Footpath from Clifford Road:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"As instructed, I wrote the County Surveyor on the matter and he now states that he has heard from the Ministry of Transport as follows:—

'I am advised by the Police that the number of pedestrians using the footpath is almost negligible and that a crossing would serve no useful purpose.'"

1594 **Footpath—North Circular Road to Summers Lane:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the fence and gates in connection with the above were now on order, and that he would be glad of instructions as to whether it was desired that the gates should be closed one day each year;

RECOMMENDED that instructions be given for the footpath to be closed to the public on Good Friday in each year.

1595 **Footpaths—Hampstead Garden Suburb:**

Referring to Minute No. 1406, the Borough Surveyor reported that he had communicated with Co-Partnership Tenants, Ltd., asking them if they would be prepared to include in the arrangement for making up, the footpath between Hutchings Walk and Eastholm, and that they had replied under date 27th May, 1937, as follows:—

"We should be only too pleased to include the footpath you mention, but we would like to include the whole of this footpath, *i.e.*, from Hutchings Walk right out to Brookland Hill."

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

1596 **Tenders—Air Compressor:**

The tenders received in connection with the above, which were opened at the last meeting of the Town Council, were considered, in conjunction with a report by the Borough Surveyor;

RECOMMENDED that in view of such report, which be entered on the Minutes of the Town Council, the tender of Messrs. Broom & Wade, Ltd., at the sum of £436 3s. 0d. be accepted, subject to contract.

1597 **'Bus Stop Signs:**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon an application which he had received from the London Passenger Transport Board for permission to erect a 'bus stop sign in High Road, East Finchley, near Church Lane;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised thereto by the Town Council.

1598 **Fouling of Footpaths by Dogs:**

RECOMMENDED that authority be given to the Borough Surveyor to arrange for notices in connection with the above to be exhibited on lamp columns in each of the highways in the Borough, at an estimated cost of £35, and that the expenditure be defrayed out of item 12/1 (Unclassified Roads—Sundries) in the current estimates.

1599 **Transport of Road Sweepings:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that in consequence of there being insufficient dumps, he had found it necessary as a temporary expedient to enter into an arrangement with Mr. J. H. Haynes for road sweepings to be removed from the Borough at a cost of 3s. per cube yard;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the action taken be approved;

referred back

(*b*) that advertisements be issued inviting tenders for the disposal of road sweepings as required; and

(*c*) that the matter be reported to the Finance Committee.

see 1721

1600 **Fire Brigade:**

(*a*) National Fire Brigades' Association.—A letter, dated May, 1937, was submitted from the General Secretary to the above Association, drawing attention to the arrangements which were made at the Association's National Fire Camp for the sole benefit of improving the efficiency of the Brigade members;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken thereon.

(*b*) Damage to Town Council's Property.—It was reported that the under-mentioned properties of the Town Council had been damaged, and that the matters had been dealt with:—

Fire Alarm—Junction of Cornwall Avenue and Ballards Lane.

Fire Alarm—Junction of High Road and The Bishop's Avenue.

Splint Container in Talbot Ambulance.

(*c*) Chief Officer's Report.—The Chief Officer of the Brigade reported as follows:—

(i) Fires.—That a number of fires, as shown in the list circulated, had occurred between the 21st April and the 20th May, 1937.

(ii) Ambulance Calls.—That the following ambulance calls had been received between the 21st April, and the 20th May, 1937:—

Private Removals.	Accidents. Motor.	Accidents. Other.	Illness in street.	Not required on arrival.	Hoax calls.	Total.
35	16	2	6	7	0	66

(iii) Ambulance Service.—That he had received a letter, dated 26th May, 1937, from Mr. W. S. Murphy of 98, Fallow Court Avenue, N. 12, from which the following was an extract:—

> "I should like to take this opportunity of expressing my sincere thanks to the attendants for the great skill and care they exercised in moving my wife. My daughter, who is a nurse and who accompanied her mother to the Hospital, was very much impressed by the way in which the Ambulance was driven to avoid disturbing the patient any more than could be avoided. It is a boon to have such a service at hand in such an emergency."

(iv) Visitors—Fire Station.—That members of the Bognor Regis Council visited the Fire Station on the 6th May, 1937, and were received by the Mayor and Aldermen Pateman and Syrett.

(v) Staff.—

(*a*) That Mr. L. Brooks, the newly appointed fireman, commenced duty on the 4th May, 1937.

(*b*) That Fireman Fensome, having obtained a similar position in the Wembley Fire Brigade, had terminated his services with the Town Council on the 27th May, 1937, and that Fireman Douch had also resigned ;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that advertisements be issued inviting applications to fill the vacancies on the usual terms ; and

(*b*) that the Fire Brigade Sub-Committee be authorised to make the appointments, subject to report.

1601 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Public Health Committee's Report.

10th JUNE, 1937.

Present: Councillor Jones (Chairman), Councillor Grobel (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), and Councillor Steward.

Non-Members: Councillors Norman and Wilmot.

1602 **Minutes:**

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

1603 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1604 **Medical Officer's Report:**

The following report of the Medical Officer for the 5 weeks ended 29th May, 1937, was submitted and approved:—

	Wards. N.	E.	W.	1937.	1936.
" 1. **Deaths.**—					
Number registered	21	14	21	56	65
Infants under one year	1	2	1	4	6
Infectious disease	—	—	—	—	2
2. **Births.**—					
Number notified under the Notification of Births Acts	29	17	29	75	89
3. **Infectious Disease.**—					
Cases notified	10	7	6	23	18
Scarlet Fever	9	5	4	18	9
Pneumonia	—	2	—	2	3
Puerperal Pyrexia	—	—	1	1	—
Polio-myelitis	—	—	1	1	—
Erysipelas	1	—	—	1	—
Diphtheria	—	—	—	—	5
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	—	—	—	—	1
4. **Tuberculosis.**—					
Pulmonary cases	2	2	1	5	5
Non-pulmonary cases	1	—	1	2	—
5. **Patients in Hospital.**—					
Number in hospital on the 30th April				10	14
Number admitted				12	21
Number discharged				13	25
Number of deaths				—	2
Number in hospital on the 4th June				9	8

6. **Children Act, 1908, and Children and Young Persons Act, 1932.**

At the time of the last report there were 18 mothers and 37 children on the register. Since then 4 mothers and 16 children have been added and 4 mothers and 12 children have been removed from the register, leaving 18 mothers and 41 children on the register."

1605 **Sanitary Inspector's Report:**

This was submitted. Arising thereon the Inspector reported as follows:—

(1) Petroleum Consolidation Act, 1928.—That the following applications for licences to keep petroleum spirit and/or carbide of calcium had been received and that the applicants had been previously licensed:—

Applicant.	Address where Petroleum Spirit and/or Carbide of Calcium is to be kept.	Quantity of Petroleum Spirit and/or Carbide of Calcium to be kept.
1. A.1 & Dollis Dairies, Ltd.	A.1 Dairy Farm, High Road, N.20	500 gallons in bulk.
2. Advance Laundries, Ltd.	130, High Road, N. 12	750 gallons in bulk.
3. Arterial Garages, Ltd.	Corner Lyttelton Road and Kingsley Way, N. 2	7500 gallons in bulk.
4. G. Bailey & Sons, Ltd.	Broadway Garage, Totteridge Lane, N. 20	80 gallons in two-gallon tins.
5. Barnet District Gas & Water Co.	Depôt, Coleridge Road, N. 12	2 cwt. carbide.
6. Charles Becker, trading as Becker's Bakeries	Garages, rear of 51, Friern Park, N. 12	500 gallons in bulk.
7. Alfred Bell (Newcastle), Ltd.	24, Friern Park, N. 12	2000 gallons in bulk.
8. Arthur Bignell, trading as Bignell's Service Station	Bignell's Service Station, corner Mayfield Avenue and High Road, N. 12	5500 gallons in bulk. 100 gallons in two-gallon tins.
9. Samuel Thomas Birkin	North Finchley Garage, Avenue Road, N. 12	1500 gallons in bulk. 500 gallons in two-gallon tins.
10. Blaker Motor & Welding Co., Ltd.	Hamilton Road Depôt, Hamilton Road, N. 2	500 gallons in two-gallon tins.
11. W. T. Botten & Co., Ltd.	Showroom, Woodside Lane, N. 12	1000 gallons in bulk.
12. Breakspeare Service Garages, Limited	Breakspeare Service Garages, west side of High Road, Whetstone, immediately north of house known as "St. Margarets"	4000 gallons in bulk.
13. Brookside Garages, Limited	Brookside, High Road, N. 12	3000 gallons in bulk.
14. William Francis Browning	291, Ballards Lane, N. 12	1500 gallons in bulk. 60 gallons in two-gallon tins.
15. Burtonwood Motor & Aircraft Engineering Co., Ltd.	Woodside Grove, N. 12	50 gallons in two-gallon tins.
16. Carrimore Six-Wheelers, Ltd.	Carrimore Works, High Road, N. 12	500 gallons in bulk.
17. Samuel Gibbs Carter	Queen's Head Garage, East End Road, N. 3	1200 gallons in bulk.
18. Stanley Hubert Carter	Cornwall Garage, Cornwall Avenue, N. 3	1000 gallons in bulk. 40 gallons in two-gallon tins.
19. Carter Paterson & Co., Ltd.	Depôt, Dollis Park, N. 3	3000 gallons in bulk.
20. Edwin James Chellingsworth, trading as The Bibsworth Garage	Bibsworth Garage, Bibsworth Road, N. 3	1500 gallons in bulk.
21. Cory Brothers & Company, Limited	Reliance Service Station, High Road, N. 2	4000 gallons in bulk.
22. George Hambly Crabb	51, High Road, N. 2	1500 gallons in bulk.
23. Robert Deards, Limited	Manor Farm, East End Road, N. 3	1000 gallons in bulk.
24. Direct Supply Aerated Water Company, Ltd.	Aerated Water Factory, Gruneisen Road, N. 3	1500 gallons in bulk.

Applicant.	Address where Petroleum Spirit and/or Carbide of Calcium is to be kept.	Quantity of Petroleum Spirit and/or Carbide of Calcium to be kept.
25. Dollis Garage, Ltd.,	284, Nether Street, N. 3	1800 gallons in bulk.
26. Walter Sidney Down	The Avenue Garages, Great North Road, N. 2	3400 gallons in bulk. 400 gallons in two-gallon tins.
27. Express Dairy Company, Limited	College Farm, Finchley, N. 3	1250 gallons in bulk.
28. Farm Dairies, Ltd.	35, Church Lane, N. 2	40 gallons in two-gallon tins.
29. Finchley Borough Council	Central Depôt, Squires Lane, N. 3	1000 gallons in bulk.
30. John R. Freeman & Company, Ltd.	Depôt, north-east side of Manor Park Road, N. 2	500 gallons in bulk.
31. Freeman, Hardy & Willis, Ltd.	Warehouse, Stanhope Road, N. 12	500 gallons in bulk.
32. Gray Brothers (East Finchley), Ltd.	High Road, N. 2	1200 gallons in bulk.
33. Great Northern Motors (London), Ltd.	Service Depôt, High Road, N. 20	4000 gallons in bulk.
34. Great Northern Motors (London), Ltd.	Austin House, High Road, N. 12	500 gallons in bulk.
35. Halliwell & Greenwood, Ltd.	Hillview Works, East End Road, N. 2	1½ cwt. carbide of calcium.
36. Halls Car Sales, Limited	Service Station, Arcadia Avenue, N. 3	500 gallons in bulk.
37. Leonard Harris, Limited	1-3, Woodhouse Parade, N. 12	500 gallons in bulk.
38. Edgar Francis Harveyson	Harveyson's Garage, Shakespeare Road, N. 3	50 gallons in two-gallon tins.
39. J. H. Haynes	271, Ballards Lane, N. 12	1250 gallons in bulk.
40. Henlys, Ltd.	Petrol Service Station, 1, Regents Park Road, N. 3	8000 gallons in bulk.
41. Norman James, Ltd.	167-169, Ballards Lane, N. 3	2000 gallons in bulk. 60 gallons in two-gallon tins.
42. J. & A. Motors, Limited	The Motor House, High Road, N. 2	2000 gallons in bulk.
43. Arthur Leslie Jarratt	Churchfield Avenue, N. 12 (rear 15, Woodhouse Parade)	1500 gallons in bulk.
44. Joyce & Co. (Printing Materials), Limited.	1, King Street, N. 2	18 gallons (Mixture).
45. W. E. & G. Lawrance, Limited	Green Road, N. 20	500 gallons in bulk.
46. Leaver, Hembling & Perry, Ltd.	139, High Road, N. 2	3000 gallons in bulk.
47. Leaver, Hembling & Perry, Ltd.	141a, High Road, N. 2	2500 gallons in bulk.
48. Lindsay Bros., Ltd.	Highwood Garage, High Road, N. 12	1000 gallons in bulk. 16 gallons (Mixture).
49. London & North Eastern Railway Co.	Finchley, Church End Station, N. 3	500 gallons in bulk.

Applicant.	Address where Petroleum Spirit and/or Carbide of Calcium is to be kept.	Quantity of Petroleum Spirit and/or Carbide of Calcium to be kept.
50. London Passenger Transport Board	Permanent Way Yard, rear of Finchley Tram Depôt, Ballards Lane, N. 3	750 gallons in bulk.
51. James Hugh McLaren and Frederick Rice Cox	Finchley Park Garage, High Road, N. 12	3000 gallons in bulk.
52. Merry Miller Bakeries, Ltd.	Factory, The Walks, N. 2	500 gallons in bulk.
53. Middlesex County Council	Depôt, 223, Long Lane, N. 3	500 gallons in bulk.
54. Hannah Moore & Maurice Henry Moore	340, High Road, N. 2	70 gallons in two-gallon tins.
55. Walter Mortlock	Garage and Showroom, High Road, N. 12	1000 gallons in bulk. 50 gallons in two-gallon tins.
56. George Frederick Nash	16, Grove Parade, High Road, N. 12	50 gallons in two-gallon tins.
57. Ernest Stephen Neale & Alfred Basil Tullett	Denman Drive Garages, Denman Drive, N.W. 11	350 gallons in two-gallon tins.
58. Newton & Wright, Limited	68, Ballards Lane, N. 3	500 gallons in bulk.
59. Claude William Nightingale	Brookdale Garage, 1, Brookdale, North Circular Road, N. 3	40 gallons in two-gallon tins.
60. John Paterson & John Bruce Paterson	Motor Coach Works, rear of 57, High Road, N. 12	25 gallons (Mixture).
61. W. Harold Perry, Ltd.	Motor Works, Hutton Grove, N. 12	500 gallons in bulk. 20 gallons (Mixture).
62. Charles Ernest Henry Preston, Lionel Francis Preston and Percy Flower Preston	Holly Park Garage, 114, Regents Park Road, N. 3	4000 gallons in bulk. 10 gallons (Mixture).
63. H. Pope & Sons, Limited	Petrol Supply Station and Showrooms, north of Plowman's Timber Yard, Ballards Lane, N. 3	6200 gallons in bulk.
64. H. Pope & Sons, Limited	45, Ballards Lane, N. 3	300 gallons in two-gallon tins.
65. H. Pope & Sons, Limited	Yard rear 45, Ballards Lane, N. 3 (adj. Paint Shop)	25 gallons (Mixture).
66. Repetition Tyre & Accessories, Limited	Tally Ho! Works, Great North Road, N. 12	9 pints (Mixture).
67. J. Sainsbury, Ltd.	Garages, rear of 6-10, Princes Parade, Ballards Lane, N. 3	600 gallons in bulk.
68. Sydney Seymour	Homefield, Stanley Road, N. 2	1500 gallons in bulk.
69. Simms Motor Units, Limited	The Grange Works, Oak Lane, N. 2	200 gallons in bulk.
70. Walter Spillett	4a and 6a, Hutton Grove, N. 12	300 gallons in bulk.
71. Warren Taylor, Ltd.	Tally Ho! Motor Body Works, 2, Christchurch Avenue, N. 12	14 gallons (Mixture).
72. Jack Torromé	Garages, Hertford Road, rear of Black Boss Tavern	1000 gallons in bulk.

Applicant.	Address where Petroleum Spirit and/or Carbide of Calcium is to be kept.	Quantity of Petroleum Spirit and/or Carbide of Calcium to be kept.
73. Trounson & Knight, Ltd.	Petrol Service Station, west side of High Road, Whetstone, N. 20	3500 gallons in bulk. 6 gallons (Mixture).
74. Sidney Hubert Vickery	57a, Nether Street, N. 12	1000 gallons in bulk.
75. Harold Leonard Warner and Thomas Clifford Pank, trading as The King Edward Garage	Lock-up Garages, adj. New Bohemia, Arcadia Avenue, N. 3	1000 gallons in bulk.
76. Wilts United Dairies, Ltd.	Diploma House, 39, High Road, N. 2	2000 gallons in bulk.
77. Robert John Allan	Hillside Garage, Friern Park, N. 12	1000 gallons in bulk.
78. Angel Engineering Co., Ltd.	Workshops and Garages, north side of Station Road, N. 3	50 gallons (Mixture).
79. British National Dolls, Ltd.	Rear of 4-8, Hutton Grove, N. 12	20 gallons (Mixture).
80. Cecil Richard Cossor	Garage, Derby Avenue, N. 12	500 gallons in bulk.
81. Frank Seymour	Cambridge Works, Bedford Road, N. 2	1 cwt. carbide.
82. Philip Redshaw Spring	Grosvenor House Laundry, Christchurch Avenue, N. 12	500 gallons in bulk. 12 gallons (Mixture).
83. Horace Carl Taylor	Tally Ho! Garage, 340, Ballards Lane, N. 12	1000 gallons in bulk. 100 gallons in two-gallon tins.
84. Leonard Bright Down	407, Nether Street, Finchley, N. 3	1800 gallons in bulk.

RECOMMENDED that the licences now submitted be granted to the above-mentioned applicants to store such quantities of petroleum spirit and/or carbide of calcium as are respectively set opposite to their names for the period ending 30th June, 1938, subject to the conditions annexed to the said licences being observed, and subject also as regards No. 84 to the conditions specified in the Inspector's Report to the Committee, dated 4th December, 1936.

(2) Houses without proper dustbins (Section 22 of the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908).—

76a, Ballards Lane, N. 3.
3, North Place, Swan Lane, N. 20.
11, Hayward Road, Whetstone, N. 20.
6, Theobalds Avenue, N. 12.
8, Theobalds Avenue, N. 12.
"Brooklyn," High Road, N. 12.
3, Woodside Park Gardens, N. 12.
4, Woodside Park Gardens, N. 12.
39, Gainsborough Road, N. 12.
3, Woodgrange Avenue, N. 12.
9, Dollis Park, N. 3.

That the above premises were not provided with proper dustbins;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that notices be served upon the respective owners of the said premises, requiring them to provide at each house a strong galvanised iron dustbin with a suitable cover ; and

(*b*) that, failing compliance with such notices, proceedings be taken for recovery of the penalties mentioned in Section 22 of the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908.

(3) Nuisances (Public Health Act, 1875, and Acts amending the same—No. 349, Regents Park Road, N. 3.—That the above premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. The Committee being satisfied of the existence of the nuisance, it was

RECOMMENDED that a statutory notice be served upon the owner or owners of the said premises, requiring them to execute the works referred to by the Inspector in his report within the time mentioned in such notice.

(4) Paving of Passage (Section 20, Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908)—Passage between Nos. 349 and 351, Regents Park Road, N. 3.—That the passage belonging to the above-named premises and used in common by the occupiers thereof was in a bad condition ;

RECOMMENDED that statutory notices be served upon the respective owners of the said premises requiring them to execute the works referred to by the Inspector in his report within the time mentioned in such notices.

(5) Complaints.—That since the 30th April, 1937, the following complaints had been received and dealt with :—

re Condition of house	11
,, Blocked or defective drains	9
,, Dampness	1
,, Verminous rooms	1
,, Smells from sewers	2
,, Overcrowding	2
,, Smoke nuisance	2
,, Accumulation of refuse	5
,, Accumulation of water	2
,, Smell from dustbin	1
,, Dead cat	1
,, Rats	4
,, Insects	4
,, Noise	2
,, Cesspool	1
,, Unsound foodstuff	1
,, Shops Acts	3
	52

(6) Shops (Sunday Trading Restriction) Act, 1936.—That complaints had been received as to a certain firm of Monumental Masons whose premises were open to the public on Sundays in order that monuments might be inspected.

In this connection the Committee considered the desirability of drawing the attention of traders to the provisions of the above-mentioned Act ;

RECOMMENDED that notices giving information in regard to the provisions of the above Act be exhibited on the public notice boards within the Borough and that the Officers be instructed to give immediate warning to persons found contravening the same.

(7) Milk and Dairies Acts—Milk and Dairies Order, 1926—Registration.—That an application had been received from Farm Dairies, Ltd., of 35, Church Lane, East Finchley to be registered as purveyors of milk at and from No. 207, Long Lane, Finchley, N. 3. ;

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted.

(8) Unsound Food.—That the diseasedor unsound meat, particulars of which were submitted had been destroyed since last meeting.

1606 **Maternity and Child Welfare Sub-Committee:**

It was reported that a meeting of the above Sub-Committee had been held on the 10th June, 1937, and the following report was submitted:—

"Present: Councillor Jones (Chairman), Councillor Grobel (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), and Mrs. Reeves.

Non-Member: Councillor Norman.

(1) **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisition (circulated) be approved, subject to the addition of the following item in respect of Bourchier House — 'Fibre Matting — £1 10s.'

(2) **Supply of Milk:**

The Committee considered a circular letter, dated 1st April, 1937 (No. 1519), issued by the Ministry of Health in regard to the supply of milk to expectant and nursing mothers and young children and after hearing a report by the Medical Officer of Health, the Sub-Committee were of the opinion that the suggestions contained in the circular letter were adequately covered by the existing scheme operated by the Town Council;

RECOMMENDED that the Ministry of Health be informed accordingly.

(3) **Maternal Mortality:**

The Sub-Committee considered a circular (No. 1622) issued by the Ministry of Health in regard to the above and the Medical Officer reported thereon;

RECOMMENDED that the Ministry be informed—

(1) that the Town Council are fully aware of the necessity for adequate in-patient accommodation for maternity patients, and for women requiring treatment during pregnancy, and that in collaboration with the Boroughs of Hornsey and Wood Green the Council have for some time past been urging the Middlesex County Council to provide such accommodation easily accessible to the three Boroughs; and

(2) that as regards the other recommendations contained in the circular, the Town Council are of the opinion that these are adequately met by the services already provided.

(4) **Erection of Health Centre—Oak Lane:**

The Sub-Committee considered the plans and estimate prepared by the Borough Surveyor in respect of the above;

RECOMMENDED that the same be approved.

(5) **Medical Officer's Report:**

The Report (circulated) of the Medical Officer of Health for the 14 weeks ended 29th May, 1937, was submitted.

(6) **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

J. HUGH JONES,
Chairman."

RECOMMENDED, that the report of the Sub-Committee be received and adopted.

1607 **Public Health Services:**

The Medical Officer of Health submitted a letter received from the Secretary of the Central Council for Health Education in regard to the National Public Health Campaign to be held during the coming Autumn, and suggesting various steps which might be taken with a view to giving publicity to the Campaign. Instructions were given to the Medical Officer to obtain further particulars in regard to the sites upon which large-sized posters might be exhibited and to report further at the next meeting of the Committee;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

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1608 **Erection of Health Centre—Oak Lane:**

The Borough Surveyor submitted detailed plans for the above, together with the following estimate of the cost:—

	£	s.	d.
"Main building 168,402 feet cube at 1/5d.	11,929	0	0
~~Boiler room 3,600 feet cube at 2/-~~ Heating Chamber	360	0	0
Fencing, outbuildings, lay-out, etc.	661	0	0
Fittings and furniture	700	0	0
Contingencies, establishment charges, and clerk of works	850	0	0
Total	£14,500	0	0"

and it was reported that the Scheme had received the approval of the Maternity and Child Welfare Sub-Committee.

Arising thereon the Borough Surveyor reported that it would not now be necessary to divert the drain running through the site. He also pointed out that provision had been made for heating the premises by a low pressure hot water system.

The Committee were in accord with the plans and estimate submitted, but in accordance with the resolution of the Town Council gave instructions for the proposals in regard to heating to be referred to the Electricity Committee. It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the plans and estimate be approved so far as this Committee is concerned;

(2) that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to obtain tenders for the carrying out of the work; and

1732 (3) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration.

1609 **Housing Act, 1936—Demolition Order—41, Station Road, N. 3:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

> "Although a few minor works still remained to be carried out at the above premises on the 18th instant, I notified the County Court, after consulting your Chairman, that the Corporation would raise no objection to the appeal against the above Order being allowed and at the hearing on the 25th ultimo the Court allowed the appeal, but made no order as to costs."

In this connection the Chief Sanitary Inspector reported that the work of reconditioning the premises had been completed and that the house was now fit for human habitation.

1610 **Proposed Mortuary:**

(*a*) The Committee had before them a letter of the 16th April, 1937, received from Mr. E. P. King which, at the last meeting of the Town Council was referred to them for further consideration, together with a letter, dated 19th May, 1937, from Mr. King in which he stated that he did not wish to be antagonistic to the main purpose of the Town Council to provide adequate mortuary accommodation, but suggested that if the Council decided that no better site could be found they should defer the erection of the building until the flats proposed to be erected nearby were completed and occupied. He also asked for an assurance that there would not be an entrance from Avondale Road or Abingdon Road and that a tall quick growing screen would be planted at the outset;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed—

(1) to inform Mr. King that the Town Council cannot see their way to defer proceeding with the erection of the Mortuary; and

(2) to give the assurance asked for above.

(*b*) The Town Clerk reported as follows :—

"I have received a communication from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council drawing attention to the fact that the consent of the County Council to the erection of the mortuary is necessary under the provisions of the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

I accordingly completed and forwarded to him the necessary form of application for consent, together with the appropriate drawings."

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1611 **Public Health Act, 1936 :**

(*a*) Moveable Dwellings.
(*b*) Regulation of the Conditions in Offices.

The Town Clerk submitted a circular letter, dated 1st May, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health (No. 1600) in regard to the above and same was referred to the Medical Officer of Health to deal with ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1612 **National Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis :**

It was reported that the Town Council had been invited to appoint delegates to attend the 23rd Annual Conference of the above Association to be held at Bristol from the 1st to the 3rd July, 1937 ;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken in regard thereto.

1613 **Maternity Hospital Accommodation :**

The Town Clerk reported as follows :—

"In accordance with instructions I have communicated with the Borough Councils of Hornsey and Wood Green upon the proposal to approach the Ministry of Health in regard to obtaining consent to the erection of a joint maternity hospital to meet the needs of the three areas.

I have now received a communication from the Town Clerk of Wood Green stating that his Authority have approved this Council's suggestions in regard to the matter and that he has communicated with the Wood Green representatives thereon. He adds that his Council would be glad if I would approach the Ministry on behalf of the three Authorities.

I have also received a communication from the Town Clerk of Hornsey stating that his Council are aware of the need for additional maternity accommodation, but consider the matter to be one with which the County Council should deal; further that he has communicated with the Hornsey representatives on the County Council requesting them to raise the question with the County Council."

After due consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to communicate with the Ministry of Health on behalf of the Borough Councils of Wood Green and Finchley on the lines set forth in Minute No. 1185.

1614 **Third Party Claims :**

It was reported that two claims had been received and dealt with.

1615 **Insurance of Workmen—Accident—J. Turnbull :**

It was reported that the above employee had met with an accident since last meeting and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

1616 **Damage to Town Council's Property :**

The Town Clerk reported that an automatic lock at the Swan and Pyramids public convenience had been damaged since last meeting and that the matter had been dealt with.

1617 **Bye-Laws—Hairdressers' and Barbers' Premises:**

A letter, dated 7th June, 1937, was submitted from the London and Provincial Hairdressers' Association protesting against the Bye-Laws made by the Town Council in regard to the above and asking the Town Council to receive a deputation from the Association for the purpose of discussing the Bye-Laws;

RECOMMENDED that the Association be informed that the Town Council cannot see their way to receive a deputation on the matter.

1618 **Residuals from House and Trade Refuse:**

The Borough Surveyor reported hereon as follows:—

"It will be remembered that at your last meeting I reported that Messrs. H. & A. Crawford had informed me that the most they could offer for the residuals was £10 per week. Following your instructions, I have interviewed this firm who have now forwarded the following amended offer, dated the 8th May, 1937:—

£15 per week until the end of May (this sum has been paid up to the week ending 5th June).
£12 per week during June, July, August and September.
£15 per week from October, 1937 to March, 1938."

RECOMMENDED that the amended quotations above set out be accepted, subject to contract.

1619 **Institution of Sewage Disposal Works Managers—Annual Conference:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. F. Bailey, the Sewage Works Manager, had asked that his name might be submitted as a delegate to the above Conference;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. Bailey be appointed to attend the Conference on behalf of the Town Council and that authority be given for payment of his expenses in accordance with the approved scale.

1620 **Public Baths:**

(*a*) Squires Lane.—

(i) Monthly Statement.—A Statement (circulated) was submitted showing the number of bathers and receipts for the 5 weeks ended 30th May, 1937.

(ii) It was reported that a communication had been received from Mr. A. Hewitt stating that his son had purchased a summer season ticket, but that owing to ill health he had only been able to use it for one-sixth of the period of the ticket; that it was not likely that he would be able to attend the bath during the present season and making application for an allowance in respect of the unused portion of the ticket;

RECOMMENDED that a refund of 6s. 3d., being one-half the charge for the ticket, be made to Mr. Hewitt and that, in future, resolution (b) contained in paragraph 2 of this Committee's report, dated 24th July, 1933, to the Council in Committee, apply to the Squires Lane Bath as well as to the Open Air Pools.

(iii) Conversion of Laundry into Additional Dressing Accommodation.—The Borough Surveyor reported that in April, 1937, the sum of £125 in respect of the above was deleted from the Requisitions and the consideration thereof deferred for 6 months; further, that it was now reported to him that the attendances at the Bath had increased by 10 per cent. and that if authority could be given for the work to be proceeded with prior to the Council Meeting, the accommodation, which was now urgently required, could be in use by the middle of July.

The Borough Surveyor was accordingly instructed to arrange for the work to be put in hand, and it was

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved and that the item be added to the appropriate list of Requisitions.

(*b*) Open Air Pools.—

(i) Monthly Statement.—A Statement (circulated) was submitted showing the number of bathers and receipts for the 5 weeks ended 30th May, 1937.

(ii) It was reported that at the last meeting of the Town Council the following report of the Borough Surveyor had been referred to the Committee for consideration :—

"In February last, when considering the question of admission charges for the current season, the Council decided that the issue of rolls of 500 tickets at 4d. per ticket to Clubs should be discontinued. This rate was in operation for the first time during the previous season, but no advantage was taken thereof.

The tickets were not available on Sundays and Bank Holidays and unused tickets at the end of the season were not returnable.

A letter, dated the 26th May, 1937, has been received from the Simms Social Club (1937) offering to take an initial batch of 500 tickets if the facilities are renewed and their letter adds :—

'From the enthusiasm which is in evidence among members of the Swimming Section of our Club, there seems every possibility that we might be able to take even larger quantities in the future.'"

RECOMMENDED that a batch of 500 tickets be issued to the Simms Social Club (1937), at a charge of 4d. a ticket and that such tickets be available at all times the bath is open with the exception of Sundays and Bank Holidays.

(iii) It was reported that a letter had been received from Mr. J. Webb suggesting (i) that the Town Council should permit male bathers to wear bathing shorts at the open air pool, and (ii) that with a view to increasing attendances at the Pool, the Town Council should issue complimentary season tickets to national champions and perhaps Middlesex County Champions.

After due consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the wearing of bathing shorts by male bathers at the Open Air Pool be permitted, subject to the discretion of the Baths Superintendent ; and

(2) that complimentary season tickets, not exceeding 12 in number, be issued at the discretion of the Chairman of the Committee to National and Middlesex County swimming and diving champions.

1621 **Fish Frying :**

It was reported that at the meeting of the Town Council held on the 26th April, 1937, an application for consent to the establishment of the trade of a fish frier at No. 4, Market Parade, Woodhouse Road, N. 12, had been refused and that the applicant had written asking to be informed of the grounds for such refusal ;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council cannot see their way to give the information desired.

1622 **Sewer—Station Road to East End Road :**

The Borough Surveyor reported that during the execution of the work in connection with the reconstruction of the above sewer it had been discovered that the soil drainage from Nos. 274, 276, 284, 302, 304, 306 and 308, Regents Park Road, was connected to the surface water sewerage system and that it was possible that other properties might be found to be similarly connected ; further, that the Public Health Department had been notified.

1623 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

J. HUGH JONES,

Chairman.

Public Libraries Committee's Report.

11th JUNE, 1937.

Present: Councillor Hayter (Vice-Chairman), in the Chair, the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), and Councillors Brooksbank and Wilmot.

Non-Members: Alderman Syrett and Councillor Rutt.

1624 **Minutes:**

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

1625 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1626 **Public Libraries:**

(*a*) A letter, dated 5th April, 1937, received from the Town Clerk of the Borough of Hendon was submitted asking that an arrangement might be entered into between the two Authorities, whereby residents in the Woodside Park area could use the North Finchley District Library and residents in this Borough could avail themselves of the facilities provided at the Hendon Central Library and the Branch Library at Golders Green.

Arising thereon, the Committee had before them a joint report of the Borough Treasurer and the Chief Librarian with respect to the matter from which it appeared that the comparative expenditure of the two Authorities on the provision and maintenance of libraries as estimated for the current year, was as follows:—

	Estimated Expenditure. £	Estimated Expenditure per Reader. s. d.
FINCHLEY.		
(No. of Readers, 12,000 or 19 per cent of the population).		
General Maintenance	5,776	9. 8.
Loan Charges	1,733	2. 10.
	£7,509	12. 6.
HENDON.		
No. of Readers, 32,000 or 20 per cent of the population).		
General Maintenance	14,665	9. 2.
Loan Charges	3,688	2. 3.
	£18,353	11. 5.

After full consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the Hendon Council be informed that this Council is prepared to enter into a reciprocal arrangement, to apply to all libraries within the areas of the two Authorities, on the basis of a payment at the rate of 10/- per reader per annum, subject to the arrangement being reviewed at the end of the first year of its operation;

(ii) that the current subscriptions of three residents of the Woodside Park Estate who at present pay to the Council a sum of 10/- per annum for the privilege of using the North Finchley Library be allowed to continue until the date of their expiry and that it be suggested to the Hendon Council that a similar course be followed insofar as the subscriptions of Finchley residents using the Hendon Libraries are concerned.

(*b*) East Finchley.—The Town Clerk reported the receipt from the Ministry of Health of consents to the borrowing by the Council of the sums of £11,136 and £895 in respect of the erection of the above Library and the provision of heating and lighting equipment.

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He further reported that in a covering letter it was pointed out that the Minister would give further consideration to the application for consent to borrowing in respect of the furniture and fittings upon receipt of a revised list of the items priced in accordance with provisionally accepted tenders.

(*c*) Statistics.—The Chief Librarian reported as under, the figures in brackets being those reported for April, 1936:—

(i) Readers.—That the number of readers registered in the Public Libraries was 12,241 (5,202).

(ii) Stock.—That the book stock now amounted to 34, 288 (16,547).

(iii) Loans.—That the number of books lent during the month of April, 1937, from Avenue House was 18,160 (17,111), and from North Finchley 21,286, and that the following table showed the number of books lent from each class of the stock at Avenue House during April, 1936 and April, 1937, and at North Finchley for April, 1937:—

CLASS.	AVENUE HOUSE. April, 1937. Loans.	% of total.	April, 1936. Loans.	% of total	In-crease.	De-crease.	NORTH FINCHLEY. April, 1937. Adult. Loans.	% of total.	Junior. Loans.	% of total	Total. Loans.	% of total.	GRAND TOTALS. April, 1937.
General	52	.3	28	.2	24	—	30	.2	19	.5	49	.2	101
Philosophy	312	1.7	262	1.5	50	—	173	1.0	2	.05	175	.8	487
Religion	209	1.2	188	1.1	21	—	137	.7	12	.3	149	.7	358
Sociology	583	3.2	523	3.0	60	—	398	2.2	307	7.84	705	3.3	1288
Languages	223	1.2	238	1.9	—	15	107	.6	1	.03	108	.5	331
Science	356	2.0	356	2.1	—	—	325	1.8	233	5.9	558	2.6	914
Useful Arts	887	4.9	848	4.4	39	—	497	2.8	264	6.8	761	3.6	1648
Fine Arts	711	3.9	680	4.0	31	—	447	2.5	74	1.9	521	2.4	1232
Music	261	1.4	272	1.6	—	11	270	1.5	—	—	270	1.3	531
Literature	861	4.7	906	5.3	—	45	523	3.0	136	3.47	659	3.1	1520
History and Travel	2500	13.8	2281	13.3	219	—	1747	10.6	1243	6.21	1990	9.4	4490
Biography	718	4.0	972	5.7	—	254	438	2.5	51	1.3	489	2.3	1207
Fiction	10487	57.7	9564	55.9	923	—	12282	70.6	2570	65.7	14852	69.8	25339
TOTALS	18160	100.0	17118	100.0	1367	325	17374	100.0	3912	100.0	21286	100.0	39446
					(Net Increase 1042)								
Days Open	26		24		2	—	26		26		26		26
Daily Average Loan	698		713		—	15	667		150		819		1517
Readers	5385		5202		183	—	5517		1339		6856		12241
Stock	20427		16547		3880	—	11249		2612		13861		34288
Cash	£16/1/8		£12/10/0		£3/11/8	—	£13/10/9		£1/14/8		£15/5/5		£31/7/0

(iv) Cash Receipts.—That the cash receipts during April, 1937, amounted to £16 1s. 8d. (£12 10s. 0d.) at Avenue House and £15 5s. 5d. at North Finchley.

(*d*) North Finchley—Lecture Hall.—

(i) The Chief Librarian reported that the Lecture Hall was let to the North Finchley Ratepayers' Association on the 24th May, 1937, and that permission had also been granted to the London Co-operative Society to use it on the 20th July, 1937.

(ii) The Chief Librarian reported the receipt of a letter from the Chairman of the Appeal Committee, Finchley Memorial Hospital, thanking the Council for allowing the Committee to have the free use of the Lecture Hall as a depôt on the occasion of the Hospital Flag Day, held on the 8th May, 1937.

(*e*) Withdrawals from Stock.—

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the books referred to in the list circulated be withdrawn from stock for the reasons indicated therein;

(ii) that a discretionary power be delegated to the Chief Librarian in conjunction with the Chairman of the Committee to dispose of, to Institutions, etc., certain of the books which may from time to time be withdrawn from stock.

(*f*) Offer of Gifts.—The Chief Librarian reported hereon;

RECOMMENDED that the following offers of gifts for use in connection with the Public Libraries be accepted and that the thanks of the Town Council be conveyed to the respective donors:—

Donor.	Gift.
Mr. C. D. Thomas	Charles Drayton Thomas—"An amazing experiment" and "Life beyond death with evidence."
Mr. C. D. Simons	Millen Brand—"The Outward Room."
Mrs. Collins	Tyndall - Biscoe — "Fifty years against the stream."
Mrs. Hounsell	"How to own and equip a house."
Palestine Information Centre	W. F. Boustany—"The Palestine Mandate."
The Carnegie United Kingdom Trust	Twenty-third Annual Report (for the year ended 31st December, 1936).

1627 **South Eastern Regional Library System:**

Referring to Minute No. 1331, the Chief Librarian reported that from January, 1935, to April, 1937, 125 books had been borrowed by the Council from the above Library system and 44 by the system from the Finchley Libraries.

Instructions were given for a Notice to be exhibited in the Library to the effect that books on specialised subjects can be obtained on application.

RECOMMENDED, that the Town Council approve the payment to the South Eastern Regional Library System of an increased annual subscription in accordance with the Minute referred to above.

1628 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the Chief Librarian as entered in his Instruction Book, be approved.

C. HAYTER,

Chairman (*pro tem.*).

Town Planning Committee's Report.

11th JUNE, 1937.

Present: Councillor Wilmot (Vice-Chairman), in the Chair, the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Burch and Norman.

Non-Members: Alderman Wells and Councillor Rutt.

1629 **Minutes:**

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

1630 **North Middlesex Joint Town Planning Committee:**

The Town Clerk submitted a copy of the Report of the Ways and Means Sub-Committee and the Report of the Consultant with regard to—

(*a*) the revised Model Clauses for use in the preparation of planning schemes, as recently issued by the Ministry of Health;

(*b*) the draft of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6 adopted by the Town Council on the 22nd March, 1937; and

(*c*) the estimated cost of the preparation of an up-to-date map of the Region.

1631 **Unoccupied Flats:**

The monthly report of the Valuation Officer hereon was submitted:—

"Number of unoccupied flats in the Borough 131 (138).
Total number of flats erected 1,674 (1,656).

These figures do not include premises converted.

The corresponding figures for last month are set out in brackets."

1632 **Site at the Junction of Regents Park Road and North Circular Road:**

The Town Clerk reported that a letter, dated 14th May, 1937, had been received from the Auto Sales Co., Ltd., setting out a proposal to erect Motor Showrooms, Garage and Petrol Pumps on the above site; further, that the site concerned was included in an area in respect of which an Interim Development Permission, dated 8th September, 1925, was granted to Mr. E. C. Arden, which provided (*inter alia*) for the erection of such buildings and which was scheduled to the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1.

It was also reported that a letter had been received from Mr. P. J. Preston submitting plans of a proposed garage on the site for the Auto Sales Co., Ltd.;

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the proposal be approved, in principle, so far as this Committee is concerned, subject to the elevations and materials being to the satisfaction of the Town Council and subject also to the deposit of the necessary plans;

(ii) that the plans submitted by Mr. P. J. Preston be not approved as the building is shown to be erected nearer than 3 feet to the boundary of the site.

1633 **Shops adjoining West Finchley Station:**

A letter, dated 24th May, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Health enclosing copies of an Order made by the Minister under Clause 30 (2) of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1 dismissing the appeal of Mr. W. F. B. Lovett against the decision of the Town Council consenting to the erection of ten shops and flats and ten garages on the Gordon Hall Estate.

The Committee extended their thanks to the Deputy Mayor for acting as Policy Witness at the Inquiry and congratulated him on the result.

1634 **Proposed Petroleum Filling Station on the Site of Capel Lodge, High Road, N. 20:**

It was reported that the above proposal was approved, in principle, by the Town Council in April last, after it had been advertised in accordance with the requirements of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1, no objections having been received **within the prescribed period.**

The Town Clerk submitted letters, received from a number of members of the Motor Trade in the neighbourhood objecting to the proposal, but stated that he had informed the objectors that the decision of the Town Council could not now be altered;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1635 **Proposed New Scouts' Headquarters—Gordon Hall Estate, Nether Street, N. 3:**

It was reported that a letter, dated 22nd May, 1937, had been received from Mr. J. Stanley Hartley, Architect, with tentative plan for the above building, which it was proposed to erect at the rear of the land which is to be developed for shops and flats fronting Nether Street;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council approve the proposal, in principle, subject—

(*a*) to elevations and materials being to the satisfaction of the Town Council;

(*b*) to the deposit of the necessary plans; and

(*c*) to the extension to Huntly Drive being omitted therefrom.

1636 **Plan No. 9982—Alterations—2, Moss Hall Grove, N. 12:**

It was reported that at the last meeting of the Committee plans for alterations to the above premises, submitted by the Finchley Division Liberal and Radical Association, were disapproved on the ground that the proposed user would contravene the provisions of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6 and that the Association had accordingly requested that a small deputation be received.

The Committee then interviewed Mr. Mackinlay, J.P., and Messrs. Bartram and Giles on behalf of the Association and gave careful consideration to the points which they brought forward and it was

RECOMMENDED that notwithstanding anything contained in Minute No. 1346, the Town Council approve the proposed alterations, subject to the premises being used as an office and not as a club and to the size and height of the proposed notice board to be erected outside being to the approval of the Council.

1637 **Deposited Plan No. 10002—Land at Rear of Plowman's Joinery Works, Ballards Lane:**

The Town Clerk reported that 34 owners or occupiers of premises adjoining the above land had objected to the proposals shewn on deposited plan No. 10002 for the extension of Messrs. Plowman's timber business.

After the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade had reported on the increased fire risk which would arise if the proposals were proceeded with, it was

RECOMMENDED that the plan be disapproved as the proposed development would contravene the proposed character zoning provisions of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6.

1638 **2, Dollis Mews, Dollis Park, N. 3 :**

The Borough Surveyor submitted an application, dated 6th May, 1937, received from Mr. G. H. Norman, requesting permission to use the above premises for small coach-work repairs and as a decorator's workshop.

It was reported that Mr. Norman had stated that no heavy machinery would be used nor excessive noise caused, the only machine being a portable spray ; further, that two applications to use premises in the same Mews for the manufacture of small mechanical components had been agreed in principle by the Town Council at their December meeting subject to certain restrictions ;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. G. H. Norman be informed—

(i) that the Town Council approve, in principle, so far as the Town Planning Committee is concerned, the proposal to use the premises known as No. 2, Dollis Mews for the carrying out of small coachwork repairs and as a decorator's workshop, subject to the owner entering into an Agreement with the Town Council (to be scheduled to the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6) providing that there shall be from the said premises no noise or fumes or smell which, in the opinion of the Town Council, may be objectionable and that the owner shall take such steps as, in the opinion of the Town Council, may be necessary to prevent any such nuisance ; and

(ii) that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

1639 **Premises—Dollis Mews, Dollis Park, N. 3 :**

A letter, dated 28th May, 1937, was submitted from Mr. S. Wheatley on behalf of Mr. W. C. Alderton of Neucomf Supplies Ltd. requesting permission to use the above premises for the purpose of manufacturing non-metallic sponge rubber foot appliances. In his application Mr. Wheatley stated that it would be necessary to instal a small 3 H.P. motor in connection with the work but that the process would involve a minimum of noise and there would be no fumes, smell or nuisance which could in any way be considered objectionable. The Borough Surveyor then reported that this particular user would require to be registered under the Factory and Workshops Acts and in consequence the premises became, under the Scheme, an industrial building requiring the consent of the Council ;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. S. Wheatley be informed—

(i) that the Town Council approve, in principle, so far as the Town Planning Committee is concerned, the proposal to use the premises in Dollis Mews for the manufacture of non-metallic sponge rubber foot appliances, subject to the owner entering into an Agreement with the Town Council (to be scheduled to the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6) providing that there shall be from the said premises no noise or fumes or smell which, in the opinion of the Town Council, may be objectionable and that the owner shall take such steps as, in the opinion of the Town Council, may be necessary to prevent any such nuisance ; and

(ii) that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

1640 **Plan No. 10013—Extension of Office—34 and 36, Friern Park—Messrs. Specialloid, Ltd. :**

RECOMMENDED that this plan be approved, subject to the buildings not being used for the purpose of a foundry or for any process or manufacture which would lead to the emission of smoke or fumes.

1641 **Plan No. 10036—Conversion of House into Two Self-Contained Flats—86, Hendon Lane, N. 3:**

RECOMMENDED that this plan be approved so far as this Committee is concerned.

1642 **Oak Cottage, High Road, N. 20—Proposed Reformatory Home:**

The Town Clerk reported receipt of a letter, dated 7th May, 1937, from the Hon. Secretary to the North Finchley Ratepayers Association expressing their regret at their failure to join in the protest made to the Council in the above matter owing to the fact that the organisation had not, at that time, been placed on a proper footing and stating that they wished to register the Association's regret that the property was to be used for the purpose made known; further, that as, on the facts placed before it, the Town Council had apparently been unable to take any effective steps to prevent such use, his Committee asked that the Council would take steps to see that no nuisance of any kind which would entitle them to intervene would be allowed to pass without appropriate action.

The following letter from the Church End Finchley Ratepayers' Association was also submitted:—

"Referring to our letter to you of the 8th ultimo enclosing a copy of a Resolution passed by the Committee of this Association, I beg to apologise for this having been sent you. The information given to us was not quite correct and we are very sorry that we troubled you in the matter."

1643 **Land—Park View Road:**

It was reported that a letter, dated 27th May, 1937, had been received from Mr. Percy Lawrence, Secretary to the Deansbrook Estates Co., Ltd., asking for permission to erect two houses on a site in Park View Road near Long Lane; further that the site was included in an area zoned under the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6 for dwellinghouses at twelve to the acre and that the density area was .17 acre, which would allow of the erection of the two dwellinghouses;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. Percy Lawrence be informed—

(i) that the Town Council approve, in principle, the proposal to erect two houses on the above site; and

(ii) that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

1644 **Land—Gordon Road, N. 3, opposite "Rocklands";**

It was reported that a letter, dated 29th May, 1937, had been received from Mr. A. W. Amos with tentative plan relating to the development of the above land, upon which it was proposed to erect 48 small self-contained flats arranged on two floors in 12 blocks, resembling pairs of semi-detached houses; and that the site was included in the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1 and was zoned for residential purposes at 12 houses to the acre;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. A. W. Amos be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, the above proposal, subject—

(*a*) to the proposed road being not less than 24 feet in width;

(*b*) to the deposit of the necessary plans; and

(*c*) to the Developers entering into an Agreement to make up the proposed road to the specification of the Town Council when called upon so to do.

1645 **11 Shops, 11 Flats and 9 Garages, Regents Park Road, opposite Statue "La Delivrance";**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon a letter enclosing tentative plan received from Messrs. Petch & Fermaud asking for consent to erect the above buildings.

He stated that the site was included in the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1 and zoned for general business purposes at 10 units to the acre; that the area of the site was .5 acre which would accommodate 44 persons on the experimental population basis; further that the present proposal appeared to make provision for about 55 persons and that the area of the site proposed to be covered did not altogether comply with the Scheme. The Committee considered the plan carefully and, although the proposed development exceeded the density provisions, were of opinion that it was a desirable proposal, having regard to the position of the site and the nature of the proposed development, and therefore

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. Petch & Fermaud be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, the proposal so far as the Town Planning Committee is concerned subject (a) to elevations and materials being to their satisfaction; and (b) to the deposit of the necessary plans.

1646 **Rebuilding "White Lion" P.H.—High Road, N. 2:**

A letter, dated 19th May, 1937, from Mr. W. G. Ingram was submitted, in which he pointed out that the rebuilding of this P.H. was occasioned by the widening of the railway bridge by the London Passenger Transport Board;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. W. G. Ingram be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, the proposal but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

1647 **Flats and Houses—North Circular Road and Amberden Avenue, N. 3:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that he had received from Mr. J. Norris, a letter, dated 3rd June, 1937, enclosing tentative plan for the development of the above site;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. J. Norris be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, the proposed development of the site but that the matter will be considered further on deposit of the necessary plans.

1648 **Proposed Flats—Baptist Church Site—Station Road, N. 3:**

A letter, dated 3rd June, 1937, from Mr. Alan W. Pipe was submitted, together with site plan for one block of four flats on the site of the Baptist Church, Station Road, N. 3.

It was reported that the site was included in the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6 and zoned for residential purposes at 12 houses to the acre;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. Alan W. Pipe be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, the erection of one block of four flats on the above site but that the matter will be considered further on deposit of the necessary plans.

1649 **Complaint—Oak Lodge, Christchurch Avenue, N. 12:**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon a further communication, dated 2nd June, 1937, which he had received from Mr. F. Spurgeon concerning the use of the above premises for the repair of motor cycles and with regard to the use of the highway for testing purposes;

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the Police Authorities be approached with a view to their taking the necessary action in regard to any misuse of the highway; and

(ii) that Mr. F. Spurgeon be informed of the action taken.

1650 **Proposed Hoarding—High Road, N. 20:**

An application, dated 8th June, 1937, from Messrs. McManus & Co. enclosing a plan of the above proposed hoarding was submitted.

It was reported that the proposal contravened the provisions of Section 35 of the Middlesex County Council Act, 1906, inasmuch as the hoarding would exceed 12 feet in height;

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that Messrs. McManus & Co. be informed that the Town Council do not approve of the proposal as it contravenes the provisions of Section 35 of the Middlesex County Council Act, 1906;

(ii) that the owners of an adjoining hoarding be informed that it also contravenes the provisions of the above Section in that it exceeds 12 feet in height and that they be required to pull down or alter the said hoarding so as to bring it into conformity with those provisions.

1651 **Preservation of Trees—Rathgar Estate:**

It was reported that an application had been received from Messrs. Williams, Pettett & Gardner for permission to cut down four and lop two trees which would interfere with their development of this Estate as approved by the Town Council;

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. Williams, Pettett & Gardner be informed that the Town Council raise no objection to the proposal.

1652 **Garage—67, Lyndhurst Gardens:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that a garage had once more been erected on the above premises without submission of the necessary plans;

RECOMMENDED that a notice be served on Mr. Hardy the occupier of the premises requiring him to show cause why the said garage should not be removed or pulled down.

1653 **Erection of Signs:**

The following applications for permission to erect signs, etc., were submitted:—

28th April, 1937	London Coastal Coaches, Ltd.	19a, Market Place, Falloden Way	Booking Office Sign.
10th May, 1937	Provincial Cinematograph Theatres, Ltd.	New Gaumont Theatre —Tally Ho!	Interchangeable Sign.
11th May, 1937	do.	do.	Thirteen flood lights.
18th May, 1937	Claude-General Neon Lights, Ltd.	Queen's Head P.H.	Neon Sign.

RECOMMENDED that the applicants be informed that the Town Council raise no objection to the proposals in question.

TOWN PLANNING (*contd.*).

1654 **Plans:**

(*a*) Approved;

RECOMMENDED that the following plans be APPROVED subject to the conditions severally mentioned by the Borough Surveyor in his report:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9950a	Verandah	Rear of 52, Chandos Road, N. 2	Mr. E. C. Hooke.
9999	Garage	Side of 60, Abbots Gardens, N. 2	Mr. T. W. Stagnell.
10000	Alterations	"Norgrove," The Bishop's Avenue, N. 2	Mr. A. Limb.
10001	Alterations and additions	Cape Cottage, 10, Neville Drive, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. J. McLaren.
10003	House	Plot H.17, Haslemere Gardens, N. 3	Mr. P. J. Preston.
10004	Additions	Rear of 17, Edge Hill Avenue, N. 3	Mr. E. J. Mitchell.
10005	House	Plot H.19, Haslemere Gardens, N. 3	Mr. P. J. Preston.
10006	House	Plot H.21, Haslemere Gardens, N. 3	Mr. P. J. Preston.
†10007	2 houses	Plots S.117 and S.118, Vivian Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. G. S. Smith.
10008	Garage	Rear of 15, Nethercourt Avenue, N. 3	Mr. E. J. Pitt.
10009	Greenhouse	Rear of "Spelbrook," Woodside Grange Road, N. 12	Mr. G. Emmerson.
10011	House	Plot C.184, Rowan Walk, at corner of Holne Chase, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. A. Reast.
10012	Greenhouse	Rear of "Woodberry House," Winnington Road, N. 2	Mr. H. Abrahams.
10014	House	Plot 1077, Winnington Road, N. 2	Messrs. R. Hart & Sons, Ltd.
10015	Extensions	Rear of "Oakwood Cottage," Hendon Avenue, N. 3	Mr. D. Wakefield.
10016	2 houses	Plots 0813 and 0816, Nos. 25 and 29, Brim Hill, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. G. Ramsbotham.
*10019	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	205 and 207, Ballards Lane, N. 3	Mr. W. Leggatt.

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
10020	House	Plot 22, Kingsgate Avenue, N. 3	Mr. J. Norris.
10021	Dormer window	Rear of 64a, Long Lane, N. 3	Mr. E. J. Canham.
*10023	Tool shed	Rear of "Flora Cottage," Gravel Hill, N.3	Mr. V. R. Henham.
*10024	Garage	Side of 22, Finchley Avenue, N. 3	Mr. A. L. Cooper.
10025	House	Plot H.133, Norrice Lea, Hampstead Garden Suburb	The London Properties, Ltd.
10026	Garage	Rear of 22, Strathmore Gardens, N. 3	Mr. C. V. R. Shepherd.
10027	House	Plot 4, Amberden Avenue, N. 3	Mr. K. Westacott.
10028	Garage	Side of 22, West Avenue, N. 3	Mr. C. H. Granger.
*10031	Covered Way	Side of 269, Ballards Lane, N. 3	Mr. L. Girand.
†10032	Store shed	Falloden Court, Brookland Rise, Hampstead Garden Suburb	The Cassidy Estates, Ltd.
10033	Garage	Rear of 1, West Avenue, N. 3	Mr. H. R. Preece.
10034	Extension to garage	15, Cyprus Gardens, N. 3	Mr. V. C. Spary.
10035	Verandah	Rear of 107, Sandringham Gardens, N. 12	Mrs. E. M. Hyde.
10038	2 houses	Plots 5 and 7, Edmunds Walk, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. J. Meering.
10039	House	Plot 16, Edmunds Walk, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. J. Meering.
10040	House	Plot H.93, Norrice Lea, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Messrs. Highgate (Builders), Ltd.
10041	Garage	Rear of 34, West Avenue, N. 3	Mr. F. Price.
10042	Garage	Rear of 32, West Avenue, N. 3	Mr. E. Hatton.
9996	Store shed and canopy	Rear of 68, Ballards Lane, N. 3	Messrs. Newton & Wright, Ltd.
* 9329a	102 flats, caretaker's lodge and 65 garages	West side of High Road, N. 12, between the County School and Granville Road	Mr. W. Quennell.

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
§† 9752a	44 flats and 24 garages	North Circular Road Spur N. 3, on southern corner of Chessington Avenue	Messrs. Hertalls Estates.
* 9824a	Shops and flats	Adjoining "The Cricketers" Public House, High Road, N. 12	Messrs. A. Fairhead and Sons, Ltd.
9952	Extension to bakeries, stores and new warehouse, garage and staff accommodation	Merry Miller Bakeries, The Walks, Park Road, N. 2	Merry Miller Bakeries Ltd.
*10010	6 lock-up shops with 12 flats over	East End Road, west of Ossulton Way, N. 2	Mr. S. Phillips.
‡10013	Extension of office	34 and 36, Friern Park, N. 12	Messrs. Specialloid, Ltd.
10017	6 houses	Plots C.109, C.110, C.112, C.113, C.115 and C.116, Rowan Walk and Holne Chase, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. H. E. Brown.
10018	2 houses	Plots C.111 and C.114, Rowan Walk, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. H. E. Brown.
10022	Parish Hall	St. Lukes Church, Mountfield Road, N. 3	The Vicar and Parochial Church Council.
10029	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	3, Ingram Road, N. 2	Mr. S. Jannering.
10030	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	16, Baronsmere Road, N. 2	Mr. S. Jannering.
*10036	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	86, Hendon Lane, N. 3	Mr. F. Isaacs.
10037	House	Plot 175, Vivian Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. J. Meering.
10043	2 houses	Plots 5 and 9, Amberden Avenue, N. 3	The Gloucester Construction Co., Ltd.
‡ 9982	Alterations	2, Moss Hall Grove, N. 12	Finchley Division Liberal and Radical Association.

(*b*) Disapproved;

RESOLVED that, in accordance with the authority delegated to the Committee by the Town Council, the under-mentioned plan be DISAPPROVED for the reasons stated in Minute No. 1637:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
10002	Joinery and timber stores and garage	Rear of 35, Ballards Lane, N. 3	Mr. C. Plowman.

* Referred to the Town Council as Highway Authority for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

† Referred to the Middlesex County Council for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

‡ Subject to the conditions mentioned in the relevant foregoing Minute.

§ Subject to the deletion of the steps shewn on the plan.

1655 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

H. H. WILMOT,

Chairman (*pro tempore*).

Education Committee's Report.

14th JUNE, 1937.

Present: Councillor Grocott (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), Alderman Syrett, County Councillor Boggon, Councillors Jones, Langlands and Wilmot; Miss Davey, Mrs. Miall, Mr. Merry.

Non-Member: Councillor Rutt.

1656 **Accounts:**

Accounts, amounting to £674 11s. 2d., have been examined and approved for submission to the Finance Committee for payment.

1657 **School Attendance Return:**

The following are the school attendance figures for the month of May, 1937:—

School.	Average No. on Books.	Average Attendance.	Percentage.
Alder Senior	303	280	92.4
Alder Infants	127	109	85.8
Northside Senior	235	210	89.3
Northside Junior	469	428	91.2
Manorside Senior	291	271	93.1
Manorside Junior	510	471	92.3
Martin Junior	447	414	92.6
Summerside Junior	473	445	94.0
St. Mary's Junior	519	460	88.6
St. John's Junior	310	275	88.7
Christ Church Senior	219	205	93.6
Holy Trinity Junior	316	284	89.8
Our Lady of Lourdes Mixed	290	261	90.0
Total	4509	4113	91.2

1658 **Children's Safety Committee:**

References from the Children's Safety Committee have been considered and the Education Committee have agreed to take the desired action with regard to—

(*a*) the issue of rules, etc., to pupils who cycle to school;

(*b*) the distribution, through the schools, of pamphlets giving the "Road Safety Code for Parents."

1659 **Teaching Staff—Appointment :**

With reference to Minute No. 959, approved by the Council on 22nd March, 1937, it is

RECOMMENDED that Miss D. M. Wilson be appointed an assistant mistress in the full-time service of the Finchley Education Authority exclusively in the capacity of a teacher ; salary to be paid in accordance with Scale IV. of the Burnham Arbitration Award, and the decisions of the Board of Education relating thereto, or upon the terms and subject to the conditions of any other scale of salaries that may be adopted by the Authority, and subject to the terms and conditions approved by the Council in September, 1927 ; the appointment to date from 30th August, 1937.

1660 **British Association for the Advancement of Science—Section L. (Education) :**

RECOMMENDED that the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Education Committee be authorised to attend, as representatives of the Local Education Authority, the meeting of the British Association at Nottingham, from the 2nd to 7th September, 1937, and that the necessary tickets for membership be purchased at a cost of two guineas.

1661 **Health and Cleanliness Council :**

RECOMMENDED that the Chairman of the Education Committee be appointed to represent the Finchley Education Authority on the Health and Cleanliness Council, in the place of Miss L. Davey, resigned.

1662 **Resignation—Miss A. Spittle, Northside Junior School :**

The resignation of Miss Spittle, the Headmistress of Northside Junior School, has been received, to take effect on 31st August, 1937. With the exception of one year, Miss Spittle has served under the Finchley Education Authority since 1896.

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that a letter of appreciation, under the seal of the Council, be sent to Miss A. Spittle expressing appreciation of her long and valuable service under the Finchley Education Authority.

(*b*) that a Headmistress be appointed to succeed Miss Spittle at Northside Junior School and that the action of the Education Committee in authorising the issue of advertisements for the necessary appointment be approved.

(*c*) that the Education Appointments Sub-Committee be authorised to select six applicants for interview by the Education Committee.

(*d*) that the Education Committee be authorised to make the appointment, subject to report to the Council.

(*e*) that a special meeting of the Education Committee be held at 7.30 p.m. on Monday, 19th July, 1937, for this purpose.

1663 **Resignations—Assistant Mistresses :**

The resignations of the under-mentioned assistant mistresses have been received :—

Name.	School.	To take effect on.
Miss F. M. Bradley	Summerside Junior	31st May, 1937.
Miss A. Hempsell	Manorside Senior	30th June, 1937.

1664 **Appointment of Student Teachers:**

At the meeting of the Council on the 31st May, 1937, permission was given to the Chairman to take back to the Education Committee for further consideration the paragraph in the Committee's report relating to the appointment of Miss M. D. Corrick and Miss R. A. Simons as Student Teachers during the year commencing 1st August, 1937.

Miss Corrick and Miss Simons have been interviewed by the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Education Committee, and it is

RECOMMENDED that, subject in each case to the holding of the General Schools Certificate, the under-mentioned persons be appointed student teachers (in full-time service, partly in the capacity of teachers) as from the 1st August, 1937, subject to satisfactory work and conduct, each at a salary of £40 for the year:—

Miss Mary D. Corrick.
Miss Ruth A. Simons.

1665 **Supply Teaching Appointments:**

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the list of the supply teaching appointments made during the period 14th December, 1936, to 24th March, 1937, circulated with the agenda for the June, 1937, meeting of the Education Committee, be approved.

(*b*) that those supply teachers who would normally have been on duty on Coronation Day, 12th May, 1937, be paid full salary in respect of that day.

1666 **Payment of Salaries—July and August, 1937:**

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for arrangements to be made for the July and August salaries to be paid before the commencement of the summer holidays, 1937.

1667 **New Health Centre—Clinic.**

The plans of the proposed Health Centre, including the proposed Clinic, have been considered.

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the plans now submitted be approved in so far as the Education Committee is concerned.

(*b*) that the plans be forwarded to the Board of Education for their approval.

F. J. GROCOTT,
Chairman.

Electricity Committee's Report.

15th JUNE, 1937.

Present: Councillor Caine (Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Puham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Pike and Syrett, and Councillor Hayter.

Non-Member: Councillor Rutt.

1668 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of meetings of the Committee held on the 13th April and 26th May, 1937, and of a meeting of the Accounts and Works Sub-Committee held on the 6th May, 1937, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

1669 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1670 **Special Tariff for Places of Entertainment:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported upon the question of fixing a special alternative tariff in respect of the supply of electricity to places of entertainment, and it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that supplies be offered to places of entertainment at a fixed charge of £6 10s. 0d. per annum per kw. of maximum demand, plus a unit charge of one half-penny per unit for all electricity consumed for any purpose;

(2) that the foregoing tariff operate as from the 1st July, 1937.

1671 **Off-Peak Power Tariff:—**

This matter was carefully considered by the Committee in conjunction with a report of the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, so far as business premises, places of worship, public halls, schools, libraries and hospitals are concerned, supplies be offered for heating purposes at a flat rate of one half-penny per unit, subject to a restriction on supply between peak periods in the months of November, December, January and February (excluding Sundays) and to the consumer providing his own equipment;

(2) that the foregoing tariff operate as from the 1st July, 1937.

1672 **Alternative Two-Part Domestic Tariff—Equipment:**

Arising out of a letter, dated 30th April, 1937, received from Mr. R. S. Holt, the Committee considered the question of the purchase of privately owned electric cookers from persons desiring to avail themselves of the facilities afforded by the authorised domestic tariff, which include the loan, free of charge, of a cooker, and also the question of the issue of associated equipment to persons owning electric cookers;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, in the event of any consumer who, prior to the 1st April, 1937, possessed an electric cooker, being desirous of changing over to the authorised domestic tariff, the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager be authorised to purchase the electric cooker owned by such consumer at a figure to be agreed, provided that no payment exceeds the cost price of the smallest cooker issued by the Town Council in connection with the tariff;

(2) that in any of the cases mentioned in recommendation (1) the associated equipment be issued, and

(3) that the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager be authorised to assess the value of any cooker purchased.

1673 **Sub-Station Sites:**

(*a*) Hendon Lane.—The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that a plot of land in Hendon Lane, opposite to the Municipal Offices, had been acquired by the Town Council some years ago for road widening purposes, and that it was anticipated that there would be sufficient space behind the building line for the erection of the sub-station necessary in that area; further, that he had asked the Town Clerk to bring the matter before the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for their consideration.

Arising thereon the Chairman of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee intimated that the matter had been before his Committee who had decided, in view of certain difficulties which had arisen, that a joint report by the Borough Surveyor and the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager should be presented at the Council Meeting.

As an alternative to the site in question, the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager was instructed to investigate the possibility of the erection of a sub-station in the grounds of Christ's College and, if thought desirable, to approach the Middlesex Education Committee on the matter:

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved and that the question be considered further at the Council Meeting.

(*b*) Summers Lane.—A plan showing the position of a proposed site for an electricity sub-station in Summers Lane at the north-west corner of the Sewage Disposal Works, was submitted, and it was

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be authorised to bring the matter before the Public Health Committee for consideration.

(*c*) Barnet Bye-Pass.—The Town Clerk reported that he had received draft Contract in connection with the land proposed to be acquired at the junction of the Barnet Bye-Pass and the North Circular Road, which incorporated the terms already reported to the Committee;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the matter proceed on the lines indicated;

(2) that the draft Contract be approved;

(3) that the Solicitor be instructed to take all necessary steps in connection with the conveyance to the Town Council of the land in question; and

(4) that, if necessary, payment of legal costs be approved.

(*d*) Belvedere Court.—The Town Clerk reported that this matter was proceeding and that he was hoping to receive draft lease in the course of the next few days.

1674 **Woodhouse Housing Estate:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

"My attention was drawn, some months ago, to the mains distribution in the Woodhouse Housing Estate and instructions were given that as soon as possible a complete new scheme should be prepared for this area. Pressure of work has delayed the preparation of this scheme, but the work has now become extremely urgent and immediate action should be taken to augment the supply in this area owing to the demand for cookers and other appliances.

The present distribution system comprises sections of overhead lines and under-eaves wiring on the backs of the properties with looped services to the houses. The mains employed in some cases serve 10 to 12 houses but actually are only of sufficient capacity for supplying one house.

I propose, therefore, that a new distribution network should be installed immediately to be fed by Alternating Current from the new Sub-Station which it is proposed to establish in Summers Lane and that the change-over of the whole of the 400 houses in this estate be put in hand without delay as at the present moment there is very little electrical apparatus requiring conversion.

I shall be glad of your authority to put this work in hand at an estimated cost as under:—

	£	£
L.T. Cable supplied and laid	5,000	
16 Disconnecting Boxes	550	
Contingencies	555	
		6,105
Change-over consumers' apparatus		2,000
		£8,105 ".

RECOMMENDED that the carrying out of the works in question be approved.

Arising on this matter, it was reported that the Town Council had already approved of an application being made to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £6,105, and that the cost of changing over consumers' apparatus could be defrayed from the existing loan for change-over purposes.

1675 **Coal:**

It was reported that the present stock of coal was approximately 506 tons as at the date of the last meeting of the Committee.

1676 **Output, Maximum Demand and Load Factor:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager submitted the following report:—

	1935/36.	1936/37.	% Increase.
Units purchased during May	1,190,458	1,517,516	27.47%
KW. of maximum demand during May	5,180	6,230	20.27%
Load Factor	31.09%	32.94%	1.85%
Units purchased April 1st—May 31st	2,805,588	3,372,014	20.18%
Highest Maximum Demand recorded	6,820 3/4/36	7,560 2/4/37	10.85%

1677 **Applications for Supply:**

The following report of the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager was submitted:—

" Total number of applications received for supply	15,851	=	42,013 kw.
Number reported at last Sub-Committee meeting	15,763	=	41,639 kw.
Increase	88	=	374 kw."

1678 **Domestic Tariff:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

	April.	May.	Increase.
" Application forms completed	1,602	1,945	343 "

1679 **Domestic Tariff Consumers:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

"In accordance with your instructions I give below a schedule indicating the respective range of rateable values of those consumers who have adopted the Two-Part Domestic Tariff:—

	No. of Consumers.	Percentage.
Not assessed	30	1.5
Assessments under £25	169	8.7
Assessments from £26— £60	1340	68.9
Assessments from £61—£100	337	17.3
Assessments from £101—£175	62	3.2
Assessments over £175	7	0.4
	1945	100.0"

1680 **Domestic Apparatus:**

It was reported that, up to the end of May, instructions had been issued to contractors for the following appliances to be installed:—

	To end of April.	To end of May.	Increase.
Cookers	276	584	308
Water Heaters	34	85	51
Immersion Heaters	3	8	5
Wash Boilers	21	69	48
Radiators	29	72	43
Kettles	69	155	86

1681 **Wiring for Cookers in Houses in Course of Construction:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

"A case has arisen in which the wiring for the cooker has been installed by the builder's electricians who have rendered an account to the consumer. The work was executed without the knowledge of my Department and the consumer was not aware that the cooker wiring would be carried out by the Department without charge.

Under the circumstances I shall be glad of your authority to meet the account of the wiring contractors concerned (Messrs. Connor & Ribbans) for £1 15s. 0d.

On the general question of wiring for cookers in houses in course of erection it is found that in many cases it is preferable that this wiring should be carried out by the builder's electrician at the time the general house wiring is being installed.

I suggest that this could be arranged providing the electricians concerned agree to accept and comply with the Council's wiring specification and schedule of prices."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that authority be given for payment to Messrs. Connor and Ribbans of the sum of £1 15s. 0d. above referred to; and

(*b*) that the suggestion of the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager with regard to the question of wiring for cookers in houses in course of erection be adopted.

1682 **Wiring of Premises and Installation of Appliances:**

RECOMMENDED that the tender of Mr. H. W. Shipway in connection with the above, be accepted, subject to Contract.

1683 **Electric Cookers:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

"The Director of Education has requested me to instal electric cookers in three elementary schools and I shall be glad of your authority to provide the necessary wiring and the cookers without charge to the Education Committee. The Director also enquires whether a similar arrangement could be made in respect of Woodhouse Secondary School, subject to the consent of the County Authority."

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

1684 **Water Heaters:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that a number of enquiries had been received for 20 gallon water heaters, which size was not included in the hire scheme, and that it was desirable that this particular type should be provided;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given to the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager to place orders for 20 gallon Sadia water heaters, as and when required, and that the hire charge in respect thereof be fixed at 10/- a quarter.

1685 **Insurance of Boilers:**

It was reported that the Boiler Insurance Company had examined Nos. 1 and 2 Turbine sets and that the inspection had revealed that the plant was in a satisfactory condition.

1686 **Supply to Islington Crematorium:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported hereon;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the Hornsey Corporation affording a supply of electricity to the premises in question, subject to their obtaining the necessary Fringe Order.

1687 **Display of Electric Cookers in Contractors' Showrooms:**

Referring to Minute No. 1220 (5) this matter was considered further;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council regret that they are unable to accede to the request.

1688 **Commercial Power Tariff:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported upon a communication, dated 22nd May, 1937, received from Messrs. W. Harold Perry, Ltd., in regard to the question of affording them a special tariff for power supplies;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council regret that they are unable to vary the existing tariff.

1689 **Insurances.**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

"In consultation with the Borough Treasurer I have reduced the insurance cover in respect of breakdown of turbine plant from £61,000, for which the annual premium amounted to about £530, to a floating cover of £5,000. This amount is, in my opinion, adequate under the circumstances. I have also reduced the insurance cover in respect of coal stock from £2,500 to £700 as the stock now held is only about 500 tons."

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved and that the matter be reported to the Finance Committee.

1690 **Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

"(*a*) I submit, for the consideration of the Committee, a list of certain members of the staff and workmen in the Department who should, I suggest be placed in designated posts as from the 1st July next:—

Name.	Position.	Date commenced duties with Council.
Mr. H. Dunk	Change-over Engineer	26th November, 1934.
Mr. H. W. Scott	Mains Assistant	7th September, 1936.
Mr. A. J. Carrington	Clerk	11th May, 1936.
Mr. A. S. H. Apps	Clerk	23rd October, 1930.
Mr. K. R. Sandiford	Assistant Meter Superintendent	21st September, 1936.
Mr. J. H. Davis	Electrician	9th December, 1935.

(*b*) I understand that vacant designated posts exist for:—

Consumers Assistant
Engineering Assistant

and I recommend that these vacant posts be allotted to Mr. P. H. N. Turner and Mr. L. Ray respectively.

(*c*) Miss G. Brinton was transferred to my Department, from the Town Clerk's Department, as from and including 11th May, 1937, at a salary of £180 per annum.

Miss Brinton occupied a designated post in the Town Clerk's Department and I assume it will be necessary to create a post of Senior Typist in my Department to be occupied by Miss Brinton.

(*d*) Miss E. M. Chamlet, Shorthand Typist, and Miss K. Wood, Junior Shorthand Typist, have now been placed on the Council's permanent staff and I recommend that their posts should be designated."

RECOMMENDED that the foregoing proposals be approved and that the matter be referred to the General Purposes Committee to deal with.

1691 **Sale of Old Hornsby Boilers:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that in accordance with instructions he had communicated with the Joint Electricity Authority on this matter and that a reply in the following terms had been received:—

"In reply to your letter of the 18th instant, I have taken up this matter with the Central Board and they agree that these two old boilers should be disposed of as they have no further use for them, and it is probable that the Finchley station as a whole will not be required for generation after the extension of the new C.E.B. circuits to Finchley is completed.

I presume that these boilers may have some scrap value, and the proceeds of the sale of them should therefore be credited to the costs of production."

RECOMMENDED that advertisements be issued inviting offers for the boilers in question.

1692 **Extension of Mains:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that since last meeting mains had been laid in the following roads:—

Barnet Bye-Pass—Kinloss Gardens—Haslemere Gardens.

Amberden Avenue—Windermere Avenue—Kingsgate Avenue.

Bishop's Grove.

further, that as a matter of urgency he had laid a low tension distributor in Ballards Lane and Regents Park Road (R.F. No. 67) at an estimated cost of £1,962, and that this distributor was, by arrangement with the London Passenger Transport Board, laid in their trench on condition that the Department bore 50 per cent. of the cost of permanent reinstatement, and that this had effected a saving of between £400 and £500;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the action taken be approved.

(*b*) that authority be given for mains to be laid as follows:—

Position.	Estimated Cost. £
Newton & Wright's Sub-Station to new .3 sq. in. cable in Ballards Lane (R.F. No. 67)	218
L.P.T.B. Sub-Station to Holly Park Sub-Station (R.F. No. 67)	429

1693 **Wayleave for Cable under Footpath—Percy Road to Albert Street:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported that in order that A.C. current could be afforded to two mains extensions in William Street and Albert Street (R.F. No. 61) it became necessary to lay a cable under the footpath between Albert Street and Percy Road and that he had obtained the permission of the owner of the property, Mr. Chadd, through his Solicitor, for the laying of this cable, subject to the preparation of a suitable agreement;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved and that the Town Clerk be authorised to take all necessary steps in the matter.

1694 **Alternating Current Supplies:**

The Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager reported as follows:—

"The present position of the Alternating Current supply is as follows for the month of May:—

Transformer Maximum Demands	302 K.V.A.
Unit consumption	67,800
A.C. consumers—31st May	530"

1695 **Accounts and Works Sub-Committee:**

It was reported that a meeting of the Sub-Committee had been held on the 9th June, 1937, and a report of the proceedings thereat was submitted. Arising thereon it was reported:—

(1) Accounts and Requisitions.—That the Sub-Committee had passed for payment the accounts submitted and approved the requisitions.

(2) Electricity Accounts.—That the Sub-Committee had considered the monthly report of the Borough Treasurer hereon.

(3) Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager's Annual Report, Accounts and Balance Sheet—Year ended 31st March, 1937.—That the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager had reported that the final account for bulk supply for the past financial year had not been received from the London and Home Counties Joint Electricity Authority and that until it was received the accounts could not be completed; further, that he had been instructed by the Sub-Committee:—

(i) to urge the Authority to render the final accounts; and

(ii) if obtained in time, to ~~present~~ the accounts for the past financial year at the July meeting of the Sub-Committee;

RECOMMENDED that the action be approved.

1696 **Insurance of Workmen—Accidents—W. G. Watkins and G. Shaw:**

It was reported that the above employees had met with accidents since the last meeting of the Committee and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

1697 **Rating and Valuation Acts, 1925 to 1932:**

The Town Clerk reported that the following notices of proposal for amendment of the Valuation List had been received:—

Premises.	Present Assessment Gross Value. £	Present Assessment Rateable Value. £	Proposed Assessment Gross Value. £	Proposed Assessment Rateable Value. £
Showroom 817, High Road, N. 12 (formerly 66, High Street)	—	—	142	115
Showroom, 51, Market Place, Falloden Way	—	—	124	100
Maisonette, 51a, Market Place, Falloden Way	—	—	43	33
Land occupied by electric sub-stations, buildings, plant and appurts., electric cables, mains, services and appurts.	—	9237	—	11110

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised thereto by the Town Council.

1698 **The Association of Public Lighting Engineers—Fourteenth Annual Meeting and Conference—Folkestone—6th to 9th September, 1937:**

It was reported that an invitation had been extended to the Town Council to appoint delegates to attend the above Conference;

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager represent the Town Council thereat.

1699 **Loan—£854:**

It was reported that the formal sanction of the Electricity Commissioners had been received to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £854 for changing Consumers' Apparatus in connection with the change of system of supply in Ingram Avenue, Spaniards Close and Neville Drive.

1700 **Electricity (Supply) Return, 1935/1936:**

The Town Clerk reported that the Clerk and Solicitor to the London and Home Counties Joint Electricity Authority had forwarded to him a copy of the Electricity (Supply) Return for the year 1935/1936.

1701 **Electricity Supply, 1935/36:**

Print of a Return of Engineering and Financial Statistics for 1935/1936 was submitted.

1702 **Shop Window Lighting Tariff:**

It was reported that this arrangement was extended for a further period of six months from the 1st November, 1936;

RECOMMENDED that the arrangement continue to operate for the period ending 31st March, 1938.

1703 **Change-Over Organisation:**

It was reported that in December last the Town Council had agreed that the arrangements in connection with the above should operate for a period of six months;

RECOMMENDED that such arrangements be continued for the period ending 30th June, 1938.

1704 **Flat over Showroom—51a, Market Place, N.W. 11:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"The tenancy agreement with Mrs. L. F. Hill in regard to the above has been completed, providing for a term of five years, with a mutual break at the end of the third year, at the inclusive yearly rent of £80. As reported to the Finance Committee at their May meeting, Messrs. McCraith & Brooks, who introduced the tenant, have been allowed their scale fee of £6."

1705 **District Joint Board of Employers and Members of Staff (Electricity Supply Industry)—Area No. 10 Greater London:**

A letter, dated 7th June, 1937, was submitted from the Secretary of the District Joint Board stating that the Board had had under consideration the question of the expenditure likely to be incurred by the Employers' Side during the current year and had decided to ask the constituent Authorities to contribute thereto at the rate of £1 per million or part of a million units sold during the preceding financial year, up to a maximum of six million units in accordance with the sanction of the Electricity Commissioners issued in October, 1922.

He added that, as regards the Town Council, the payment would amount to a sum of £6;

RECOMMENDED that payment of the sum in question be approved.

1706 **Electricity Supply (Meters) Act, 1936:**

A letter, dated 10th June, 1937, was submitted from the Electricity Commissioners referring to the provisions of the above-mentioned Act dealing with the certification of electricity meters by Meter Examiners appointed under the Act and forwarding:—

(i) An Approval, dated 4th June of Apparatus for use in Testing Stations for the examination, testing and regulating of electricity meters, issued by the Commissioners under the provisions of Section 2 of the Act; and

(ii) An Explanatory Memorandum dealing with the Testing and Certification of electricity meters and with the Procedure contemplated by the Commissioners in connection therewith.

The letter added:—

"Where an authorised undertaker does not at present possess a Testing Station or meter testing apparatus of the kind dealt with in the Approval, definite steps should not be taken to establish a Testing Station or to purchase such apparatus until the question whether other suitable arrangements can or should be made has been considered both by the undertaker and the Commissioners and a decision arrived at thereon. Any definite proposals which the undertaker may have under consideration should at once be communicated to the Commissioners where this has not already been done.

With regard to authorised undertakers who already possess a Testing Station and meter testing apparatus, the question of the suitability of the Station and apparatus will require early consideration before Meter Examiners can decide whether certificates permitting the apparatus to be brought into temporary use for the purposes of Section 2 of the Act of 1936 can be issued under Paragraph 4 of the Approval.

To facilitate the work of Meter Examiners when visiting the existing Testing Stations for this purpose, every undertaker concerned should submit to the Commissioners as soon as possible and not later than 1st July, 1937, a list (with the under-mentioned particulars) of all existing apparatus for which certificates for temporary use are desired.

The list should set out the apparatus under the headings given in Paragraph 1 of the Approval and in the same order; and so far as possible the following particulars should be given in respect of each instrument, namely:—

Name of maker, type designation, marked rating or range, year of manufacture, date of last test (if any) by National Physical Laboratory, details of routine tests (if any) in the case of Sub-standard Apparatus, and in what respects (if any) the construction and performance of the instrument differs from the requirements laid down in Appendix "A" to the Approval for new instruments of the same type.

Before any existing or new apparatus is submitted to the National Physical Laboratory for examination and report under the provisions of Paragraph 6 (a) of the Approval, the undertakers concerned should first communicate with the Laboratory and arrange a convenient date with a view to avoiding congestion of work at the Laboratory."

RECOMMENDED that the matter be referred to the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager to deal with.

1707 **Contract—Supply and Delivery of Transformers:**

The Town Clerk reported receipt of a letter from Messrs. Bruce Peebles & Co., Ltd., Contractors in regard to the above, returning the Contract and asking:—

(*a*) that the document should be amended to provide for the work to be carried out to the "reasonable" satisfaction of the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager.

(*b*) that the Fair Wages Clauses should be amended by deleting the penalty for breach of 2½ per cent. of the total amount of the Contract, which is prescribed by Standing Orders, and substituting a penalty of £5 for every breach. The Contract is based on a schedule of prices totalling £2,649, and the Corporation are at liberty to order as and when they require; the Contractors therefore think the former penalty excessive.

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

1708 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the several Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books be approved.

J. F. KNEALE CAINE,

Chairman.

General Purposes Committee's Report.

16th JUNE, 1937.

Present: The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands) (Chairman), Alderman Briant (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), Alderman Wells and Councillors Caine, Jones and Rutt.

Non-Member: Alderman Pateman.

1709 **Minutes:**

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

1710 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of Requisitions (circulated) be approved, subject to the addition of the following items:—

Coronation Celebrations	£1,000
Photographic copy of Loyal Address	£1 11s. 6d.

1711 **Coronation—Presentation to School Children:**

A copy of the book which was presented by the County Council to the school children in Middlesex was submitted.

1712 **Glebe Land—Gun Station Site:**

(*a*) Arising out of Minute No. 1470 whereby the Town Council decided not to grant permission for the holding of a public meeting at above, by the British Union of Fascists and National Socialists, a further communication was submitted from Dr. C. Gouldesbrough on the matter;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that it is contrary to the practice of the Town Council to permit the open spaces under their control to be used for political purposes.

(*b*) An application was submitted on behalf of the Finchley and District Peace Council for permission to hold a Peace Meeting on the Gun Station Site, but if that were not available either in the Victoria Recreation Ground or Avenue House Grounds, on Saturday, the 3rd or 10th July, 1937, at 6 p.m.

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council regret that they cannot see their way to grant the desired permission.

1713 **Maintenance of Clocks:**

It was reported that Mr. F. Corbould who was responsible for the maintenance of clocks in the Council's Offices had made application for payment of a further sum of £1 per annum in respect of the maintenance, winding and regulation of an additional clock supplied to the Public Health Department;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed with effect as from the date on which such clock was installed.

1714 **Stephens Memorial Hall:**

The Town Clerk submitted formal notice received from the Charity Commission in regard to the proposal of the Trustees of the above property to effect a sale thereof at a sum of £14,000.

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken thereon.

1715 **Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922:**

(*a*) Retirements.—It was reported that two employees would shortly be due for retirement and the Committee considered each case separately, in conjunction with references from the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee;

RECOMMENDED that the recommendations of the Committee as shown in the last column of the under-mentioned statement, be adopted:—

Name of Servant.	Department and Position.	Date due to Retire.	Committee's Recommendation.
(1) Down, H.	Borough Surveyor's Department—Sweeper	30th June, 1937 (N.B.—Consents to continue in Town Council's service.)	That Mr. Down's services be retained until the 30th June, 1938.
(2) Beaumont, R.	Borough Surveyor's Department—Sweeper	30th June, 1937 (N.B.—Consents to continue in Town Council's service.)	That Mr. Beaumont's services be retained until the 30th June, 1938.

(*b*) Additional Designated Posts.—

(i) A letter, dated 7th June, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Health stating that the Minister had approved the resolution passed by the Town Council on the 31st May, 1937, designating as established posts, for the purposes of the Act, the undermentioned positions:—

Clerk	Public Health Department.
Engineering Assistant	Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Department.
Architectural Assistant	Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Department.

(ii) **RECOMMENDED** that, subject to the approval of the Minister of Health, the under-mentioned positions be designated as established posts under the Act and that such posts be occupied by the persons indicated, from the dates respectively mentioned, subject, where necessary, to their passing the usual medical examination:—

Librarian-in-charge, East Finchley District Library	Mr. G. E. Clarke	1st July, 1937.
Internal Auditor, Borough Treasurer's Department	Mr. K. V. Tomson	13th July, 1937.
Change-over Engineer, Electricity Department	Mr. H. Dunk	1st July, 1937.
Mains Assistant, Electricity Department	Mr. H. W. Scott	1st July, 1937.
Clerk, Electricity Department	Mr. A. J. Carrington	1st July, 1937.
Clerk, Electricity Department	Mr. A. S. H. Apps	1st July, 1937.
Assistant Meter Superintendent, Electricity Department	Mr. K. R. Sandiford	1st July, 1937.

Electrician, Electricity Department	Mr. J. H. Davis	1st July, 1937.
Senior Typist, Electricity Department	Miss G. Brinton	1st July, 1937.

(c) Vacant Designated Posts.—

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the title of the designated post recently vacated by Mr. C. N. Booth be altered to that of Junior Committee Clerk and that same be occupied by Mr. H. Roberts as from the 21st June, 1937.

(ii) that the vacant designated posts of Consumers Assistant and Engineering Assistant in the Electricity Department be occupied by Mr. P. H. N. Turner and Mr. L. Ray respectively with effect as from the 1st July, 1937, subject, if necessary, to their passing the usual medical examination.

1716 **Land—Frith Lane—Finchley Local Association of Boy Scouts:**

It was reported that in connection with the decision of the Town Council to grant the above Association a 21 years' lease of the surplus land in Frith Lane, the Association had enquired whether the Town Council would consider the possibility of disposing of the freehold;

RECOMMENDED that the Association be informed that the Town Council cannot see their way to agree to the sale of the land, but that the break clause proposed to be inserted in the lease will be waived.

1717 **Municipal Election, 1936:**

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be authorised to arrange for the destruction of the Ballot Papers and other documents in his possession relating to the above Election.

1718 **Proposed New Municipal Offices—Public Inquiry—18th June, 1937:**

The Committee appointed Alderman Pike, the Chairman of the New Municipal Offices Committee to act as Policy Witness on behalf of the Town Council at the above Inquiry;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1719 **Municipal Offices—Letter Box:**

The Borough Treasurer reported that at certain times of the year the letter box affixed to the main entrance door at above was inadequate for the safe collection of letters, and he submitted an estimate, amounting to £10, for the provision of a larger and more secure letter box in a slightly different position;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the provision of a new letter box at an estimated cost of £10.

1720 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the several Officers of the Town Council, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

W. G. LANGLANDS,

Chairman.

Finance Committee's Report.

17th JUNE, 1937.

Present: Councillor Hayter (Vice-Chairman), in the Chair, the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Brooksbank, Burch, Norman, Rutt and Steward.

Non-Members: Alderman Pateman and Councillor Mrs. Legge.

1721 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of Meetings of the Committee held on the 20th and 31st May, 1937, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

1722 **Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts:**

The Borough Treasurer reported as follows:—

(i) Approved Advances.—That advances amounting to £664,815 had been approved.

(ii) Advances Repaid.—That in the under-mentioned cases the principal outstanding had been paid, together with all interest charges:—

Mortgage No.	Rate of Interest.	Proprietor.	Premises.
9	5¼%	H. N. Taylor	"Beulah," Elm Gardens.
364	5¼%	R. A. Legge	23, Avondale Road.
490	5¼%	J. & M. Hewson	8, Brunner Close.
628	5¼%	E. W. Ford	54, Naylor Road.
716	5¼%	D. B. Sale	9, Eastholm.
835	5%	T. & M. E. Beach	67, Hervey Close.
897	3¾%	I. B. Burrows (Miss)	19, Chandos Road.

(iii) Advances Outstanding.—That the number of advances now outstanding was 461, representing a sum of £180,916.

1723 **Land—North Circular Road—Loan £6,100:**

A letter, dated 4th June, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted forwarding formal consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £6,100, repayable within a period not exceeding 60 years, for the acquisition of the above land for purposes of public walks and pleasure grounds.

The Town Clerk reported that the application made by the Council was for £10,150 and that he was awaiting confirmation from the Ministry that the Minister had, in issuing consent to the borrowing of £6,100, taken into consideration the amount of the contribution proposed to be made by the Middlesex County Council.

RECOMMENDED that repayment of the sum of £6,100 be effected within a period not exceeding 30 years.

1724 **Finchley Housing Confirmation Order, 1935:**

The Town Clerk reported that formal consent had been received from the Ministry of Health to the borrowing by the Council of the sum of £21,005, repayable within a period not exceeding 80 years, for the purchase of the under-mentioned properties as sites for housing purposes:—

Nos. 1, 2 and 3, Vane Cottages.

Lands and Premises belonging to E. Sayer, deceased.

1725 **Local Government (Adjustment of Gains and Losses in County Districts) Provisional Regulations, 1937:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had received from the Ministry of Health and referred to the Borough Treasurer a copy of the above Provisional Regulations, dated 5th May, 1937.

1726 **East Finchley District Library :**

The Town Clerk reported that the Ministry of Health had forwarded formal consents to the borrowing by the Council of the sums of £11,136 and £895 in connection with the above-mentioned Library ; that the former sum would be repayable within a period not exceeding 30 years and was in respect of the erection of the building, including special bookcase fittings, quantity surveyor's fees, clerk of works' and assistants' salaries and costs in connection with the utilisation of the land, and that the latter sum would be repayable within a period not exceeding 15 years and was in respect of heating and lighting.

The Town Clerk further reported that in a covering letter it was stated that the Minister would give further consideration to the application in regard to furniture and fittings upon receipt of a revised list of the items priced in accordance with the provisionally accepted tender.

1727 **Reconstruction of Surface Water Sewer—Long Lane :**

The Town Clerk reported that arising from the application made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing of the sum of £6,517 for works of surface water sewer reconstruction in Long Lane, the Ministry had intimated that it was observed that there was a debt of £88 on works which would be superseded by the proposed new works, and it was stated that if the Council could arrange for the immediate repayment of the amount and would undertake to do so out of current revenue the new borrowing would be authorised without any deduction in respect of the outstanding debt.

The Town Clerk further reported that he had conferred with the Borough Treasurer who had informed him that he proposed to make arrangements to repay the sum in question in order that the Minister might, as suggested, issue a consent for the full amount of the new scheme ; also that the Ministry had been notified accordingly and that it was anticipated that the consent would be to hand at an early date ;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council approve a supplemental estimate for £88 for the purpose referred to above.

1728 **Consolidated Loans Fund (Finchley) Scheme, 1937 :**

A letter, dated 3rd June, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted returning one copy of the above Scheme duly approved by the Minister.

1729 **Electricity Undertaking—Sanction to Loan :**

The Town Clerk reported that he had received from the Electricity Commissioners formal sanction to the borrowing by the Council of the sum of £854 for changing Consumers' Apparatus in connection with the change of system of supply in Ingram Avenue, Spaniards Close and Neville Drive.

1730 **Local Government Acts, 1929 and 1937—Part VI.—Adjustment of Grants consequent upon the Alteration of Areas effected by the County of Middlesex (Finchley, Hornsey and Friern Barnet Boundaries) Order, 1937 :**

A letter, dated 29th May, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted stating that in consequence of the alteration of areas which took effect as from the 1st April, 1937, an adjustment would be necessary in the amount of the general exchequer grants payable to the Council in respect of the present financial year, and asking that in order to expedite the calculation of the adjustment the Council would agree that "rateable value" should be taken to mean the rateable value as shown in the Valuation Lists on the 1st April, 1937 ;

RECOMMENDED that the Council agree to the course suggested and that the Town Clerk be instructed to inform the Ministry of Health accordingly.

1731 **Transport of Road Sweepings:**

The recommendation of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee in regard to the above were reported and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the matter be considered further at the meeting of the Town Council.

1732 **Erection of Health Centre—Oak Lane:**

The recommendations of the Public Health Committee in regard to the above were reported and considered;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that no objection on financial grounds be raised to the expenditure involved; and

(2) that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £14,500, for the erection of a Health Centre in Oak Lane, in accordance with the detailed estimate prepared by the Borough Surveyor.

1733 **East Finchley District Library:**

The Town Clerk reported the receipt from the Ministry of Health of consent to the borrowing by the Council of the sum of £2,500, repayable within a period not exceeding 7 years, for the purchase of an initial bookstock for the above Library.

1734 **Proposed Mortuary:**

The Town Clerk reported that the Borough Surveyor had informed him that the tender provisionally accepted by the Council for the erection of a mortuary was in excess of his estimate and he submitted an amended estimate amounting to the sum of £3,270;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the following resolution contained in Minute No. 1012 be rescinded:—

"That the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £2,900 for the erection of a Mortuary."

(2) that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Council of the sum of £3,270 for the erection of a mortuary in accordance with the detailed amended estimate prepared by the Borough Surveyor.

1735 **Rate Collection for Period 1st to 31st May, 1937:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement:—

	£		£
Arrears of former Rates	6,192	Amount of Rate collected as per previous report	22,004
Estimated Product of Rate—half-year 1st April to 30th September, 1937	199,709	Amount collected 1st—31st May, 1937	43,210
Additions to Rate—new assessments, etc.	1,995	Rate outstanding	142,682
	£207,896		£207,896

1736 **Statement of Bank Balances—16th June, 1937:**

The following statement was submitted by the Borough Treasurer:—

Fund or Account.	Debit. £ s. d.	Credit. £ s. d.
General Rate Fund Revenue		68,737 1 5
Education Revenue		2,930 8 8
Electricity Revenue		14,469 11 9
Housing Revenue		6,159 10 7
General Rate Fund Capital		10,024 7 4
Education Capital	144 7 1	
Electricity Capital		52,476 19 8
Loans	132,498 0 2	
Salaries		1,626 13 0
Advance	11,059 1 6	
Suspense	5 5 4	
Totals	£143,706 14 1	£156,424 12 5
Net Balance		£12,717 18 4
Superannuation Fund		£1,119 2 2

1737 **Receipts and Payments—May:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement:—

Fund or Account.	Receipts. £	Payments. £
General Rate Fund Revenue	49,612	39,295
Education Revenue	1,294	5,562
Electricity Revenue	15,854	31,268
Housing Revenue	2,239	819
General Rate Fund Capital	460	3,027
Electricity Capital	7	2,182
Education Capital	—	—
Loans	110,045	70,574
Superannuation Fund	1,346	10,808
	£180,857	£163,535

1738 **Summary of Accounts Approved and Recommended for Payment:**

The following is a summary of the Accounts included in the Interim Order on Treasurer, and in the Order on Treasurer to be submitted to the Council for approval:—

	Interim Order. £	s.	d.	Council Order. £	s.	d.	Total. £	s.	d.
General Rate Fund Revenue	75,827	2	1	37,478	18	3	113,306	0	4
Education Revenue	3,981	0	8	666	9	0	4,647	9	8
Electricity Revenue	5,272	3	6	11,912	9	6	17,184	13	0
General Rate Fund Capital	10,127	14	7	11,133	5	11	21,261	0	6
Electricity Capital	8	10	0	3,337	12	8	3,346	2	8
Loans	1,269	0	0				1,269	0	0
Superannuation Fund	348	0	11				348	0	11
	£96,833	11	9	£64,528	15	4	£161,362	7	1

1739 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instruction given to the Town Clerk, as entered in his Instruction Book, be approved.

C. HAYTER,

Chairman (*pro tempore*).

Coronation Celebrations Committee's Report

17th JUNE, 1937.

Present: His Worship the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), Chairman, the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Pateman, Councillors Brooksbank, Hayter, Mrs. Legge and Steward.

1740 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of the Meeting of the Committee held on the 8th March, 1937, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

1741 **Report of the Chairman of the Finchley Burgesses Committee:**

The Chairman of the Finchley Burgesses Committee (Councillor Major H. W. Steward) reported orally on the Celebrations generally.

He pointed out that the Honoraria to the Secretariat, etc., approved by the Finchley Burgesses Committee, as indicated in Minute No. 237 of such Committee's proceedings (a copy of which had been circulated to each member of the Town Council, as members of the Finchley Burgesses Committee) was included in that Committee's expenditure.

1742 **Finance:**

A Statement shewing the approximate Income and Expenditure of the Finchley Burgesses Committee was circulated at the meeting.

It was reported that expenditure incurred by the Town Council amounted to approximately £195, making a total approximate net expenditure on Coronation Celebrations of £1,734 as set out below:—

Finchley Burgesses Committee:—

	Estimated.	Approximate Actual.
	£	£
Expenditure	2,013	1,775
Less Income	335	236
Net Expenditure	1,678	1,539
Finchley Town Council:—		
Expenditure	122	195
Total Expenditure	£1,800	£1,734

RECOMMENDED that the approximate net expenditure of £1,734 be approved.

1743 **Authority to Sign Minutes:**

It was intimated that this would be the last meeting of the Committee, and authority was given to the Chairman to sign the Minutes.

S. PULHAM,

Chairman.

Housing Committee's Report.
(Special Meeting.)

21st JUNE, 1937.

Present: Councillor Mrs. Legge (Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant and Wells and Councillors Burch, Grocott, Mrs. Murphy and Wilmot.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pateman and Syrett and Councillors Rutt and Wightman.

1744 **Minutes:**

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

1745 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of Requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1746 **Finchley Housing Confirmation Order, 1935:**

(*a*) Heating of Buildings.—The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

> "The Committee will remember that at the last meeting of the Town Council plans were approved for the provision of one separate communal wash-house and drying room to each 12 flats for the first section of the Red Lion Hill Scheme.
>
> The recommendation that the method of heating the water in the wash-houses should be by the use of gas coppers was, however, referred back to the Committee for further consideration with a view to the question of heating by electricity being discussed."

Arising thereon it was further reported that the Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme Sub-Committee had decided to ask the Electricity Committee for their observations on the possibility of installing electric cookers and water heaters in the buildings proposed to be erected, in time for same to be considered at the meeting of this Committee to be held in September next and had also asked the Borough Surveyor to report at the same meeting upon the relative merits of installing cooking ranges, "inter-ovens" and gas or electric cookers in the kitchens or living rooms of the flats, and gas or electricity for heating the water in the communal wash-houses;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*b*) Lochleven House (Basement)—Oak Lane.—The Town Clerk submitted the following extract from a letter received from Mr. E. T. Sheldon of Lochleven House (Basement), Oak Lane:—

> "The Finchley Council is presumably landlord of this flat as from September 1st. Perhaps then you can tell me (1) Whether I shall have to evacuate the premises by September 1st; (2) If not, on what terms I can, if desirous, continue my tenancy of the flat."

RECOMMENDED that Mr. Sheldon be informed that the Town Council are prepared to allow him to remain in occupation of the premises, on a quarterly tenancy, as from the 1st September next at a rental of £1 5s. 0d. per week inclusive.

(*c*) Development Scheme—Second Section.—In accordance with instructions the Borough Surveyor submitted Drawings Nos. 11,198, 11,203, 11,168 and 11,169 and an estimate amounting to £14,731 for the erection of two blocks ("P" and "Q") comprising 20—4 bedroom flats and 4—2 bedroom flats (including wash-house and drying accommodation) on the remainder of the Craven Lodge Estate.

He pointed out that the estimate was based on the figures contained in the statement of the cost of the complete scheme as approved by the Council in December last and that, as a result, a separate estimate in respect of the wash-house and drying accommodation had not been prepared since the approval of such statement; further, that the

two blocks referred to above, added to those previously approved, viz., "A" and "R," would provide the following accommodation :—

	26	— 2 bedroom flats.
	14	— 3 bedroom flats.
	8	— 4 bedroom flats (small).
	12	— 4 bedroom flats (large).
Total	60	

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the drawings submitted by the Borough Surveyor providing for the erection of 20—4 bedroom flats and 4—2 bedroom flats (including wash-house and drying accommodation) on the remainder of the Craven Lodge Estate be approved ;

(2) that the Town Clerk be instructed to submit this, the second section of the Scheme, to the Ministry of Health for approval ; and

(3) that advertisements be issued inviting tenders for the carrying out of the works.

(*d*) Third and Subsequent Sections.—The Town Clerk reported that in accordance with instructions the Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme Sub-Committee had considered the question of the next section of the Scheme to be dealt with, and that the Borough Surveyor had reported that if blocks "E," "G" and "M" were dealt with on the lines of the lay-out plan provisionally approved by the Council, a total of 96 flats would have been decided upon and that the Medical Officer of Health had expressed the view that this represented the accommodation required to meet the needs of the Borough as revealed by the recent survey under the Housing Act, 1935, the re-housing of certain families to be dispossessed in connection with this Scheme and families displaced from clearance areas.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Borough Surveyor be instructed :—

(i) to proceed, after consultation with the Medical Officer of Health, with the preparation of plans for the under-mentioned blocks of flats :—

Block.	Site.	No. of Flats.
"E"	Garden of Cleveland House	12
"G"	Sayers Cottages and land rear of Bourchier House	12
"M"	Land at rear of St. Mary's Presbytery	12

and to submit same for the consideration of the Sub-Committee at a meeting to be held prior to the meeting of this Committee in September next ; and

(ii) to submit at the same meeting a Scheme for the development of the remainder of the site ; and

(2) that as regards block "G," the Town Clerk be instructed to serve notice to quit at the appropriate time upon the tenants of Sayers Cottages, and that failing compliance therewith, he be instructed to take such steps as may be necessary to obtain vacant possession of the premises.

1747 **The Institute of Housing:**

The Town Clerk reported that the above Institute had extended to the Town Council an invitation to appoint delegates to attend the 5th Annual General Meeting and Conference of the Institute to be held at Carlisle on the 14th, 15th and 16th October next;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken thereon.

1748 **Inspection of Flat Schemes:**

RECOMMENDED that, in the event of the Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme Sub-Committee desiring to inspect any flat schemes of particular interest in England, authority be given for payment of their expenses, with those of the appropriate Officers accompanying the Sub-Committee, in accordance with the scale approved by the Council.

1749 **Workmen's Dwellings:**

(*a*) Domestic Tariff.—The Town Clerk reported that at a Special Meeting of the Electricity Committee held on the 26th May, 1937, instructions were given for this Committee to be notified of the amended weekly charge proposed to be made in the case of those tenants who adopted the authorised domestic tariff; further, that he understood from the Borough Treasurer that the sum of 3/- per week was to be collected in such cases, subject to quarterly adjustment on the meter reading.

(*b*) Supply of Electricity.—The Town Clerk reported that the Electricity Committee had referred to this Committee a letter, dated 8th June, 1937, received from Mr. J. J. Keymer of 196, Woodhouse Road on the subject of the wiring of his house for the supply of electricity for heating purposes:

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that it be suggested to the Electricity Committee that a joint Sub-Committee of the two Committees should be appointed to consider the question of the wiring of Council houses for the supply of electricity for heating purposes;

(2) that assuming the concurrence of that Committee with the suggestion, the Chairman of this Committee and Aldermen Briant and Pike be appointed to represent this Committee on the Joint Sub-Committee; and

(3) that Mr. Keymer be informed that, whilst the Council are not prepared to wire his house for heating purposes at the present time, the whole matter is under consideration.

1750 **Applications for Housing Accommodation:**

The Town Clerk reported that at the last meeting of the Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme Sub-Committee attention was drawn to the fact that at the present time the list of applications received for housing accommodation contained the names of all applicants, irrespective of their merits, requiring accommodation, and that instructions were given for a copy of the list to be submitted to the Public Health Department in order that the applications might be examined and classified according to the standards laid down in the Housing Act, 1936, and a further report made to the Committee in due course:

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1751 **Date of Next Meeting of the Committee:**

RECOMMENDED that notwithstanding anything contained in Minute No. 1505, the meeting of this Committee fixed for the 19th July, 1937, be not held unless found to be necessary.

1752 **Electric Main Application—Woodhouse Estate:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that an application, dated 28th May 1937, had been received from the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager shewing cable extensions through certain gardens at Sunnyway and from Summers Lane to Crescent Way;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the application on the understanding that the gardens will be properly re-instated and the tenants compensated for any loss.

1753 **Ivy Lodge—432, Long Lane:**

It was reported that the Education Committee were proposing to discontinue the use of the above premises for educational purposes as from the 31st August next.

Instructions were thereupon given to the Medical Officer of Health to ascertain if the premises would be suitable for the housing of a large working class family and to report thereon at the meeting of the Town Council;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1754 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

MARY E. LEGGE,

Chairman.

Borough of Finchley.

Municipal Offices,

Finchley, N. 3.

20th July, 1937.

Sir (or Madam),

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that MEETINGS of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY will be held as undermentioned on MONDAY NEXT, the 26th day of JULY, 1937, at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, and all and several the members of the said Council are hereby summoned to attend :—

SPECIAL MEETING at 7.55 p.m.

Agenda.

To consider report of the Public Health Committee of the 8th July, 1937, recommending the granting of Game Licences under the Game Act, 1831, as extended by the Local Government Act, 1894.

ORDINARY MEETING at 8 p.m.

Agenda.

(1) Confirmation of the Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 28th day of June, 1937.

(2) Tenders for :—

(*a*) Footway Paving Works.

(*b*) Surface Water Sewer—Long Lane and Cromwell Road.

(*c*) Sale of Hornsby Boilers.

(*d*) E.H.T. and L.T. Cables.

(*e*) Cutouts and Sealing Chambers.

(*f*) Joint Boxes.

(*g*) Cable Covers.

(*h*) Sundry Jointing Material.

(*i*) Overground Feeder Pillars.

(3) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees, and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(*a*) **Children's Safety** of the 1st July, 1937.

(*b*) **Public Libraries** of the 5th July, 1937.

(*c*) **Town Planning** of the 5th July, 1937.

(*d*) **Valuation** of the 6th July, 1937.

(*e*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 6th July, 1937.

(*f*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 7th July, 1937.

(*g*) **Public Health** of the 8th July, 1937.

(*h*) **Housing** of the 9th July, 1937

(*i*) **Education** of the 12th July, 1937.

(*j*) **Allotments** of the 13th July, 1937.

(*k*) **Electricity** of the 13th July, 1937.

(*l*) **General Purposes** of the 14th July, 1937.

(*m*) **Finance** of the 15th July, 1937.

(*n*) **Finance (Issue of Stock) Sub** of the 19th July, 1937.

(*o*) **Education (Special)** of the 20th July, 1937.

(4) Other Correspondence (if any).

(5) Reports of Officers (if any).

(6) To authorise the Corporate Seal to be affixed to certain documents (list to be circulated).

(7) Payment of Accounts.

(*a*) The Town Clerk to report that, since the last Meeting of the Town Council, a Borough Treasurer's Interim Order for the sum of £23,594 12s. 2d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(*b*) Motion.—

"That an Order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 15th July, 1937, amounting to £113,800 16s. 8d."

(8) Vacation—Motions :—

"(*a*) That the Town Council do go into vacation for the month of August, 1937;

(*b*) That the General Purposes Committee be empowered to deal, subject to report, with any matter of urgency during the vacation other than the raising of any loan or the making of any rate or contract;

(*c*) That a Special Meeting of the Town Council to deal with any matter of pressing importance be summoned on the instructions of the Mayor if three clear days' previous notice be given;

(*d*) That any plans which may be deposited for the Town Council's approval during the vacation be referred to the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor and the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman of the Town Planning Committee, with power to act, subject to report to the Town Council at its ordinary meeting in September next."

(9) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Council in Committee.

(10) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees, and correspondence arising therefrom:—

(*a*) **Public Libraries** of the 5th July, 1937.

(*b*) **Town Planning** of the 5th July, 1937.

(*c*) **Valuation** of the 6th July, 1937.

(*d*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 6th July, 1937.

(*e*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 7th July, 1937.

(*f*) **Public Health** of the 8th July, 1937.

(*g*) **Housing** of the 9th July, 1937.

(*h*) **Education** of the 12th July, 1937.

(*i*) **Electricity** of the 13th July, 1937.

(*j*) **General Purposes** of the 14th July, 1937.

(*k*) **Finance** of the 15th July, 1937.

(*l*) **Finance (Issue of Stock) Sub** of the 19th July, 1937.

(*m*) **Education (Special)** of the 20th July, 1937 (if any).

(11) Other Correspondence (if any).

(12) Reports of Officers (if any).

(13) To consider, if necessary, the question of the raising of any temporary loan.

(14) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Aldwyn Barker

Town Clerk.

Questions.

Notice of any question intended to be asked at the Meeting of the Town Council must be given at the office of the Town Clerk not later than Twelve noon on the day of such Meeting.

Borough of Finchley.

At an Ordinary Meeting of the Council of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY, held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on MONDAY, the 28th day of June, 1937.

PRESENT:

His Worship the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.).

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).

Aldermen—

A. J. Briant.
G. H. Pateman.
A. T. Pike, O.B.E., J.P.
C. S. Syrett.
Vyvyan Wells.

Councillors—

A. N. H. Baines.
W. L. Brooksbank.
J. F. Kneale Caine.
A. C. D. Collis.
C. Connorton.
F. J. Grocott.
C. Hayter.
J. Hugh Jones, LL.B.
Mrs. M. E. Legge.
Mrs. E. Murphy.
R. J. N. Norman.
H. A. Rutt.
Major H. W. Steward.
C. F. Wightman.
H. H. Wilmot.

1755 **Apologies for Absence:**

It was reported that Councillors Burch and Grobel had expressed regret at their inability to be present at the meeting.

1756 **Councillor Mrs. Murphy:**

The Mayor extended a welcome to Councillor Mrs. Murphy on her return from her recent illness.

1757 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 31st day of May, 1937, were presented, and it was

RESOLVED that such Minutes be taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a correct record of the proceedings.

1758 **Tenders:**

(*a*) Erection of a Ladies' Convenience at Brook Farm Open Space.

(*b*) Purchase and removal of Lathe—Electricity Department.

(*c*) The supply of coal and coke.

RESOLVED that the tenders received in connection with the above be opened and referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

1759 **Reports of Committees :—**

RESOLVED that the reports of the under-mentioned Committees be received and adopted, as varied by the amendments (if any) set out and adopted :—

(*a*) **Valuation** of the 8th June, 1937.

(*b*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 8th June, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1552 (b) (Land, North Side of Totteridge Lane), the Town Clerk reported receipt of a communication, dated 21st June, 1937, from Mr. G. H. Kemp as follows :—

> "In response to your letter of the 19th June I am indeed very pleased to hear that your Council has concluded the purchase of the piece of land nearby the station in Totteridge Lane on the north side, and to fulfil the promise made to you in a letter some time ago I now send you my cheque for one hundred guineas, as a contribution towards the expense you propose to incur in laying out the land with trees, seats and drinking fountains for the use and enjoyment of the public.
>
> I am very happy indeed to feel that this land is to be a permanent open space, even if it has been, as I understand, an exceedingly costly piece of land for your Council to purchase.
>
> I shall be glad if you will, at some appropriate time, offer to your Council my thanks for the step they have taken."

RESOLVED—

(*a*) that the Town Council do place on record their grateful appreciation of Mr. Kemp's generosity in the matter ; and

(*b*) that the Town Clerk be instructed to notify Mr. Kemp accordingly.

(*c*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 9th June, 1937, with the exception of recommendation (b) contained in paragraph 1599 (Transport of Road Sweepings), which be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

(*d*) **Public Health** of the 10th June, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1608 (Erection of Health Centre—Oak Lane), it was

RESOLVED that the words "Boiler room 3,600 feet cube at 2/-" in the Borough Surveyor's estimate be deleted and the following substituted therefor :—"Heating Chamber."

Arising out of paragraph 1620 (b) (iii) (Public Baths—Open Air Pools), it was

RESOLVED that the first line thereof be amended to read as follows :—"It was reported that representations had been made."

(*e*) **Public Libraries** of the 11th June, 1937.

(*f*) **Town Planning** of the 11th June, 1937, with the exception of paragraph 1645 (11 Shops, 11 Flats and 9 Garages, Regents Park Road, opposite Statue "La Delivrance") which be referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

Arising out of paragraph 1635 (Proposed New Scouts' Headquarters—Gordon Hall Estate, Nether Street, N. 3), a letter, dated 15th June, 1937, was submitted from Mr. W. S. Norton of 245, Nether Street, as follows :—

"In connection with this matter, I am given to understand that it is now intended to erect a new Scout building on or near its present position. I was present at the recent Ministry of Health enquiry, but cannot recall that this building was shown on the plans submitted to the Ministry's Inspector, nor was it, so far as I am aware, referred to in any way. The enquiry was, of course, held primarily to discuss the question as to whether there should be shops or not, and the Inspector would, therefore, have no knowledge of the proposed erection of any other building on the site in question.

In view of the fact, however, that such an erection as the Scouts' Hut does not, I understand, come within the Primary Zoning of the Town Planning Act, I am of opinion that the matter should form the subject of an independent enquiry and action by the Council and that the building should not be allowed to go up under cover of the Ministry's permission to erect shops.

This hut—always a source of annoyance to nearby residents—will be even more objectionable, having regard to the noises which emanate from and around it, when boxed in by houses, flats, shops and, I believe, garages.

I would like to register my strong protest at the present proposal to erect the building in question."

RESOLVED that same be referred to the Committee for consideration.

Arising out of paragraph 1654 (a) (Plans—Approved), the Borough Surveyor reported that Plan No. 9824a showed a proposal to construct an inspection chamber on land which had already been conveyed to the Town Council for widening purposes, and that it would appear desirable that an agreement should be entered into with regard to the matter.

In the circumstances, it was

RESOLVED that the plan in question be approved, subject to the necessary agreement in connection with the inspection chamber being entered into by the owners.

Arising further out of the said paragraph, the Borough Surveyor also reported upon a communication, dated 17th June, 1937, which had been received from Mr. J. H. Thomas of 18, Baronsmere Road, in regard to Plan No. 10030, and it was

RESOLVED that the plan in question be deleted from the list of approved plans, and that the matter be referred to the Committee for further consideration with power to act.

(*g*) **Education** of the 14th June, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1662 (Resignation—Miss A. Spittle, Northside Junior School), it was

RESOLVED that the words "Monday, 19th July, 1937" be deleted from recommendation (e) and the following substituted therefor:—"a date to be arranged."

(*h*) **Electricity** of the 15th June, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1672 (Alternative Two-Part Domestic Tariff—Equipment), it was

RESOLVED that the proposals be approved, subject to the consent of the Electricity Commissioners being received thereto.

Arising out of paragraph 1673 (a) (Sub-Station Sites—Hendon Lane), the following statement was made by the Chairman of the Committee:—

"The report of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee on this matter (see Minute No. 1571) has received the attention of the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager and the Electricity Committee, but in the meantime a possible alternative site has been observed in the grounds of Christ's College.

A communication and block plans have been sent by the Borough Electrical Engineer and Manager to the Director of Education for submission to the Middlesex Education Committee from whom a reply will no doubt be received after the matter has received attention.

It is hoped that it will be possible to submit a further report at the next meeting of the Town Council."

Arising out of paragraph 1695 (Accounts and Works Sub-Committee), it was

RESOLVED that the following words be added at the end of the recommendation :—"so far as regards the first-mentioned instruction of the Sub-Committee, but that, as regards the second-mentioned instruction, the word 'present' be deleted, and the words 'report upon' substituted therefor."

(*i*) **General Purposes** of the 16th June, 1937.

(*j*) **Finance** of the 17th June, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1731 (Transport of Road Sweepings, it was intimated that recommendation (b) contained in paragraph 1599 of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee's Report of the 9th June, 1937, had been referred to the Committee for further consideration.

(*k*) **Coronation Celebrations** of the 17th June, 1937.

Arising thereon, it was

RESOLVED unanimously, on the motion of the Mayor, seconded by the Deputy Mayor :—

(*a*) that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded to Councillor Major H. W. Steward, the Chairman of the Finchley Burgesses Committee, for the valuable services rendered by him in connection with the Celebrations which took place within the Borough on the occasion of the Coronation of His Majesty King George the Sixth, and for the energy and marked ability displayed by him which resulted in bringing such Celebrations to a successful issue ;

(*b*) that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded to Mr. S. Vernon French for the efficient manner in which he carried out his duties as Honorary Secretary of the Finchley Burgesses Committee and of the Coronation Celebrations Committee, and that the congratulations of the Council be extended to him on the ability which he displayed in connection with the organisation of the Coronation Celebrations ;

(*c*) that the foregoing resolutions be engrossed on vellum at a cost not exceeding 3 guineas in each case, and that the Corporate Seal be affixed thereto ;

(*d*) that the Town Council do record their high appreciation of the valuable services rendered by all those who took an active part in the organisation of the various functions in connection with the Celebrations and extend their congratulations to them on the successful culmination of their efforts ;

(*e*) that the best thanks of the Town Council be accorded to the Officers and men of the Metropolitan Police working within the Borough and also to the Officers and men of the Special Constabulary for the valuable assistance rendered by them during the period of the Celebrations.

(*l*) **Housing (Special)** of the 21st June, 1937, with the exception of paragraph 1753 (Ivy Lodge—432, Long Lane), which be referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

1760 **Heating—Manorside School :**

A letter, dated 18th June, 1937, was submitted from Messrs. Wenham & Fowler, suggesting that they should be allowed to deposit a sum of £200 in lieu of providing a surety bond in connection with the contract for the above ;

RESOLVED that this be agreed.

1761 **Elm Bank, Nether Street ; St. Ronan's, 389, Nether Street :**

Letters, dated 17th June, 1937, were submitted from the Solicitors for the applicants, enclosing notices of application for the discharge or modification of restrictive covenants affecting the above properties ;

RESOLVED that the matter be referred to the Town Planning Committee for consideration, with power to act.

Arising on the above, Alderman Wells disclosed that he had an interest in the matter, and, in consequence, did not vote or take any part in the discussion relating thereto.

Alderman Syrett made a similar disclosure with regard to St. Ronan's, Nether Street, and in consequence did not vote or take any part in the discussion relating thereto.

1762 **Land, Fronting Woodhouse Road, Adjoining Kimberley Parade :**

A letter, dated 16th June, 1937, was submitted from Messrs. Williams & Poole, enclosing notice of application for the discharge or modification of restrictive covenants affecting the above land ;

RESOLVED that the matter be referred to the Town Planning Committee for consideration, with power to act.

1763 **Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants :**

A report by the Chairman of the Finance Committee on the proceedings at the Annual Conference of the Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants held at Bournemouth in June, 1937, was submitted.

1764 **Housing of the Working Classes—Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme :**

A letter, dated 24th June, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Health as follows :—

"I am directed by the Minister of Health to refer to your letter of the 3rd instant regarding the proposed erection of 24 flats on the Mowbray House site and 12 flats on the Craven Lodge site and to state that the plans submitted are generally satisfactory. It is assumed that the Council are satisfied that the area of the drying room is sufficient for its purpose, but if on further consideration an increase in size is found desirable the Minister would not object. This matter is, however, left to the discretion of the Council.

The Council may now proceed to obtain tenders for these flats."

1765 **Documents for Sealing :**

RESOLVED that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents :—

(1) Discharges of Registered Charges or Vacating Receipts (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts), in respect of the following :—

(*a*) **Transfers to Abbey Road Building Society :—**

Mortgage No. 29—L. E. Harris, 22, Hamilton Way.
,, ,, 54—P. R. Jemmett, 11, Hamilton Way.
,, ,, 56—A. H. Yeaxlee, 24, Birley Road.
,, ,, 77—T. R. Cardwell, 11, Sylvan Avenue.
,, ,, 115—H. J. Winfield, 6, Hamilton Way.
,, ,, 125—Mrs. Peggram, 27, Mayfield Avenue.
,, ,, 128—R. A. Mills, 46, Birley Road.
,, ,, 134—A. E. Ball, 52, Hervey Close.
,, ,, 150—W. E. Barley, 3, Argyle Road.
,, ,, 158—K. Bark, 54, Birley Road.
,, ,, 161—A. T. Webb, 21, Summerlee Avenue.
,, ,, 178—A. E. Hailstone, 10, Woodgrange Avenue.
,, ,, 181—C. W. Shellshear, 22, Summerlee Avenue.
,, ,, 182—A. Mendes, 92, Fallow Court Avenue.
,, ,, 223—G. E. Keen, 18, Clarence Gardens.
,, ,, 233—Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Lance, 30, Lansdowne Road.
,, ,, 236—G. J. Magee, 58, Summerlee Avenue.
,, ,, 242—Mrs. R. W. Pryke, 3, Birley Road.
,, ,, 263—G. A. L. Heward, 76, Summerlee Avenue.
,, ,, 270—E. A. Cohen, 12, Rosemont Avenue.
,, ,, 297—F. J. Kirby, 3, Sylvester Road.
,, ,, 302—C. J. Wray, 26, Grosvenor Road.
,, ,, 312—The Misses F. D. and E. S. R. Scott, 38, Stanhope Avenue.
,, ,, 315—E. R. Widgery, 17, Holden Road.
,, ,, 316—T. W. Dunkley, 27, Hayward Road.
,, ,, 327—J. N. Speechly, 8, Moreton Terrace, Abingdon Road.
,, ,, 336—N. G. F. Polley, 15, Claverley Grove.
,, ,, 341—W. Burt, 30, Court House Road.
,, ,, 353—W. J. F. Gray, 9, Park Avenue, N. 3.
,, ,, 356—J. Kellaway, Teignton, Hayward Road.
,, ,, 361—C. V. J. Hart, 56, Court House Road.
,, ,, 374—J. S. T. Mill, 55, Birley Road.
,, ,, 378—F. J. King, 29, Mayfield Avenue.
,, ,, 381—J. H. Veal, 88, Summerlee Avenue.
,, ,, 383—H. J. Hicks, Thurleigh Cottage, King Street.
,, ,, 387—E. T. G. Smith, 35, Brookland Rise.
,, ,, 390—R. A. Bishop, 59, Chandos Road.
,, ,, 392—E. Worfolk, 42, Brookland Rise.
,, ,, 398—A. N. Gregory, 5, Sylvan Avenue.
,, ,, 405—The Misses E. E. Goddard and R. H. Ivory, 4, Woodberry Way.
,, ,, 415—A. G. Pavely, Gainsford, Nether Street.
,, ,, 420—T. H. Hutton, 35, Grove Road.
,, ,, 355—Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Ackroyd, 28, Court House Road.
,, ,, 422—F. H. Barron, 39, Birley Road.
,, ,, 428—C. Walker, 114, Church Lane.
,, ,, 432—Miss A. W. Jenkin, 23, Woodlands Avenue.
,, ,, 442—E. J. Needham, Glen Garrick, Bow Lane.
,, ,, 448—C. E. Penney, 14, Stanhope Avenue.
,, ,, 455—G. A. Holland, 2, St. Margaret's Avenue.
,, ,, 458—S. V. May, Lynwood, Ridgeview Road.

Mortgage No. 460—R. Browning, Clarebank, Dollis Park.
,, ,, 468—Mrs. E. Kaufmann, 8, Wentworth Avenue.
,, ,, 474—Miss W. H. Armstrong, 16, Lyndhurst Gardens.
,, ,, 476—L. V. Hull, 4, St. Margaret's Avenue.
,, ,, 489—Mrs. C. A. Lee, 45, Birley Road.
,, ,, 495—F. Ayers, 86, Woodlands Avenue.
,, ,, 500—W. L. Beck, 41, Wentworth Avenue.
,, ,, 501—H. Clinton, 112, Fallow Court Avenue.
,, ,, 502—F. H. Lucraft, 7, Hillcourt Avenue.
,, ,, 503—G. R. Kingbourn, 7, Oakwood Road.
,, ,, 504—F. G. S. Powell, 31, Fursby Avenue.
,, ,, 505—E. A. Wallington, 28, St. Margaret's Avenue.
,, ,, 508—D. Rosenthal, 20, St. Margaret's Avenue.
,, ,, 509—D. W. R. Anderson, 21, Fursby Avenue.
,, ,, 511—L. G. Colman, 36, St. Margaret's Avenue.
,, ,, 512—R.A. Whitelaw, 2, Midholm.
,, ,, 515—F. W. Carter, 1, Falkland Avenue.
,, ,, 516—L. H. C. Appleton, 25, Fursby Avenue.
,, ,, 525—V. A. Shewry, 30, Hayward Road.
,, ,, 526—H. T. Appleton, 37, Fursby Avenue.
,, ,, 527—C. J. Morris, Marchmore, Nether Street.
,, ,, 531—R. H. Speechley, 3, Brookland Close.
,, ,, 532—Mrs. E. M. Simmonds, Wylma, Hayward Road.
,, ,, 542—L. Stimson, 67, Leopold Road.
,, ,, 545—R. J. and Mrs. C. K. Thomas, Lorelei, Naylor Road.
,, ,, 548—W. R. Newson, Wrenmore, Nether Street.
,, ,, 557—A. T. Gooday, 32, Chesterfield Road.
,, ,, 561—H. E. Sayers, Sunnyside, Naylor Road.
,, ,, 562—E. E. George, 65, Leopold Road.
,, ,, 564—C. W. Harris, 59, St. Margaret's Avenue.
,, ,, 568—A. J. Holt, 73, Leopold Road.
,, ,, 577—T. F. P. Davies, 46, Naylor Road.
,, ,, 581—Mrs. M. G. Lewis, 36, Nethercourt Avenue.
,, ,, 582—A. J. Crouch, 40, Nethercourt Avenue.
,, ,, 587—F. Rainbow, 1, Birley Road.
,, ,, 594—Miss M. H. Butt, 74, Leopold Road.
,, ,, 603—L. W. Cavanagh, 16, Hamilton Way.
,, ,, 608—J. W. Hardiman, 8, Grosvenor Road.
,, ,, 610—L. E. Waters, 18, West Avenue.
,, ,, 618—J. Lindsay, 9, Chesterfield Road.
,, ,, 619—J. A. Town, 52, Naylor Road.
,, ,, 622—L. Down, 17, Hertford Road.
,, ,, 625—J. A. Stone, 38, Naylor Road.
,, ,, 631—J. Williams, 72, Leopold Road.
,, ,, 632—T. R. Grocott, 9, Netherfield Road.
,, ,, 637—C. Margerison, 19, West Avenue.
,, ,, 638—N. L. Williams, 56, Naylor Road.
,, ,, 640—W. A. Parsons, Maroc, North Circular Road.
,, ,, 642—Miss M. A. M. Beck, 36, Naylor Road.
,, ,, 644—H. J. Westcott, 33, West Avenue.
,, ,, 646—N. J. Pymm, 80, Brentway.
,, ,, 651—The Misses G. E. and F. M. Weekes, 29, West Avenue.
,, ,, 653—Mrs. R. Rantzen, 20, Clarence Gardens.
,, ,, 655—J. C. Woodland, Brookside, Gordon Road.
,, ,, 660—Mrs. B. A. Holloway, The Firs, Eversleigh Road.

Mortgage No. 666—F. H. Price, 34, West Avenue.
,, ,, 667—J. H. Broome, Ningwood, Gordon Road.
,, ,, 668—A. M. Campbell, 27, West Avenue.
,, ,, 669—W. H. Oliver, 62, Leopold Road.
,, ,, 670—A. R. Spencer, Malpas, North Circular Road.
,, ,, 673—Mrs. D. Gold, 46, Long Lane.
,, ,, 674—E. A. Hatton, 32, West Avenue.
,, ,, 680—Mrs. F. B. Horstead, 66, Brentway.
,, ,, 682—H. H. Wilmot, 10, Elm Gardens.
,, ,, 686—P. G. Godfrey, 20, Briarfield Avenue.
,, ,, 693—L. W. Burcham, Twynham, North Circular Road.
,, ,, 696—F. J. Keen, 27, Hamilton Way.
,, ,, 700—A. C. Kettle, 36, West Avenue.
,, ,, 706—S. J. Mason, 54, West Avenue.
,, ,, 712—A. E. Winter, 41, Nethercourt Avenue.
,, ,, 713—A. Jenkins, 15, Finchley Way.
,, ,, 724—F. G. Vessey, 69, Naylor Road.
,, ,, 727—E. T. Abel, 65, Naylor Road.
,, ,, 729—Mrs. D. K. Williams, 56, West Avenue.
,, ,, 734—T. Bycroft, Nan-Ta, North Circular Road.
,, ,, 738—I. R. Davies, 43, Highwood Avenue.
,, ,, 740—G. S. Richards, 99, Brentway.
,, ,, 741—K. G. Gould, 76, Hervey Close.
,, ,, 745—H. W. Booth, Quinton, Naylor Road.
,, ,, 752—F. P. J. Land, 23, Holdenhurst Avenue.
,, ,, 753—W. H. Tangye, 4, Craigmar Gardens.
,, ,, 760—L. D. Strachan, 50, Woodgrange Avenue.
,, ,, 766—A. T. Preston, 72, Naylor Road.
,, ,, 767—Mrs. E. Davis, 105, Brentway.
,, ,, 771—S. Kimber, 75, Naylor Road.
,, ,, 772—F. Wharton, 14, West Avenue.
,, ,, 773—W. H. Crow, 8, Milverton Terrace, Totteridge Lane.
,, ,, 776—N. Booker, 75, Brentway.
,, ,, 779—A. C. Miller, 52, West Avenue.
,, ,, 784—G. H. Settle, 8, West Avenue.
,, ,, 793—Mr. and Mrs. E. E. L. Rodick, 18, Stanhope Avenue.
,, ,, 806—P. L. White, 5, Cadogan Gardens.
,, ,, 807—Mrs. A. Bryan, 94, Lyttelton Road.
,, ,, 809—R. J. Holmes, 6, Westbury Grove.
,, ,, 811—C. E. Eagle, 74, Naylor Road.
,, ,, 812—Mrs. G. K. Vaughan, 17, Walfield Avenue.
,, ,, 814—A. Cumber, 11, Vines Avenue.
,, ,, 818—P. H. Lemon, 21, Walfield Avenue.
,, ,, 820—A. V. Bryant, 23, Vines Avenue.
,, ,, 822—E. G. Allen, 15, Leicester Road.
,, ,, 826—R. Aidney, 12, Walfield Avenue.
,, ,, 827—C. W. Dunmore, 39, Walfield Avenue.
,, ,, 821—Mr. and Mrs. O. G. Scott, 24, Grosvenor Road.
,, ,, 832—Mrs. C. Steel, 1, Brookland Close.
,, ,, 834—E. S. Brown, 5, Derwent Crescent.
,, ,, 33—G. A. Little, 43, Brentway.
,, ,, 135—E. Backhouse, 36, Finchley Way.
,, ,, 166—J. Pendlebury, 3, Summerlee Avenue.
,, ,, 215—Miss T. B. Boulter, 32, Summerlee Avenue.
,, ,, 224—S. A. King, 48, Summerlee Avenue.
,, ,, 237—S. Eastmead, 56, Summerlee Avenue.

Mortgage No. 290—R. Waters and Mrs. G. M. Waters, 54, Summerlee Avenue.
,, ,, 406—W. C. Fitness, 86, Fallow Court Avenue.
,, ,, 425—W. T. Gillard, 39, Abingdon Road.
,, ,, 697—F. Davey, 79, Nether Street.
,, ,, 786—A. J. P. Brosnahan and Mrs. M. C. Brosnahan, 1, St. Margaret's Avenue.
,, ,, 572—A. E. Adcock, 69, Leopold Road.

(*b*) **General :—**

Mortgage No. 770—J. Featherstone, 2, Fursby Avenue.
,, ,, 641—C. T. Roberts, 33, Cyprus Avenue.
,, ,, 960—E. Shepherd, Gopsall, East End Road.
,, ,, 681—F. E. Burrell, 7, Court House Gardens.
,, ,, 962—R. Bartram, 4, Lyndhurst Gardens.
,, ,, 438—H. Davis, 12, Stanhope Avenue.
,, ,, 410—Miss J. Cutler, 78, Bow Lane.
,, ,, 969—Mrs. A. E. Hamblin, 103, Abbots Gardens.
,, ,, 578—J. P. Walters, 20, Hamilton Way.
,, ,, 469—E. J. Ganz, 11, Woodgrange Gardens.

(2) Agreement with Messrs. E. Wight & Co., in connection with the use of premises in Dollis Mews for a manufacturing process.

(3) Agreement with Mrs. Williams in connection with the use of No. 2, Dollis Mews as a decorators' workshop, etc.

(4) Agreement with Mr. A. W. Amos in connection with proposed road—Land—Gordon Road, opposite Rocklands.

(5) Agreement with the London Poster Advertising Association, Ltd., in connection with the advertising provisions of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6.

(6) Contract with Messrs. Grensells Electrical Contractors for the rewiring of the Alder School.

(7) Contract with Messrs. C. Halls & Sons for carrying out of repairs and decorations at Council's Schools.

(8) Letter of Appreciation to Miss A. Spittle upon her retirement from the teaching service.

(9) Agreement with the Middlesex County Council with regard to contribution towards the cost of acquiring land on the North side of Totteridge Lane for Open Space purposes.

(10) Surrender by the Congregational Church Lawn Tennis Club of the Lease of Tennis Courts rear of Brent Way.

(11) Agreement with the Congregational Church Lawn Tennis Club for the tenancy of Tennis Courts rear of Brent Way.

(12) Licences (in duplicate) to store petroleum spirit and/or carbide of calcium to the persons mentioned in the Report of the Public Health Committee, dated 10th June, 1937.

(13) Agreement with the Hendon Borough Council for reciprocal facilities in connection with the Finchley and Hendon Library Services.

(14) Contract with Messrs. Green & Vardy for the supply of furniture for the East Finchley District Library.

(15) Contract with Mr. H. W. Shipway for the wiring of premises and the installation of apparatus.

(16) Agreement with Mr. Chadd with regard to wayleave for cable under the footpath—Albert Street to Percy Road.

(17) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mrs. H. Cooper in connection with the acquisition of Nos. 1, 2 and 3, Fosketts Cottages, Red Lion Hill.

(18) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mrs. C. J. Ansell in connection with the acquisition of Willow Cottage, Red Lion Hill.

(19) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mrs. M. Wheatley in connection with the acquisition of 3, The Gardens, Red Lion Hill.

(20) Agreement with and Conveyance from the Annmep Estates in connection with the acquisition of land at the junction of Long Lane and Squires Lane.

(21) Contract with Broom & Wade, Ltd., for supply of an Air Compressor.

(22) Contract with Messrs. H. & A. Crawford for the purchase of residuals from House and Trade Refuse.

(23) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mr. E. C. Arden in connection with acquisition of land for sub-station at the junction of the North Circular Road and the Barnet Bye-Pass.

(24) Resolutions expressing appreciation of the services of Councillor Major H. W. Steward and Mr. S. Vernon French with regard to Coronation Celebrations.

(25) Agreement with Messrs. A. Fairhead & Sons, Ltd., with regard to construction of inspection chamber on land in High Road, North Finchley, forming part of the public highway.

*(26) Easement to the Barnet District Gas & Water Co. in connection with the laying of a gas main across Brook Farm open space.

* See report of Town Council in Committee.

1766 **Payment of Accounts :**

(*a*) The Town Clerk reported that, since the last Meeting of the Town Council, a Borough Treasurer's Interim Order for the sum of £96,833 11s. 9d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(*b*) **RESOLVED** that an Order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 17th June, 1937, amounting to £64,528 15s. 4d.

1767 **Council in Committee :**

It was proposed by Councillor Langlands, seconded by Alderman Syrett, and

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the Town Council do now go into Committee.

1768 **11 Shops, 11 Flats and 9 Garages, Regents Park Road, Opposite Statue "La Delivrance" :**

Paragraph 1645 of the Town Planning Committee's Report of the 11th June, 1937, was considered ;

RECOMMENDED that same be adopted.

1769 **Ivy Lodge, 432, Long Lane :**

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Paragraph 1753 of the Housing Committee's Report of the 21st June, 1937, was considered, in conjunction a report of the Medical Officer of Health ;

RECOMMENDED that the whole matter be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

1770 **Valuation Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 8th June, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the report, with the exception of paragraph (b), be adopted and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council; and

(2) that paragraph (b) be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

1771 **Parks and Open Spaces Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 8th June, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 4 (Proposed Gas Main—Wyatts Farm and Brook Farm), the Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"Following the instructions given at the last meeting of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee I have been in communication with the Barnet District Gas & Water Co. and their Engineer has now submitted the following letter, dated 22nd June, 1937, with a request that it should be submitted to your Council meeting without waiting for the next meeting of the Committee, as he claims that the matter, from the point of view of his Company, is urgent:—

'I am sorry that in making my application for your Council's permission to lay a 6 in. gas main in your Council's open space to the west of the railway north of Totteridge Station I did not make it clear that my Company were prepared to pay for the easement on somewhat similar lines to the payment they made when your Council were pleased to afford them facilities for their 20 in. water main through the same open space.

It will be within your recollection that the amount paid by the Company in the case of the 20 in. water main was £250.

The 20 in. water main was somewhat longer than the proposed 6 in. gas main and was, of course, of larger diameter, and in connection with the laying of the 20 in. main your Council also allowed us to lay a decauville track for bringing in the pipes.

In all the circumstances I suggest for your Council's consideration a payment of say £200 would be fair and equitable in the case of the application for permission to lay the 6 in. gas main.

As regards the ventilating column at the end of the line of main, detailed designs of various types of columns will be submitted to you for your approval and I hereby undertake to erect only such a column as meets with your approval.'

Subject to an agreement being entered into by the Company embodying the terms of the letter in question the Council may be disposed to approve the application."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the offer made by the Company be accepted;

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take all necessary steps in connection with the preparation of the Easement; and

(*c*) that the document be added to the list of documents for sealing.

1772 **Highways and Fire Brigade Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 9th June, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1773 **Public Health Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 10th June, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1774 **Public Libraries Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 11th June, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council (Alderman Syrett voting against paragraph 1 (a) (East Finchley District Library—Furniture).

1775 **Town Planning Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 11th June, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the report, with the exception of paragraph 1 (Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6), be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council ; and

(*b*) that paragraph 1 be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

1776 **Education Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 14th June, 1937, was submitted and considered.

Arising out of paragraph 11 (Teaching Staff—Absences) an amendment was proposed by Alderman Syrett and seconded by Alderman Pateman " that the word ' no ' before the word ' salary ' in the first-mentioned recommendation be deleted, and that the word ' without ' before the word ' salary ' in the second mentioned recommendation be deleted, and the word ' with ' substituted therefor.

On being put, the amendment was carried, 11 voting in favour and 6 against.

The amendment was thereupon put as a substantive motion and carried ;

RECOMMENDED that the report, as amended, be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1777 **Electricity Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 15th June, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1778 **General Purposes Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 16th June, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 5 (d) (Staff—Public Libraries), the Deputy Mayor reported upon the illness of certain members of the Library staff, and after fully considering the position, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that Mr. K. Smith of Leeds, one of the candidates selected for interview in connection with the appointment of Librarian-in-Charge at the East Finchley District Library, be offered the position of Librarian-in-Charge at the North Finchley District Library, on the terms mentioned in the advertisement (Alderman Syrett voting against) ; and

(*b*) that the Chairman of the Committee, in consultation with the Chairman of the Public Libraries Committee, the Town Clerk and the Chief Librarian, be authorised to arrange for the appointment of a temporary library assistant until the next meeting of the Town Council.

1779 **Finance Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 17th June, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1780 **Housing Committee:**

A report of a special meeting of this Committee, dated 21st June, 1937, was submitted and considered.

Arising out of paragraph 2 (Land—Junction of Long Lane and Squires Lane), letters, dated 25th and 28th June, 1937, received from Messrs. Reynolds and Eason were submitted enclosing a plan of the land in question, and stating that they anticipated that, if their clients received an offer of £1,000 therefor they would be prepared to consider it, on the understanding (i) that their Solicitors' charges and Surveyors' scale commission were paid by the Town Council, and (ii) that their clients could reserve to themselves a right of way not less than 15 feet wide from the corner block of shops to the existing exit into Long Lane.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that recommendation (1) be not adopted, but that the following be substituted therefor :—" that the land in question be acquired for housing purposes and/or purposes of public walks and pleasure grounds for the sum of £1,000, subject to contract, to the consent of the Minister of Health being received to the necessary loan, and to the suggested right of way not exceeding 10 feet in width and following the line AB/BC on the drawing forwarded by the Surveyors to the Vendors."

See also 1833

(*b*) that payment of the Vendors Solicitors and Surveyors reasonable charges be approved.

It was further

RECOMMENDED that the report, as amended, be adopted and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1781 **Finance Committee:**

A report of a Special Meeting of this Committee, dated 28th June, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

1782 **Staff—Appointment of Shorthand-Typist in the Town Clerk's Department:**

The Deputy Mayor reported upon the applications received for this appointment;

RECOMMENDED that Miss E. E. Morgan be appointed to the position on the terms mentioned in the advertisement, with effect as from and including the 5th July, 1937, subject to her passing the necessary medical examination.

1783 **Electricity Distribution:**

It was reported that a Special Meeting of the Association of Municipal Corporations and a General Meeting of the Non-County Boroughs' Association were to be held on the 1st July, 1937, to consider the subject of electricity distribution;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk and the General Manager and Engineer be appointed to represent the Town Council thereat.

1784 **Glebe Land :**

(*a*) A letter, dated 23rd June, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Health as follows :—

"I am directed by the Minister of Health to refer to your letter of the 3rd instant with regard to the sale of a portion of the above-mentioned property to the War Office and to state that he has received opposition to the Council's proposals. It is assumed that any decision on the part of the Council will be provisional and subject to the consent of the Minister and in this connection it is requested that the following information may be furnished in due course :—

(1) Information as to whether there are any restrictive covenants in the conveyance of the land to the Council.

(2) Information as to whether the proposal is known generally, how it has been made known and details of any opposition or objection made to the Town Council.

(3) Details of the outstanding debt in respect of any works of lay-out which will be superseded.

(4) Information as to whether any grants have been received from the National Playing Fields Association, Unemployment Grants Committee, or otherwise for the development of this land.

(5) The observations of the Middlesex County Council on the proposal.

(6) The plan of the recreation ground showing the area to be sold in relation to the whole.

(7) A copy of the Town Council's resolution directing application for the Minister's consent.

(8) Plans in triplicate drawn to a reasonable scale on tracing linen and showing by distinctive colouring the land to be sold.

(9) The report of the District Valuer on the proposal."

RECOMMENDED that same be referred to the Town Clerk to deal with.

(*b*) It was reported that Col. Passingham had forwarded a photograph of the Headquarters of the 36th Anti-Aircraft Battalion (Searchlight) R.E., now nearing completion at Edgware, and had intimated that he would be pleased to arrange for the buildings to be inspected by the members of the Town Council should they so desire.

1785 **Incorporated Municipal Electrical Association :**

(*a*) A letter, dated 15th June, 1937, was submitted from the Secretary of the above Association, stating that, in accordance with Article 7 (3) of the revised Articles of Association, he would be glad to receive the name and address of the Town Council's representative ;

RECOMMENDED that Councillor Caine be appointed to represent the Town Council on the Association.

(*b*) The Town Clerk reported that an Extraordinary General Meeting of the Association had been fixed for the 9th July, 1937, and that the papers in connection therewith had been received and would be handed to the Town Council's representative ;

RECOMMENDED that Councillor Baines be appointed as an additional representative, and that the Town Clerk apply for the necessary card of admittance.

1786 **Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935:**

The under-mentioned plans were considered:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9329a	102 flats, caretaker's lodge and 65 garages	West side of High Road, N.12, between the County School and Granville Road	Mr. W. Quennell.
9824a	Shops and flats	Adjoining "The Cricketers" P.H., High Road, N. 12	Messrs. A. Fairhead and Sons, Ltd.
10010	6 lock-up shops with 12 flats over	East End Road, west of Ossulton Way, N. 2	Mr. S. Phillips.
10019	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	205 and 207, Ballards Lane	Mr. W. Leggatt.
10023	Tool shed	Rear of Flora Cottage, Gravel Hill, N. 3	Mr. V. R. Henham.
10024	Garage	Side of 22, Finchley Avenue, N. 3	Mr. A. L. Cooper.
10031	Covered way	Side of 269, Ballards Lane, N. 3	Mr. L. Girand.
10036	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	86, Hendon Lane, N. 3	Mr. F. Isaacs.
9858	Workshop	Carrimore Works, High Road, N. 12	Steel Barrel Scammell and Associated Engineers, Ltd.

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the consent of the Town Council as the Highway Authority be given to the proposals in question under the provisions of Section (2) (1) of the Act, subject, if applicable, to the condition mentioned in Minute No. 200 (a);

(2) that as regards plan numbered 10,010, the following additional condition be imposed, viz.:—

"That the building be set back and a service road provided clear of the widening line."

(3) that as regards plan numbered 10,036, the following additional condition be imposed, viz.:—

"Access to be restricted to Windsor Road only."

1787 **Housing Committee:**

RECOMMENDED that a Special Meeting of the Housing Committee be convened for Friday, the 9th July, 1937, at 8.30 p.m., and that a Meeting of the Red Lion Hill Housing Sub-Committee be held on the same evening at 8 p.m.

1788 **Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme—Appointment of Temporary Architectural Assistant:**

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the appointment of a temporary Architectural Assistant in connection with the above at a wage of £7 7s. 0d. a week; and

(*b*) that a Sub-Committee, consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and the Chairman of the Housing Committee be authorised to make the appointment, subject to report.

1789 **Tenders :**

(*a*) The erection of a Ladies' Convenience at Brook Farm Open Space.

(*b*) Purchase and removal of Lathe—Electricity Department.

(*c*) The supply of Coal and Coke.

The tenders received in connection with the above were submitted ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that as regards (a) and (c), the tenders be referred to the appropriate Committees for consideration ;

(2) that as regards (b), the tender of Messrs. J. T. Williams & Sons (the highest), at the sum of £42 12s. 6d., be accepted.

1790 **Resumption of Council :**

RESOLVED that the Town Council do now resume, and that the recommendations above set forth be adopted.

Mayor.

Children's Safety Committee's Report.

1st JULY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), Councillor Mrs. E. Murphy; Mr. Hackett; Inspector Hooper.

1791 **Quorum:**

It was pointed out to the Committee that there were not sufficient members present to form a quorum.

RECOMMENDED that Standing Order 2 (4) be relaxed so as to enable consideration to be given to the report of the Committee.

1792 **Board of Education—Circular 1455:**

Circular 1455 received from the Board of Education was submitted, enquiring whether a Local Children's Safety Committee had been formed and to what extent the recommendations of the Inter-Departmental Committee on Road Safety Among School Children were being acted upon. An appropriate reply has been sent to the Board.

1793 **London "Safety First" Council:**

A letter has been received from the London "Safety First" Council suggesting that a respresentative of that Council should be co-opted a member of the Finchley Children's Safety Committee and stating that Mr. Norman Scorgie, J.P., would be prepared to act in this capacity.

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the constitution of the Children's Safety Committee be amended so as to include provision for the appointment of one representative of the London "Safety First" Council.

(*b*) that Mr. Norman Scorgie, J.P., be appointed the representative of the London "Safety First" Council on the Children's Safety Committee for the remainder of the current municipal year.

1794 **National "Safety First" Association—Annual Congress:**

An invitation to the Council to send representatives to the National Safety Congress, to be held in London from October 7th to the 9th, 1937, has been received.

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken for this year in so far as the Children's Safety Committee is concerned.

1795 **Street Accidents to Children:**

An analysis of street accidents to children under fifteen years of age known to the Police to have occurred in Finchley during the period 1st April to 31st May has been considered:—

Nature of Accident.	Number of Cases. Fatal Injury.	Serious Injury.	Slight Injury.	Total.
Pedestrian injured by Motor Vehicle.....	1	—	7	8
Pedal cyclist injured in collision with Motor Vehicle	—	—	5	5
Passenger in Motor Vehicle injured in Motor Vehicle accident	—	—	—	—
Pedestrian injured by pedal cyclist	—	—	—	—
Pedal cyclist injured by fall from cycle, etc., where no other vehicle was involved	—	—	1	1
	1	—	13	14

H. A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Public Libraries Committee's Report.

5th JULY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Collis (Chairman), Councillor Hayter (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Pike, and Councillors Baines, Brooksbank, Mrs. Legge and Wilmot.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pateman and Wells, and Councillors Rutt and Wightman.

1796 **Minutes:**

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

1797 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of Requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1798 **Public Libraries:**

(*a*) Appointment of Librarian-in-Charge—North Finchley.—The Town Clerk reported that in accordance with the authority of the Council, the above appointment was offered to Mr. K. Smith of Leeds, and that a letter had been received from him accepting the position; further, that Mr. Smith had passed the necessary medical examination and would commence his duties on the 26th July, 1937.

(*b*) Appointment of Temporary Assistant.—The Chief Librarian reported that, in accordance with the authority of the Council, Mr. G. R. Fooks of Yiewsley had been appointed to the above position at a salary of £2 10s. 0d. per week;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*c*) Closure on August Bank Holiday.—

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Libraries be closed to the public on August Bank Holiday but that the Rest and Reading Rooms be kept open; and

(2) that the attendants be relieved from duty on a day other than Bank Holiday and that the Town Clerk made the necessary arrangements in connection therewith.

(*d*) Offers of Publications.—

RECOMMENDED that the following offers of publications for use in connection with the Public Libraries be accepted and that the thanks of the Town Council be conveyed to the respective donors:—

Donor.	Gift.
London Safety First Council	"Safety News."
Toc H.	Toc H. Journal.

(*e*) Supply of Newspapers, Periodicals, etc.—The Chief Librarian reported that the arrangements entered into by the Council for the supply of newspapers and periodicals to the Libraries would expire on the 30th September next.

Instructions were thereupon given for advertisements to be issued inviting tenders for the supply to both Libraries of (i) daily and local weekly newspapers, (ii) weekly publications, and (iii) monthly, quarterly and yearly publications;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*f*) Statistics.—The Chief Librarian reported as under, the figures in brackets being those reported for May, 1936:—

(i) Readers.—That the number of readers registered in the Libraries was 12,419 (5,302).

(ii) Stock.—That the book stock now amounted to 34,534 (17,095).

(iii) Loans.—That the number of books lent during the month of May, 1937, from Avenue House was 16,516 (17,400), and from North Finchley 19,029, and that the following table showed the number of books lent from each class of the stock at Avenue House during May, 1936 and May, 1937, and at North Finchley for May, 1937:—

CLASS.	AVENUE HOUSE. May, 1937. Loans.	% of total.	May, 1936. Loans.	% of total	In-crease.	De-crease.	NORTH FINCHLEY. May, 1937. Adult. Loans.	% of total.	Junior. Loans.	% of total	Total. Loans.	% of total.	GRAND TOTALS. May, 1937.
General	59	.3	19	.1	40	—	30	.2	20	.6	50	.3	109
Philosophy	256	1.5	304	1.8	—	48	159	1.0	1	.03	160	.9	416
Religion	156	1.93	245	1.4	—	89	115	.7	9	.27	124	.7	280
Sociology	586	3.4	591	3.4	—	5	332	2.1	233	7.2	565	3.0	1151
Languages	229	1.4	267	1.5	—	38	98	.6	—	—	98	.5	327
Science	335	2.03	379	2.2	—	44	255	1.6	183	5.7	438	2.3	773
Useful Arts	752	4.5	812	4.7	—	60	407	2.6	223	6.9	630	3.3	1382
Fine Arts	754	4.5	668	3.9	86	—	355	2.3	58	1.8	413	2.2	1167
Music	210	1.27	261	1.5	—	51	225	1.4	—	—	225	1.1	435
Literature	823	4.98	900	5.1	—	77	521	3.3	98	2.9	619	3.2	1442
History and Travel	2322	14.05	2439	14.0	—	117	1629	10.4	186	5.8	1815	9.5	4137
Biography	652	3.94	922	5.3	—	270	424	2.7	31	1.0	455	2.4	1107
Fiction	9382	56.2	9593	55.1	—	211	11188	71.1	2249	67.8	13437	70.6	22819
TOTALS	16516	100.0	17400	100.0	126	1010	15738	100.0	3291	100.0	19029	100.0	35545
					(Net Decrease 884)								
Days Open	24		25		—	1	24		24		24		—
Daily Average Loan	688		696		—	8	656		137		793		1481
Readers	5350		5302		48	—	5710		1359		7069		12419
Stock	20583		17095		3488	—	11339		2612		13951		34534
Cash	£22/11/0		£14/4/4		£8/6/8	—	£18/1/6		£2/4/10		£20/6/4		£42/17/4

(iv) Cash Receipts.—That the cash receipts during May, 1937, amounted to £22 11s. 0d. (£14 4s. 4d.) at Avenue House and £20 6s. 4d. at North Finchley.

1799 **Library Association—Annual Conference:**

The Chief Librarian reported that Councillor H. H. Wilmot and he attended the Annual Conference of the Library Association held at Scarborough from the 31st May to 4th June, 1937, and that a printed report of the papers read at the Conference and of the discussions thereat had been forwarded to each member of the Committee.

1800 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

A. C. D. COLLIS,

Chairman.

Town Planning Committee's Report.

5th JULY, 1937.

Present: Alderman Briant (Chairman), Councillor Wilmot (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Wells, and Councillors Mrs. Murphy, Norman and Wightman.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pateman and Pike and Councillors Baines, Mrs. Legge and Rutt.

1801 **Minutes:**

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

1802 **Notices of Application for the Discharge or Modification of Restrictive Covenants:**

(i) It was reported that at the last meeting of the Town Council the following Notices of Application for the Discharge or Modification of Restrictive Covenants were referred to the Committee with power to act:—

(*a*) **"Elm Bank," Nether Street.**—Application to modify the restrictions to the extent of permitting the erection of flats on the land.

(*b*) **"St. Ronans," Nether Street.**—Application to modify the restrictions to the extent of permitting the erection of flats on the land.

(*c*) **Land fronting Woodhouse Road adjoining Kimberley Parade.**—Application to modify the restrictions to the extent of permitting the erection of shops or business premises but excluding the user of any such shops or business premises for any noxious or offensive trades.

RESOLVED that no objection be made to the above applications.

(ii) The Town Clerk submitted a further Notice of Application in respect of land on the south-east side of Nether Street, to modify the Restrictive Covenants thereon to the extent of permitting the said land to be used as and for the erection of shops and a scouts' hut;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be made to the proposed application.

1803 **Temporary Building Adjoining Carrimore Works:**

A notice was submitted from Messrs. W. H. Speed & Co. on behalf of their clients "showing cause" why the above temporary building should not be pulled down or removed, but the Town Clerk reported that a further letter had been received from Mr. S. Edwards, the late occupier, stating that the stall had been taken away and this was confirmed by the Borough Surveyor. In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that no further action be taken in the matter.

1804 **Hornsey Planning Scheme No. 1:**

It was reported that the above Scheme had been submitted to the Minister of Health for approval and the Borough Surveyor stated that the Scheme and Scheme Map which were on deposit at the Town Hall, Crouch End, had been inspected and that so far as the Town Council were concerned there was no matter calling for objection;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken in regard to the Scheme in question.

1805 **Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1—Land Adjoining West Finchley Station—Scouts' Hut:**

The Committee considered a letter, dated 15th June, 1937, from Mr. S. Norton, objecting to the erection of a Scouts' hut near his premises and asking that the matter might be allowed to form the subject of a separate Inquiry;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. Norton be informed that an objection to the Scheme was settled on the understanding that the land in question could be used for the purpose of erecting a Scouts' hut.

1806 **Proposed Garage at Rear of 1, West Avenue, N.3:**

The Town Clerk submitted letters received from Messrs. W. Knight and R. M. Sayers objecting to the erection of the proposed garage at the rear of the above premises, as the only access to it was through a passage at the rear of their premises over which they claimed that the owner had no right of way.

It was reported that Messrs. Knight and Sayers had been informed that the matter appeared to be one that should be taken up with the owner concerned as the Town Council had no power to deal with it from this point of view;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1807 **Unoccupied Flats:**

The following monthly report of the Valuation Officer hereon was submitted:—

"Number of unoccupied flats in the Borough 109 (131).

Total number of flats erected 1,682 (1674).

These figures do not include premises converted.

The corresponding figures for last month are set out in brackets."

1808 **Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6:**

The Town Clerk reported that 27 objections in all had been received to the above Planning Scheme and that these objections had to be heard and the Scheme modified to any extent that might be deemed necessary in such time to permit of it being made by the Town Council before the 22nd December, 1937; further that to give effect to this the Scheme would have to be submitted to the Committee at its ordinary meeting on the 4th October, 1937.

In view of the approaching recess, the Committee did not consider that there was adequate time before then to deal effectively with all of these matters, and in the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that application be made to the Minister of Health for consent to an extension of 3 months of the period within which the Town Council are required to make the above Scheme.

1809 **Surface Water Drainage Works—125, High Road, N. 2—Messrs. Luck & Sons:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that Messrs. Luck & Sons had stated that the extra cost of laying the larger size pipe as desired by the Town Council would be £26 10s. The matter was therefore referred to the Highways Committee for consideration;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1810 **Proposed Developments:**

Particulars of applications for permission to develop the under-mentioned properties, as indicated, were submitted:—

(*a*) Proposed Garage with Filling Station and Lock-Up Garage at the Rear of Site of 241, Regents Park Road, corner of Cyprus Road, N. 3.—The Borough Surveyor reported upon a letter he had received from Mr. L. S. Brimblecombe asking if the Town Council would have any objection to the erection of a garage with a filling station and lock-up garage at the rear of the above premises;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. Brimblecombe be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to give their consent to the erection of the proposed building on the above site as such development would contravene the proposed character zoning proposals of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6.

(*b*) Ellerton Lodge, East End Road, N. 3.—It was reported that an application, dated 29th June had been received from Mr. E. C. Skuce for permission to erect flats on the above site, the number and planning of such flats to be agreed later;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. E. C. Skuce be informed (i) that the Town Council approve, in principle, the proposal to erect flats on the above site, and (ii) that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

(*c*) Proposed Road and Seven New Houses, North Circular Road, between Fairholme Gardens and Haslemere Gardens.—

RECOMMENDED that Mr. I. Schultz, A.R.I.B.A., be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, so far as the Town Planning Committee are concerned, of the proposed development, but that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

(*d*) Site of "Fairmead," Junction of Woodside Avenue and Woodside Grange Road, N. 12.—The Committee considered an application, dated 2nd June, 1937, together with a tentative plan, which had been received from Mr. F. J. Wills for the erection of 14 flats and 10 garages on the above site;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. Wills be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to approve of the above Scheme as the proposed development would contravene the character zoning proposals of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1.

1811 **Extension to Motor Cycle and Store Shed, Rear of 2, Manor Park Road, N. 2—Mr. A. E. Lewis—Plan No. 10060:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the above building had been erected on these premises without submission and approval of the necessary plan and that the plan, when submitted was not in order;

RECOMMENDED that (a) the plan in question (No. 10060) be disapproved and (b) a notice be served on Mr. A. E. Lewis, the occupier of the premises, requiring him to "show cause" why the said building should not be removed or pulled down.

1812 **Garage Rear of "Brook House," The Bishop's Avenue, N. 2—Mrs. B. Petter—Plan No. 10048:**

The Borough Surveyor submitted the above plan which showed the garage to be constructed over a surface water culvert. The plan was referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration on the latter point and it was

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RECOMMENDED that the above plan be approved so far as this Committee is concerned.

1813 **Green House and Tool Shed, Side of 12, Oakdene Park, Gordon Road, N. 3—Mr. J. A. Thornhill—Plan No. 10068 :**

RECOMMENDED that as the proposed building would be erected in front of the flank building line of Oakdene Park, the above plan be approved subject to the owner entering into an Agreement with the Town Council to pull down the building if and when called upon so to do.

1814 **New Road—Gordon Road to Brent Way :**

The Borough Surveyor reported that he had received a letter, dated 3rd July, 1937, from Mr. William O'Donnell stating that he had seen in the local press that it was the intention of the Town Council to connect Gordon Road with Brent Way ;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. O'Donnell be informed that it is not the intention of the Town Council to construct this road at the present time, but that provision has been made in the Town Planning Scheme and Map for this connecting link.

1815 **Proposed Flats, North Circular Road, Between Kinloss Gardens and Haslemere Gardens :**

The Borough Surveyor reported that he had received a letter signed by 8 residents on the Arden Estate protesting against the contemplated erection of a block of flats between Kinloss Gardens and Haslemere Gardens and the Town Clerk also submitted a letter from Mr. R. Silver of "Four View," Kinloss Gardens, objecting to the proposed development ;

RECOMMENDED that the above residents be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to vary their decision to permit the erection of these flats.

1816 **Development of High Road, N. 20 :**

The Committee considered a petition signed by 61 residents in Whetstone complaining of the unsightly state of premises in the High Road, which, although constructed for dwelling houses, were being used for business purposes, and instanced in particular, property which was being used as a dump and selling place for old second-hand cars. The Committee considered the matter at some length, together with the similar user of undeveloped land in business zones, and it was eventually

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RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the Town Council are of opinion that powers should be granted to Town Planning Authorities to enable them to control the user in business zones of undeveloped land or residential property for business purposes where such user injuriously affects the amenities of the surrounding property and that the Association of Municipal Corporations and the Urban District Councils' Association be requested to consider the matter with a view to taking action in support of the Town Council ; and

(*b*) that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Ministry of Health.

1817 **8 Flats and 12 Garages, Rear of 32 and 34, Torrington Park, N. 2—Plan No. 10047 :**

The Borough Surveyor submitted a plan showing a proposal to erect 8 flats and 12 garages on the above site ;

RECOMMENDED that the plan be approved, subject to the buildings being erected not less than 54 feet from the rear garden fences of houses in Ravensdale Avenue.

TOWN PLANNING (*contd.*).

1818 **Plans:**

(*a*) Approved;

RECOMMENDED that the following plans be APPROVED subject to the conditions severally mentioned by the Borough Surveyor in his report:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
10044	House and Garage	Plot H.125, Norrice Lea, Hampstead Garden Suburb	The W.L.M. Estates, Ltd.
10045	Motor cycle shed	Rear of 37, Nethercourt Avenue, N.3	Mr. M. W. Watson.
10046	Addition	Rear of "Annemount," Plot C.89, Holne Chase, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mrs. E. K. Jamaiker.
*10047	8 flats and 12 garages	Rear of 32 and 34, Torrington Park, N. 12	The London Investment and Mortgage Co.
*10048	Garage	Rear of "Brook House," The Bishop's Avenue, N. 2	Mrs. B. Petter.
10049	Covered Way	"Green Trees," The Bishop's Avenue, N. 2	Mr. J. Lindren.
10050	Garage	Side of 34, Windermere Avenue, N. 3	Mr. E. J. Smith.
10051	Garage	Side of 71, Sandringham Gardens, N. 12	Mr. F. J. Salmon.
10052	4 houses	Plots S.148, S.149, S.150, S.151, Devon Rise, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. G. C. Swanson.
10053	Garage	Rear of 8, Strathmore Gardens, N. 3	Mr. J. W. Kitchen.
10054	Garage	Rear of 5, Oakdene Parade, Gordon Road, N. 3	Mr. J. Schlem.
†10055	Additions	Rear of "Oak Cottage," High Road, N. 20	St. Giles Christian Mission and Wheatley Homes.
‡10056	8 shops with 8 maisonettes over	Lyttelton Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb, east of Ossulton Way	The Greater London Properties, Ltd.
10057	Motor showroom	Woodberry Grove, N. 12	Mr. W. A. Taylor.
10058	House	Plot 9, Site of "Rathgar," Dollis Avenue, N. 3	The Novean Homes (Kenton), Ltd.
10059	Garage	Side of 103, Abbots Gardens, N. 2	Mrs. L. Blank.
10061	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	7, Woodside Park Gardens, N. 12	Miss M. E. Wilson.
10062	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	44, Friern Park, N. 12	Mr. A. Sturdy.
†10063	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	"Three Gates," 66, Regents Park Road, N. 3	Mr. F. G. Armitage.

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
10064	Garage	Side of 15, Brookland Close, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. R. V. Hill.
10066	2 houses	Plots 1130 and 1131, Winnington Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. H. A. Smith.
10067	Extension to garage	18, Allandale Avenue, N. 3	Mr. T. C. Crocket.
*10068	Greenhouse and tool shed	Side of 12, Oakdene Park, Gordon Road, N. 3	Mr. J. A. Thornhill.
10069	Alterations and additions	37, Midholm, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. G. Jeffreys.
10070	Alterations and additions	39, Midholm, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Miss D. Richardson.
10071	4 flats and 4 garages	Adjoining 1, Park View Road, N. 3	Messrs. V. C. Smith, Ltd.
10073	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats and garage	10, Avondale Avenue, N. 12	Mr. A. S. Baxter.
10074	Tool shed	Rear of 24, Winnington Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. A. Strignel.
10076	10 garages and 2 stores	Etchingham Court, Etchingham Park Road, N. 3	Mr. B. E. Dixon.

(*b*) Disapproved ;

RESOLVED that the under-mentioned plans be DISAPPROVED for the reasons stated by the Borough Surveyor in his report :—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
919T	Office and Workshop	High Road, N. 2, at corner of Chandos Road	Mr. D. Dunkley.
10060	Motor cycle and shore shed	Rear of 2, Manor Park Road, N. 2	Mr. A. E. Lewis.
10072	Store	High Road, N. 12, at corner of Castle Road	Mr. W. J. Lewis.
10075	Garage	Rear of 56, Chandos Road, N. 2	Mr. J. F. Bacon.

* Subject to conditions mentioned in the relevant foregoing Minute.

† Referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

‡ Referred to Middlesex County Council for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

1819 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Borough Surveyor as entered in his Instruction Book, be approved.

A. J. BRIANT,

Chairman.

Valuation Committee's Report

6th JULY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), Councillor Connorton (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Brooksbank and Wightman, and Messrs. Gray and Griffith.

Non-Member: Alderman Pateman.

1820 **Minutes:**

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

1821 **Assessments:**

Nos. 237, 241 and 251, Nether Street.

Nos. 11 and 17, Maurice Walk.

No. 16, Sylvan Avenue.

Communications were submitted from the owners of the above-mentioned premises making applications for reductions in their assessments on account of recent building developments in the vicinity.

After hearing a report by the Valuation Officer upon each application, it was

RECOMMENDED that no reduction be made in the assessments of the premises in question.

1822 **Central Valuation Committee—Preparation of Third New Valuation Lists:**

The Committee had before them a Memorandum (circulated) received from the Central Valuation Committee on matters connected with the preparation of the Third New Valuation Lists and principally regarding the standard of valuation, and the Valuation Officer reported thereon.

1823 **Instruction:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instruction given to the Valuation Officer as entered in his Instruction Book, be approved.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Parks and Open Spaces Committee's Report.

1828 Relevant

6th JULY, 1937.

Present: Alderman Wells (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Pateman and Councillors Collis, Mrs. Murphy and Rutt.

Non-Member: Councillor Hayter.

1824 **Minutes:**

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

1825 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1826 **"Rocklands," Gordon Road:**

The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated the 9th June, 1937, received from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council, stating that the Open Spaces Sub-Committee of the County Council would be prepared to recommend the County Council to contribute 25 per cent. of the cost of acquisition, including legal and other charges, of the area of the above land to be utilised for open space purposes, after deducting the price of the area of 0.75 of an acre proposed to be sold at a later date for building purposes.

He also reported that the Conveyance of the land would be completed within the course of the next few weeks, and the Borough Surveyor was instructed to take such steps as might be necessary to protect the estate as from the date upon which the Town Council come into possession;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1827 **Lyttelton Playing Fields:**

(*a*) Catering Arrangements.—The Town Clerk submitted communications received from Mrs. L. E. Kemp and The Acorn Club Limited, respectively, asking that they might be allowed to undertake the catering in the new pavilion at above.

After due consideration it was

RECOMMENDED that advertisements be issued, at the appropriate time, inviting tenders for the catering rights in question.

(*b*) Proposed Car Park.—The question of setting aside a portion of the Lyttelton Playing Fields for use as a Car Park was considered, and the Borough Surveyor submitted an estimate, amounting to £150, of the cost of constructing a Car Park at the rear of the new pavilion as indicated on plan No. 11212A;

RECOMMENDED that the estimate and plan be approved and that provision for the carrying out of the work be made in the Committee's estimates for the next financial year.

(*c*) Erection of Pavilion.—The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"It was originally intended to connect the soil drains from the above pavilion now in course of construction to the Council's soil sewer at a point where the sewer is on the Council's own property between Monarch Court and Lyttelton Court.

It is, however, found necessary in order to obtain a satisfactory fall to make the connection behind Lyttelton Court and to avoid delay unofficial permission for so doing was obtained from the Co-Partnership Tenants, Ltd.

The Co-Partnership Tenants are asking for an easement on similar terms to those obtaining in regard to a connection previously made at the rear of Monarch Court to drain the bowls pavilion and doubtless the Town Clerk will report on the legal aspect. The connection now in question passes under approximately 15 feet only of the private land and was made without any disturbance of the surface of the ground."

The Borough Surveyor also reported that the alteration in the line of the drains would effect a saving of approximately £21.

In this connection, the Town Clerk reported that, on the occasion above referred to, a payment of £25 was made to Co-Partnership Tenants, Ltd., in respect of the necessary easement and that the legal costs in the matter were borne by the Town Council;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the action taken by the Borough Surveyor be approved;

(2) that a sum of £25 be paid to Co-Partnership Tenants, Ltd., in respect of the easement in question and that the legal costs in connection with the matter be borne by the Town Council; and

(3) that the Solicitor be instructed to proceed with the preparation of the necessary document.

1828 **Victoria Recreation Ground—Ticket Office and Shelter:**

The Town Clerk reported receipt of a letter, dated the 12th June, 1937, from Messrs. William Wood & Son, Ltd., as follows:—

"We have to acknowledge receipt of your favour of the 10th instant and thank you for sending us a copy of the Drawing and Specification in connection with the above.

We have now gone very closely through the quantities again and find that the increase in price as the result of recent advances in raw materials amounts to £5 2s. 5d. This second perusal of the Specification has unfortunately brought to light a very serious oversight, inasmuch that the £20 included for contingencies was not added to our cost in the first instance.

To-day's price is therefore as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
Original Tender	236	0	0
Advance in costs in materials	5	2	5
Contingencies	20	0	0
	£261	2	5

We exceedingly regret any inconvenience caused. We had not a long time at our disposal in which to prepare our Tender and at the time were exceptionally busy and the whole thing was got out in a couple of hours on a Saturday morning."

He also reported that the next two lowest tenders were:—

William Harbrow, Ltd.	£244
J. A. Dumayne & Co., Ltd.	£255

The Borough Surveyor was instructed to approach each of such firms, enquiring whether they would be prepared to carry out the contract at the prices submitted by them and to report thereon at the meeting of the Town Council;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1829 **Swan Lane Open Space:**

The Town Clerk reported that, with the authority of the Chairman of the Committee, permission had been granted to the Young People's Fellowship of St. Barnabas Church to hold an Open-Air Service in the above open space on Sunday, the 13th June, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1830 **Bridge Over the Dollis Brook—Totteridge Lane:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"A letter, dated 16th June, 1937, has been received from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council stating that the County Council have recently had under consideration a scheme prepared by their County Engineer and Surveyor for reconstructing the above bridge; that they have approved of the scheme and of the County Council carrying out the work at an estimated cost of £2,270, and that the bridge to be constructed will have a span of 24 feet and a width of 50 feet between parapets.

He adds that it is understood that the Town Council have agreed to contribute £500 in respect of the provision of an additional span to give access to their riverside walk and that the Hertfordshire County Council have also agreed to make a certain contribution; further, that in these circumstances, in order that he may consider the question of any Agreement between the Authorities, he will be glad if the Council will kindly let him have a copy of their resolution under which they agree to make the contribution of £500."

He also reported that in October, 1935, the Town Council had agreed, in principle, to contribute a sum of £500 in respect of the provision of an additional span in the new bridge for the purpose in question and had also approved the Borough Surveyor's estimate of £300 in respect of the necessary incidental works;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Middlesex County Council be informed that the Town Council will be prepared to contribute a sum of £500 for the purpose in question, on condition that no part of such expenditure will need to be met by the Council during the present financial year;

(2) that in the event of the County Council requiring an agreement to be entered into in respect thereof, the Solicitor be authorised to take all necessary steps in connection therewith;

(3) that the Borough Surveyor's estimate of £300 in respect of incidental works be approved and that a sum of £800 to cover the total cost involved be provided in the Committee's estimates for the next financial year; and

1975 (4) that the matter be reported to the Finance Committee.

1831 **Land, High Road, Whetstone:**

The Town Clerk submitted a petition in the following terms signed by a number of residents in or adjacent to High Road, Whetstone:—

see also 1816 (T.P.)

"That we, residents and ratepayers of WHETSTONE whose names are appended to this letter, note that the Council have been buying land to preserve the amenities of Totteridge Lane and other places in the Borough.

We now hope that you will consider improving the amenities of the HIGH ROAD (Great North Road), between Totteridge Lane and the Borough and County Boundary. The appearance of this stretch of road is being absolutely spoiled by the numerous Bill Posting Hoardings, and second-hand car dumps.

To clear up at least one eyesore, is it not possible for the Council to purchase that land between the Council's entrance to Brook Farm Open Space and the house known as "Acryse"; thereby doing away with the large unsightly hoardings, and at the same time opening up the finest vista of country remaining along this road.

It would also make a central and fitting main entrance to the Playing Fields."

He also reported that a communication had been received from the Clerk of the Friern Barnet Urban District Council stating that a copy of the petition had been submitted to his Council, who endorsed the views expressed by the petitioners;

RECOMMENDED that the Petitioners be informed that the matter is one which will receive careful consideration by the Town Council.

1832 **King George V. National Memorial Fund:**

The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated the 21st June, 1937, received from the Secretary of the London and Greater London Playing Fields Association, giving particulars of the times within which application for grants from the above Fund should be made;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken thereon.

1833 **Land, Junction of Long Lane and Squires Lane:**

The Town Clerk reported that the Town Council had decided at their last Meeting to acquire the above land for housing purposes and/or purposes of Public Walks and Pleasure Grounds, and that it was desirable that an allocation of the land should be agreed between this Committee and the Housing Committee. In this connection, the Borough Surveyor submitted alternative drawings, showing the area which would probably be required for the erection of six houses to accommodate large families. It was pointed out that, in order to obtain a suitable lay-out, it would be necessary for the Committee to release to the Housing Committee a portion of the land to the East of that being acquired, but the plans submitted indicated that the ultimate areas, should an exchange take place, would remain almost unaltered.

The Committee were in agreement with the proposal, and decided to inform the Housing Committee that they would raise no objection to an application being made for an appropriation to permit the carrying out of either of the schemes submitted by the Borough Surveyor;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1834 **Ivy Lodge—Long Lane:**

It was reported that the Education Committee would be discontinuing the use of the above premises for educational purposes as from the 31st August, 1937, and the Committee decided to inform the Housing Committee that they would raise no objection to an application being made to the Ministry of Health for the appropriation of the premises for housing purposes in the event of that Committee being desirous of utilising the same therefor;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1835 **Land—Woodside Lane, Adjoining Swan Lane Open Space:**

The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated the 3rd July, 1937, received from Mr. H. E. Hyde, offering to convey to the Town Council certain land and premises, having an area of three-quarters of an acre, adjacent to the above open space for the sum of £4,700;

RECOMMENDED that such offer be not entertained.

1836 **Sports Grounds:**

The Borough Surveyor submitted a letter, dated 9th June, 1937, received from Messrs. Simms Motor Units, Ltd., enquiring whether the Town Council would be prepared to let to the Firm's Sports Club for purposes of football and/or cricket and tennis the two pieces of land comprising the Manor Playing Field.

It was reported that the land had been acquired for purposes of public walks and pleasure grounds, and the Committee were of the opinion that it was eminently desirable that the use to which it was at present put, viz., for the playing of unorganised games, should not be interfered with.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. Simms Motor Units be notified accordingly.

1837 **Brook Farm Open Space—Proposed Ladies' Convenience:**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon the tenders received in respect of the above, which were opened at the last meeting of the Town Council and intimated that the lowest tender was that of Messrs. Hosier & Dickinson which amounted to a sum of £205; further, that a sum of £200 only had been included in the current estimates for the carrying out of the work, but that, of this amount, £50 was for work not covered by the tender.

He also reported that he was of the opinion that the whole of the work could be carried out by direct labour at a total cost of £220.

In these circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that a tender in respect of the erection of the convenience be not accepted, but that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the carrying out of the work by direct labour at the figure above-mentioned; and

(2) that the question of the provision of the additional estimated expenditure of £20 be referred to the Finance Committee. 197

1838 **Disposal of Road Sweepings:**

The Chairman of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee reported that difficulty was being experienced in obtaining sites upon which road sweepings could be deposited, and that as a result, considerable expenditure was being incurred upon transport. The Committee decided to inform the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee that they would be prepared to place at the disposal of that Committee, Field V. at Whetstone Stray for the purpose in question; see 1847

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1839 **Parks and Open Spaces Receipts:**

The Borough Treasurer's statement of the weekly receipts for tennis, etc., for the month of June, 1937, was submitted.

1840 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

VYVYAN WELLS,

Chairman.

Highways and Fire Brigade Committee's Report.

7th JULY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), Councillor Baines (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Pateman, and Councillors Grobel and Wightman.

1841 **Minutes:**

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

1842 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1843 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

It was reported that the under-mentioned properties of the Town Council had been damaged, and that the matters had been dealt with:—

Direction Sign—Junction of Regents Park Road and East End Road.
Pedestrian Crossing Beacon—Junction of High Road, Whetstone and St. Margaret's Avenue.
Four Hurricane Lamps and One Standard—High Road, Whetstone, near Swan & Pyramids P.H.
Four Hurricane Lamps—High Road, Whetstone, near Swan & Pyramids P.H.
One of the Concrete Posts surrounding the Tally Ho! Island.

1844 **Insurance of Workmen—Accidents:**

It was reported that the under-mentioned employees had met with accidents since last meeting and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter:—

S. Bailey.
C. Burns.
P. J. Speroni.
A. Vardy.

1845 **Third Party Claims:**

It was reported that two claims had been received since last meeting and dealt with.

1846 **Street Accidents:**

The Returns received from the Police Authorities were submitted, from which it appeared that the number of street accidents which had occurred in the Borough during the month of May, 1937, as compared with the corresponding period for the previous year, was as follows:—

	Fatal.	Personal Injuries.		Total.
1936	2	45		47
1937	3	Serious. 7	Slight. 26	36

1847 **Transport of Road Sweepings:**

It was reported that, at the last meeting of the Town Council, the Committee's recommendation to the effect that advertisements be issued inviting tenders for the disposal of road sweepings, as required, had been referred to the Committee for further consideration.

See 1528/1972.

Arising thereon, it was intimated that the Parks and Open Spaces Committee were prepared to place Field No. 5 at Whetstone Stray at the disposal of the Committee for the deposit of road sweepings, and that that Committee were also proposing to make an inspection with a view of ascertaining whether other sites could be offered for the purpose;

RECOMMENDED that the offer of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee be accepted.

1848 **Parking of Lorries—Lincoln Road:**

The Town Clerk reported that further complaints had been received in regard to this matter and that he was still awaiting a reply to the communication which he had addressed to the Commissioner of Police on the 28th April last requesting him to take action against the drivers of the vehicles concerned.

1849 **Grants from the Road Fund—Charges for the Use of Heavy and Light Plant:**

A circular letter, dated 24th June, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Transport stating that the Minister had decided to continue in operation until the 1st April, 1938, the rates of charges allowed as grant earning expenditure to cover the use of plant and tools owned by highway authorities in connection with the maintenance and improvement of roads and bridges which were set out in Circular No. 402 (Roads) of the 31st May, 1934, and the schedule attached thereto.

1850 **Proposed Improvement—East End Road (South Side):**

It was reported that the following resolution had been passed by the Middlesex County Council in regard to this matter on the 24th June, 1937:—

"That an intimation be given to the Finchley Town Council that the County Council approves of the Local Authority carrying out in accordance with the Co-Ordination Agreement an improvement on the south side of East End Road, Finchley, from a point 60 yards east of Sedgemere Avenue to a point 13 yards west of Stanley Road at an estimated cost not exceeding £2,220, subject to the Ministry of Transport making a grant in aid on the appropriate basis."

1851 **Pedestrian Crossings:**

A letter, dated 23rd June, 1937, was submitted from Mrs. D. Goldstein enquiring whether, in view of the ever increasing traffic in Hendon Lane, it would be possible for a pedestrian crossing to be provided near to Kensit College;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken in the matter.

1852 **Traffic Dangers in Market Place, Falloden Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb:**

A letter, dated 21st June, 1937, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the Hampstead Garden Suburb Residents' Association as follows:—

"With reference to our recent informal talks on this subject, the nearness of the holiday season and the fact that the new Minister of Transport has not had time to settle down, make it undesirable to put forward our proposals for control of traffic until after the recess.

In the meantime the necessary "spade-work" can go on and perhaps the Aldermen and Councillors may be interested to know now that our suggestion is that the roadway through this shopping centre should be treated as a "narrow road" (which it is in effect), so that the overtaking of vehicles in that section would be forbidden.

In June and November last year, your Council and this Association collaborated in deputations to the Ministry in an endeavour to get a "Speed Limit" imposed but without success, and in the light of recent accidents it is necessary to take further action.

Accordingly we will elaborate our proposals, and in the meantime should like to know that the Council concurs in principle."

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that it is understood that the County Council are proposing to proceed with the erection of traffic control signals at the junction of Hill Rise and Falloden Way; that it is hoped that when these are installed traffic conditions will be improved, but that the matter is one which will be kept under careful observation.

1853 **Appointment of Tree Foreman:**

It was reported that the appropriate Sub-Committee had appointed Mr. K. Campbell of Plymouth to this position, subject to his passing the necessary medical examination, and that he would commence his duties on the 19th ~~April~~ July, 1937; further, that Mr. Campbell had been informed that the reasonable cost of removing his personal effects from Plymouth to Finchley would be borne by the Town Council;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1854 **Proposed Widening—60/66, Ballards Lane, N. 3:**

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for payment of Surveyor's fees in connection with this matter amounting to a sum of 3 guineas.

1855 **Highways—Christchurch Avenue:**

The Town Clerk reported receipt of a communication signed by 13 residents in Christchurch Avenue urging the Town Council to replace with grass margins the present composition forming the borders between the flagstones and the kerbs on the footpaths in that road;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken in the matter.

1856 **Reconstruction of Surface Water Sewer—Long Lane:**

A letter, dated 5th July, 1937, was submitted from Messrs. D. R. Paterson, Ltd., returning the Contract in connection with the above and stating that, having regard to the Borough Engineer and Surveyor's reply to their communication of the 29th ultimo, they regretted that they could not see their way to accept the Contract.

In these circumstances, authority was given for fresh advertisements to be issued forthwith inviting tenders for the carrying out of the work;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved

1857 **Wayleaves:**

An application was submitted from the Post Office Authorities for permission to lay an underground line across Nether Street from Courthouse Gardens (north-west side) to Western Court (north-east side);

RECOMMENDED that such application be granted, subject to the actual position of the line being agreed by the Borough Surveyor, and to the work being carried out to his satisfaction.

1858 **Electric Main Applications:**

(*a*) Electricity Department.—The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"The following applications have been received from the General Manager and Engineer to the Electricity Department for overground disconnecting boxes and underground mains:—

7th June, 1937	... ...	The proposal is to place a disconnecting box in Brunner Close, near its junction with Litchfield Way. Brunner Close is a private street.
7th June, 1937	... ...	Underground electric main across Ballards Lane between Princes Avenue and Redbourne Avenue.
7th June, 1937	... ...	Underground electric main across Regents Park Road by Holly Park Sub-Station, thence along the west side of Regents Park Road to the London Passenger Transport Board Sub-Station, north of Arden Road.
7th June, 1937	... ...	Underground electric main, north side of Fitzalan Road from Regents Park Road to Salisbury Avenue, crossing Fitzalan Road opposite the Express Dairy Company's premises.

7th June, 1937	Underground electric main, north-east side of Long Lane from Squires Lane to a point near the junction with the North Circular Road.
7th June, 1937	Underground electric main, north-east side of Long Lane near the junction with Church Lane, continuing along Church Lane and down the south-west side of King Street.
17th June, 1937	Underground electric main, east side of Dollis Avenue from a point north of new road "Rathgar" estate, along both sides of new road "Rathgar" estate (a private street) thence continuing along the east side of Dollis Avenue, across Hendon Lane, west side of Gravel Hill, crossing Regents Park Road, south west side of East End Road to Stanhope Avenue.
25th June, 1937	Overground disconnecting box, west side of Holden Road by No. 97.

RECOMMENDED that the applications in question be granted so far as the Town Council has jurisdiction in the matter.

(*b*) North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Co., Ltd.—The Borough Surveyor reported upon an application, dated 22nd June, 1937, received from the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Co., Ltd., for permission to lay two extra high tension underground cables with two pilot cables from the London Passenger Transport Board's sub-station in Regents Park Road, north of Arden Road, along the west side of Regents Park Road to Arden Road, down the south side of Arden Road and crossing Hendon Lane;

RECOMMENDED that the desired permission be granted, subject to the exact depth and positions of the cables being approved by the Town Council.

1859 **Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935:**

The Committee considered the under-mentioned plans, which had been referred to them by the Town Planning Committee:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
10055	Additions	Rear of "Oak Cottage," High Road, N. 20	St. Giles Christian Mission and Wheatley Homes.
10057	Motor showroom	Woodberry Grove, N. 12	Mr. W. A. Taylor.
10063	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	66, Regents Park Road, N. 3	Mr. F. G. Armitage.

RECOMMENDED that the consent of the Town Council as the Highway Authority be given to the proposals in question under the provisions of Section 2 (1) of the Act, subject, if applicable, to the condition mentioned in Minute 200 (a).

1860 **Street Lighting—Netherfield Road:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"I beg to report that the reflex signs on the fence of Garden House, Netherfield Road are serving a useful purpose but the additional lamp which was suggested in my report to your Committee at your last meeting, while it would assist in lighting Netherfield Road, is primarily required to improve the lighting of Church Path at this point. It will be remembered that the estimated cost of the lamp including reinstatement works is £20."

RECOMMENDED that the expenditure in question be approved and that it be defrayed out of Item 13/3 (Public Lighting) in the current estimates.

1861 **'Bus Stops—Regents Park Road, N. 3:**

Referring to Minute No. 1582, the Borough Surveyor reported further as follows:—

"This matter has been investigated further since your last meeting and it would appear that the only other suitable position for a 'bus stop on the north bound traffic line is pole 82, north of Fitzalan Road. If the existing stop were moved from pole 85 to pole 82, this would make a very long distance between the stop south of La Delivrance and pole 82. The alternative is to ask the London Passenger Transport Board if they would place an additional stop on pole 82, but this would give a distance of only 120 yards from the present stop on pole 85."

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to obtain the observations of the London Passenger Transport Board with regard to the suggested removal of the stopping place for north bound traffic from Pole No. 85 to Pole No. 82.

1862 **Proposed Seat—High Road, Junction with East End Road, N. 2:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that, in accordance with instructions, he had communicated with the East Finchley Congregational Church Authorities hereon and had received a reply from them as follows:—

"Your letter of the 18th May was considered at the last Deacons' Meeting, and I was instructed to inform you that the Church would agree to the placing of a seat at the corner on the following terms:—

The seat is to be outside the railings, and for this purpose the railings are to be set back for a suitable length in line with the police box. The arrangement should be similar to that adopted by Hornsey in Muswell Hill Road. A nominal rent of 2/6d. for the remainder of the present season and a similar amount for any future season will be payable to the Church as a recognition of their ownership. The Council is to remove the railings and to restore them if required to their present position at their own expense.

Since the plot may become the subject of negotiations for sale the arrangement may have to be terminated at any time, but it is desired in any case to make the arrangement tentative for the present season on account of the possibility of boys climbing over and damaging the garden.'

He further intimated that the cost involved would amount to a sum of £15, made up as follows:—

Fencing	£8
Paving	£3
Provision of Seat	£4

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the offer of the Church Authorities be accepted;

(*b*) that the appropriate Officers be instructed to take the necessary steps to give effect to the arrangement; and

(*c*) that the expenditure be defrayed out of Item 12/1 (Unclassified Roads—Sundries) in the current estimates.

1863 **Annual Estimates, 1937/38—Slab Paving:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that, owing to the exceptionally large amount of trench reinstatement work carried out by the Department since the 1st April, 1937, viz., 7,829 square yards, he was of opinion that it would be advisable to obtain tenders for new footway paving works and relaying existing slab and brick paving as it might be found impossible to carry out the whole of this year's programme departmentally;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

1864 **Flooding—Rosemary Avenue, N. 3:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that a letter, dated 14th June, 1937, had been received from Mr. N. Sear of 22, Rosemary Avenue, complaining of flooding during a heavy storm on the 12th June last; that the enlargement of the surface water sewer between Station Road and East End Road should have a beneficial effect on the matter, and that a further report would be submitted to the Committee should flooding recur.

He added that the position had been explained to Mr. Sear.

1865 **Second-Hand Freighter:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"Messrs. Shelvoke & Drewry have offered to sell a second-hand freighter for the sum of £10. Necessary small repairs, painting and delivery charges would bring the cost to approximately £22. I recommend this offer to your favourable consideration as it would enable the Council to convert their existing compressor into a mobile unit."

RECOMMENDED that the offer be accepted and that the expenditure be defrayed out of Item 12/4 (Unclassified Roads — Rolling Stock) in the current estimates.

1866 **Surface Water Pipe—Park Road:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"In 1920 plans were deposited for houses in Park Road by Messrs. Luck & Sons (Deposited Plan No. 3586) and approved by the Council, the surface water drainage being allowed to be connected to the soil inspection chamber in the absence of a surface water sewer; dual drainage for the premises being, however, installed. Mr. Luck having constructed the building adjoining the passage between the High Road and Park Road necessitating the construction of a surface water drain therefor, an opportunity arose for the Council, by increasing the size of the pipe to be laid by Mr. Luck, to extend the new drain to a point near Park Road to take the surface water from the houses above referred to. Mr. Luck is prepared to increase the pipe as required from 6 inches to 9 inches at a cost of £26 10s. 0d. The building has been in course of construction since 1933, but the drain is now about to be put in by the developer and I shall be glad of your authority to incur the additional cost named above. The Council will themselves carry out the necessary extension of the enlarged drain and a sum of £100 has been included in the current estimates for these works."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to proceed with the carrying out of the work; and

(*b*) that the additional expenditure of £26 10s. 0d. above-mentioned be approved and that it be defrayed out of Item 12/1 (Maintenance of Surface Water System) in the current estimates.

1867 **'Bus Stop Sign:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that an application, dated 2nd July, 1937, had been received from the London Passenger Transport Board for permission to erect a 'bus stop sign on a post opposite to No. 859, High Road, North Finchley (Bowler's Snack Bar);

RECOMMENDED that such application be granted, subject to the exact position of the sign being agreed by the Borough Surveyor.

1868 **Overhanging Hedge—Oakfield Road:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that a hedge along the frontage of the premises known as "Claigmar" in the above road projected over the footpath to the extent of from 18 inches to 2 feet;

RECOMMENDED that notice be served on the owner under Section 19 of the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908, requiring him to lop the hedge within seven days, and that, in default of compliance, the Council do themselves carry out the work.

1869 **Omnibus Shelters:**

The Borough Surveyor reported receipt of a letter, dated 1st July, 1937, from the London Passenger Transport Board stating that the work of erecting the shelter at Tally-Ho! Corner would now proceed with all possible speed.

1870 **Deposited Plan No. 10048—Garage, Rear of "Brook House," The Bishop's Avenue, N. 2:**

1812 The Borough Surveyor reported that this plan had been referred by the Town Planning Committee to this Committee for consideration as it showed the garage to be constructed over a surface water culvert;

RECOMMENDED that the plan be approved so far as this Committee are concerned, subject to an agreement being entered into by the owners to pull down the building if and when called upon by the Town Council so to do.

1871 **Fire Brigade:**

(*a*) Sub-Committee.—It was reported that a meeting of the Sub-Committee had been held on the 30th June, 1937, and a report of the proceedings thereat was submitted. Arising thereon, it was reported:—

(1) Radiator Hoods.—That the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade had reported that the walls of the Fire Station were becoming discoloured above the radiators and that he had consulted the Borough Surveyor who had advised that hoods be fixed.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that metal hoods be provided for 15 radiators in the Fire Station at a total estimated cost of £18 15s. 0d.

(2) Workshop.—That the Sub-Committee had considered an application from the Second Officer for permission to garage a small car in the workshop;

RECOMMENDED that the desired permission be granted on the understanding that the arrangement will continue until such time as the Town Council otherwise determine.

(3) Renovations and Repairs.—That the Sub-Committee had considered the question of the carrying out of the following works:—

(*a*) Renovation of single firemen's kitchen, larder and parlour.

(*b*) Renovation of No. 7 cottage vacated by ex-Fireman Loom and the provision of a gas stove.

(*c*) Renovation of No. 4 cottage to be vacated by Fireman Evans.

(*d*) Repairs to footpath at No. 1 and No. 3 cottages.

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that the carrying out of the renovations referred to in (a), (b) and (c) with oil bound paint, at an estimated cost of £12, be approved;

(ii) that a gas stove be hired from the North Middlesex Gas Co. for cottage No. 7; and

(iii) that as regard (d), repairs to the footpath in question be carried out at an estimated cost of £10.

(4) Sickness and Accident Scheme.—That the Sub-Committee had considered the question as to whether any variation should be made in the above Scheme in view of the increased risk which was occasioned to firemen;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that no variation be made in the Scheme in respect of Sickness payment;

(*b*) that the Town Council accept responsibility for the payment of expenses of medical attendance on any member of the Fire Brigade which is necessary as the result of an accident sustained while on duty, subject to approval in each case by the Chairman of the Committee.

(5) Appointment of Two Firemen.—That advertisements had been issued, in accordance with Minute No. 1600, inviting applications for the appointment of two firemen ;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that a meeting of the Sub-Committee to interview candidates be held at the Municipal Offices, on Tuesday, the 27th July, 1937, at 8 p.m. ; and

(*b*) that, in the absence of the Chairman of the Committee, the selection of candidates for interview be left to the Vice-Chairman and the Chief Officer of the Brigade.

(6) Firemen's Wages.—That this matter had been considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the scale of wages adopted by the Town Council in respect of firemen be amended to provide as follows :—

" That the commencing wage be fixed according to the number of years of approved service in another brigade."

(7) Retirement of Fireman Evans.—That the Chief Officer of the Brigade had reported that the retirement of Fireman Evans would take effect on the 9th August, 1937 ;

27 years.

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that as from and including the 10th August, 1937, Fireman Evans be granted the Pension to which he is entitled under the Fire Brigade Pensions Acts ; and

(ii) that the action of the Committee in authorising advertisements to be issued inviting applications to fill the vacancy in accordance with the suggested amended scale be approved.

(*b*) The National Fire Brigades' Association.—Print of the 49th Annual Report of the above Association was submitted.

(*c*) Fire Brigade Service—Barrow-in-Furness Conference—26th and 28th May, 1937. —It was reported that a print of a report of a Conference of local authorities' representatives held in conjunction with the Annual Meeting of the Professional Fire Brigades' Association at Barrow-in-Furness on the 26th and 28th May, 1937, had been forwarded to each member of the Committee.

(*d*) Chief Officer's Report.—The Chief Officer of the Brigade reported as follows :—

(i) Fires.—That a number of fires, as shown in the list circulated, had occurred between the 21st May and 20th June, 1937.

(ii) Ambulance Calls.—That the following ambulance calls had been received between the 21st May and 20th June, 1937.

Private Removals.	Accidents. Motor.	Accidents. Other.	Illness in street.	Not required on arrival.	Hoax calls.	Total.
39	14	5	9	5	1	73

(iii) Ambulance Service.—That a number of letters had been received expressing appreciation of the promptness and efficiency of the Ambulance Service.

(iv) Finchley Memorial Hospital—Fire Drill and Inspection of Fire Appliances.—That fire drill was carried out at the above Hospital on the 2nd and 4th June, 1937, and that the result on both occasions was satisfactory; further, that the fire appliances had also been inspected and tested and that, where necessary, renewals and repairs had been carried out.

(v) Staff.—

(1) That Fireman Shepherd had passed the Graduate Examination of the Institution of Fire Engineers;

RECOMMENDED that the Chief Officer of the Brigade be instructed to convey to Fireman Shepherd the congratulations of the Committee on his success.

(2) That Mr. H. J. Cutts, the newly appointed fireman, commenced duty on the 10th June, 1937.

(3) That Firemen Francis and Fuller had been absent from duty owing to illness since the 3rd and 19th June, 1937, respectively, and that medical certificates had been submitted.

1872 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Public Health Committee's Report.

8th JULY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Jones (Chairman), Councillor Grobel (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), Alderman Pike and Councillors Mrs. Legge, Mrs. Murphy and Steward.

1873 **Minutes:**

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

1874 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1875 **Medical Officer's Report:**

The following report of the Medical Officer for the 4 weeks ended 26th June, 1937, was submitted and approved:—

	Wards. N.	E.	W.	1937.	1936.
" 1. **Deaths.**—					
Number registered	8	15	17	40	50
Infants under one year	—	—	—	—	2
Infectious disease	—	—	—	—	—
2. **Births.**—					
Number notified under the Notification of Births Acts	21	27	22	70	68
3. **Infectious Disease.**—					
Cases notified	4	6	2	12	7
Scarlet Fever	4	3	2	9	3
Diphtheria	—	—	—	—	—
Pneumonia	—	1	—	1	1
Erysipelas	—	2	—	2	1
Paratyphoid Fever	—	—	—	—	1
Malaria	—	—	—	—	1
4. **Tuberculosis.**—					
Pulmonary cases	2	1	2	5	5
Non-pulmonary cases	—	1	—	1	—
5. **Patients in Hospital.**—					
Number in hospital on the 4th June				10	8
Number admitted				13	9
Number discharged				7	7
Number of deaths				—	—
Number in hospital on the 2nd July				16	10

1876 **Sanitary Inspector's Report:**

This was submitted. Arising thereon the Inspector reported as follows:—

(1) Houses without proper dustbins (Section 22 of the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908).—

14, 15 and 16, Theobalds Avenue, N. 12.
2 and 8, Summers Row, N. 12.

That the above houses were not provided with proper dustbins;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that notices be served upon the respective owners of the said premises, requiring them to provide at each house a strong galvanised iron dustbin with a suitable cover; and

(*b*) that, failing compliance with such notices, proceedings be taken for recovery of the penalties mentioned in Section 22 of the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908.

(2) Housing Act, 1936 (Section 66 (3))—7, Chesterfield Road, N.3.—That a notice should, he suggested, be served upon the occupier of the above dwelling-house requiring him to furnish within fourteen days a statement in writing of the number, ages and sexes of the persons sleeping in the house;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

(3) Housing Act, 1936—Entries in Rent Books.—That the following summary showed the position on the 30th June, 1937, respecting the action taken in order to furnish owners and/or occupiers of houses with information as to the "permitted number" of persons who might occupy the said houses:—

Number of houses measured	5132
Number of houses in respect of which Certificates had been issued	3929

(4) Complaints.—That since the 3rd June, 1937, the following complaints had been received and dealt with:—

re Condition of house	17
,, Blocked or defective drains	6
,, Verminous condition of house	3
,, Bad condition of right-of-way	1
,, Accumulation of refuse.....	2
,, Burning of manure	1
,, Keeping of birds	1
,, Rats	2
,, Emission of grit from chimney	1
,, Shops Acts	3
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(5) Slaughter of Animals Act, 1933 (Section 3).—That an application had been received from Mr. Thomas Stuart Sandison of Park Farm, East End Road, N.2, for a licence to slaughter animals in slaughterhouses or knackers' yards;

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted for the period ending 31st December next, subject to payment of a fee of 1/-.

(6) Milk and Dairies Acts—Milk and Dairies Order, 1926—Registration.—That applications to be registered as retail purveyors of milk at the under-mentioned premises had been received from:—

United Dairies (London), Ltd., 56, Ballards Lane, N. 3.
London Co-operative Society, Ltd., Distributing Depot, Arcadia Avenue, N.3.

RECOMMENDED that the applications be granted.

(7) Milk (Special Designations) Order, 1936.—

(i) Licences.—That applications had been received from the under-mentioned dealers for licences to sell milk under the above Order as follows:—

Special Designation.	Name of Dealer.	Shop or Premises from which milk will be sold.
Pasteurised	United Dairies (London), Ltd.	56, Ballards Lane, N. 3.
Pasteurised	London Co-operative Society, Limited.	Dairy, Arcadia Avenue, N. 3.
Tuberculin Tested	London Co-operative Society, Limited.	Dairy, Arcadia Avenue, N. 3.

RECOMMENDED that, subject to payment of the prescribed fees, the applications be granted for the period ending 31st December next.

(ii) Samples.—That samples of designated milk had been taken from the premises respectively specified in his report and had been found to comply with the prescribed bacterial standard.

(8) Unsound Food.—That the diseased or unsound food, particulars of which were submitted, had been destroyed since last meeting.

(9) Game Licences.—That applications for licences had been received from the under-mentioned persons or firms to deal in game at the premises set opposite to their respective names :—

Name.	Address.
George Richard Elder-Brown	358, Regents Park Road, N. 3.
Harry Richard Green	136, Ballards Lane, N. 3.
Thomas Henry Griffin	33, Market Place, N.W. 11.
Thomas Henry Lee	829, High Road, North Finchley.
MacFisheries, Ltd.	148, High Road, East Finchley.
MacFisheries, Ltd.	783, High Road, North Finchley.
MacFisheries, Ltd.	92, Ballards Lane, Finchley, N. 3.
J. Sainsbury, Ltd	82, High Road, East Finchley.
J. Sainsbury, Ltd	780, High Road, North Finchley.
J. Sainsbury, Ltd	84-86, Ballards Lane, Finchley, N. 3.
J. Sainsbury, Ltd	1363, High Road, Whetstone.
Thomas Edward Stroud	16, Hendon Lane, N. 3.
Waitrose, Ltd.	124, High Road, East Finchley.
Arthur Richard Yates	688, High Road, North Finchley.

RECOMMENDED that such applications be granted for the period ending 30th June, 1938.

(10) Petroleum (Consolidation) Act, 1928.—That as regards the application made by the Blaker Motor and Welding Co., Ltd., for a licence to store petroleum spirit (referred to in Minute No. 1605 (1) (10)), the reference thereto in his last report should have read 500 gallons "in bulk" instead of "in two-gallon cans" ;

RECOMMENDED that, notwithstanding anything contained in the above-mentioned Minute, the Town Council approve the issue of a licence to the Blaker Motor and Welding Co.,Ltd., to store 500 gallons of petroleum spirit in bulk for the period ending 30th June, 1938, subject to the conditions annexed to the licence being observed.

1877 **Proposed Mortuary :**

The Town Clerk reported that the formal consent, dated 25th June, 1937, of the Middlesex County Council, under the provisions of the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935, had been received to the erection of the mortuary and the construction of an entrance crossing ; further, that the following conditions were attached to the consent:—

(1) that the levels of all thresholds, fences and gateways be to the approval of the County Engineer;

(2) that the consent shall become void so far as it is applicable to the erection of buildings unless within three years from the date thereof the construction of such buildings has been substantially commenced;

(3) that a crossing 16 feet wide be constructed to the satisfaction of the County Council.

1878 **Tenth Annual Conference on Health Education:**

The Town Clerk reported that an invitation had been extended to the Council by the Central Council for Health Education to appoint delegates to attend the Tenth Annual Conference on Health Education to be held at the London School of Hygiene and Tropical Medicine, Keppel Street, Gower Street, W.C. 1, on the 30th September and 1st October next; further, that the Conference fee for each delegate appointed was one guinea;

RECOMMENDED that the Medical Officer of Health be appointed to attend the Conference on behalf of the Town Council.

1879 **Bye-Laws—Houses Let in Lodgings:**

A letter, dated 30th June, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted stating that the Minister had in the exercise of his statutory authority, confirmed the above Bye-Laws and certified accordingly.

1880 **National Health Campaign—Publicity:**

The Medical Officer reported hereon.

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that a sum of £100 be allocated for the posting of notices and to meet other necessary expenditure in connection with the National Health Campaign within the Borough; and

(ii) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee for their consideration as regards the financial arrangements.

1881 **Annual Report for the Year 1936 of the Medical Officer of Health and the Chief Sanitary Inspector:**

The Medical Officer reported that a copy of the above report had been forwarded to each member of the Town Council, whereupon the Committee extended to the Officers concerned their congratulations on the manner in which the report had been compiled.

1882 **Housing of Tuberculosis Patients and their Families:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"A letter, dated 25th June, 1937, has been received from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council enclosing a copy of the attached report which was made by the Parliamentary and Standing Orders Committee to the County Council at its meeting on the 24th June, 1937.

The report raises the question as to whether the County Council should seek to obtain powers in its next General Powers Bill to provide houses for tuberculosis patients and their families but before proceeding further in the matter the County Council desires to be furnished with the views of the several local authorities in the County as the latter are the authorities charged by Parliament with the duty of providing housing accommodation in their respective districts.

The matter will also be reported to the Housing Committee of the Town Council at its next meeting."

After full consideration, instructions were given to the Town Clerk to inform the Housing Committee that, inasmuch as the local authorities in the County have already been charged by Parliament with the duty of providing housing accommodation in their districts, this Committee is of opinion that the County Council should not be encouraged to obtain the powers in question.

1883 **Insurance of Workmen—Accident—F. G. Hambley:**

The Town Clerk reported that the above employee had met with an accident since last meeting and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

1884 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

The Town Clerk reported that the pavilion at the Children's Pool was damaged by thieves on the 2nd July, 1937, and that the matter had been dealt with.

1885 **Public Baths:**

(*a*) Squires Lane—Monthly Statement.—A statement (circulated) was submitted, showing the number of bathers and receipts for the four weeks ended 27th June, 1937.

(*b*) Open Air Pools.—

(i) Monthly Statement.—A statement (circulated) was submitted, showing the number of bathers and receipts for the four weeks ended 27th June, 1937.

(ii) Swimming Instruction.—The Borough Surveyor reported that the News Chronicle had written under date 24th June, 1937, offering to send a Swimming Instructor to give free tuition at the main Pool for the week commencing Monday, 2nd August to Saturday, 7th August, 1937, the daily time-table to be the same as in previous years, and that he had accepted the offer with thanks;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(iii) Purity of Water.—The Medical Officer reported that on the 30th June, 1937, samples of water had been taken from the open air pools for bacteriological examination and that reports had been received to the effect that the water was clear and bright, of a high degree of bacterial purity and was considered to be suitable and safe for swimming bath purposes.

1886 **Closure of Refuse Destructor for Annual Repairs:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"It is proposed to close down the Refuse Destructor for repairs from Monday, the 13th September to the 21st or 22nd September, 1937.

The Council's Refuse Collection Contractor has quoted 9/9d. per ton for the disposal of house refuse inclusive of carting out of the Borough of Finchley, to be loaded into trucks at Kentish Town Station. This Council to supply all labour that is necessary at the railway loading base.

It is estimated that the additional cost of dealing with the refuse in this manner during the period in question will amount to about £250.

There will be sufficient money in the estimate to meet this expenditure without asking for a supplementary estimate."

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Refuse Destructor be closed for repairs for about 9 or 10 days during the period that the tonnage of refuse collected has, in the past, been found to be the lowest; and

(2) that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to arrange for the disposal of the refuse on the lines above-mentioned at a cost of approximately £250.

1887 **Employee—Sick Leave:**

Referring to Minute No. 1006, the Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. W. H. Body, a labourer at the Sewage Disposal Works who had been absent for a longer period than four weeks during the current financial year had not yet returned to work and he submitted particulars in regard to the case.

1888 **Sewage Analysis:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that a sample of sewage effluent was taken from the high and low level outfalls on the 21st June, 1937, by the Lee Conservancy Board and the analysis figures of the check sample were submitted.

1889 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

J. HUGH JONES,

Chairman.

Housing Committee's Report.

9th JULY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Mrs. Legge (Chairman), Councillor Connorton (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands) and Alderman Briant.

1890 **Minutes:**

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

1891 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of Requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1892 **Ivy Lodge—Long Lane:**

The Town Clerk reported that at the last meeting of the Council the question of the above premises being used for the housing of a working class family was referred to the Committee for further consideration in conjunction with a report by the Medical Officer as to the repairs which were necessary to make the premises fit for human habitation.

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The Town Clerk further reported that the land and premises were acquired for purposes of public walks and pleasure grounds and that the Parks and Open Spaces Committee had intimated that they would raise no objection to any application which might be made for the appropriation thereof.

After full consideration it was decided to ask the Parks and Open Spaces Committee what price they would require for the Lodge and garden only, and instructions were given (*a*) to the Borough Surveyor to submit at the next meeting of this Committee an estimate of the cost of the repairs mentioned in the report of the Medical Officer and (*b*) to the Borough Treasurer to submit at such meeting a statement of the outstanding loan debt in respect of the property in question.

1893 **Land—Junction of Long Lane and Squires Lane:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

> "I am pleased to report that the Annmep Estate have accepted the offer of the Town Council to purchase the above land for the sum of £1,000 on the conditions laid down by the Council.
>
> I have asked the Borough Engineer and Surveyor to submit at the meeting of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee a plan showing the land which it is anticipated will be required for housing purposes in order that an allocation may be agreed between the two Committees as soon as possible.
>
> I have pointed out to the Parks and Open Spaces Committee that, in order to obtain the most suitable lay-out, it may be necessary for that Committee if they so agree to release to your Committee a portion of the land to the east of that now to be acquired in which event part of the latter land could no doubt be taken in exchange."

The Town Clerk further reported that the Borough Surveyor had submitted to the Parks and Open Spaces Committee alternative plans for the layout of six large houses and that that Committee had intimated that they would raise no objection to either layout.

The Committee then had before them the lay-out plans in question and after consideration, instructions were given to the Borough Surveyor to re-submit the plans at next meeting with full particulars of the cost of both schemes.

1894 **Housing of Tuberculosis Patients and Their Families:**

A letter, dated 25th June, 1937, received from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council was submitted enclosing a copy of a report which was made by the Parliamentary and Standing Orders Committee to the County Council at its meeting on the 24th June, 1937.

The Town Clerk intimated that the report raised the question as to whether the County Council should seek to obtain powers in its next General Powers Bill to provide houses for tuberculosis patients and their families but before proceeding further in the matter the County Council desired to be furnished with the views of the several local authorities in the County as the latter were the authorities charged by Parliament with the duty of providing housing accommodation in their respective districts.

After hearing the views of the Public Health Committee on the matter, it was

RECOMMENDED that the Middlesex County Council be informed that the Town Council are in agreement with the views of the County Council's Housing Committee, namely, that as the local authorities in the County have already been charged by Parliament with the duty of providing housing accommodation in their districts it is not desirable that the County Council should seek to obtain such statutory powers.

1895 **Craven Lodge Estate:**

The Town Clerk reported that Mr. J. W. Woodward of Oak Cottage, High Road, East Finchley and the Finchley Chamber of Commerce had written complaining (a) that one of the hawkers removed from St. Pancras Cemetery approach had taken his stand at the main road entrance to the Craven Lodge Estate, and (b) that boys on the the Estate had thrown stones and damaged the adjoining property known as "Melrose"; further, that he had conferred with the Borough Surveyor on the matter and it appeared that if the main road entrance were boarded up it would prevent the hawker from standing on the property. As regards the latter part of the complaint, however, it was not at present possible to keep children off the land as access could be obtained thereto from any part of Willow Walk.

Instructions were thereupon given (i) to the Borough Surveyor to arrange for the main road entrance to be boarded up at a cost of approximately £2, and (ii) to the Town Clerk to forward a suitable reply to Mr. Woodward and the Finchley Chamber of Commerce.

1896 **Woodhouse Estate:**

The Town Clerk submitted a drawing received from the General Manager and Engineer indicating the proposed positions of overground disconnecting boxes and cable route in lieu of the existing overhead line on the above Estate.

After hearing a report by the Borough Surveyor thereon, it was

RECOMMENDED that the plan in question be approved, subject (i) to the consent of the tenants concerned being obtained, (ii) to their gardens being properly reinstated where necessary, and (iii) to the tenants being compensated for any loss.

1897 **Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"While it is not essential for the Committee to decide at the moment to what extent electricity should be introduced into the scheme, I am assuming that a fireplace suitable for hard fuel will be provided in every living room, the type of grate to be determined at a later stage."

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

1898 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

MARY E. LEGGE,

Chairman.

Education Committee's Report.

12th JULY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Grocott (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), Councillors Burch, Steward and Wilmot; Miss Davey, Mrs. Miall.

1899 **Accounts:**

Accounts, amounting to £2,509 9s. 5d., have been examined and approved for submission to the Finance Committee for payment.

1900 **School Attendance Return:**

The following are the school attendance figures for the month of June, 1937:—

School.	Average No. on Books.	Average Attendance.	Percentage.
Alder Senior	305	280	91.8
Alder Infants	126	106	84.1
Northside Senior	235	212	90.2
Northside Junior	479	416	86.8
Manorside Senior	287	261	90.9
Manorside Junior	515	461	98.5
Martin Junior	450	403	98.5
Summerside Junior	479	441	92.0
St. Mary's Junior	519	470	90.5
St. John's Junior	314	287	91.4
Christ Church Senior	219	206	94.0
Holy Trinity Junior	315	280	88.8
Our Lady of Lourdes Mixed	291	273	93.8
Total	4534	4096	90.3

1901 **Board of Education—Circular 1456:**

Circular 1456 has been received from the Board of Education stating that the period over which the grant payable on expenditure on buildings (including sites, playing fields and equipment) at the special rate of 50 per cent. has now been determined and that the 31st December, 1940, has been fixed as the end of the period during which the special rate will operate. Subsequent to the 31st December, 1940, the rate of grant will return to 20 per cent.

1902 **Reports of Meetings of the Children's Care Committee and the Juvenile Employment Committee,** held on 30th June, 1937, circulated to members, have been considered and adopted.

1903 **Home Office Committee on Hours of Employment of Young Persons in Certain Unregulated Occupations:**

Consideration has been given to a summarised report, made by a Departmental Committee appointed by the Home Office, dealing with the hours of employment of boys and girls in certain unregulated occupations, such as van boys, messengers, page boys,

lift and other attendants, in hotels and places of public entertainment, etc. The Departmental Committee consider it essential that immediate steps should be taken to afford statutory protection for those young persons in unregulated occupations with whom their report deals and the Education Committee have considered the following resolution of the Juvenile Employment Committee :—

THAT the Finchley Education Authority is of opinion that statutory protection should be afforded to all young persons working in occupations where the hours of employment are still unregulated, and that efforts be made to secure the widest possible extension of the clauses of the Factory Bill now before Parliament so that regulated hours may be achieved for all young persons not already within the scope of the Bill or Acts of Parliament.

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that approval be given to the resolution set out above ;

(*b*) that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Member of Parliament for the Division, to the Home Secretary and to the Minister of Labour.

1904 **Special School Children :**

(*a*) "W.J.W.," date of birth 13/7/1923, a deaf and dumb boy, has been in attendance at the Royal School, Margate, since the 1st October, 1932. The parents removed from Warwick to Finchley on the 26th June, 1937, and the Warwick Education Authority ask the Finchley Authority to accept responsibility for the boy's education and maintenance.

RECOMMENDED that the Finchley Education Authority accept responsibility, as from 26th June, 1937, for the cost of the education and maintenance of "W.J.W." while he is in attendance at the Royal School for Deaf and Dumb Children, Margate, at a fee of £75 per annum ; the parent to contribute a weekly sum of 3s. 0d. towards this expense.

(*b*) "W.G.N.," a boy aged 13 years 5 months, in attendance at a Finchley Senior School, has been certified as suffering from heart trouble and advised admission to a special school.

RECOMMENDED that the Finchley Education Authority accept responsibility for the cost of the education and maintenance of "W.G.N." while he is in attendance at the St. John's Open Air School for Boys, Woodford Bridge, Essex, at a fee of 29s. 0d. per week and that, owing to the circumstances of the family, the parent be not asked to contribute towards this expense.

1905 **National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children :**

In July, 1936, a donation of two guineas was made to the funds of the above-named Society in view of their co-operation with the Authority in several cases of child neglect.

During the past year several cases have been referred to the N.S.P.C.C. for their intervention and assistance and varying benefits have been secured for the children concerned.

RECOMMENDED that a donation of two guineas be made to the National Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children.

1906 **Christ Church School—Wear and Tear Repairs :**

Estimates have been received from the Managers for wear and tear repairs to be carried out at Christ Church School during the summer holidays, 1937.

RECOMMENDED that the Education Authority contribute the sum of £8 12s. 11d. (being five-sixths of £10 7s. 6d.) towards the cost of wear and tear repairs to be carried out at Christ Church School during the summer holidays, 1937.

1907 **St. John's School—Wear and Tear Repairs:**

An estimate has been received from the Managers for repairs and decorations to be carried out at St. John's School during the summer holidays, 1937.

RECOMMENDED that the Education Authority contribute five-sixths of not more than £8 0s. 0d., the estimated cost of repairs and decorations to be carried out at St. John's School during the summer holidays, 1937.

1908 **Holy Trinity School:**

RECOMMENDED that the Education Authority insure a silver cup, known as the "Coronation Cup" and valued at £2, recently presented to Holy Trinity School.

1909 **Education (Deaf Children) Act, 1937:**

The above-named Act will come into operation on the 1st April, 1938. The Act, which consists of one main section, reads as follows:—

"The fact of a child who is under seven years of age being deaf shall not of itself be a reasonable excuse for not causing the child to attend school, or for neglecting to provide efficient elementary instruction for the child; and accordingly in sub-section (2) of section fifty-one of the Education Act, 1921 (hereinafter referred to as "the principal Act"), the words 'except in the case of a deaf child under seven years of age' are hereby repealed."

1910 **The English Bible—Commemoration of the Fourth Centenary:**

A request has been received from the National Council for the Fourth Centenary of the English Bible, 1538–1938, asking the Authority to arrange for special lessons to be given in the schools, under the following heads, during the early months of 1938:—

The Bible—What it is.
The Bible—How England came by it.
The Bible—What it has done for England.
The Bible—What it can do for you (the scholars).

The Association of Education Committees, at their annual meeting this year, unanimously passed a resolution recommending Education Committees in membership of the Association to give favourable consideration to the National Council's request.

RECOMMENDED that arrangements be made for special lessons to be given in the elementary schools during the early months of 1938, along the lines desired by the National Council for the Fourth Centenary of the English Bible.

1911 **Summerside School—Additions:**

Approval has been received from the Board of Education to the additional expenditure of £705 in respect of the enlargement of Summerside School. This increase is based upon the lowest tender received which amounts to £10,967, excluding furniture and fittings.

1912 **Manorside School—Alterations and Additions:**

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The formal consent of the Ministry of Health has been received to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £6,796 for alterations and additions to Manorside School, and £500 in respect of furniture. Approval is given to the electrical heating of the additions but it is pointed out that if the Town Council decide to change over to another system of heating within the period of the present loan it will be necessary to meet the outstanding debt out of current revenue if a further loan is required.

1913 **Ivy Lodge, 432, Long Lane—Domestic Subjects Centre:**

The Town Council at their last meeting agreed to the Education Committee terminating, on 31st August, 1937, their tenancy of Ivy Lodge Domestic Subjects Centre.

RECOMMENDED that the Chairman of the Works and Accounts Sub-Committee and the Director of Education be authorised to arrange for the disposal of the goods and furniture now at Ivy Lodge Domestic Subjects Centre, subject to report.

1914 **Northside Junior Mixed and Infants' School:**

It is necessary for the Authority to review the grading of Northside Junior School consequent upon the appointment of a new Head Teacher. In the present instance, the Head Teacher's salary will be graded according to the average attendance calculated on the average of the three preceding financial years. The average attendance over the three years ended 31st March, 1937, totals 388 which places the School within Grade IV. of the Burnham Elementary Report. Grade IV. is the Grade at present in force.

RECOMMENDED that, as from 1st September, 1937, Grade IV. salary scale be established as the protected scale for the person appointed to the Headship of Northside Junior Mixed and Infants' School, in accordance with the terms of the Burnham Elementary Report of 1927 and amendments thereto.

1915 **Physical Training—Co-operation with Middlesex County Authority in the Appointment of Organisers:**

The scheme in connection with the above, to which the Authority gave approval in principle in December, 1936, has been revised and consideration has been given to a report of the Director of Education on proposals which were agreed to at a meeting of representatives of the autonomous areas in the County and of the County Authority.

A copy of this report was circulated to members with the agenda for the July, 1937, meeting of the Education Committee.

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that, in so far as Finchley is concerned, approval be given to the scheme by which the County of Middlesex and autonomous areas within the County are grouped into ten areas, and combine with the County Authority in the appointment of Physical Training Organisers to deal with the physical education of children and young persons in schools and institutes of all types and of young people connected with various organisations.

(*b*) that the Finchley Education Authority agree to being grouped with the Hornsey and Wood Green Education Authorities for the purpose of the scheme.

(*c*) that, in accordance with the scheme, there be appointed two Organisers, one man and one woman, for the joint area of Hornsey, Wood Green and Finchley.

(*d*) that the suggestion that one or more Assistant Organisers be appointed in the case of the larger areas be approved, in principle, so far as Finchley is concerned.

(*e*) that the following scale of salaries for Organisers appointed under the scheme be approved:—

(i) For men — £450 per annum, rising by annual increments of £25 to a maximum of £600 per annum.

(ii) For women £400 per annum, rising by annual increments of £20 to a maximum of £500 per annum.

An addition to the minimum of the scale, not exceeding two increments, may be made when previous experience so justifies it.

(*f*) that the following scale of salaries for Assistant Organisers appointed under the scheme be approved :—

(i) For men ..... £300 per annum, rising by annual increments of £15 to a maximum of £400 per annum.

(ii) For women ·£240 per annum, rising by annual increments of £12 to a maximum of £320 per annum.

An addition to the minimum of the scale, not exceeding two increments, may be made when previous experience so justifies it.

(*g*) that the following proposals with regard to the administration of the scheme be approved :—

(1) that the salaries of the Organisers and Assistant Organisers be paid by the Middlesex County Authority and an apportionment made amongst the Authorities within the joint areas on the basis of services rendered.

(2) that a representative Committee consisting of one representative from each Part III. Authority and two or three County representatives be appointed for the purpose of interviewing and selecting the candidates for appointment up to the number of vacancies available and that, subject to proposal No. (6), the candidates appointed who are applicants for a number of districts be allocated to the various districts by ballot.

(3) that the Chairman of the Education Committee represent the Finchley Education Authority on the Committee mentioned in (g) (2) above, with power to act.

(4) that an Area Committee representative of each Authority in the group concerned be appointed to deal with the filling of vacancies in the ranks of Organisers and with the appointment of Assistant Organisers.

(5) that, in regard to the arrangements for the payment of travelling expenses which are left to the discretion of Area Committees, it be suggested to these Committees that they should carefully consider, in the case of the larger areas, the desirability of making such an allowance as would enable the organisers to use a small car, in order to avoid undue loss of time in travelling.

(6) that Organisers already in the service of Local Education Authorities in the County be regarded as eligible to apply for these vacancies and, if appointed, to have the first refusal of the post in their own area.

(7) that, in order to avoid having separate advertisements for the ten groups in the County, one advertisement be inserted for all vacancies and the same form of application used for all groups.

Subject to the approval of the Authorities concerned, it is anticipated that the scheme will come into operation towards the end of this year.

It is not possible, at this stage, to forecast the actual cost of the scheme to Finchley as the distribution of the services of the Organisers between the County and the Authorities within the area in which Finchley is included remains still to be settled. It may be estimated that the net annual charge to this Authority will not much exceed from £90 to £120, and it is anticipated that the amount provided in the Estimates for the current financial year will be sufficient to cover the expenditure up to 31st March, 1938.

1916 **Resignations—Teaching Staff :**

The under-mentioned resignations have been received from Assistant Teachers :—

Name.	School.	To take effect on.
Miss E. M. Elliott	Holy Trinity School	31st August, 1937
Miss N. K. Yeadon	Northside Domestic Centre	do.
Mr. R. Norris	Northside Junior School	do.
Miss M. P. Benson	Summerside Junior School	27th August, 1937

1917 **Appointment—Northside Domestic Subjects Centre :**

As a matter of urgency, arrangements have been made to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss Yeadon, the Domestic Subjects Mistress at Northside Senior School, and it is

RECOMMENDED that Miss E. L.Fairburn be appointed an assistant mistress in the full-time service of the Finchley Education Authority exclusively in the capacity of a teacher ; salary to be paid in accordance with Scale IV. of the Burnham Arbitration Award, and the decisions of the Board of Education relating thereto, or upon the terms and subject to the conditions of any other scale of salaries that may be adopted by the Authority, and subject to the terms and conditions approved by the Council in September, 1927 ; the appointment to date from 1st September, 1937.

F. J. GROCOTT,

Chairman.

Allotments Committee's Report.

13th JULY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Brooksbank (Chairman), Mr. W. J. Rolfe (Vice-Chairman), Alderman Wells, and Councillor Collis, and Messrs. Hewitt and Sunderland.

1918 **Minutes:**

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

1919 **Allotments:**

(*a*) Summers Lane—Footpath—North Circular Road to Summers Lane.—The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated 5th June, 1937, received from the Secretary of the North Finchley Allotment League, Ltd., intimating that the League would raise no objection to the construction of the above-mentioned footpath.

(*b*) Gordon Road.—The Town Clerk reported that the above Allotments had been re-surveyed and drawing No. 11075 was submitted indicating a proposal to re-number the plots. It was also intimated that the survey had revealed several slight discrepancies in the areas of plots;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that drawing No. 11075 be approved and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to take the necessary action in regard to re-numbering the plots on the site; and

(2) that the appropriate adjustments in the rents consequent upon the amended areas have effect as from the 1st October next.

(*c*) Whetstone Stray—Fencing.—It was reported that as a result of the Committee's request the Parks and Open Spaces Committee had given instructions for certain of the fencing around Field V. at above to be removed and re-erected between the Allotments and the Brookside Walk.

(*d*) Vacant Plots.—Particulars of the above were submitted.

1920 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

W. L. BROOKSBANK,

Chairman.

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Electricity Committee's Report.

13th JULY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Caine (Chairman), Councillor Baines (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant, Pateman, Pike and Syrett, and Councillors Burch, Grobel and Hayter.

Non-Member: Councillor Wilmot.

1921 **Minutes:**

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

1922 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

1923 **Coal:**

It was reported that the present stock of coal was approximately 506 tons as at the date of the last meeting of the Committee.

1924 **Output, Maximum Demand and Load Factor:**

The General Manager and Engineer submitted the following report:—

	1936/37.	1937/38	% Increase.
Units purchased during June	983,437	1,213,884	23.43%
KW. of maximum demand during June	4,570	5,270	15.31%
Load Factor	30.14%	32.45%	2.31%
Units purchased April 1st—June 30th	3,789,025	4,585,899	21.03%
Highest Maximum Demand recorded	6,820 7.30 p.m. 4/4/1936	7,560 7.30 p.m. 2/4/1937	10.85%

1925 **Applications for Supply:**

The following report of the General Manager and Engineer was submitted:—

" Total number of applications received for supply	15,951	=	42,478 kw.
Number reported at last meeting	15,851	=	42,013 kw.
Increase	100	=	465 kw."

1926 **Domestic Tariff:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

	May.	June.	Increase.
" Application forms completed	1,945	2,258	313 "

1927 **Domestic Apparatus:**

It was reported that, up to the end of June, applications had been received for the following appliances to be installed:—

	To end of May.	To end of June.	Increase.
Cookers — — — — —	584	886	302
Water Heaters — — — — —	85	163	78
Immersion Heaters — — — —	8	43	35
Wash Boilers — — — —	69	111	42
Radiators — — — —	72	111	39
Kettles — — — —	155	201	46

1928 **Domestic Tariff Consumers:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"In accordance with your instructions I give below a schedule indicating the respective ranges of rateable values of those consumers who have adopted the Two-Part Domestic Tariff:—

	No. of Consumers.	Percentage.
Not assessed — — —	33	1.46
Assessments under £25 — —	238	10.54
Assessments from £26—£60 —	1545	68.42
Assessments from £61—£100 —	364	16.12
Assessments from £101—£175 —	67	2.97
Assessments over £175 — —	11	0.49
	2258	100.0"

1929 **Alternating Current Supplies:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"The following indicates the position at the end of June of the alternating current supply and the corresponding figures as at 31st May:—

	May.	June.
Transformer Maximum Demands	302 K.V.A.	332 K.V.A.
Unit consumption — — —	67,800	95,560
A.C. Consumers — — —	530	631"

1930 **Damage to Sample Cooker:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported that a sample electric cooker supplied for inspection purposes by Tricity Cookers, Ltd., was damaged whilst in the possession of the Town Council and that he had been notified by the firm in question that the cost of the necessary repairs would amount to a sum of £5;

RECOMMENDED that payment of this sum by the Town Council be approved.

1931 **Maintenance of Addressograph Machine:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported that he would be glad of authority to enter into a maintenance agreement with Addressograph-Multigraph, Ltd., for a period of 12 months in regard to the addressing machine recently installed, and that the cost involved was £5 14s. 0d. payable quarterly in advance;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

1932 **Cable Contract:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported that the Contract of Messrs. Callenders Cable & Construction Co., Ltd., for cables, etc., which expired on the 31st March last had been extended by resolution of the Town Council for six months from the 1st April, 1937; further, that advertisements had been issued inviting tenders for the supply and delivery of cables, joint boxes, overground feeder pillars and other materials over a period of (a) eighteen months or alternatively (b) three years and six months from the 1st October, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1933 **Proposed Loan—£5,000—Assisted Wiring:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported that it was necessary that an application should now be made to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to a loan for purposes of assisted wiring which was not covered by the existing loan for apparatus and wiring in connection therewith, and he suggested that application be made for sanction to the borrowing of a sum of £5,000 for the purpose stated. 1974 C

The Committee were in agreement therewith and the matter was referred to the Finance Committee to deal with;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1934 **New Cinema Tariff:**

It was reported that the Proprietors of the Odeon Cinema, North Finchley, and also the Gaumont British Picture Corporation had elected to adopt, as from the 1st July, 1937, the new Cinema Tariff approved by the Town Council at their last meeting.

1935 **Sub-Station Sites:**

(*a*) Hampstead Golf Club.—The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"I have been in communication with the Hampstead Golf Club with regard to a site for a Sub-Station and I am pleased to report that the Directors of the Golf Club are agreeable to the Council renting a site in a position which I have suggested at a nominal rental of £1 per annum, subject to their Solicitors drawing up the necessary agreement and the Council bearing the cost thereof. I recommend that this offer be accepted on the terms suggested."

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the offer in question be accepted; and

(2) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in the matter.

(*b*) Summers Lane.—Referring to Minute No. 1673 (b) with regard to a proposed site for an electricity sub-station in Summers Lane at the north-west corner of the the Sewage Disposal Works, it was reported that the matter had been considered by the Public Health Committee who were recommending that, subject to the consent of the Minister of Health being received to the necessary appropriation, no objection be raised to the use of the land for the purpose proposed, on the understanding that the sub-station would be set back so as not to project in front of the adjoining premises, "The Laurels," and that the plans and elevations would first be submitted to that Committee for approval.

The General Manager and Engineer pointed out that to comply with the suggestion of the Public Health Committee would mean that the proposed building would have to be set back a distance of 84 feet and in the circumstances he was instructed to discuss the matter with the Borough Surveyor and to report thereon at the Council Meeting.

1936 **Extension of Mains:**

It was reported that since the last meeting of the Committee mains had been completed in the following roads:—

Tally Ho! Corner for supply to new Gaumont Cinema. (R.F.14).
New Cinema to Hutton Grove via West side of Ballards Lane. (R.F.65).
Glenhill Gardens. (R.F.25).
Brim Hill Area. (R.F.26D.). Lytton Close. (R.F.26F.).

further, that as a matter of urgency, a main had been laid in Long Lane (Trinity Road to Church Lane) (R.F.69) at a cost of £280;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the action taken be approved; and

(2) that authority be given for mains to be laid as follows:—

Position.	Estimated Cost. £
Barnet Bye-Pass (Haslemere Gardens to new Sub-Station at junction of North Circular Road and Barnet Bye-Pass) (R.F.68)	828
Long Lane (Squires Lane to North Circular Road) (R.F.72)	437

1937 **Simms Motor Units D.C. Sub-Station :**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows :—

"With a view to relieving the D.C. Network I propose to instal a D.C. Mercury-arc Rectifier Sub-Station on the premises of Simms Motor Units, Ltd., to deal with the whole of their power load. Suitable accommodation will be provided by Messrs. Simms and I propose to transfer 300 kw. of Rectifier Plant from an existing Sub-Station to this proposed Sub-Station.

I estimate that the cost of the transference and re-erection of the Rectifier Plant and the necessary modifications to the D.C. Feeders will be approximately £550 and I shall be glad of your authority to put this work in hand immediately."

RECOMMENDED that the carrying out of the work in question be approved.

1938 **Supplies to Henley's Garage, Ltd., North Circular Road :**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows :—

"In consequence of the re-building and extension of the premises of this consumer, the load taken will be increased from 15 kw. to about 60 kw. and I consider it desirable that the whole of this load should be met by Alternating Current. To give effect to this it is necessary to change-over the consumer's existing equipment. The estimated total cost of the change-over is £160 and I have agreed with the consumer, subject to your confirmation, to bear one-half of the cost, which will amount to approximately £80. I shall be glad of your approval."

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1939 **Accounts and Works Sub-Committee :**

It was reported that a meeting of the Sub-Committee had been held on the 8th July, 1937, and a report of the proceedings thereat was submitted. Arising thereon, it was reported :—

(1) Electricity Accounts.—That the Sub-Committee had considered the monthly report of the Borough Treasurer hereon.

(2) Adjustment of Consumers' Accounts.—That the Sub-Committee had considered a list of amounts proposed to be "written off" due to the adjustment in Accounts after same had been entered in the Rental ;

RECOMMENDED that the amounts shown in such list amounting to a total sum of £13 11s. 9d. be "written off."

(3) Accounts and Requisitions.—That the Sub-Committee had passed for payment the Accounts submitted and approved the Requisitions.

(4) Statement of Accounts—Year ended 31st March, 1937.—That the Statement of Accounts in connection with the Undertaking for the year ended 31st March, 1937, had been submitted in draft form and had been considered by the Sub-Committee and that it had been suggested that certain minor amendments be made therein before presentation thereof to the full Committee.

1940 **Damage to Town Council's Property :**

It was reported that a dwarf overground disconnecting box in Holden Road, near the footpath to Totteridge, had been damaged by a vehicle on the 10th June, 1937, and that the matter had been dealt with.

1941 **Insurance of Workmen—Accidents:**

It was reported that the under-mentioned employees had met with accidents since the last meeting of the Committee and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter:—

G. Shaw.
L. Fergusson.
F. G. Edwards.
A. Parsons.
W. J. Goldie.
T. Lowen.
H. York.
E. T. Roberts.
G. Kent.

1942 **Loan, £15,000—Unspecified Sub-Stations and Equipment:**

It was reported that the formal consent of the Electricity Commissioners had been received to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £15,000 for the provision of unspecified sub-stations and equipment in connection with the Undertaking and that the period for repayment was 20 years.

1943 **Electrical Contracting Industry—Wages:**

A letter, dated 14th June, 1937, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary, Employers' Side, Electricity Supply Industry District Council (No. 10) Greater London Area, enclosing copy of a circular, dated 28th May, 1937, received by him from the National Federated Electrical Association indicating an advance of one farthing per hour in wages for the Electrical Contracting Industry in London, which it was stated would come into force on the second pay day in June, 1937, for the period covered by that pay day.

In a further letter, dated 16th June, 1937, it was pointed out that this increase would affect the rate for Contract Wiremen's Mates and that the Mate's rate was based on 80 per cent. of the skilled worker's rate which amounted to 1/5.8d. per hour or 1/5¾d.

1944 **The National Federated Electrical Association—London Working Rules, Clause 9—"Shop":**

A letter, dated 28th June, 1937, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the Employers' Side, Electricity Supply Industry District Council (No. 10) Greater London Area, enclosing copy of the following circular, dated 7th June, 1937, received by him from the Director of the National Federated Electrical Association:—

"I would advise you that an agreement has been concluded between the Electrical Trades Union and the National Federated Electrical Association as an addition to Clause 9 of the above Agreement:—

'Where the employer has no "Shop" as defined within the area covered by these Rules, actual fares shall be paid from Charing Cross to the job and from the job to Charing Cross, except in such cases as the men receive the appropriate allowance from the employer's Shop outside the area covered by these Rules.'

It has been agreed that this addition to the Rules shall operate as from the 1st September, 1937."

1945 **Workmen's Dwellings—Supply of Electricity:**

It was reported that the Housing Committee had duly considered the letter received from Mr. J. J. Keymer of 196, Woodhouse Road, on the subject of the wiring of his house for the supply of electricity for heating purposes and that the following recommendations of that Committee had been subsequently adopted by the Town Council:—

"(1) that it be suggested to the Electricity Committee that a joint Sub-Committee of the two Committees should be appointed to consider the question of the wiring of Council houses for the supply of electricity for heating purposes;

(2) that assuming the concurrence of that Committee with the suggestion, the Chairman of this Committee and Aldermen Briant and Pike be appointed to represent this Committee on the Joint Sub-Committee; and

(3) that Mr. Keymer be informed that whilst the Council are not prepared to wire his house for heating purposes at the present time, the whole matter is under consideration."

The Committee were in agreement with the suggestion in regard to the appointment of a Joint Sub-Committee, and it was

RECOMMENDED that the members of the Accounts and Works Sub-Committee be appointed as this Committee's representatives thereon.

1946 **Electricity Distribution:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had circulated amongst the members of the Committee copies of the reports of the recent Conferences which had been held by the Association of Municipal Corporations, the Non-County Boroughs' Association and the Conference of Local Authorities owning Electricity Undertakings in Greater London in regard to this matter.

Instructions were given for copies to be forwarded to the remainder of the members of the Council.

1947 **Electricity Undertaking—Fuel Supplies:**

A communication was submitted from the Town Clerk of Woolwich asking for the Council's support to the following resolution passed by his Council:—

"That representations be made to the appropriate Government Departments drawing attention to the present state of the coal industry, pointing out that re-organisation of the production of coal is necessary, and making a vigorous protest against the present conditions which make a rise in the price of coal inevitable."

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken thereon.

1948 **Report of General Manager and Engineer and Statement of Accounts for the Year Ended 31st March, 1937:**

The Committee considered the above in conjunction with a report of the Borough Treasurer, and instructions were given for the Report and Statement of Accounts to be printed and circulated to the Members of the Town Council;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the action taken be approved.

(*b*) that the Report of the General Manager and Engineer be approved, and that the Accounts and Balance Sheet be received and adopted.

(*c*) that the balance of the net Revenue Account amounting to a sum of £1,660 be carried forward in the Net Revenue Appropriation Account;

(*d*) that the balance outstanding as due from the Borough Treasurer at the credit of the Reserve Fund, viz., £1,104 be invested and that the matter of the investment of that amount be referred to the Finance Committee;

1949 **Health Centre—Oak Lane:**

In accordance with instructions the General Manager and Engineer submitted a report on the heating of the new Health Centre in Oak Lane;

RECOMMENDED that the proposals be approved in principle and that the matter be referred to the Public Health Committee for consideration.

1950 **Red Lion Hill Housing Estate:**

In accordance with instructions the General Manager and Engineer submitted a report on the question of the possibility of installing electric cookers and water heaters in the above Housing Estate;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the proposals be approved in principle and that the matter be referred to the Housing Committee; and

(*b*) that the subject be considered by the Joint Sub-Committee prior to the meeting of the Housing Committee.

1951 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

J. F. KNEALE CAINE,

Chairman.

General Purposes Committee's Report.

14th JULY, 1937.

Present: The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands) (Chairman), Alderman Briant (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), Aldermen Syrett and Wells, and Councillor Collis.

Non-Members: Alderman Pike and Councillor Mrs. Murphy.

1952 **Minutes:**

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

1953 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved, subject to the addition of the following item:—

Three copies—Minutes of Proceedings U.D.C. Association Annual Conference — £1 1s. 0d.

1954 **Pawnbroker's Act, 1872:**

It was reported that Mr. D. A. Thomson had made application for the renewal of his certificate to carry on the business of a pawnbroker at No. 678, High Road, North Finchley, which would expire on the 31st July, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that such certificate be renewed for the period ending 31st July, 1938.

1955 **London Passenger Transport Board Act—Equalisation of Fares:**

The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated 22nd June, 1937, received from the Town Clerk of Hendon as follows:—

"My Council have had under consideration the question of making representations to the Railway Rates Tribunal with a view to bringing about an equalisation of the fares on the Metropolitan Railway from Stanmore and the London & North Eastern Railway from Edgware to town on the basis of the fares now ruling on the Edgware Tube.

As the question of fares directly concerns your Borough and also the Harrow Urban District Council, my Council feel that a joint case should be presented to the Railway Rates Tribunal by the three Authorities concerned and I am, therefore, directed to enquire whether your Council is prepared to agree with the submission of a joint case.

I shall be glad to receive your Council's decision on the matter in due course."

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council will be prepared to co-operate in the manner desired.

1956 **Parliamentary County of Middlesex—Parliamentary Polling Districts:**

The Town Clerk submitted the following extract from a report of the General Purposes Committee of the Middlesex County Council which had been adopted on the 24th June, 1937:—

"Finchley Parliamentary Division.

Borough of Finchley and Urban District of Friern Barnet.

(b) Alterations of the boundaries of certain parliamentary polling districts in the Finchley Parliamentary Division would appear to be desirable in view of certain of the boundary amendments between the Friern Barnet Urban District and the Borough of Finchley effected recently by the County of Middlesex (Finchley, Hornsey and Friern Barnet Boundaries) Order, 1937.

Your Committee proposes that the areas transferred from the Borough of Finchley to the Friern Barnet North Ward should be included in the Friern Barnet (North) parliamentary polling district whilst the area comprising the Halliwick Manor Estate transferred from the Borough to the Friern Barnet (South) Ward should be included in the Friern Barnet (Central) polling district. The areas transferred to the Borough of Finchley should be included in the Finchley (North—No. 2), Finchley (North—No. 3) and Finchley (North—No. 4) parliamentary polling districts respectively."

It was reported that the proposals would have effect as from the 15th October, 1937, the date of publication of the new Register of Electors.

1957 **Registration of Births, Deaths and Marriages:**

The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated 29th June, 1937, received from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council referring to the provisions of the Local Government Act, 1929, whereby the functions of the Boards of Guardians under the Registration Acts as well as those as Poor Law Authorities were transferred to County Councils and stating that, in accordance with Section 24 of the Act, County Councils were required to prepare for submission to the Minister of Health a scheme for the administration of the Registration Acts in their Counties; further that the appropriate Committee of the Middlesex County Council had the matter under consideration, but that before proceeding therewith desired to obtain the views of the local authorities within the County thereon.

In this connection a Memorandum as to the tentative proposals prepared by the County Council was submitted upon which the County Council desired to be furnished with the Town Council's observations and it appeared from the Memorandum that it was tentatively proposed that the Borough of Finchley and the Urban District of Friern Barnet should together form Sub-District C.1 of the Hendon District.

After due consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED that the County Council be informed that in the opinion of the Town Council the areas of Finchley and Friern Barnet, which already form one Division for Parliamentary Election purposes, should together constitute a separate Registration District under the Act.

1958 **Telephone Services:**

A letter, dated 30th June, 1937, was submitted from the Regional Director of the London Telecommunications Region of the Post Office giving particulars of the new procedure which had been brought into operation with regard to emergency telephone calls for fire, police and ambulance services at automatic telephone exchanges and asking that the Town Council would co-operate in supplying information to any telephone user who might apply as a result of the Post Office letter which had been addressed to every telephone subscriber connected to an automatic exchange within the London area;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council will be pleased to co-operate in the manner desired.

1959 **Municipal Offices:**

(*a*) Closure of—August Bank Holiday.—

RECOMMENDED that the above Offices be closed on August Bank Holiday and on the previous Saturday.

(*b*) Joint Caretakers.—

RECOMMENDED that authority be given to the Town Clerk to obtain temporary assistance during the absence, on holiday, of the Caretakers at above, for a period of three weeks at a cost not exceeding 30/- a week.

(*c*) Cleaner.—

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be authorised to obtain temporary assistance for a period of two weeks during the absence, on holiday, of the Cleaner at above.

1960 **Vacation:**

Instructions were given by the Committee for motions in regard to the above to be placed upon the Agenda for the next ordinary meeting of the Town Council.

1961 **King's National Roll :**

The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated 8th July, 1937, received from the Manager of the Employment Exchange stating that, at the last meeting of the Local Employment Committee, the Town Council's application in connection with the above was finally approved on a basis of 3.5 per cent. Disabled Ex-Service Men of the total staff.

1962 **Storeroom—48, Hendon Lane :**

It was reported that a proposal for the assessment of the above premises had been received from the Rating Authority and that the proposed values were Gross £19, Rateable £12 ;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised thereto.

1963 **Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922—Additional Designated Posts :**

(i) A letter, dated 6th July, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Health stating that the Minister had approved the resolution passed by the Town Council on the 28th June, 1937, designating as established posts for the purposes of the Act, the positions mentioned in Minute No. 1715 (b) (ii).

(ii) **RECOMMENDED** that, subject to the approval of the Minister of Health, the under-mentioned positions be designated as established posts under the Act and that such posts be occupied by the persons indicated, with effect as from the 1st August, 1937 :—

Shorthand Typist	Electricity Department	Miss E. M. Chamlett.
Junior Shorthand Typist	Electricity Department	Miss K. Wood.

(iii) **RECOMMENDED** that as from and including the 26th July, 1937, Mr. Kenneth Smith occupy the designated post of Librarian-in-Charge, North Finchley District Library, vacated by Mr. R. D. Rates.

1964 **Travelling Facilities :**

The Town Clerk reported as follows :—

> "A letter, dated 12th July, 1937, has been received from the Ministry of Transport stating that at the request of the Minister the London and Home Counties Traffic Advisory Committee have considered and reported upon certain representations as to the need for improved travelling facilities between the areas of seven local authorities in North Surrey and London.
>
> It is pointed out that the Committee are of opinion that the difficulties experienced by travellers on the Morden Tube during 'Peak' hours are not dissimilar from those which may be experienced on other 'Underground' lines and have recommended that their report should be sent to all local authorities in the London Traffic Area."

The report referred to in the communication was submitted, and instructions were given for a copy thereof to be forwarded to each Member of the Town Council.

1965 **Finchley Football Club :**

(*a*) Fête and Fun Fair—31st July and 2nd August, 1937.—A letter, dated 12th July, 1937, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the Finchley Football Club stating that the Mayor had consented to open the above and expressing the hope that the Club might have the honour of a visit from the Aldermen, Councillors and Officers of the Council.

(*b*) Use of Loudspeaker Advertising Van.—It was reported that the Hon. Secretary of the Club had made application for permission to arrange for a van fitted with a loudspeaker to tour the Borough on the 23rd and 24th July, for the purpose of advertising a boxing display to be held on the latter date ; further that enquiry had also been made as to whether similar permission could be granted to use the van in connection with the Fête referred to in (a) above.

The Town Clerk was instructed to reply to the effect that the Town Council could not see their way to grant the desired permission;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1966 **Boxing Display:**

A letter, dated 13th July, 1937, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of Simms Social Club in regard to a boxing tournament proposed to be held in the grounds of the Works of Simms Motor Units, Ltd., on Thursday, the 22nd July, 1937, from 7.30 to 9.30 p.m.

The Town Clerk was instructed to reply to the effect that the Town Council had no observations to make on the matter;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

1967 **Glebe Land—Gun Station Site:**

Arising out of the decision of the Town Council at last meeting not to grant permission for the holding by the Finchley and District Peace Council of a Public Meeting at above or in either the Victoria Recreation Ground or Avenue House Grounds, it was reported that the Secretary had written asking that he might be furnished with the reason why permission was refused;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council have nothing to add to their previous communication on the matter.

In this connection a communication was submitted from the Secretary of the Finchley and Friern Barnet Labour Party forwarding a copy of the following resolution passed by that Body:—

"That this meeting of the Finchley Labour Party learns with astonishment of the decision of the Finchley Borough Council not to grant permission to the Finchley Peace Council, supported by many local organisations, for the use of one of Finchley's Open Spaces for the purpose of holding a Peace Demonstration. It further protests vigorously against this encroachment of our civil liberties and demands that the decision be reversed."

1968 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the several Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

W. C. LANGLANDS,

Chairman.

Finance Committee's Report.

15th JULY, 1937.

Present: Alderman Syrett (Chairman), Councillor Hayter (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Brooksbank, Burch and Norman.

Non-Member: Councillor Wilmot.

1969 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of Meetings of the Committee held on the 17th and 28th June, 1937, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

1970 **Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts:**

(*a*) Advances—£1,215.—

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, subject to satisfactory references being received, advances with interest at the appropriate rate in force at the date of completion of the respective Mortgages be made to the applicants whose names are set out below:—

No.	Name.	Property.	Nature of Interest.	Amount applied for £	Period for re-payment. Years.	Purchase price. £	Valuation. £
988	Johnson, W. F.	30, Granville Road	F.	640	20	800	800
989	Ascott, A. E.	93, Ridgeview Road	F.	575	20	800	800

(2) that the Town Clerk take up from the Public Works Loan Board the sum of £1,215, being the amount of such advances;

(3) that the Town Clerk be authorised to approve the Order for Certificate;

(4) that the Corporate Seal be affixed thereto and to the Receipt therefor;

(5) that the fee of the Public Works Loan Board be paid by the Town Council.

In accordance with the authority delegated to this Committee, it was

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Public Works Loan Board for advance to the Town Council of the sum of £1,215.

(*b*) The Borough Treasurer reported as follows:—

(i) Approved Advances.—That advances amounting to £666,030 had been approved.

(ii) Advances Repaid.—That in the under-mentioned cases the principal outstanding had been paid, together with all interest charges:—

Mortgage No.	Rate of Interest.	Proprietor.	Premises.
209	5¼%	Isaacs, M.	41, Princes Avenue.
342	5¼%	Fuller, A. N.	61, Chandos Road.
438	5¼%	Davis, H.	12, Stanhope Avenue.
552	5¼%	Roberts, S. J.	24, Nethercourt Avenue.
469	5¼%	Ganz, E. J.	11, Woodgrange Gardens.
641	5¼%	Roberts, C. T.	33, Cyprus Avenue.
681	5¼%	Burrell, F. E.	7, Court House Gardens.
701	5¼%	Edwards, E. M. (Miss)	44, West Avenue.
704	5¼%	Lipscombe, F.	59, Naylor Road.
705	5¼%	Titmus, F.	53, Naylor Road.
720	5¼%	Harrison, D. H.	38, West Avenue.
737	5¼%	Harris, W. G.	"Joe's House," North Circular Road.
770	5¼%	Featherstone, J.	2, Fursby Avenue.
816	5%	Grace, A. C.	14, Walfield Avenue.
960	3½%	Shepherd, E.	"Gopsall," East End Road.
962	3½%	Bartram, R.	4, Lyndhurst Gardens;

further, that on the 30th June, 1937, 117 mortages were transferred to the Abbey Road Building Society, representing a total sum of £40,042 16s. 3d. and that during the present month an additional 49 mortgages would be transferred to the Society, representing a total sum of £16,143 19s. 2d.

(iii) Advances Outstanding.—That the number of advances now outstanding was 328, representing a sum of £133,354.

(*c*) Advance No. 961—1, Walfield Bank, Whetstone.—A letter, dated 5th July, 1937, received from Mr. J. H. Briant, the mortgagor, was submitted, asking for permission to let the above premises.

The Town Clerk reported that the advance was made to Mr. Briant on the 10th August, 1935, whereupon it was

RECOMMENDED that the statutory condition as to residence be now dispensed with in this case, subject to the name of the prospective tenant and particulars of the rent to be charged being submitted to the Council prior to the letting.

1971 **Consents to Loans:**

The Town Clerk reported the receipt from the Ministry of Health of the undermentioned consents to loans:—

Purpose.	Amount.	Period for Repayment. (not exceeding).
	£	
(*a*) Reconstruction of Surface Water Sewer in Long Lane	6,517	30 years.
(*b*) Purchase of Nos. 1, 2 and 3, Fosketts Cottages, Willow Cottage and No. 3, The Gardens, for housing purposes (Red Lion Hill Scheme)	780	80 years.
(*c*) Manorside School:—		
(i) Alterations and Additions	6,796	30 years.
1911 (ii) Furniture	500	10 years.
(*d*) Private Street Improvement Works, 29th Batch, with the exception of Deansway (Section 1) and Raeburn Close ...	28,670	10 years.

1972 **Transport of Road Sweepings:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

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"At the meeting of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee in June, the Borough Surveyor reported that in consequence of there being insufficient dumps, he had found it necessary as a temporary expedient to enter into an arrangement with Mr. J. H. Haynes for road sweepings to be removed from the Borough at a cost of 3/- per cube yard. The Council subsequently confirmed the action taken and the matter is again before your Committee insofar as the financial arrangements are concerned."

Arising thereon the Borough Surveyor reported that in consequence of the arrangement entered into with Mr. Haynes an expenditure of approximately £56 would have been incurred ;

RECOMMENDED that no objection on financial grounds be raised to this expenditure and that it be met out of Item No. 12/2 (Unclassified Roads—Scavenging, etc.) included in the estimates of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee.

1973 **National Health Campaign :**

The recommendations of the Public Health Committee hereon were reported and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the expenditure proposed and that the Town Council approve a supplemental estimate for £100 on condition that the Public Health Committee effect a saving of a similar amount on other items included in their estimates.

1974 **Electricity Undertaking :**

(*a*) Loan £15,000—Unspecified Sub-Stations and Equipment.—The Town Clerk reported that the formal consent of the Electricity Commissioners had been received to the borrowing by the Council of the sum of £15,000, repayable within a period of 20 years, for the provision of unspecified sub-stations and equipment in connection with the Undertaking.

(*b*) Loan for Assisted Wiring.—The reference from the Electricity Committee hereon was reported and considered ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that no objection on financial grounds be raised thereto ;

(2) that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to the borrowing by the Council of the sum of £5,000 for purposes of assisted wiring.

(*c*) Reserve Fund—Investment of Balance.—The Town Clerk reported that the Electricity Committee had referred to this Committee the question of the investment of the balance of £1,104 standing to the credit of the Reserve Fund.

After hearing a report by the Borough Treasurer on the matter, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that a sum of £1,100 be transferred to the Consolidated Loans Fund as from the 1st August, 1937, and that interest be paid thereon at the rate of 3½ per cent. per annum ;

(2) that the question of the annual rate of interest be reviewed at the meeting of this Committee to be held in April each year ; and

(3) that the Borough Treasurer report to the Committee at the meeting to be held in September next on the present investments in connection with the Reserve Fund.

1975 **Bridge Over Dollis Brook—Totteridge Lane :**

The recommendations of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee hereon were reported and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that objection on financial grounds be raised thereto.

1976 **Brook Farm Open Space—Proposed Ladies' Convenience :**

The recommendations of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee hereon were reported and considered ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that no objection on financial grounds be raised thereto; and

(2) that the proposed additional expenditure of £20 be met out of Item No. 24/C/1 (Brook Farm—General Maintenance) included in the estimates of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee.

1977 **Loans:**

(*a*) The Borough Treasurer reported that he had received notice requiring repayment on the 3rd August, 1937, of the sum of £10,000 being part of the temporary loan of £20,000 borrowed from clients of the Minster Trust, Limited, on the 31st May last.

(*b*) The Borough Treasurer reported as follows:—

"I have been in further negotiation with the Clerical, Medical and General Life Assurance Society with a view of arranging some variation of the terms of Mortgage No. 334 which would permit this loan to be included in the Consolidated Loans Fund.

This mortgage was granted in November, 1935, to secure a sum of £55,079, of which at the 30th September next the amount outstanding will be reduced to £52,672 15s. 9d.—the loan being repayable by half-yearly instalments of principal. Interest is payable at the rate of 2¾ per cent. and a 'break' clause operates at the 30th September, 1940. The loan is for the most part related to debt on the Housing (Assisted Scheme).

I have been provisionally informed that the Society would be prepared to agree to vary the terms of the mortgage by discontinuing the half-yearly repayments of principal; in consideration of a special repayment at the 30th September of £2,672 15s. 9d.—thus reducing the amount outstanding to the round sum of £50,000.

The cost of preparing the necessary Deed of Variation, including the Society's reasonable legal costs, would be met by the Corporation.

This variation would convert the loan into one of £50,000 for three years at 2¾ per cent., which could, with advantage to the Corporation, be merged in the Consolidated Loans Fund, and I recommend that these terms be approved."

RECOMMENDED that the foregoing proposals be approved and that the Town Clerk take such steps in the matter as may be necessary.

1978 **Payment of Accounts—August:**

The Borough Treasurer reported that it would be necessary for arrangements to be made for the approval of accounts for payment during the August recess;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given to the Chairman of the Committee to examine and initial the accounts prior to their inclusion in the Interim Order to be issued during the month of August.

1979 **Proposed Issue of Stock:**

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the Corporate Seal to be affixed to Stock Certificates as and when they are ready for delivery to stockholders.

1980 **Rating and Valuation Act, 1925—Amendment of Rate:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted a list of such amendments of the current rate as appeared to be necessary in order to make the rate conform to the provisions of Part I. of the above Act;

RECOMMENDED that such list be approved and signed by the Chairman of the Committee on behalf of the Rating Authority.

1981 **Rate Collection for Period 1st to 30th June, 1937:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement:—

	£		£
Arrears of former Rates	6,192	Amount of Rate collected as per previous report	65,214
Estimated Product of Rate—half-year 1st April to 30th September, 1937	199,709	Amount collected 1st—30th June, 1937	41,999
Additions to Rate—new assessments, etc.	2,775	Rate outstanding	98,463
	£208,676		£208,676

1982 **Statement of Bank Balances—14th July, 1937:**

The following statement was submitted by the Borough Treasurer:—

Fund or Account.	Debit. £ s. d.	Credit. £ s. d.
General Rate Fund Revenue		96,565 17 11
Education Revenue		8,626 12 5
Electricity Revenue		26,282 9 5
Housing Revenue		8,138 17 10
General Rate Fund Capital		6,795 12 4
Education Capital	144 7 1	
Electricity Capital		26,857 16 6
Loans	133,767 0 2	
Fire Brigade Pensions Fund		17 18 2
Superannuation Fund		1,805 0 7
Salaries		1,562 11 5
Advance	11,577 9 7	
Suspense		65 2 1
Totals	£145,488 16 10	£176,717 18 8
Net Balance		£31,229 1 10

1983 **Receipts and Payments—June:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement:—

Fund or Account.	Receipts. £	Payments. £
General Rate Fund Revenue	67,919	96,493
Education Revenue	724	4,647
Electricity Revenue	14,238	17,185
Housing Revenue	2,186	—
General Rate Fund Capital	—	21,261
Electricity Capital	3	3,346
Education Capital	—	—
Loans	—	1,269
Superannuation Fund	974	348
	£86,044	£144,549

1984 **Summary of Accounts Approved and Recommended for Payment:**

The following is a summary of the Accounts included in the Interim Order on Treasurer, and in the Order on Treasurer to be submitted to the Council for approval:—

	Interim Order.			Council Order.			Total.		
	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.	£	s.	d.
General Rate Fund Revenue	10,244	16	9	68,212	15	10	78,457	12	7
Education Revenue	7,921	12	3	2,477	17	3	10,399	9	6
Electricity Revenue	4,574	15	8	27,377	2	0	31,951	17	8
General Rate Fund Capital	758	16	10	3,208	19	5	3,967	16	3
Electricity Capital	22	0	0	2,126	13	11	2,148	13	11
Loans				10,021	18	4	10,021	18	4
Superannuation Fund	72	10	8	371	5	7	443	16	3
Fire Brigade Pensions Fund				4	4	4	4	4	4
	£23,594	12	2	£113,800	16	8	£137,395	8	10

1985 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

C. S. SYRETT,

Chairman.

Finance (Issue of Stock) Sub-Committee's Report.

(Meeting held at the Head Office of Barclays Bank Limited, 54, Lombard Street, London, E.C. 3.)

19th JULY, 1937.

Present: Alderman Syrett (Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands) and Councillor Hayter.

1986 **Proposed Issue of Stock:**

The Borough Treasurer reported that advice had been received that the proposed issue of Stock could take place by advertisement of the Prospectus on the 20th July, the list of applications to be opened and closed on the 21st July;

RESOLVED—

(*a*) that interest be paid on the Stock at the rate of 3½ per centum per annum, by half-yearly amounts on the 15th June and 15th December in each year;

(*b*) that a first interest payment of 15/- per centum be made on the 15th December, 1937;

(*c*) that the Stock be redeemed at par on 15th December, 1959, unless it shall have been previously cancelled either by purchase or by agreement with the holders; but that the Corporation reserve to themselves the right to redeem the Stock at par in whole or in part at any time on or after 15th December, 1957, on giving three calendar months' notice in writing by post to the holders or by public advertisement;

(*d*) that the stock be issued at the price of £101 per centum payable as follows:—

£5 per centum on application;

£16 per centum on 30th July, 1937;

£30 per centum on 13th September, 1937; and

£50 per centum on 1st November, 1937.

1987 **Minutes:**

RESOLVED that the Minutes of the Sub-Committee be confirmed and signed by the Chairman as a correct record of the proceedings.

C. S. SYRETT,

Chairman.

Education Committee's Report.

(Special Meeting.)

20th JULY, 1937.

Present: Councillor Grocott (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), The Deputy Mayor (Councillor Langlands), Alderman Syrett, Councillors Jones and Wilmot; Mrs. Miall.

Non-Member: Councillor Wightman.

1988 **Appointment of Headmistress to Northside Junior Mixed and Infants' School, in place of Miss Spittle, resigned:**

It was reported that thirty-three applications had been received in connection with the vacancy and the Committee interviewed seven candidates selected by the Appointments Sub-Committee.

RECOMMENDED that Miss Gladys M. Taylor be appointed (in full-time service, exclusively in the capacity of a teacher) Headmistress of the Northside Junior Mixed and Infants' School, or such other school as the Education Authority may from time to time decide, subject to the conditions of appointment of the Authority in force from time to time and upon the terms and subject to the conditions of Scale IV. of the Burnham Arbitration Award and the decisions of the Board of Education relating thereto, or upon the terms and subject to the conditions of any other Scale of Salaries that may be adopted by the Authority, and to Article 17 (c) of the Education Code. The appointment to date from the 1st September, 1937, and to be terminable by three months' notice in writing on either side.

F. J. GROCOTT,

Chairman.

Borough of Finchley.

Municipal Offices,

Finchley, N. 3.

21st *September*, 1937.

Sir (or Madam),

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an ORDINARY MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY will be held on MONDAY NEXT, the 27th day of SEPTEMBER, 1937, at 8 o'clock in the afternoon at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, and all and several the members of the said Council are hereby summoned to attend.

The business to be transacted at such meeting is as follows:—

(1) Confirmation of the Minutes of a Special and of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 26th day of July, 1937.

(2) Tenders for :—

(*a*) Supply of Newspapers, Periodicals, etc., to the Public Libraries ;

(*b*) Supply of Immersion Heaters and Circulators ;

(*c*) Supply of Aluminium Utensils for use on Electric Cookers ;

(*d*) Catering rights at Main Pavilion, Lyttelton Playing Fields.

(3) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees, and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(*a*) **General Purposes (Special)** of the 26th August, 1937.

(*b*) **Public Libraries** of the 6th September, 1937.

(*c*) **Town Planning** of the 6th September, 1937.

(*d*) **Valuation** of the 7th September, 1937.

(*e*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 7th September, 1937.

(*f*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 8th September, 1937.

(*g*) **Public Health** of the 9th September, 1937.

(*h*) **Education** of the 13th September, 1937.

(*i*) **Allotments** of the 14th September, 1937.

(*j*) **Electricity** of the 14th September, 1937.

(*k*) **General Purposes** of the 15th September, 1937.

(*l*) **Finance** of the 16th September, 1937.

(*m*) **Housing** of the 20th September, 1937.

(4) Other Correspondence (if any).

(5) Reports of Officers (if any).

(6) To authorise the Corporate Seal to be affixed to certain documents (list to be circulated).

(7) Payment of Accounts.

(*a*) The Town Clerk to report that, since the last meeting of the Town Council, Borough Treasurer's Interim Orders for the sums of £70,151 19s. 11d., £19,278 8s. 11d. and £461,646 18s. 9d., respectively, had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(*b*) Motion.—

"That an Order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 16th September, 1937, amounting to £86,126 2s. 4d."

(8) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Council in Committee.

(9) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees and Sub-Committee, and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(*a*) **General Purposes (Special)** of the 26th August, 1937.

(*b*) **Public Libraries** of the 6th September, 1937.

(*c*) **Town Planning** of the 6th September, 1937.

(*d*) **Valuation** of the 7th September, 1937.

(*e*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 7th September, 1937.

(*f*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 8th September, 1937.

(*g*) **Public Health** of the 9th September, 1937.

(*h*) **Education** of the 13th September, 1937.

(*i*) **Electricity** of the 14th September, 1937.

(*j*) **General Purposes** of the 15th September, 1937.

(*k*) **Open Spaces (Rents) Sub.** of the 16th September, 1937.

(*l*) **Finance** of the 16th September, 1937.

(*m*) **Housing** of the 20th September, 1937.

(*n*) **Finance (Special)** of the 27th September, 1937.

(10) Other Correspondence (if any).

(11) Reports of Officers (if any).

(12) To consider, if necessary, the question of the raising of any temporary loan.

(13) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Town Clerk.

Questions.

Notice of any question intended to be asked at the Meeting of the Town Council must be given at the office of the Town Clerk not later than Twelve noon on the day of such Meeting.

Borough of Finchley.

At a Special Meeting of the Council of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY, held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on MONDAY, the 26th day of July, 1937.

Present:

His Worship the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.).

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).

Aldermen—

G. H. Pateman.
A. T. Pike, O.B.E., J.P.
C. S. Syrett.
Vyvyan Wells.

Councillors—

A. N. H. Baines.
W. L. Brooksbank.
P. H. Burch.
J. F. Kneale Caine.
A. C. D. Collis.
J. Connorton.
C. P. Grobel.
F. J. Grocott.
C. Hayter.
J. Hugh Jones, LL.B.
Mrs. M. E. Legge.
Mrs. E. Murphy.
R. J. N. Norman.
H. A. Rutt.
Major H. W. Steward.
C. F. Wightman.
H. H. Wilmot.

1989 **Prayers:**

The Mayor's Chaplain attended the meeting, and opened the proceedings with prayer.

1990 **Game Licences:**

RESOLVED that Licences to deal in game, expiring on the 30th June, 1938, be granted to the several persons or firms mentioned in paragraph 1876 (9) of the Public Health Committee's Report of the 8th July, 1937.

Mayor.

Borough of Finchley.

At an Ordinary Meeting of the Council of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY, held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on MONDAY, the 26th day of July, 1937.

PRESENT:

His Worship the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.).

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).

Aldermen—

G. H. Pateman.
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R. J. N. Norman.
H. A. Rutt.
Major H. W. Steward.
C. F. Wightman.
H. H. Wilmot.

1991 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 28th day of June, 1937, were presented, and it was

RESOLVED that such Minutes be taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a correct record of the proceedings.

1992 **Death of Mr. E. A. E. Woodrow:**

Reference was made by the Mayor to the death of Mr. E. A. E. Woodrow which took place on the 12th July, 1937. He stated that Mr. Woodrow was first appointed a member of the late Finchley Urban District Council in April, 1898, and served continuously until April, 1908; further, that he was Chairman of the Council from 1905 to 1908, Vice-Chairman for the year 1904-5 and Chairman of the Public Health Committee (formerly the Sanitary Committee) from 1899 to 1905, and that he also served from time to time on all the Committees of the Council.

As a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased the members of the Town Council stood silently in their places.

It was thereupon

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be instructed to convey to Mrs. Woodrow and the members of her family an expression of the Town Council's deepest sympathy with them in their bereavement.

1993 **Death of Mr. Titus Barham:**

RESOLVED that a vote of condolence be extended to the Wembley Urban District Council on the death of Mr. Titus Barham, Charter Mayor Elect of the future Borough of Wembley.

1994 **Tenders:**

(*a*) Footway Paving Works.

(*b*) Surface Water Sewer—Long Lane and Cromwell Road.

(*c*) Sale of Hornsby Boilers.

(*d*) E.H.T. and L.T. Cables.

(*e*) Cutouts and Sealing Chambers.

(*f*) Joint Boxes.

(*g*) Cable Covers.

(*h*) Sundry Jointing Material.

(*i*) Overground Feeder Pillars.

RESOLVED that the tenders received in connection with the above be opened and referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

1995 **Reports of Committees:**

RESOLVED that the reports of the under-mentioned Committees be received and adopted, as varied by the amendments (if any) set out and adopted:—

(*a*) **Children's Safety** of the 1st July, 1937.

(*b*) **Public Libraries** of the 5th July, 1937.

(*c*) **Town Planning** of the 5th July, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1818 (b) (Plans—Disapproved), it was

RESOLVED that plan No. 919T (Office and Workshop, High Road, N. 2, at Corner of Chandos Road) be considered further by the Town Council in Committee.

(*d*) **Valuation** of the 6th July, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1822 (Central Valuation Committee—Preparation of Third New Valuation Lists) a letter, dated 16th July, 1937, was submitted from the Town Clerk of Southgate stating that the Rating and Valuation Committee of his Council had given consideration to the circular letter, dated 23rd June, 1937, from the Central Valuation Committee, together with the Memorandum attached thereto; further, that with a view to promoting uniformity in the area covered by the North Middlesex Assessment Committee, he had been instructed to invite the Town Council to be represented (by the Chairman of the appropriate Committee and the appropriate Officer) at a Conference to be held at the Southgate Town Hall on the 23rd September, 1937, at 7.30 p.m.;

RESOLVED that the Deputy Mayor and the Valuation Officer be appointed to attend the Conference in question.

(*e*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 6th July, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1828 (Victoria Recreation Ground Ticket Office and Shelter) it was intimated that the Borough Surveyor was reporting to the Council in Committee on the matter.

(*f*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 7th July, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1853 (Appointment of Tree Foreman), it was

RESOLVED that the word "July" be substituted for "April" in the third line thereof.

Arising out of paragraph 1871 (a) (7) (Fire Brigade—Retirement of Fireman Evans) the Chairman of the Committee drew attention to the fact that Fireman Evans had completed 27 years' service with the Council.

(*g*) **Public Health** of the 8th July, 1937.

(*h*) **Housing** of the 9th July, 1937.

(*i*) **Education** of the 12th July, 1937.

(*j*) **Allotments** of the 13th July, 1937.

(*k*) **Electricity** of the 13th July, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1948 (Report of General Manager and Engineer and Statement of Accounts for the Year ended 31st March, 1937) the Chairman of the Committee made a full statement on the matter, during the course of which he paid tribute to the work of the General Manager and Engineer, and the thanks of the Town Council were accorded to him for his report.

The several recommendations contained in the said paragraph were then formally moved by the Chairman of the Committee, seconded by Alderman Pike, and on being put to the meeting were carried.

It was decided to place on record an expression of the Town Council's appreciation of the services rendered by the technical and commercial staff of the Department.

Arising out of paragraph 1946 (Electricity Distribution) a letter, dated 14th July, 1937, was submitted from the Secretary to the Incorporated Municipal Electrical Association enclosing a copy of a communication which had been addressed to the Minister of Transport on the matter, together with a copy of the representations as settled at the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Association held on the 9th July, 1937 (circulated).

Arising out of paragraph 1935 (b) (Sub-Station Sites—Summers Lane), it was

RESOLVED that the matter be dealt with on the report of the Public Health Committee of the 8th July, 1937, to be considered by the Town Council in Committee.

(*l*) **General Purposes** of the 14th July, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1967 (Glebe Land—Gun Station Site) a letter, dated 15th July, 1937, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the Finchley Women Citizens' Association as follows:—

> "At the Committee Meeting held this afternoon Mrs. K. E. Gardner, who is on the Finchley and District Peace Council Committee to which we are affiliated reported that the Borough Council had refused permission to hold an Open Air Meeting in one of the Borough's Open Spaces or Parks. We should be pleased if you could let us know the reason of this refusal."

RESOLVED—

(1) that the recommendation of the Committee be not adopted;

(2) that the Finchley and District Peace Council and the Finchley Women Citizens' Association be informed that it is contrary to the practice of the Town Council to permit the Open Spaces under their control to be used for purposes of a controversial character.

(*m*) **Finance** of the 15th July, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 1973 (National Health Campaign), it was

RESOLVED that the words "on condition that the Public Health Committee effect a saving of a similar amount on other items included in their estimates," be deleted from the recommendation.

Arising out of paragraph 1975 (Bridge over Dollis Brook—Totteridge Lane), it was

RESOLVED that the word "no" be inserted after the word "that" in the recommendation.

(*n*) **Finance (Issue of Stock) Sub** of the 19th July, 1937.

Arising thereon the Chairman of the Committee made a statement on the matter and expressed his thanks to the Borough Treasurer for the valuable services which he had rendered in connection with the Issue.

It was thereupon

RESOLVED, on the motion of Alderman Wells, duly seconded, that the Town Council do place on record their high appreciation of the valuable services rendered by the Chairman and Members of the Finance (Issue of Stock) Sub-Committee and by the Borough Treasurer in connection with the Issue of Stock and extend to them their congratulations and thanks on the successful culmination of their efforts.

(*o*) **Education (Special)** of the 20th July, 1937.

1996 **Open Air Meeting:**

A letter, dated 17th July, 1937, was submitted from the General Secretary of the Finchley and Friern Barnet Labour Party as follows:—

"My organisation is desirous of holding an Open Air Meeting on Saturday, 11th September from 3.30 to 5.30 p.m. and I am instructed to request permission from the Council to hold this either on the open space between the footpath to Southgate and the Swimming Baths or, failing that, at any open space suggested by the Council (such as a Park, Glebe Land, or Cherry Tree Woods or Avenue House Grounds).

I shall be grateful therefore if you would bring this request to the early notice of the Council and let me have their reply as soon as possible, as I am naturally anxious to proceed with the organisation.

This meeting will be addressed by National speakers of the Labour Party, Trade Union Movement and Co-operative Movement.

Trusting to hear from you in the very near future."

RESOLVED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council are unable to grant the desired permission as it is contrary to their practice to permit the open spaces under their control to be used for political purposes.

1997 **The Institution of Fire Engineers—Annual Conference :**

A letter, dated 7th July, 1937, was submitted from the Secretary to the Institution of Fire Engineers inviting the Town Council to appoint delegates to attend the 14th Annual Conference of the Institution to be held at Cheltenham during the week commencing 20th September, 1937 ;

RESOLVED that the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade be appointed to represent the Town Council thereat.

1998 **Licensing Acts :**

A letter, dated 28th June, 1937, was submitted from the International Stores, Ltd., enclosing notice of intention to apply to the Justices for the transfer of the licence to sell beer, wine and spirits to be consumed "off" the premises situate at 63, 65 and 67, High Street, North Finchley (now 804, 806 and 808, High Road) from the present holder, Mr. E. Davies, to Mr. F. E. Hawkins ;

RESOLVED that no action be taken thereon.

1999 **Staff :**

It was reported that Mr. C. Hope, the Chief Librarian, had resigned his appointment and would be leaving the service of the Town Council on the 30th September, 1937.

The Mayor, on behalf of the Town Council, wished Mr. Hope every success in his new sphere.

2000 **Documents for Sealing :**

RESOLVED that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents :—

(1) Agreement with Mr. J. A. Thornhill in connection with the erection of Green House and Tool Shed in front of the flank building line of Oakdene Park.

(2) Grant of Easement from Co-Partnership Tenants, Ltd., with regard to the connection of the drain from the Lyttelton Playing Fields Pavilion to the nearest sewer.

(3) Agreement with the Middlesex County Council in connection with a contribution by the Town Council to the cost of the erection of a new bridge over the Dollis Brook and the Brookside Walk at Totteridge Lane.

(4) Agreement with Mrs. B. Petter with regard to the erection of a garage over surface water culvert at the rear of "Brook House," The Bishop's Avenue.

(5) Licence to the Blaker Motor & Welding Co., Ltd., to store petroleum spirit at the Hamilton Road Depôt.

(6) Agreement with and Conveyance from Messrs. G. M. and J. B. Batchelor in connection with the purchase of Nos. 3, 4 and 5, Rose Cottages and land adjoining.

(7) Agreement with and Conveyance from Messrs. T. S. and J. Boyce in connection with the purchase of Mason's Yard, High Road, N. 2.

(8) Agreement with and Assignment of Lease from the Executors of G. Spinks, Deceased, in connection with the acquisition of Mason's Yard, High Road, N. 2.

(9) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mrs. H. Rankin in connection with the acquisition of Nos. 1, 2 and 3, Freeman's Cottages, Red Lion Hill.

(10) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mr. W. T. Ricketts in connection with the acquisition of nine cottages, gardens and outbuildings known as Nos. 1–5, Try Palace, Nos. 1 and 2, Willow Walk and Nos. 1 and 2, Bangs Cottages, Red Lion Hill.

(11) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mrs. M. E. Howard in connection with the acquisition of No. 4, Foskett's Cottages, Red Lion Hill.

(12) Agreement with and Conveyance from Messrs. J. R. Freeman & Co., Ltd., in connection with the acquisition of three cottages, Old Mission Hall and yard known as Iron Room and Cottages, Red Lion Hill.

(13) Lease from the Hampstead Golf Club, Ltd., of site for Electricity Sub-Station.

(14) Easements from Messrs. Co-Partnership Tenants, Ltd., and Others for the following electricity cables :—

(*a*) at Bigwood Court,

(*b*) at Southwood Court,

(*c*) at Lyttelton Court, and

(*d*) at Monarch Court.

(15) Certificate to Mr. D. A. Thomson to carry on the business of pawnbroker at No. 678, High Road, N. 12.

(16) Order for Certificate and Receipt therefor in connection with advance of £1,215 from the Public Works Loan Board (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts).

(17) Deed of Variation of Mortgage (No. 334) to the Clerical Medical and General Life Assurance Society.

(18) Licences (in duplicate) to deal in game to persons or firms mentioned in the report of the Public Health Committee, dated 8th July, 1937.

(19) Certificates of holdings of Finchley Corporation 3½ per cent. Redeemable Stock, 1957–1959.

(20) Vacating Receipt (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts) in respect of Mortgage No. 238—B. W. H. Murfitt—60, Queen's Avenue.

(21) Contract with Messrs. John Hudson & Co., Ltd., for the supply of fuel during the year commencing 1st August, 1937.

(22) Contract with Messrs. Gray Bros. (East Finchley), Ltd., for the supply of fuel during the year commencing 1st August, 1937.

*(23) Agreement with Mr. H. Boothe in regard to the erection of a garage over surface water sewer at 66, Naylor Road.

*(24) Contract with Messrs. Wm. Harbrow, Ltd., for erection of ticket office and shelter, Victoria Recreation Ground.

*(25) Contract with Messrs. Fitzpatrick & Son for carrying out of footway paving works.

*(26) Contract with Messrs. D. R. Paterson, Ltd., for reconstruction of surface water sewer—Long Lane and Cromwell Road.

*(27) Contract with Messrs. Thomas W. Ward, Ltd., for purchase of Hornsby Boilers.

* See report of Town Council in Committee.

2001 **Payment of Accounts:**

(*a*) The Town Clerk reported that, since the last ordinary meeting of the Town Council, a Borough Treasurer's Interim Order for the sum of £23,594 12s. 2d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(*b*) **RESOLVED** that an Order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 15th July, 1937, amounting to £113,800 16s. 8d.

2002 **Vacation:**

RESOLVED—

(*a*) that the Town Council do go into vacation for the month of August, 1937;

(*b*) that the General Purposes Committee be empowered to deal, subject to report, with any matter of urgency during the vacation other than the raising of any loan or the making of any rate or contract;

(*c*) that a Special Meeting of the Town Council to deal with any matter of pressing importance be summoned on the instructions of the Mayor if three clear days' previous notice be given;

(*d*) that any plans which may be deposited for the Town Council's approval during the vacation be referred to the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor and the Chairman and the Vice-Chairman of the Town Planning Committee, with power to act, subject to report to the Town Council at its ordinary meeting in September next.

2003 **Coronation Celebrations, 1937:**

The Mayor, on behalf of the Town Council, presented to Councillor Major Steward a framed copy of the resolution passed at last meeting, engrossed on vellum, in recognition of the valuable services rendered by him in connection with the above.

Councillor Major Steward, in thanking the Council for their token of appreciation, expressed his thanks to all those who had assisted him in bringing the Celebrations to a successful issue.

2004 **Council in Committee:**

It was proposed by the Deputy Mayor, seconded by Alderman Syrett, and

RESOLVED unanimously that the Town Council do now go into Committee.

2005 **Plan No. 919T—Office and Workshop, High Road, N. 2, at Corner of Chandos Road —Mr. D. Dunkley:**

The above-mentioned plan was considered further and, in connection therewith, the following report was presented by the Town Clerk:—

"The above plan, which shows a proposal for the erection of temporary wooden buildings, was disapproved at the last meeting of the Town Planning Committee as not being in accordance with the Byelaws, although the Committee instructed the Borough Surveyor to inform the applicants that they might be prepared to license the erection of temporary buildings if some cogent reason were given for their establishment, and it will be remembered that the Town Council had previously agreed **in principle** to the erection of temporary buildings in this case.

I have since been in correspondence with Messrs. Fletcher, Jones & Nicholls, the Solicitors acting for the applicants, who point out that their clients have been dispossessed from their present accommodation at the corner of Willow Walk by reason of the Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme, and that they have been unable to arrange a longer tenancy of the new site than a term of two years certain, determinable thereafter on three months' notice, and in view of the short nature of the tenancy they ask that the matter might be reconsidered.

Messrs. Fletcher, Jones & Nicholls also point out that as any buildings erected would be practically surrounded by advertisement hoardings, the adoption of a more elaborate design would be of no advantage, and that if the Town Council insist on this requirement there should be a proportionate increase in the compensation to be paid for the Willow Walk site."

RECOMMENDED that notwithstanding the decision of the Town Planning Committee as contained in Minute No. 1818 (b) (Plans—Disapproved), a licence in respect of the temporary buildings in question be now granted for the period ending 1st January, 1939.

2006 **Public Libraries Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 5th July, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2007 **Town Planning Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 5th July, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 2 (Conversion of House into Two Self-Contained Flats—Baronsmere Road, N. 2—Plan No. 10030), the Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"This plan was disapproved by the Town Planning Committee and in accordance with the instructions, a disapproval notice has been served. I have been unable to obtain from the adjoining owner agreement to any other site for the staircase as he objects to the staircase itself. As this has already been erected, it would appear a matter for the Committee at their next meeting to decide what action they propose to take."

RECOMMENDED that the matter be referred to the Town Planning Committee for further consideration.

2008 **Valuation Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 6th July, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2009 **Parks and Open Spaces Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 6th July, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2010 **Highways and Fire Brigade Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 7th July, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 2 (Private Street Works—29th Batch), the Borough Surveyor reported that, in connection with the making up of The Leys, he had been in communication with the Contractors but that they were not desirous of abandoning the Contract. He added, however, that he was continuing negotiations with them and would report further on the matter at the next meeting of the Committee.

Arising further out of the said paragraph, the Town Clerk reported that Messrs. Balls & Partners had now executed their Contract for the making up of certain streets included in the Batch and that as regards Deansway (Section 1) the rights of the Town Council had been reserved.

Arising out of paragraph 3 (Totteridge Lane Widening—Brent, Hawthorn, Woodside and Methley Cottages), a report of the Valuation Officer in regard to the question of rentals was submitted;

RECOMMENDED that, subject to the approval of the Middlesex County Council, endeavours be made to secure tenants for the properties in question at the rentals suggested.

Arising out of paragraph 7 (Middlesex Review Order, 1937—Revision of Boundaries —Finchley—Friern Barnet) the Town Clerk intimated that he was in communication with the Friern Barnet Council on the matter.

2011 **Public Health Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 8th July, 1937, was submitted and considered.

Arising out of paragraph 3 (Sub-Station Site—Summers Lane) the Borough Surveyor reported on the matter, and it was

RECOMMENDED that the words "be set back so as" in the sixth line of the recommendation and the word "to" in the seventh line thereof be deleted, and that the words "site plan" be substituted for the word "plans" in the eighth line of the recommendation.

Arising out of paragragh 4 (East Middlesex Drainage Scheme) a letter, dated 13th July, 1937, received from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the recommendation of the Committee be not adopted but that the following be substituted therefor:—

"That the County Council be informed (1) that, whilst on financial grounds the Council prefer that the Scheme should only comprise the nine Middlesex County Districts, they will raise no objection to the inclusion of the Districts of Barnet, East Barnet and Chingford, provided that the uniform rate charge will not exceed 7.81d.; (2) that the Council are not, however, prepared to agree to the inclusion of the three remaining Districts if, as appears to be the case, such inclusion would necessitate a uniform increase in the above-mentioned rate charge; and (3) that in any case the Council reserve to themselves the right to oppose the Bill in Parliament if later they consider it necessary to do so.

RECOMMENDED that the report, as amended, be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2012 **Housing Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 9th July, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2013 **Education Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 12th July, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (The Finchley Charities—Land off Stanley Road, East Finchley) Alderman Wells disclosed that he had an interest in the matter, and in consequence did not vote or take any part in the discussion relating thereto.

2014 **Electricity Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 13th July, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 5 (Electricity Undertaking), it was

RECOMMENDED that the Instruction given by the Town Council, as entered in the Instruction Book, be approved.

2015 **General Purposes Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 14th July, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2016 **Finance Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 15th July, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2017 **Finance (Issue of Stock) Sub-Committee:**

A report of this Sub-Committee, dated 19th July, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising thereon, it was

RECOMMENDED that the thanks of the Town Council be accorded to Barclays Bank Ltd. and to Messrs. Grieveson Grant & Co., for the action taken by them in connection with the Issue.

2018 **Cycling on Footpaths:**

The Town Clerk submitted the following report which had been received from the Police Authorities:—

"Report for the information of the Town Clerk, Finchley Borough Council, Municipal Offices, Hendon Lane, N. 3, respecting Mr. Frederick Evans, age 18, of 46, High Street, North Finchley, N. 12, riding a pedal cycle on footpath.

At 12.7 p.m. on 30th June, 1937, P.C. 880 "S" Lewis, saw Mr. Evans, as above, riding a pedal bicycle on the footpath across the Glebe Land, Finchley. P.C. stopped him, pointed out the offence and he said:—'I am sorry.' Told that he would be reported he made no reply."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that legal proceedings be instituted against the offender; and

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in the matter.

2019 **Plan No. 9752a—44 Flats and 24 Garages—North Circular Road Spur, N. 3, on Southern Corner of Chessington Avenue:**

A letter, dated 7th July, 1937, was submitted from Mr. G. D. Helliwell as follows:—

"I see on page 10 of the 'Finchley Times' for the 2nd instant a statement that '. . . other proposed developments that were considered were for forty-four flats and twenty-four garages on the North Circular Road on the southern corner of Chessington Avenue . . . .' This appears in the report of the proceedings of your Council at its meeting on the 28th June.

It appears from this report that the Council have not in fact approved the proposed development but that it has been under consideration only, and I suggest that the development is not such as should receive the Council's approval. The following are the reasons for this submission:—

1. Neighbouring property in Chessington Avenue and Kinloss Gardens is good class residential property and the amenities and value thereof would be substantially depreciated by any development in the nature of that proposed.

2. The immediate result of this depreciation would be that occupiers of the property would be likely to make proposals for the reduction of their assessments, and these proposals if sustained (as it is submitted they most likely would be) would result in loss of rateable value to the borough.

3. It is undesirable, having regard to the foregoing, that the site in question should be allowed to be developed otherwise than in accordance with the development of the remainder of Chessington Avenue.

4. The North Circular Road on which the proposed flats will abut is a road much used by traffic and it is submitted that, having regard to the provisions of the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935, development of this nature fronting a road such as the North Circular Road should not be sanctioned.

A copy of this letter is being sent to the Ministry of Health, the Ministry of Transport and the Middlesex County Council."

Arising thereon, it was reported that the Town Council at their meeting on the 28th June last had approved the plan in question, subject to the consent of the Middlesex County Council being obtained under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

In these circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that Mr. Helliwell be informed that the Town Council are unable to vary their previous decision to permit the erection of flats and garages.

2020 **Glebe Land—Proposed Site for Territorial Headquarters:**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon an application received from the War Office in connection with the erection of huts on the Glebe Land;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the proposal, subject to the conditions already approved by the Town Council.

2021 **Midwives Act, 1936—Domiciliary Service of Midwives:**

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that authority be given for advertisements to be issued inviting applications for the appointment of two Municipal Midwives in accordance with the scale of salaries approved by the Middlesex County Council; and

(*b*) that the Public Health Committee be authorised to make the appointments and to deal generally with the matter, subject to report.

2022 **Staff:**

It was reported that Mr. R. H. Williams of Enfield, Managing Clerk to Messrs. Bishop & Fenton-Jones, had been appointed by the appropriate Sub-Committee to the position of Law Clerk in the Town Clerk's Department, on the terms mentioned in the advertisement, subject to his passing the necessary medical examination, and that he would commence his duties on the 23rd August, 1937.

2023 **Electricity Undertaking—Alternative Two-Part Domestic Tariff Equipment:**

A letter, dated 17th July, 1937, was submitted from the Electricity Commissioners as follows:—

"The Electricity Commissioners desire me to refer to your letter, dated 30th June regarding the proposal of the Council to purchase privately owned electric cookers from consumers desiring to avail themselves of the facilities afforded by the authorised domestic tariff.

In order that the Commissioners may give further consideration to the matter, I have to request that you will indicate whether it is proposed that the cookers purchased from the consumers shall be scrapped or whether the cookers will be let 'on hire' to the present owners under the domestic tariff scheme.

The Commissioners also desire to learn whether the Council would propose to regard the expenditure as chargeable to capital and to make application for consent either to borrowing or to the application of surplus revenue in respect thereof."

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that it is proposed that the purchase of existing cookers from consumers who wish to adopt the authorised Two-Part Tariff shall be effected on a depreciation basis, according to the size, type and age of the particular cooker; that cookers so purchased will remain on the premises of the late owners and will be regarded, both by the Town Council and the consumer, in all respects as if they were the Council's standard cooker issued with the associated equipment under the terms of the authorised tariff, and that the expenditure involved will be of a capital nature and be charged against the current loan sanctioned for cookers and other domestic appliances under the Council's Domestic Development Schemes.

2024 **Town and Country Planning Act, 1932—Town and Country Planning (General Interim Development) Order, 1933:**

A letter, dated 23rd July, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Health, forwarding a copy of an appeal made to the Minister on behalf of Carrimore Six Wheelers, Ltd., under Section 10 (5) of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, against the refusal of the Town Council to grant permission for development to proceed under the protection of the Town and Country Planning (General Interim Development) Order, 1933, of property known as Carrimore Works, High Road, N. 12.

It was stated that the Minister attached great importance to the prompt settlement of matters in dispute in connection with development and that he wished to be furnished within fourteen days or as soon thereafter as practicable with the Council's observations (in duplicate) on the subject matter and grounds of the appeal.

Enquiry was also made whether, if the Minister found that he was able to decide the appeal on the written representations of the parties alone, the Council would be willing that he should do so and that an oral hearing of the appeal should be dispensed with. In this event, it was stated that the site would, if necessary, be inspected by one of the Minister's Inspectors unaccompanied by representatives of either party to the appeal;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council raise no objection to the Minister deciding the appeal without an oral hearing, provided that a representative of each of the parties to the appeal accompanies the Inspector when he makes his inspection of the site.

2025 **Staff:**

(*a*) Communications were submitted from the Chief Librarian in regard to the question of his annual holiday and as to his being released from his tenancy of No. 28, Brentway;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that no objection be raised to the Chief Librarian taking his annual holiday from the 2nd to the 28th August, 1937; and

(2) that he be released from his tenancy of No. 28, Brentway not earlier than the 29th September, 1937, on condition that he gives one month's notice of his intention to quit the premises.

(*b*) The question of the appointment of a Chief Librarian to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. C. Hope was considered, and it was moved by the Deputy Mayor, seconded by Councillor Collis, "that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the appointment of a Chief Librarian at a commencing salary of £500 per annum, rising by two annual increments of £20 and two of £30 to a maximum of £600 per annum.

An amendment was proposed by Councillor Mrs. Legge, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Murphy "that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the appointment of a Chief Librarian, at a commencing salary of £500 per annum rising to £600 per annum in the case of a male appointment and of £450 per annum, rising to £550 per annum, in the event of a female being appointed."

On being put the amendment was lost, nine voting in favour and twelve against.

A further amendment was then proposed by Councillor Jones, seconded by Councillor Grobel "that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the appointment of a Chief Librarian, male or female, at a commencing salary of £500 per annum rising by annual increments of £20 to a maximum of £700 per annum."

On being put this further amendment was lost.

A further amendment was then proposed by Councillor Major Steward, seconded by Councillor Collis, "that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the appointment of a Chief Librarian (male) at a commencing salary of £500 per annum, rising by annual increments of £20 to a maximum of £700 per annum."

On being put this amendment was carried, fourteen voting in favour and five against (Aldermen Syrett and Wells and Councillors Brooksbank, Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Murphy).

The last mentioned amendment was thereupon put as a substantive motion and carried.

It was thereupon further

RECOMMENDED that the General Purposes Committee be authorised to make the appointment, subject to report.

2026 **Bowling Match:**

A communication, dated 23rd July, 1937, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the Finchley Victoria Bowling Club inviting the members of the Town Council to take part in a bowling match on Saturday, the 18th September next;

RECOMMENDED that such invitation be accepted.

2027 **Staff—Non-Provided School:**

A discussion arose in connection with an incident which had occurred at one of the Non-Provided Schools on the 3rd June, 1937.

After hearing a statement by the Director of Education, it was

RECOMMENDED that the Director of Education be instructed to convene a meeting of the Managers of the School concerned forthwith.

2028 **Plans:**

(*a*) Approved.—

RECOMMENDED that the following plans be APPROVED subject to the conditions severally mentioned by the Borough Surveyor in his report:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9864a	Additional Garage	Rear of 5-13, Eversleigh Road, N. 3	Mr. G. W. Elphick.
10065	Garage	Rear of 1, Woodside Avenue, N. 12	Mr. G. Woolfe.
10077	Workshop and store shed	Rear of 44, Long Lane, N. 3	Mr. A. B. Waugh.
10078	4 houses	Nos. 1, 7, 13 and 19, Chalton Drive, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. H. Lawrance.
10079	House	Plot No. 6, Amberden Avenue, N. 3	Mr. I. Levy.
10080	Alterations and Additions	16, Ingram Avenue, N.W.11	Mr. D. McKenna.
10082	W.C.	Rear of 47, Broughton Avenue, N. 3	Mrs. L. Minshull.
10083	Greenhouse	Rear of 2, Dollis Road, N. 3	Mrs. M. Hoar.
10084	House	Plot C.93, No. 4, Chalton Drive, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. L. C. Gibson.
10086	4 flats and 4 garages	Adjoining 26, Park Avenue, N. 3	Messrs. V. C. Smith, Ltd.
10088	Garage	Rear of 7, Park View Road, N. 3	Mr. W. Strange.

(*b*) Disapproved.—

RECOMMENDED that the under-mentioned plan be DISAPPROVED for the reason stated by the Borough Surveyor in his report :—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
10085	Re-building	62, High Street, N. 12 at the corner of Lodge Lane	Central Commercial Properties, Ltd.

(*c*) Plan No. 10081—Garage, Side of No. 66, Naylor Road, N. 20—Mr. H. Boothe.—It was reported that the above-mentioned plan showed a proposal to erect a garage over a surface water sewer;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the plan in question be approved, subject to an agreement being entered into by the owner to pull down the building if and when called upon by the Town Council so to do.

(2) that the Agreement be added to the list of documents for sealing.

(*d*) Plan No. 10087—Mushroom House, North Circular Road, N. 3, Opposite Rosemary Avenue—Mr. V. E. R. Bangert.—The Borough Surveyor reported hereon ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the plan in question be referred to the Town Planning Committee for consideration ; and

(2) that, in order to protect the position, the plan be disapproved as the elevations and materials of the proposed building are not satisfactory to the Town Council.

2029 **Proposed Ticket Office and Shelter—Victoria Recreation Ground:**

Referring to Minute No. 1828, the Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"As instructed at the last meeting of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee, I have been in touch with Messrs. Wm. Harbrow, Ltd., and Messrs. J. A. Dumayne & Co., Ltd., who are the next lowest tenderers for the above, following the withdrawal of the tender submitted by Messrs. Wm. Wood & Son, and both firms state that their tender holds good, but Messrs. Harbrow ask for an early decision. The tenders are as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
Messrs. Wm. Harbrow, Ltd.	244	0	0
Messrs. J. A. Dumayne & Co., Ltd.	255	0	0

The Town Council have already approved an expenditure of £236 in this connection and if it is decided to accept the tender of Messrs. Wm. Harbrow, Ltd., the Finance Committee should be requested to make the necessary arrangements for the additional £8."

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the tender of Messrs. Wm. Harbrow, Ltd., at the sum of £244, be accepted, subject to Contract;

(2) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee with a view to their making the necessary financial arrangements in connection with the additional expenditure involved; and

(3) that the Contract be added to the list of documents for sealing.

2030 **26, Alexandra Grove, N. 12:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"A letter, dated the 14th July, 1937, has been received from Messrs. Batty & Stevens making application for permission to use the above premises as a nursery and preparatory school. The premises referred to were occupied in January, 1936, by Mrs. Lamb, who used the house for the purpose of a babies' home for a period of somewhat over a year. It may be remembered that a complaint was received from Mr. Mitchell, 24, Alexandra Grove, with respect to such user and the matter was before the Town Planning Committee in February, 1936, when it was resolved that no action be taken. The present application for a nursery and preparatory school would appear to come under the definition in Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6 as a 'place of instruction.' As the premises are zoned for dwelling houses only, the proposal requires the consent of the Town Council."

RECOMMENDED that the matter be referred to the Town Planning Committee for consideration, with power to act.

2031 **Land—Hutton Grove, between Nos. 57 and 61:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"I have received a letter, dated the 8th July, 1937, from Messrs. Askew & Co., Builders' Merchants asking for permission to use the above site for the purpose of their business. They point out that the site has been used for years as a builders' yard, but before finally purchasing the land, they ask for the consent of the Town Council to such user. The site is a vacant plot of land about 120 feet by 20 feet situate between Nos. 57 and 61, Hutton Grove and is zoned for dwelling houses at 12 to the acre in Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6. The tenant of No. 61 has for the past two years used the land in connection with a greengrocery business and his lorry is parked there at night. Previous to his tenancy, the land was unused for approximately six years and prior to that it was used as a builder's yard. It may be noted that the plot of land immediately opposite at the junction of Hutton Grove and Birkbeck Road is in use as a builders' yard at the present time."

RECOMMENDED that the matter be referred to the Town Planning Committee for consideration, with power to act.

2032 **Electric Main Applications:**

(*a*) Electricity Department.—The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"The following applications have been received for underground electric mains and overground disconnecting boxes from the General Manager and Engineer:—

7th July, 1937 ...	...	Underground line, east side of Ballards Lane from Granville Road to sub-station.
8th July, 1937 ...	...	Underground line, St. Margaret's Avenue, portion of Manus Way, Totteridge Lane from a point west of Naylor Road, both sides of Totteridge Lane from Naylor Road to sub-station, north side of Totteridge Lane from sub-station to the Great North Road with a short length in the Great North Road, north of Totteridge Lane.

Overground disconnecting boxes:—

15th July, 1937 ...	...	Ingleway, junction with Crescentway, N. 12.
15th July, 1937 ...	...	Sunnyway, junction with Summers Lane.
15th July, 1937 ...	...	Summers Lane, junction with Ingleway.

There would appear to be no objection to the proposed works."

RECOMMENDED that the applications in question be granted so far as the Town Council has jurisdiction in the matter.

(*b*) Central Electricity Board.—The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"An application dated the 19th July, 1937, has been received from the Central Electricity Board, together with plans indicating a proposal to lay two 66 kv. cables direct in the ground at a normal spacing of 18 inches centre to centre along a route as shown by a red line on the plans. With these cables will be laid three auxiliary cables, the whole being covered with reinforced concrete slabs which will be at the regulation depth, and the trench will be 2 feet 6 inches wide. It is also proposed to construct underground pits to accommodate the stop joints and pressure tanks and the positions of these have been indicated on the plans.

The route to be followed is Bancroft Avenue, crossing The Bishop's Avenue to Deansway, Deansway, East End Road from Deansway to Manor Cottage Tavern, crossing the North Circular Road near Briarfield Avenue, Briarfield Avenue and Squires Lane from Briarfield Avenue to the entrance to the Electricity Works.

Of the above-mentioned roads, Bancroft Avenue, Deansway and The Bishop's Avenue are at the present time private streets, the last named being under the maintenance of the contractor, Messrs. G. Wimpey & Co., Ltd.

It would appear from the plans that the proposal is to lay the whole of the work in the carriageway.

So far as this department is concerned, I see no objection to the work and the General Manager and Engineer writes under date 21st July, 1937, expressing himself in accord with the above view, but that he proposes to communicate direct with the Board regarding the cable route north-east of Briarfield Avenue including the approach to the Power Station."

RECOMMENDED that the applications in question be granted so far as the Town Council has jurisdiction in the matter.

2033 **Tenders:**

(*a*) Footway Paving Works.
(*b*) Surface Water Sewer—Long Lane and Cromwell Road.
(*c*) Sale of Hornsby Boilers.
(*d*) E.H.T. and L.T. Cables.
(*e*) Cutouts and Sealing Chambers.
(*f*) Joint Boxes.
(*g*) Cable Covers.
(*h*) Sundry Jointing Material.
(*i*) Overground Feeder Pillars.

The tenders received in connection with the above were submitted;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that as regards (a), the tender of Messrs. Fitzpatrick & Son, on the schedule of prices submitted (the lowest completed tender), be accepted, subject to Contract;

(2) that as regards (b), the tender of Messrs. D. R. Paterson, Ltd. (the lowest) at the sum of £7,011 19s. 4d. be accepted, subject to Contract and to the consent of the Minister of Health being received to the raising of the necessary loan;

(3) that as regards (c), the tender of Messrs. Thomas W. Ward, Ltd. (the highest) at the sum of £337, be accepted, subject to Contract;

(4) that as regards (d), (e), (f), (g), (h) and (i), the tenders be referred to the Electricity Committee for consideration; and

(5) that the necessary Contracts be added to the list of documents for sealing.

2034 **Surface Water Sewer—Long Lane and Cromwell Road:**

RECOMMENDED that application be made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of an additional sum of £495 in connection with the above.

2035 **Resumption of Council:**

RESOLVED that the Town Council do now resume, and that the recommendations above set forth be adopted.

Mayor.

General Purposes Committee's Report.

(Special Meeting.)

26th AUGUST, 1937.

Present: The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands) (Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), Aldermen Syrett and Wells, and Councillors Collis, Grocott and Rutt.

Non-Members: Alderman Pateman and Councillors Baines and Wilmot.

2036 **Terms of Reference:**

The terms of reference to the Committee were reported.

2037 **Reconstruction of Overhead Equipment for Trolley Bus Operation—Woodhouse Road:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"Formal notice, dated 28th July, 1937, has been received from the London Passenger Transport Board, together with plans in connection with the provision of additional poles and the replacement, where necessary, of the existing poles in Woodhouse Road, consequent upon the change over to trolley bus operation.

Notice is also given that any attachments belonging to the Town Council must be removed from the poles and this, of course, includes street lighting equipment.

As the new poles have already been erected and as it is, I understand, essential that the lighting equipment should be transferred to them as soon as possible, I have consulted your Chairman and the Chairman of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee and they have given instructions for the General Manager and Engineer to carry out the work after giving proper notice to the Transport Board. I understand from the Borough Surveyor's Department that no detailed estimate of the cost is available, but that on the assumption that it will be at the same rate as that for similar works in Regents Park Road and Ballards Lane the cost may be in the neighbourhood of £160."

RESOLVED—

(1) that the action of the Chairman of the Committee and the Chairman of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee in authorising the carrying out of the work be approved;

(2) that the Town Council approve a supplemental estimate for £160 in respect of the estimated expenditure involved; and

(3) that the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee be asked to consider the question of saving an equivalent amount on other items included in the estimates of that Committee. 2120

2038 **New Municipal Buildings:**

A letter, dated 31st July, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted, referring to the Public Inquiry which was recently held into the application of the Council for consent to the raising of a loan for the erection of new Municipal Buildings and stating that the Minister approved the scheme in principle and would now await the submission of a revised application based on provisionally accepted tenders; further, that the Minister assumed that the design of the buildings would be forwarded to the Royal Fine Art Commission in accordance with the Notice which appeared in the Local Government Press, a copy of which was enclosed;

RESOLVED that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to forward copies of the plans to the Royal Fine Art Commission in accordance with the suggestion of the Ministry.

2039 **Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6—26, Alexandra Grove, North Finchley:**

Referring to Minute No. 2030, the Committee had before them letters, dated 14th and 28th July, 1937, received from Messrs. Batty & Stevens and a further letter, dated 15th August, 1937, from Miss E. Potter, the Principal of the Kingsbury Modern School, relative to the proposed use of No. 26, Alexandra Grove as a nursery and preparatory school.

Arising thereon the Borough Surveyor reported that such user would appear to come under the definition in the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6 as a "place of instruction" and that as the premises were included in a zone scheduled primarily for the erection of dwellinghouses, the proposal required the consent of the Town Council.

also 2074 (1) After full consideration, it was

RESOLVED that Messrs. Batty & Stevens and Miss E. Potter be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to consent to the use of the above premises for the purpose proposed, as such user would contravene the tentative character zoning proposals of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6.

2040 **Electricity Sub-Station Site—Summers Lane:**

As a matter of urgency, the General Manager and Engineer submitted a site plan (No. 37210S) of the Electricity Sub-Station proposed to be erected in Summers Lane.

After hearing a report by the Borough Surveyor thereon, it was

RESOLVED—

(1) that such site plan be approved;

(2) that the Town Clerk be instructed to apply to the Ministry of Health for consent to the appropriation of the land for electricity purposes; and

(3) that the plans and elevations of the proposed sub-station be submitted to the Public Health Committee at its next meeting in accordance with the decision of the Council.

2041 **Documents for Sealing:**

It was

RESOLVED that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents:—

(1) Vacating Receipts (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts) in respect of the following:—

Mortgage No. 710—A. P. Orange, 48, West Avenue.
Mortgage No. 828—R. G. Rann, 18, Blandford Close.
Mortgage No. 870—Mrs. E. L. Lee, 63, Birley Road.

(2) Agreement with Mr. F. Seymour Smith in respect of his appointment as Chief Librarian.

2042 **Town and Country Planning Act, 1932—Town and Country Planning (General Interim Development) Order, 1933—Carrimore Works—Extension—High Road, North Finchley:**

The Town Clerk reported that in connection with the appeal made to the Minister of Health on behalf of Carrimore Six Wheelers, Ltd., under Section 10 (5) of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, against the refusal of the Town Council to grant permission for development to proceed under the protection of the Town and Country Planning (General Interim Development) Order, 1933, of property known as Carrimore Works, High Road, North Finchley, the Council at its last meeting decided to inform the Ministry that no objection would be raised to the appeal being decided without an oral hearing provided that a representative of each of the parties to the appeal accompanied the Inspector when he made his inspection of the site; further, that the site was duly

inspected by Mr. S. Knight, F.R.I.B.A., on behalf of the Ministry of Health, in company with the parties concerned, on the 11th August, 1937, when it was arranged that the appeal should be withdrawn but that revised lay-out plans should be submitted to the Council showing the proposed new buildings only on that part of the land zoned for general business purposes.

It was thereupon

RESOLVED that the developers be informed (i) that the Town Council approve, in principle, of the erection of the proposed buildings on that part of the land zoned for general business purposes, provided that there shall not be from the said premises any noise, fumes or smell which, in the opinion of the Council, may be objectionable and that the owners shall take such steps as, in the opinion of the Council, may be necessary to prevent any such nuisance; and (ii) that the matter will be considered further on deposit of the necessary plans. 20

2043 **Open Air Pool Fatality:**

The Town Clerk reported with regret that a small boy had been drowned at the Open Air Swimming Pool on the 19th August, 1937, and that an Inquest into the tragedy was held by Dr. Cohen, the Coroner, at the Friern Barnet Council Offices on the 23rd August when a verdict of "drowned whilst bathing in the Finchley Swimming Pool" was returned; further, that the Chairman of this Committee had attended the Inquest with the Chief Officers concerned and that an expression of sympathy with the parents was made on behalf of the Town Council.

2044 **Appointment of Chief Librarian:**

The Committee interviewed six candidates for the above appointment, and in accordance with the authority delegated to them by the Town Council, it was

RESOLVED—

(1) that Mr. F. Seymour Smith, F.L.A., Deputy Borough Librarian of Hornsey, be appointed to the position on the terms mentioned in the advertisement, with effect as from and including the 1st October, 1937, subject to his passing the necessary medical examination and to his entering into an Agreement with the Town Council in a form approved by the Solicitor;

also 2049

(2) that as from the 1st October, 1937, Mr. F. Seymour Smith occupy the vacant designated post of Chief Librarian in the Superannuation Scheme.

2045 **Proposed Electricity Sub-Station—Totteridge Lane:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"The Town Council having approved the establishment of a sub-station in the Totteridge Lane area at their Meeting held on the 26th July, 1936, considerable negotiations have been proceeding in regard to various properties in the area. The most suitable is Byford's premises which were acquired last month by the Town Council by arrangement with the County Council for widening Totteridge Lane. The County Council who under the Highways Local Government Acts are refunding the Town Council the cost of acquisition, have been approached to see whether they would give their consent to the establishment of the sub-station at the western end of the property and have agreed thereto subject to the Town Council applying for the necessary appropriation and to a proper apportionment of the cost of acquisition in respect of the land so taken."

After consideration of a plan (No. 37211S) showing the suggested site of the proposed sub-station, it was

RESOLVED—

(1) that such plan be approved;

(2) that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the appropriation of the land in question for electricity purposes ; and

(3) that the Town Clerk also be instructed to ask the District Valuer for his valuation of the land based on the cost of acquisition of the land and premises as a whole.

2046 **Petroleum (Consolidation) Act, 1928—John H. Haynes, Rowsley, 271, Ballards Lane, N. 12 :**

The Chief Sanitary Inspector reported that an application had been received from Mr. John H. Haynes for the Town Council's permission to erect an electrically operated petrol pump in place of his existing hand-operated pump at the above premises ;

RESOLVED that the application be granted, subject to the conditions mentioned in the report of the Inspector.

W. C. LANGLANDS,

Chairman.

Public Libraries Committee's Report.

6th SEPTEMBER, 1937.

Present: Councillor Collis (Chairman), Councillor Hayter (Vice-Chairman), Alderman Pike and Councillors Grobel, Mrs. Legge and Wilmot.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pateman and Syrett, and Councillors Mrs. Murphy and Wightman.

2047 **Minutes:**

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

2048 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of Requisitions (circulated) be approved.

2049 **Appointment of Chief Librarian:**

The Town Clerk reported that in accordance with the authority delegated to them by the Council, the General Purposes Committee had appointed Mr. F. Seymour Smith, F.L.A., Deputy Borough Librarian of Hornsey, to the position of Chief Librarian, with effect as from and including the 1st October, 1937. 204

2050 **Library Facilities—Reciprocal Arrangement:**

It was reported that the Hendon Borough Council had agreed to enter into a reciprocal arrangement with this Council to apply to all libraries within the areas of the two Authorities on the terms set out in Minute No. 1626 (a); further, that in a letter, dated 27th July, 1937, the Town Clerk of Hendon had suggested that an agreement should be dispensed with and that the matter should rest on the correspondence which had taken place;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

2051 **Library Association—Annual Conference:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had circulated to each member of the Council a report which had been received from Councillor H. H. Wilmot with reference to his attendance at the 60th Annual Conference of the Library Association and the thanks of the Committee were accorded to Councillor Wilmot therefor.

2052 **Public Libraries:**

(*a*) Statistics.—The Chief Librarian reported as under, the figures in brackets being those reported for June and July, 1936:—

(i) Readers.—That the number of readers registered in the Libraries at the end of July, 1937, was 13,114 (5,302), and at the end of June—12,777 (5,336);

(ii) Stock.—That the book stock for July amounted to 35,010 (17,727), and for June—34,248 (17,095);

(iii) Loans.—That the number of books lent during the month of June, 1937, from Avenue House was 15,802 (15,367) and during July, 17,350 (16,784); that from North Finchley the number for June, 1937, was 18,079 and for July, 17,875; further, that the following tables showed the number of books lent from each class of the stock at Avenue House during June and July, 1936 and 1937, and at North Finchley for June and July, 1937:—

CLASS.	AVENUE HOUSE. June, 1937. Loans.	% of total.	June, 1936. Loans.	% of total	In-crease.	De-crease.	NORTH FINCHLEY. June, 1937. Adult. Loans.	% of total.	Junior. Loans.	% of total	Total. Loans.	% of total.	GRAND TOTALS. June, 1937.
General	47	.3	20	.3	27	—	25	.2	21	.7	46	.3	93
Philosophy	233	1.5	289	1.9	—	56	132	.9	1	.03	133	.7	366
Religion	195	1.2	235	1.5	—	40	94	.6	11	.4	105	.6	300
Sociology	554	3.5	478	3.1	76	—	332	2.2	205	6.8	537	3.0	1091
Languages	189	1.2	238	1.6	—	49	96	.6	—	—	96	.5	285
Science	279	1.8	321	2.1	—	42	207	1.4	146	4.87	353	1.9	632
Useful Arts	666	4.2	801	5.2	—	135	413	2.7	192	6.4	605	3.3	1271
Fine Arts	717	4.6	659	4.3	58	—	419	2.8	61	2.1	480	2.7	1197
Music	193	1.2	233	1.5	—	40	214	1.4	—	—	214	1.2	407
Literature	775	4.9	804	5.2	—	29	463	3.1	95	3.2	558	3.1	1333
History and Travel	2274	14.4	2014	13.1	260	—	1522	10.1	183	6.1	1705	9.4	3979
Biography	620	3.9	778	5.1	—	158	382	2.5	46	1.5	428	2.4	1048
Fiction	9060	57.3	8497	55.3	563	—	10784	71.5	2035	67.9	12819	70.9	21879
TOTALS	15802	100.0	15367	100.0	984	549	15083	100.0	2996	100.0	18079	100.0	33881
					(Net Increase 435)								
Days Open	26		25		1	—	26		26		26		—
Daily Average Loan	608		615		—	7	580		115		695		1303
Readers	5693		5336		357	—	5719		1365		7084		12777
Stock	20427		17095		3332	—	11209		2612		13821		34248
Cash	£14/4/7		£13/11/8		12/11	—	£13/15/0		£1/19/0		£15/14/0		£29/18/7

CLASS.	AVENUE HOUSE. July, 1937. Loans.	% of total.	July, 1936. Loans.	% of total.	In-crease.	De-crease.	NORTH FINCHLEY. July, 1937. Adult. Loans.	% of total.	Junior. Loans.	% of total.	Total. Loans.	% of total.	GRAND TOTALS. July, 1937.
General	70	.4	37	.3	33	—	25	.2	21	.7	46	.3	116
Philosophy	260	1.5	276	1.5	—	16	147	1.0	1	.03	148	.8	408
Religion	171	1.0	228	1.4	—	57	116	.8	4	.1	120	.7	291
Sociology	616	3.6	517	3.2	99	—	356	2.4	189	6.7	545	3.1	1161
Languages	196	1.1	235	1.4	—	39	98	.6	—	—	98	.5	294
Science	286	1.7	311	1.7	—	25	261	1.7	136	4.8	397	2.2	683
Useful Arts	817	4.7	744	4.5	73	—	449	3.0	192	6.76	641	3.6	1458
Fine Arts	781	4.5	821	4.9	—	40	387	2.6	47	1.7	434	2.4	1215
Music	259	1.5	263	1.5	—	4	218	1.4	—	—	218	1.2	477
Literature	859	4.9	823	4.8	36	—	502	3.3	64	2.3	566	3.2	1425
History and Travel	2555	14.7	2337	14.0	218	—	1532	10.2	168	5.91	1700	9.5	4255
Biography	661	3.8	799	4.8	—	138	403	2.7	44	1.5	447	2.5	1108
Fiction	9819	56.6	9393	56.0	426	—	10543	70.1	1972	69.5	12515	70.0	22334
TOTALS	17350	100.0	16784	100.0	885	319	15037	100.0	2838	100.0	17875	100.0	35225
					(Net Increase 566)								
Days open	27		27		—	—	27		27		27		—
Daily Average Loan	642		621		21	—	557		105		662		1304
Readers	5854		5302		552	—	5855		1405		7260		13114
Stock	20925		17727		3198	—	11453		2632		14085		35010
Cash	£16/0/0		£15/18/9		1/3	—	£13/10/4		£1/5/6		£14/15/10		£30/15/10

(iv) Cash Receipts.—That the cash receipts at Avenue House amounted to £14 4s. 7d. (£13 11s. 8d.) for June, 1937, and £16 0s. 0d. (£15 18s. 9d.) for July, and at North Finchley to £15 14s. 0d. for June, and £14 15s. 10d. for July.

(*b*) Letting of Lecture Hall—North Finchley.—

(i) It was reported that permission had been granted to the under-mentioned applicants to use the Lecture Hall on the dates respectively specified :—

North Finchley Ratepayers' Association—13th September, 1937.
London Co-operative Society, Limited—20th October, 1937.
London Co-operative Society, Limited (Education Department)—29th November, 1937.

(ii) The Chief Librarian reported that an application had been received from the North Finchley and Whetstone Conservative and Unionist Association (Table Tennis Club) for the use of the Lecture Hall, for the playing of table tennis, on two evenings a week during the winter months.

After hearing a report by the Town Clerk as to the purposes for which the Council had agreed that the hall might be let, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, in addition to the purposes mentioned in Minute No 136 (a), the Lecture Hall be let for the playing of table tennis ;

(2) that the above Club be informed that the Town Council are prepared to allow them the use of the hall on two evenings a week, at a charge of 10/6d. per session (inclusive of 2/6d. for the Caretaker), on condition that the lettings extend over a continuous period of six months.

(*c*) Offers of Books.—

RECOMMENDED that the following offers of books for use in connection with the Public Libraries be accepted and that the thanks of the Town Council be conveyed to the respective donors :—

Donor.	Book.
Mrs. M. Hannigan	Beatrix Lehmann—"But Wisdom Lingers."
Mrs. Lord	Hugh Walpole—"The Green Mirror."
London School of Economics	Calendar of the London School of Economics, 1937-38.
Mrs. J. Bradley	A number of volumes.

2053 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

2054 **Chief Librarian :**

The Chairman of the Committee intimated that at the end of the present month the Chief Librarian would be leaving the service of the Council to take up his new appointment at Ealing. He therefore took the opportunity of extending to Mr. Hope his deep appreciation of the help and advice which he had at all times given to him and on behalf of the Committee wished Mr. Hope every success and happiness in his new sphere.

A. C. D. COLLIS,

Chairman.

Town Planning Committee's Report.

6th SEPTEMBER, 1937.

Present: Alderman Briant (Chairman), Alderman Wells, Councillors Burch, Mrs. Murphy, Norman and Wightman.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pateman and Pike, and Councillor Mrs. Legge.

2055 **Minutes:**

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

2056 **Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6:**

The Town Clerk reported that as instructed, application had been made to the Minister of Health for an extension of the time within which the Town Council were required to make the above Scheme and that he had received a letter from the Minister extending the period within which the Scheme had to be made to the 22nd March, 1938.

2057 **County of Middlesex (Finchley, Hornsey and Friern Barnet Boundaries) Order, 1937:**

The Deputy Town Clerk reported upon an interview which he had had with the Ministry of Health in connection with certain land transferred from Friern Barnet under the above Order which was subject to a planning resolution approved by the Friern Barnet Council on the 14th October, 1936. He also intimated that he had discussed with the Ministry the question of two small portions of land also transferred from Friern Barnet which were not included in any planning scheme and that the Ministry had stated that, if the Town Council wished these areas to be town planned, the usual procedure would have to be followed, although it might be possible to modify it with regard to certain regulations and particularly those relating to time limits; further, that the Ministry had also stated that it would be an advantage for any Scheme for these areas to be combined with Scheme No. 6 at the final stages of the latter rather than for separate schemes to be made and that the Minister would no doubt be prepared to expedite the new scheme, but that it would still be necessary, however, to prepare a draft scheme for the small areas transferred and already affected by the Planning Resolution and also to follow the procedure to that stage in respect of the unplanned area transferred.

The Deputy Town Clerk pointed out that, before the actual resolution in respect of the unplanned areas could be passed, the observations of the Middlesex County Council had to be obtained on the matter. It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Town Council approve the form of the following resolution:—

"Finchley Planning Scheme No. 9.

That the Council in pursuance of Section 6 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, hereby decide to prepare the above Planning Scheme with reference to certain areas situate wholly within the Borough of Finchley and enclosed within the inner edge of a blue border on a map now produced to the Council and marked and certified by the Town Clerk under his hand, dated the 25th day of October, 1937, as the Resolution Map."

(2) that the Town Clerk be instructed to take all necessary steps in the matter.

2058 **Unoccupied Flats:**

The following monthly report of the Valuation Officer hereon was submitted:—

"Number of unoccupied flats in the Borough—69 (109).

Total number of flats erected—1,689 (1,682).

These figures do not include premises converted."

The corresponding figures for the last meeting are set out in brackets.

2059 **Bye-Laws—" Show-Cause " Notice—Extension of Motor Cycle and Store Shed—Side of No. 2, Manor Park Road :**

The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated 18th August, 1937, which had been received from Mr. A. E. Lewis acknowledging the receipt of the Town Council's notice requiring him to furnish a statement in writing to show sufficient cause why the above-mentioned extension should not be pulled down or removed. Mr. Lewis stated that this was a portable building which had been erected 18 years ago and that he was unaware, when carrying out slight alterations to the premises, that it was necessary to supply details ; further, that the shed was used for storing household appliances (*i.e.*, wringer, baths, etc.) for which no other accommodation was available.

The Borough Surveyor reported that he had now received an amended plan from Mr. Lewis and that there would appear to be no objection to the premises being used as a store shed ;

RECOMMENDED that the plan for the use of the premises as a store shed be approved, but that an appropriate letter be forwarded to Mr. Lewis warning him against any future contravention of the Town Council's Bye-Laws in this respect.

2060 **Hoarding—High Road, N. 20 :**

The Town Clerk reported that, as authorised at the June Meeting of the Committee, he had written to the owners of the above hoarding, pointing out that the erection contravened the Middlesex County Council Act, 1906, in regard to height ; that the owners had now submitted a drawing and print showing the elevation and details of construction of the hoarding and had asked for the approval of the Town Council thereto ;

RECOMMENDED that the owners be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to agree to the above construction and that they be required to reduce it to a height of 12 feet to comply with the provisions of the Middlesex County Council Act, 1906.

2061 **Hoarding—Junction of North Circular Road and High Road :**

The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated 12th August, 1937, received from Mr. H. E. Cook of 3, Brookdale, North Circular Road, objecting to the erection of a hoarding at the junction of the above roads.

The Borough Surveyor reported that he had taken up the matter with the County Surveyor who informed him that notice had now been given to the owner to remove the hoarding.

2062 **Building Bye-Laws :**

A Circular was submitted from the Ministry of Health on the subject of Building Bye-Laws as revised by the Public Health Act, 1936, together with a copy of the new model series.

The Town Clerk reported that the Building Bye-Laws now in force would continue in operation only until the 31st July, 1939, and that reconsideration of these Bye-Laws in the light of the new Act and the new model series was therefore essential ; further, that the Ministry had asked that proposals should be submitted at an early date in order to allow the volume of work to be dealt with during the next two years. It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to prepare a draft model form of Building Bye-Laws and submit same for consideration at the December Meeting of the Committee.

2063 **Election of Members of the Greater London Standing Conference on Regional Planning:**

Notice was submitted from the Association of Municipal Corporations that, as a result of the voting for the appointment of representatives of Non-County Boroughs for membership of the above Conference, Alderman A. T. Pike and Alderman S. E. Jackson of Barnes had been nominated for appointment by the Minister of Health to the Conference.

2064 **Friern Barnet Planning Scheme No. 1:**

The Town Clerk submitted a notice which had been received from the Friern Barnet Urban District Council to the effect that the above-mentioned Scheme had been laid before both Houses of Parliament and was now capable of coming into operation.

It was reported that the Scheme became operative on the 29th August, 1937.

2065 **North Middlesex Joint Town Planning Committee:**

A copy of the Minutes of the last Meeting of the above Joint Committee was submitted.

2066 **Plan No. 10109—Petrol Filling Station—Junction of North Circular Road and High Road, N. 2—Messrs. Glanfield Lawrence, Ltd.:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the above plan showed a proposal to erect a petrol station, showrooms, offices, workshop and stores at the above junction, which site was situate in the area of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1 and was scheduled for business purposes.

The Town Clerk reported that in accordance with the provisions of the Scheme it had been necessary to advertise the proposal and that a petition had been received from 17 residents in Clifford Road objecting to the proposal on the grounds that the noise from traffic at this junction was already almost unbearable and that the additional noise of the proposed petrol station would render it absolutely so, and further, that the passing motorist was adequately supplied with petrol stations in whatever direction he travelled from this point. After due consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, so far as this Committee is concerned, the Town Council approve the plan (No. 10109) for the erection of the above premises on condition that there shall not be from the said premises any noise, fumes or smell which, in the opinion of the Council, may be objectionable, and that the owners shall take such steps as, in the opinion of the Council, may be necessary to prevent such nuisance; and

(2) that an appropriate letter be sent to the residents in Clifford Road who had made objection to the proposal explaining the reasons for the decision above-mentioned.

2067 **Plan No. 9858a—Extension of Carrimore Works, High Road, N. 12:**

A plan for extension of the above works was submitted showing the proposed workshop to be situated wholly within an area zoned under the tentative planning proposals of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6 for business purposes, but it was reported that a small building to house the heating plant, etc., would come within the residential zone;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council give their consent to the development as shown on the plan, subject to the following conditions which are to be in addition to condition (i) imposed by the General Purposes Committee at their Special Meeting on the 26th August, 1937, when approving the proposal in principle:— 202

(i) that the user of the land lying between the proposed new building and the existing factory and the houses in Highwood Avenue for industrial purposes should be immediately discontinued and that it shall not in future be used for any other than residential purposes; and

(ii) that no road access into Highwood Avenue shall be made from the western side of the property.

The plan was also referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee, for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

2068 **Plan No. 10030—Conversion of House into Two Self-contained Flats—16, Baronsmere Road, N. 2—Mr. S. Jannering:**

It was reported that at the last meeting of the Town Council the above plan was referred to the Committee for further consideration, and the Borough Surveyor submitted a letter, dated 30th August, 1937, received from Mr. J. H. Thomas of 18, Baronsmere Road thereon;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the plan for the conversion of the house into two self-contained flats with an outside staircase at the rear, be approved, but that a letter be sent to the builder warning him of the necessity in future, to submit plans before carrying out any works of alteration; and

(2) that Mr. Thomas be informed that the question of compensation is not a matter with which the Town Council can deal.

2069 **Plan No. 10092—Tool Shed, Rear of 56, Chandos Road, N. 2—Mr. J. F. Bacon:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that a tool shed had been erected at the above premises without submission and approval of the necessary plans;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the plan now submitted (No. 10092) be disapproved; and

(2) that a notice be served on Mr. J. F. Bacon requiring him to show cause why the said building should not be removed or pulled down.

2070 **Plan No. 10118—Addition to Repository between Nos. 67 and 83, Brackenbury Road, N. 2—Messrs. J. R. Freeman & Co.:**

The Borough Surveyor submitted a plan showing a proposal to erect additional repository buildings between Nos. 67 and 83, Brackenbury Road and stated that the site was within the area of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6 and was zoned for the erection of dwellinghouses; that the proposed building, if erected, would be at a distance of less than 3 feet from the boundary of No. 83, Brackenbury Road.

The Borough Surveyor further intimated that a letter had been submitted by the developers from the owner of No. 83, Brackenbury Road, stating that he had no objection to the proposal, subject to the provision of white glazed bricks opposite a certain window in his premises;

RECOMMENDED that the plan be approved, subject to the provision of white glazed bricks opposite the above window in the premises of No. 83, Brackenbury Road.

2071 **Plan No. 10126—Garage, Side of 114, Hendon Lane, N. 3—Mr. D. C. Birkenshaw:**

The above plan was submitted showing a proposal to erect a garage, 11 feet in height at the side of these premises, and it was pointed out that the building, if erected, would be situated nearer to the boundary of the property than was allowed under the Town Planning Scheme for a building exceeding 10 feet in height.

The Borough Surveyor reported that a letter had been received from the applicant stating that it was proposed to reduce the building to 10 feet in height, and it was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that, so far as this Committee is concerned, the plan be approved, subject to the building being only 10 feet in height.

2072 **Plan No. 10128—Two Additional Garages—Rear of 2, Derwent Crescent, N. 20—Mr. A. W. Tokely:**

RECOMMENDED that the above plan be approved, subject to the garages being used only for the purpose of providing accommodation for private motor cars.

Prior to the consideration of this plan, Councillor Burch disclosed that he had an interest therein and in consequence did not vote or take any part in the discussion relating thereto.

2073 **Plan No. 10120—54 Flats and 14 Garages—Gordon Road, N. 3, between Grosvenor Road and Eversleigh Road—Mrs. P. Straus:**

It was reported that the above plan showed a proposal to erect 54 flats in a "U" arrangement, three storeys in height, together with 14 garages at the rear;

RECOMMENDED that the plan be disapproved as the number of flats proposed is in excess of the number allowed on the experimental population basis and as the elevations are unsatisfactory.

2074 **Proposed Developments:**

(*a*) Sherwood Hall—East End Road—28 Flats, 24 Garages and 2 Stores.—It was reported that an application, dated 16th July, 1937, had been received from Messrs. Hillier Parker, May and Rowden, enquiring whether the Town Council would permit the erection of the above premises on this site. It was pointed out that the Council had approved of a similar proposal in September, 1936;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council approve in principle of the proposal and that Messrs. Hillier Parker, May and Rowden be informed that the matter will be considered further on the deposit of the necessary plans.

(*b*) Baytree Cottage—Ballards Lane, N.3.—A letter, dated 6th August, 1937, received from Mr. J. W. Bettyes was submitted enquiring, on behalf of a client who proposed to purchase the above property for purposes of development, whether the Town Council would consent to the erection of buildings right up to the boundary of Lovers Walk to which the property had a flank frontage.

It was reported that a similar proposal was approved by the Town Council in December, 1936;

RECOMMENDED that, so far as the Town Council are concerned, no objection in principle, be raised to the proposal provided the necessary plans are submitted.

(*c*) Proposed Nursery and Preparatory School—"Kincora," Hendon Avenue, N. 3.—The Town Clerk submitted a further letter he had received from Miss E. Potter of 1, Fairfield Crescent, Kingsbury, enquiring whether the Town Council would grant permission for the above premises to be used as a Nursery and Preparatory School;

RECOMMENDED that Miss Potter be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to give their consent to the use of the above premises for the proposed purpose as such user would contravene the character zoning proposals of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1.

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(*d*) Land—Hutton Grove.—It was reported that an application, dated 8th July, 1937, received from Messrs. W. J. Askew & Co. for permission to use a plot of land situate at 61a, Hutton Grove, N. 12, as a builders' yard, had been referred by the Town Council at their meeting in July last to the Committee with power to act; and after due consideration, it was

RESOLVED that the Town Council approve, in principle, of the proposed user of the land for purposes of a builders' yard.

(*e*) Meadowside, Holden Road.—A letter, dated 4th September, 1937, was submitted from Mr. A. R. Pilgrim asking for the Council's permission to erect 36 flats in two storied maisonettes on this site;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council approve, in principle, of the proposal and that Mr. Pilgrim be informed that the matter will be considered further on deposit of the necessary plans.

(*f*) Proposed House between Nos. 2 and 6, Waverley Grove, N. 3.—A letter accompanied by a site plan was submitted from Mr. H. Yeaxlee enquiring whether, in view of the restricted frontage, the Town Council would consent to the erection of a house nearer than 3 feet from the north-east boundary of the site;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. Yeaxlee be informed, that in the circumstances the Town Council are prepared to agree to the proposal, but that the matter will be considered further on deposit of the necessary plans.

(*g*) 241, Regents Park Road, N. 3.—A letter, dated 12th August, 1937, was submitted from Messrs. C. & F. Bryen asking the Town Council to define building lines on the Regents Park Road and Cyprus Road frontages of the above premises;

RECOMMENDED—

(i) that Messrs. C. & F. Bryen be informed that, subject to the approval of the Middlesex County Council, the Town Council agree as regards Regents Park Road a building line of 45 feet from the centre of the tram track and as regards Cyprus Road a building line of 15 feet from the existing boundary of the road; and

(ii) that the Borough Surveyor ascertain the views of the Middlesex County Council hereon and submit same, if possible, at the Council meeting.

(*h*) Sub-Station by East Finchley Railway Station.—The Borough Surveyor reported upon a letter, dated 17th August, 1937, received from Messrs. Adams, Holden & Pearson, Architects, accompanied by a plan showing a proposal to erect a sub-station 85 feet long, 50 feet wide and 70 feet high on the above site. He stated that the site was situate within the area of the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 6 and was zoned for general business purposes but that there was a height limit in the Scheme of 60 feet. He pointed out that under Section 41 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, the London Passenger Transport Board were a statutory company and therefore were exempt from the provisions of the Scheme unless they consented to any particular provision;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, so far as this Committee is concerned, no objection be raised to the proposal provided that the proposed building does not exceed 70 feet in height, but that the Architects be asked to submit further details of the building in regard to elevations and materials; and

(2) that as regards the question of the building being erected on the line of the Council's culvert, this matter be referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration.

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(*i*) Land fronting Gordon Road, Grosvenor Road and Eversleigh Road, N. 3 (opposite "Rocklands").—A letter, dated 1st September, 1937, was submitted from Mr. Jay Richards stating that a client of his proposed purchasing the above site for the erection of self-contained flats in the following schemes:—

Scheme No. 1—1 living room, kitchen, bathroom and two double bedrooms.

Scheme No. 2—1 living room, kitchen, bathroom, one single and 1 double bedrooms.

RECOMMENDED that Mr. Richards be informed that on the experimental population basis the Town Council are prepared to allow the erection of 50 flats under Scheme 1 and 66 flats under Scheme 2.

2075 **Plan No. 10125—9 Shops with Living Accommodation over—Nether Street, adjoining West Finchley Station, N. 3:**

RECOMMENDED that the above plan be approved, so far as this Committee is concerned, but that the question of the service road in front of the shops and the accommodation road at the rear be referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration. 214

2076 **Extension of Garage, rear of 7, Broughton Avenue, N. 3:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that as instructed, he had written to Mr. G. E. Booth informing him that the Town Council's Bye-Laws must be complied with in respect of the above extension and he submitted a letter from Mr. Booth stating that he was away from home at present and asking for the matter to be left over until his return in October;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that Mr. Booth's request be granted; and

(2) that a letter be written to the builder pointing out that in erecting the premises without first submitting the necessary plans he had offended against the Town Council's Bye-Laws.

2077 **Erection of Signs:**

The following applications for permission to erect signs, etc., were submitted:—

6th July, 1937	Luminous Signs, Ltd.	33, Market Place, N.W. 11	Neon sign.
21st July, 1937	Allan Manufacturing Co., Ltd.	737, High Road, N. 12	Projecting sign.

RECOMMENDED that the applicants be informed that the Town Council raise no objection to the proposals in question.

2078 **Temporary Buildings:**

RECOMMENDED that licences be granted in respect of the following for the periods indicated:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Licence to expire on.	Applicant.
920T	Temporary Bar	"The Old White Lion" P.H., High Road, N. 2	1st January, 1939	The Wenlock Brewery Co., Ltd.
119T	Garage	Sewer Easement Land—Windsor Road	28th September, 1938	Mr. A. H. Everett.

2079 **Deposited Plan No. 9982—Notice Board—Moss Hall Grove, N. 12:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the above plan was formally approved subject to the Notice Board being agreed by the Town Council. He stated that a sketch of the suggested board and details of the size of the lettering to be used thereon had been supplied and complied with the Town Council's requirements.

RECOMMENDED that the sketch plan of the Notice Board be approved.

2080 **Plans:**

(*a*) Approved;

RECOMMENDED that the following plans be APPROVED subject to the conditions severally mentioned by the Borough Surveyor in his report:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9979a	House	Plot H.12, Haslemere Gardens, N. 3	Mr. P. J. Preston.
10087	Mushroom House	North Circular Road, N. 3, opposite Rosemary Avenue	Mr. V. E. R. Bangert.
10089	Tool shed	Rear of 61, Church Crescent, N. 3	Mr. H. T. Cartwright.
†10090	Conversion of house into three self-contained flats	21, Woodside Park Road, N. 12	Mr. A. Sturdy.
10091	House	Plot 24, Kingsgate Avenue, N. 3	Mr. J. Norris.
10093	2 houses	Plot 22, Haslemere Gardens, N. 3	Mr. P. J. Preston.
*10094	Garage	Rear of 341, High Road, N. 2	Mrs. Fairweather.
10095	House	Plot 1057, Ingram Avenue, N.W. 11	Messrs. R. Hart & Sons, Ltd.
10096	House	Plot H.10, Haslemere Gardens, N. 3	Mr. P. J. Preston.
10097	Tool Shed	Rear of 7, Swan Lane Extension, N. 20	Mr. E. C. Randall.
10098	House	Plot 0841, Brim Hill, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. H. F. Brown.
10101	Extension to drawing room	Rear of 27, (Plot 1015), Ingram Avenue, N.W. 11	Mr. A. Daly.
10102	4 houses and garages	Plots T.121, T.122, T.123 and T.124, Ludlow Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Messrs. Golders, Ltd.
10103	House	Plot H.94, Norrice Lea, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Messrs. Highgates (Builders), Ltd.
10105	House	Plot 37, Vivian Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. I. Meering.

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
10106	House	Plot 18, Edmunds Walk, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. I. Meering.
10107	House	Plot 9, Edmunds Walk, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. I. Meering.
10108	House	Plot 39, Vivian Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. I. Meering.
10110	Garage	Side of 31, Essex Park, N. 3	Mr. J. Hughes.
10111	House	Plot H.49a, Winnington Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Messrs. W. Willett, Ltd.
10112	Garage	Rear of 90, Summerlee Avenue, N. 2	Mr. E. Ware.
10113	Tool Shed	Rear of 5, Woodberry Grove, N. 12	Mr. H. Turner.
10114	Garage	Side of 28, Broughton Avenue, N. 3	Mr. W. Grossman.
10115	Garage	Side of 34, Broughton Avenue, N. 3	Mr. W. Grossman.
*10116	Re-building	"The Old White Lion" P.H., High Road, N. 2	The Wenlock Brewery, Ltd.
10117	2 houses	Plots 0844 and 0845, Brim Hill, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. H. E. Brown.
10119	House	Plot 26, Kingsgate Avenue, N. 3	Mr. J. Norris.
10121	Garage	Side of 32, Finchley Way, N. 3	Mr. J. W. McCarthy.
10122	Loft in roof	88, Brim Hill, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. S. Clark.
10124	House	Plot C.138b, Linden Lea, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mrs. S. Lacy.
*10127	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	74, Regents Park Road, N. 3	Mr. F. G. Armitage.
*10129	Workshop	Rear of 45, Ballards Lane, N. 3	Messrs. H. Pope & Sons, Ltd.
‡10130	Garage	Rear of 6, Parkview Road, N. 3	Mr. L. Davis.
10131	Garage	At side of 47, Friern Park, N. 12	Mr. L. E. W. L. Taylor.
*10132	Garage	Rear of Green Man P.H., High Road, N. 2	Messrs. Truman, Hanbury, Buxton & Co., Ltd.

TOWN PLANNING (*contd.*).

(*b*) Disapproved;

RESOLVED that the under-mentioned plans be DISAPPROVED for the reasons stated by the Borough Surveyor in his report:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
10072a	Shop	High Road, N. 12, at corner of Castle Road.	Plan deposited by Mr. W. J. Lewis.
10099	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	50, Hertford Road, N. 2	The Ancient Order of Foresters.
10100	House	Plot X562, Litchfield Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb	The Legal Estates & Construction Co., Ltd.
10104	Additional bedroom over garage	Side of 43, Essex Park, N. 3	Mr. T. Martin.

* Referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

† Prior to the consideration of this plan Councillor Norman disclosed that he had an interest therein and in consequence did not vote or take any part in the discussion relating thereto.

‡ Prior to the consideration of this plan Councillor Burch disclosed that he had an interest therein and in consequence did not vote or take any part in the discussion relating thereto.

2081 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

A. J. BRIANT,

Chairman.

Valuation Committee's Report

7th SEPTEMBER, 1937.

Present: Councillor Connorton (Vice-Chairman) in the Chair, Councillors Brooksbank and Wightman, and Messrs. Gray and Griffith.

2082 **Minutes:**

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

2083 **North Middlesex Assessment Committee:**

The Valuation Officer reported as follows:—

"At a meeting of the above Committee held on the 2nd July, 1937, the following decisions were given:—

121, Holden Road, reduced from £119 Gross, £96 Rateable to £118 Gross, £95 Rateable.

17, Fursby Avenue,
14, 24, 26, 28, 30, 32, 36, 38, 40, 42, 48, Fursby Avenue,
34, 44, 46, Fursby Avenue,
"Freston Tower," Hendon Avenue. } Adjourned.

57, Eton Avenue,
20, Lichfield Grove,
22, Lichfield Grove,
8, Fitzalan Road,
46, Southbourne Crescent,
"Kismet," Kinloss Gardens,
56, Abbots Gardens,
19, Maurice Walk,
21, Maurice Walk. } Confirmed.

Plot 79a, Church Mount,
36, Market Place, N.W. 11. } Withdrawn.

61, Southbourne Crescent, confirmed at £62 Gross, £50 Rateable.

2084 **Next Meeting of the Committee:**

RECOMMENDED that the next ordinary meeting of the Committee, to be held on the 5th October, 1937, commence at 7 p.m. instead of 7.30 p.m.

2085 **Third Quinquennial Re-Valuation—Preparation of New Valuation List:**

The Committee decided to hold an unofficial meeting on Thursday, the 30th September, 1937, at 8.30 p.m. for the purpose of considering the memorandum issued by the Central Valuation Committee in regard to the above.

J. CONNORTON,

Chairman (*pro tempore*).

Parks and Open Spaces Committee's Report.

7th SEPTEMBER, 1937.

Present: Alderman Wells (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), Aldermen Pateman and Syrett, and Councillors Collis, Connorton, Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Murphy.

Non-Members: Alderman Pike, and Councillors Wightman and Wilmot.

2086 **Minutes:**

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

2087 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of Requisitions (circulated) be approved.

2088 **Brookside Walk:**

(*a*) Tennis Courts rear of Brent Way — Congregational Lawn Tennis Club.—The Committee had before them a letter, dated 27th July, 1937 (circulated), received from the Secretary of the above Club stating that the Club had recently provided new stop-netting around the courts at a cost of £21 0s. 0d. and suggesting that, in the circumstances, the Town Council should not proceed with the erection, at the present time, of the stop-netting originally proposed but that they should remunerate the Club for its outlay in this respect; further, that it was essential for the courts to be railed in to prevent access by the public to the existing pavilion.

After careful consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED that the Club be informed that the Town Council regret they cannot see their way to bear the cost of the stop-netting above referred to or to arrange for the erection of the railing suggested.

(*b*) Proposed Refreshment Hut.—The Town Clerk submitted an application received from Mr. A. Gaughan for permission to erect a hut for the sale of refreshments at above near to the junction of the North Circular Road and Regents Park Road;

RECOMMENDED that the desired permission be not granted.

2089 **Glebe Land—Bowling Green:**

(*a*) An application was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the Tudor Bowling Club with reference to the erection of name boards at the two entrances to the above green and also the provision of a flag pole adjacent to the pavilion;

RECOMMENDED that the Club be informed that the Town Council will raise no objection thereto, subject to the wording on the notice boards and the actual positions of the boards and flag pole being first approved by the Borough Surveyor.

(*b*) A letter, dated 7th September, 1937, was submitted from Mr. A. E. Kelsey on behalf of the Tudor Bowling Club drawing attention to the need for the provision of sanitary accommodation for ladies in the pavilion at above and also suggesting that an official opening of the green should take place before the close of the present season.

As regards the question of sanitary accommodation, the Borough Surveyor was instructed to prepare and submit to the Committee a scheme in connection therewith and the Town Clerk was instructed to inform Mr. Kelsey that the Town Council cannot see their way to arrange for an official opening during the present season, but that they will consider the possibility of such a ceremony being held at the commencement of the 1938 season;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*c*) The Borough Surveyor reported that the Tudor Bowling Club were holding whist drives in the pavilion at above ;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised thereto by the Town Council, subject

(*a*) to no cost falling upon the Town Council in connection therewith ;

(*b*) to the rights of members of the public using the bowling green not being interfered with, and

(*c*) to such user ceasing at the close of the bowling season.

2090 **Physical Training and Recreation Act, 1937 :**

It was reported that the above-mentioned Act came into operation on the 13th July, 1937, and that a Memorandum on the powers of Local Authorities thereunder had been received ; further that a copy of such Memorandum would be circulated to each Member of the Committee in due course.

2091 **Ivy Lodge—Long Lane :**

The reference from the Housing Committee in regard to the above was reported and, after hearing a report by the Borough Treasurer upon the financial position, it was

RECOMMENDED that, in the event of the consent of the Ministry of Health to the appropriation for housing purposes of the house and garden at above being obtained, the premises be transferred to the Housing Committee for the sum of £534. see 22

2092 **Northway Gardens :**

A letter, dated 13th August, 1937, was submitted from Mr. K. Pearce of 56, Market Place, N.W. 11, stating that his premises adjoined the putting green at above and asking for permission to construct a small gateway giving access thereto from the putting green to enable persons to reach his shop where refreshments, confectionery, etc., were obtainable ;

RECOMMENDED that the desired permission be not granted.

2093 **"Rocklands," Gordon Road :**

(*a*) Acquisition.—It was reported that the conveyance of the above property to the Town Council was completed on the 26th July, 1937.

(*b*) Overground Disconnecting Box.—The Borough Surveyor submitted an application received from the General Manager and Engineer for consent to the erection of an overground electrical disconnecting box at above as indicated on drawing No. 37188/D ;

RECOMMENDED that such application be granted.

2094 **Windsor Open Space :**

The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated 20th July, 1937, received from Miss G. Dadson, enquiring whether a right of way through a portion of the above open space to the rear of premises on the north-east side of Windsor Road could be granted to her, with a view to affording access to a garage proposed to be erected in the garden of No. 48, Windsor Road ;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council regret that they are unable to grant the facility desired.

2095 **Date of Next Meeting of the Committee :**

RECOMMENDED that the next ordinary meeting of the Committee be held on Wednesday, the 6th October, 1937, at 8 p.m.

2096 **The Council for the Preservation of Rural England:**

It was reported that the Town Council had been invited to appoint delegates to attend the 10th National Conference for the Preservation of the Countryside, to be held at Leamington from the 14th to 17th October next;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken in regard thereto.

2097 **Land—High Road, Whetstone:**

(*a*) The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"In accordance with your instructions I have communicated with the owners of the land adjoining "Acryse," High Road, Whetstone. The Finchley Bill Posting Co., Ltd., who own a portion of the land, have replied that they are not prepared at present to dispose thereof."

(*b*) The Borough Surveyor submitted the following report:—

"Following the instructions given at your June meeting, Minute No. 1556, I have been in communication with the London Passenger Transport Board asking them to supply me with a plan of the area required and give below copy of a letter, dated the 6th August, 1937, which I have received from them:—

'I am obliged for your letter and enclosure of the 3rd instant which is receiving attention. I will write you again, I hope, quite shortly, but think you should be informed that I am endeavouring to make other arrangements in this area so as not to disturb your Council's public open space.' "

2098 **Brook Farm Open Space:**

(*a*) Football Pitches.—The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"I give below particulars of the letting of the football pitches at Brook Farm for the season 1937/38. The whole of the clubs are members of the Finchley and District League with the exception of the Old Finchleians and the Bridgehill F.C. who are sharing Pitch 5.

Pitch No. 3 is not suitable for letting.

Pitch No.	Name of Club.	Charge for Pitch.	Additional Charges.	Remarks.
1.	Brookfield Sports Club	£8	D.A. £2 M.O. 30/-	
2.	Hillside Rangers	£4	D.A. £1 M.O. 15/-	Joint letting.
	Brookside Sports Club	£4	do.	do.
4.	Messrs. Fraser & Glass	£4	do.	do.
	New Barnet Adult School	£4	do.	do.
5.	Bridgehill F.C.	£4	do.	do.
	Old Finchleians	£4	do.	do.
6.	Specialloid Sports & Social Club	£4	do.	do.
	Woodhouse Estate F.C.	£4	do.	do.
7.	Barnet Argyle	50/-	do.	do.
	Woodhouse Sports Club	50/-	do.	do.
8.	Finchley Athletic	£4	do.	do.
	Avenue F.C.	£4	do.	do.
9.	Hobart Athletic Club	£4	do.	do.
	Hornsey Labour Sports and Athletic Club	£4	do.	do.
10.	Finchley Boys' Club	£8	M.O. 30/-	
11.	Finchley Rovers	£4	D.A. £1 M.O. 15/-	do.
	Muswell Hill Rovers	£4	do.	do.

NOTE:—D.A.—Dressing accommodation.
M.O.—Marking out pitch.

(*b*) Dressing Accommodation.—The Borough Surveyor submitted an application received from the Shaftesbury Harriers for the use of dressing accommodation at above and reported that as Pitch No. 3 was not suitable for letting the appropriate dressing accommodation was consequently available ;

RECOMMENDED that the accommodation above referred to be let to the Shaftesbury Harriers for the winter season at an inclusive rent of £3.

2099 **Proposed Garage with Access to Lovers Walk :**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"A letter, dated the 12th August, 1937, has been received from Mr. H. R. M. Thorp asking if it is possible to obtain permission to build a garage at the end of Lovers Walk, leading from Nether Street to Brent Way, which would entail using Lovers Walk as an entrance and crossing a portion of such walk which is indicated on the Town Planning Map as a public open space."

RECOMMENDED that the desired permission be not granted.

2100 **Arden Playing Field—Hockey Pitches :**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon applications submitted on behalf of the Convent of St. Marie Auxiliatrice and the Hertford Lodge School for the use of the hockey pitches at above for the coming season ;

RECOMMENDED that such applications be granted each at an inclusive rental of £15.

2101 **Parks and Open Spaces Receipts :**

The Borough Treasurer's statement of the weekly receipts for tennis, etc., during the months of July and August, 1937, was submitted.

2102 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

VYVYAN WELLS,

Chairman.

Highways and Fire Brigade Committee's Report.

8th SEPTEMBER, 1937.

Present: Councillor Baines (Vice-Chairman) in the Chair, Alderman Pateman, and Councillors Burch, Connorton, Grobel and Wightman.

Non-Members: Councillors Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Murphy.

2103 **Minutes:**

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

2104 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of Requisitions (circulated) be approved.

2105 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

It was reported that the under-mentioned properties of the Town Council had been damaged since last meeting and that the matters had been dealt with:—

Footway—Park Road.
Pedestrian Crossing Beacon—High Road, Whetstone.
"School" Sign—High Road by Squires Lane.
Bracket on Vent Column—High Road, opposite Squires Lane.
Lamp Column—Lodge Lane.
Plane Tree outside No. 296, High Road, N. 2.
Paving Fredericks Place.
Carriageway—Friern Barnet Lane, junction with High Road.
Reflex Signs—Churchfield Avenue and Netherfield Road.
Paving—Park Avenue.
Pedestrian Crossing Beacon—East End Road.
Lamp Column—Red Lion Hill.
Road surface outside No. 15, Brookland Close.

2106 **Insurance of Workmen—Accident—J. W. Weller:**

It was reported that the above employee had met with an accident since the last meeting of the Committee and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

2107 **Street Accidents:**

The Returns received from the Police Authorities were submitted, from which it appeared that the number of street accidents which had occurred in the Borough during the months of June and July, 1937, as compared with the corresponding periods for the previous year, was as follows:—

	Fatal.	Personal Injuries.		Total.
June, 1936 ...	1	36		37
July, 1936 ...	—	21		21
		Serious.	Slight.	
June, 1937 ...	—	2	25	27
July, 1937 ...	—	6	40	46

2108 **Road Traffic Acts, 1930 to 1934:**

(*a*) "Halt at Major Road Ahead" Sign.—A circular letter, dated 8th July, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Transport stating that as a result of representations made to the Minister he had had occasion to review the use of the "Halt at Major Road Ahead" Sign as authorised by the Authorisation, dated 27th July, 1935.

The circular added :—

"The Minister understands that a number of highway authorities have experimentally laid down a line in conjunction with this sign, for the purpose of indicating to drivers the precise place at which they should bring their vehicles temporarily to rest, and have found this line to be of material assistance to drivers and to tend to a better observance of the sign. He has accordingly issued an amended Authorisation, a copy of which is attached, authorising the use of such lines. The lines should normally extend over half the carriageway and should be provided both for existing signs and for signs hereafter erected, unless there are special reasons to the contrary.

The correct siting of the lines is a matter of importance. If they are too far short of the carriageway of the major road, the driver may be moving forward at an appreciable speed before he obtains a view of the traffic on the major road. If they are too far ahead, drivers may halt in a position where they impede traffic on the major road with a consequent risk of collision. The appropriate Chief Officer of Police should be consulted with regard to the positioning of the lines and the Minister understands that the Royal Automobile Club and the Automobile Association will also be glad to offer advice on this subject, if requested to do so.

No wording on the carriageway should be used in connection with these signs.

The Minister is informed that in some cases highway authorities have erected the 'Halt' sign in circumstances other than those specified in paragraph 1 of the Directions referred to above. Such action is liable not only to lead to a disregard of the sign but to weaken the effect of the 'Slow Major Road Ahead' sign, which should be a sufficient warning to drivers at junctions where there is a reasonable degree of visibility for traffic emerging from the minor road. The Minister desires, therefore, that all highway authorities will forthwith undertake a review of the 'Halt' signs in their areas and substitute 'Slow Major Road Ahead' signs for them in all cases where the Directions have not been strictly complied with.

The Minister has decided that in future 'Halt' signs shall be erected only with his specific authority, which he will readily give in suitable cases, and he has issued fresh Directions, of which a copy is attached, to give effect to this decision. Applications for authority to erect these signs should be made to the appropriate Divisional Road Engineers.

The Royal Automobile Club and the Automobile Association have represented to the Minister that difficulties are liable to arise when 'Halt' signs are erected at road junctions at which their pointsmen are stationed for the convenience of traffic and for assisting in the prevention of accidents. If the pointsman gives a signal to a driver on a minor road to proceed in the absence of traffic on the major road, a breach of the law may be committed by the invitation given to ignore the 'Halt' sign. The Minister understands that these organisations have found it desirable to withdraw a number of pointsmen from road junctions where 'Halt' signs have been erected. In reviewing existing signs, therefore, at junctions where control by these pointsmen is available, highway authorities should consider whether the balance of advantage to traffic would be secured by the use of the 'Slow Major Road Ahead' sign."

(*b*) Pedestrian Crossing Places—Studs.—The circular further stated that the Minister had come to the conclusion that any risk to cyclists due to studs used to mark pedestrian crossing places might be minimised by staggering the studs on either side of the crossing and that the studs should accordingly be arranged in this manner on all new crossings and on existing crossings which were relaid.

(*c*) Use of Unauthorised Traffic Signs.—It was further stated that it had come to the Minister's notice that certain traffic signs had recently been erected by Highway Authorities which did not comply with the regulations made under Section 48 of the Road Traffic Act, 1930, and which had not been authorised by him under sub-section (2) of that Section; also that the Minister regretted that it was necessary to draw the attention of Highway Authorities to the importance of observing the law, but that it would be recognised that the use of unauthorised signs, besides being a contravention of the statute, tended also to decrease the effectiveness of the system of traffic signs as a whole; that he was, however, always willing to consider the authorisation of special signs to meet particular circumstances.

(*d*) Accidents on Roads in Built-up Areas.—In addition, the circular stated that under Section 1 (10) of the Road Traffic Act, 1934, the speed limit of 30 m.p.h. on roads in built-up areas would cease to operate at the end of 1939, unless Parliament otherwise determined; that in any debate upon the question whether the 30 m.p.h. speed limit

had proved effective there was likely to be a demand for figures giving the number of accidents on roads in built-up areas before and after restriction and that it would therefore be of the greatest service if highway authorities would maintain, in readily available form, comparative accident figures for the twelve months immediately preceding the restriction of roads in their areas and for corresponding periods of twelve months thereafter (distinguishing between fatal and non-fatal accidents).

(*e*) Provision of Parking Places off the Highway.—Finally it was added that in view of the continual increase in the number of motor vehicles the Minister wished again to emphasise the importance of providing accommodation off the highway for waiting vehicles and highway authorities were reminded of the expression of the Minister's views on this subject contained in Circulars 356 and 428 (Roads).

Arising thereon, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to make application to the Authorities concerned with a view to a line being laid down in Alexandra Grove and in Argyle Road at the junction with Nether Street;

(2) that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to keep the records suggested in connection with street accidents; and

(3) that the Borough Surveyor be also instructed to investigate the question of the provision of parking places off the highway and to report on the matter at a later meeting as well as on the question of the possibility of the prohibition of certain areas for parking purposes.

2109 **Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935:**

(*a*) The Town Clerk reported receipt of a communication, dated 10th August, 1937, from Messrs. Chalton Hubbard & Co. as follows:—

> "We are acting for Co-partnership Tenants, Ltd., who are the owners under a Building Agreement of land in East End Road in respect of which an application was made by a Mr. B. E. Dixon, of 94, High Street, N. 12 for the consent to the erection of a block of six lock-up shops and 12 flats over and by a Consent, dated the 29th of June, 1937, your Council imposed a condition that the building is set back and a service road provided clear of the widening line. The Builder in this case had withdrawn from the negotiations before the Consent of your Council had been given but our clients are now desirous of finding another builder and if the same condition is to be imposed, our clients will suffer a very serious loss in respect of which they will under Section 9 of the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935, claim compensation. With this restriction, the land will be entirely useless so far as shops are concerned.
>
> With regard to the subsidiary road, we think there must be some misapprehension as we can find no power under the Act to justify the imposition of this condition. Section 17 of the Act, authorises the requirement of a subsidiary road where the buildings are not less than 250,000 cubic feet but the total cubic area of the buildings proposed to be erected was only 156,000 cubic feet.
>
> You will quite appreciate that these restrictions have a very serious effect upon the development of this particular piece of land and we shall be glad to hear from you on the matter at your earliest convenience. We may add that our clients have, without compensation, given up forecourts in this District and the shops in question are only six shops out of a row of shops which have only just been built."

Arising thereon, the Borough Surveyor intimated that he had been in communication with the County Surveyor on the subject and that a letter, dated 7th September, 1937, had been received from him stating that he thought that it might perhaps be inadvisable to press the question of the service road further, as it seemed that this would be an isolated length of service road for many years to come as there was no prospect of continuing it either way.

In these circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that the condition imposed by the Town Council on the 28th June, 1937, to the effect that the building be set back and a service road provided clear of the widening line, be withdrawn.

(*b*) The Committee considered the under-mentioned plans, which had been referred to them by the Town Planning Committee :—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
9858a	Workshop	Side of Carrimore Works, High Road, N. 12	Carrimore Six Wheelers, Ltd.
10094	Garage	Rear of 341, High Road, N. 2	Mrs. Fairweather.
10109	Motor showrooms and petrol station	Junction of North Circular Road and High Road, N.2	Messrs. Glanfield, Lawrence, Ltd.
10116	Re-building	"The Old White Lion" P.H.	The Wenlock Brewery, Ltd.
10126	Garage	Side of 114, Hendon Lane, N. 3	Mr. D. C. Birkenshaw.
10127	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	74, Regents Park Road, N.3	Mr. F. G. Armitage.
10128	Two additional garages	Rear of 2, Derwent Crescent, N. 20	Mr. A. W. Tokely.
10129	Workshop	Rear of 45, Ballards Lane, N. 3	Messrs. H. Pope & Sons, Ltd.
10132	Garage	Rear of "The Green Man" P.H., High Road, N. 2	Messrs. Truman, Hanbury, Buxton & Co., Ltd.

RECOMMENDED that the consent of the Town Council as the Highway Authority be given to the proposals in question under the provisions of Section 2 (1) of the Act, subject, if applicable, to the condition mentioned in Minute 200 (a).

2110 Automatic Traffic Control Signals:

(*a*) Junction of Regents Park Road, East End Road and Gravel Hill.—A letter, dated 28th July, 1937, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council forwarding copy of the following resolution passed at a meeting of the County Highways Committee on the 14th July, 1937 :—

> "That the County Council approves of the erection of automatic traffic control signals at the junction of Regents Park Road, East End Road and Gravel Hill, Finchley, at an estimated cost of £1,005, and agrees to contribute £402 towards the expenditure involved, subject to the Ministry of Transport contributing £603, and that the tender of the Automatic Telephone and Electric Company for the erection of the traffic signals be accepted."

The Town Clerk reported that the Ministry of Transport had intimated that a maximum grant of £603 had been made in respect of this work, and arising thereon the Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

> "I shall be glad if the Council will authorise a contract being entered into with the Automatic Telephone and Electric Co., for the provision and fixing of the necessary apparatus at a cost of £601 15s. 0d. and your authority is also required for the carrying out of the road works departmentally at an estimated cost of £420.
>
> A contract should also be entered into with the Automatic Telephone and Electric Co. for maintenance of the apparatus, their tender therefor being as follows :—

	£	s.	d.
First year	26	10	0
Each subsequent year	53	0	0

> The estimated cost of the annual charges for electricity is £34 15s. 0d. and the whole of the maintenance costs are defrayed by the Ministry of Transport and the County Council.

A letter addressed to the County Surveyor by the Ministry of Transport reads as follows:—

'I have to refer to the proposal to instal signals at the above junction and to inform you that it is proposed to proceed with the question of grant on the basis that the third phase, originally included to cover a possible pedestrian period, shall be used as a clearing period for traffic, following the Regents Park Road phase.

I should be glad if you would arrange for the controller to operate in this manner, and perhaps you will be good enough to confirm that no change in the tender price will be involved.'

The third phase will entail an additional cost of £16 15s. 0d. which amount is not included in the grant of £1,695, but a letter, dated the 21st August, 1937, from the County Surveyor gives authority for the work to proceed.

It will be appreciated that pedestrian signals will not in the first instance be installed at this junction."

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, as a matter of urgency, Standing Order No. 13 (3) be suspended;

(2) that the tender of the Automatic Telephone and Electric Co., Ltd., for the provision and fixing of the necessary apparatus, at a cost of £601 15s. 0d. be accepted, subject to Contract;

(3) that the tender of the Automatic Telephone and Electric Co., Ltd., for maintenance of the apparatus as follows, be accepted, subject to Contract:—

First year	£26 10s. 0d.
Each subsequent year	£53 0s. 0d.

(4) that authority be given to the Borough Surveyor to proceed with the carrying out of the necessary road works at an estimated cost of £420.

(*b*) Junction of High Road, Summers Lane and Granville Road.—The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"I give below copy of letter, dated the 9th August, 1937, which has been received from the County Surveyor relative to the above matter:—

'I give below, for your information and attention a copy of a letter received from the Ministry of Transport:—

'I have to refer to a proposal to instal traffic control signals at the above junction and to inform you that consideration has been given to this case but it is felt that conditions at this junction do not at present warrant the provision of signals.

It is suggested that the erection of 'Slow Major Road Ahead' signs in both Granville Road and Summers Lane might help to overcome the difficulty at this junction.

I should be glad to know if you are prepared to arrange for these signs to be erected.

If at some later date after a fair trial has been given to these signs, the Council are still of the opinion that signals are desirable, the Department would be prepared to reconsider the application in light of any further evidence then submitted.'"

I have informed the County Surveyor that 'Slow Major Road Ahead' signs are already erected in Granville Road and Summers Lane and that there are two 'Cross Road' signs in the High Road, north and south of the junction."

(*c*) Barnet Bye-Pass, junction with Northway.—The Borough Surveyor reported receipt of a communication, dated 26th August, 1937, from the County Surveyor intimating that the Ministry of Transport had now approved the provision of the above signals and that instructions had been given for the work to commence as soon as possible.

2111 Parking of Lorries—Lincoln Road and Dale Grove:

The Town Clerk reported that he had now received the following reply to the letter, dated 28th April, 1937, which was addressed to the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis urging that the Police Authorities should take action in connection with the above matter:—

"I am directed by the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis to refer to your letter of the 28th April and subsequent correspondence and to express his regret that a reply thereto has been inadvertently delayed.

Special observation has been kept by the Police on the parking of lorries in Lincoln Road and Dale Grove, Finchley, and on the facts disclosed the Commissioner is advised that the evidence obtained is not sufficient to justify an application for process under Regulation 81 of the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) Regulations, 1937.

I am, however, to assure you that the Police will continue to give attention to this matter and action will be taken if any offence of unnecessary obstruction or excessive noise is detected.

I am to add that it appears that the principal ground of complaint in these cases is the alleged user of a private house for business purposes in contravention of a convenant in that behalf, and in the circumstances the Council may wish to consider bringing the complaints to the notice of the owners of the premises concerned."

Arising thereon, the Town Clerk also reported upon further communications received from Mr. H. E. Freshwater and Mr. M. P. Rogers respectively;

RECOMMENDED that the complainants be informed of the views expressed by the Commissioner of Police and assured that the matter is one which will continue to receive the careful consideration of the Town Council.

2112 Road Traffic Act, 1930—Section 46—Road and Rail Traffic Act, 1933—Section 29—Prohibition or Restriction of use of Woodberry Way, Grove Road and Churchfield Avenue by Heavy Vehicles:

A joint report by the Town Clerk and the Borough Surveyor hereon as follows, was submitted:—

"At the meeting of your Committee in June last we were instructed to report hereon.

Annexed hereto is a copy of a Memorandum issued by the Ministry of Transport which will give the members of the Committee some useful information as to the procedure which has to be followed before an Order is made. We would draw particular attention to paragraphs 5 and 8 thereof.

We suggest that before taking any further action in the matter we should be instructed to discuss same with the Police Authorities as it will be observed that the Council will, in submitting an Order for confirmation, be required to ascertain whether the Police are in agreement with it."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the action proposed to be taken by the Officers in question be approved;

(*b*) that the Officers be instructed, when interviewing the Police Authorities, to discuss with them the possibility of the inclusion of Lincoln Road and Dale Grove in the suggested Order.

2113 Falloden Way—Speed Limit:

A letter, dated 28th July, 1937, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary to the Falloden Way Safety Committee, as follows:—

"On behalf of the above Committee I write to ask whether, in view of this fresh and very determined effort to impose a 30 mile limit in Fallenden Way, your Council would be prepared to give us its whole hearted support. I need hardly impress upon you the gravity and urgency of this matter and hope that I may receive a favourable reply from you at the earliest possible moment."

A further letter, dated 29th July, 1937, was also submitted from her enclosing copy of a telegram which her Committee had addressed to the Minister of Transport:

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the matter is one which will continue to receive the support of the Town Council.

2114 Highways—Junction of Hendon Lane, Allandale Avenue and Waverley Grove:

A communication, dated 2nd August, 1937, was submitted from Mr. A. C. Newton stating that during the six months in which he had occupied his house at the above junction there had been a number of accidents and suggesting that steps should be taken at once for the erection of danger signals to indicate that a main road was being approached, as there was at present no warning whatever of a somewhat dangerous crossing:

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to approach the Authorities concerned with a view to the erection of "Slow Major Road Ahead" Signs in Waverley Grove and Allandale Avenue.

2115 Hackney Carriage Standings—High Road and Stanhope Road, North Finchley:

A letter, dated 3rd August, 1937, was submitted from the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis, together with a copy of Regulations issued by him governing new hackney carriage standings at the above points.

2116 "One-Way" Traffic Working at Tally Ho! Corner:

A communication, dated July, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Transport stating that the Minister had, after consulting the London and Home Counties Traffic Advisory Committee and the Commissioner of Police of the Metropolis, decided that the existing traffic arrangements at above should continue to operate as a permanent traffic feature.

2117 Grants from the Road Fund towards Works of Major Improvement of Roads and Bridges and the Construction of New Roads and Bridges—Regulation of Traffic, etc.:

It was reported that a circular letter, dated 27th July, 1937, had been received from the Ministry of Transport enclosing copy of a revised Memorandum in connection with the above, and that the matter had been referred to the Borough Surveyor for attention.

2118 Pedestrian Crossings:

(*a*) North Circular Road.—A letter, dated 16th July, 1937, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council forwarding copy of the following resolution passed at a meeting of the County Highways Committee on the 14th July, 1937:—

> "That an intimation be given to the Finchley Town Council that the County Council approves of the provision of a pedestrian crossing along the North Circular Road, Finchley north-east of the roundabout at the junction with East End Road, at an estimated cost of £18 and agrees to defray a moiety of the balance of the cost of installation after deducting the Ministry of Transport's grant."

(*b*) High Road, opposite to Swimming Pool.—

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to approach the Authorities concerned with a view to a pedestrian crossing being laid down at the above point.

2119 London Traffic Act, 1924—Section 4—Closing of Streets for Works:

It was reported that letters, dated 1st July and 2nd September, 1937, respectively, had been received from the Ministry of Transport hereon and referred to the Borough Surveyor for attention.

2120 **Reconstruction of Overhead Equipment for Trolley Bus Operation—Woodhouse Road :**

The Town Clerk reported that at a Special Meeting of the General Purposes Committee held on the 26th August, 1937, a supplemental estimate for £160 in respect of the estimated expenditure involved in connection with the above works was approved and this Committee had been asked to consider the question of saving an equivalent amount on other items included in the estimates. 203

Arising thereon, the Borough Surveyor was instructed to go into the matter and report at a later meeting.

2121 **Passage between Woodhouse Road and Castle Road (Rear of Grand Hall Cinema) :**

It was reported that the Public Health Committee had referred to this Committee for consideration the question of the making up of the above under the provisions of the Public Health Act, 1875.

The Committee, after full consideration, were of opinion that the time had arrived when the passage in question should be made up and, with this object in view, the Borough Surveyor was instructed to proceed with the preparation of the necessary plans, etc.

2122 **Private Street Works—30th Batch :**

(*a*) Fenstanton Avenue.—A communication, dated 26th July, 1937, was submitted from Mr. R. Hill, a frontager to Fenstanton Avenue, suggesting that as that street was a cul-de-sac and was very little used except by the occupants of the few houses therein and it was their wish that the rural aspect of the road with its greensward should be retained, the only works necessary in the road would be the filling up of holes which had so far served its purpose ;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken thereon.

(*b*) Hutton Grove Extension.—The Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"The above road is included in the 30th batch of private streets, the plans and estimates in respect of which were approved by your Committee in April last. The application for a loan has not yet been forwarded to the Ministry of Health and I will report at your meeting on a petition which has been received from 22 residents objecting to the execution of the works in question and giving reasons in support of their objections."

RECOMMENDED that the petitioners be informed that they will have an opportunity of expressing their views on the matter at the Public Inquiry which will in due course be held by the Ministry of Health into the Town Council's application for consent to the necessary loan for the carrying out of the works.

2123 **Private Street Works—Bancroft Avenue—Lighting :**

Reference was made to a letter, dated 13th August, 1937, received from Mr. Gilbert Watt enclosing copy of correspondence which he had had with the Borough Surveyor hereon ;

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to prepare the necessary plans, etc., with a view to notices being served in connection with the lighting of the street in question.

2124 **Date of Next Meeting :**

RECOMMENDED that the next meeting of the Committee be held on Tuesday, the 5th October, at 8 p.m.

2125 **"Woodside," Totteridge Lane:**

It was reported that the above property had now been let on a weekly tenancy to Miss A. G. Braine at an inclusive rental of 27/6d. per week in accordance with the Valuation Officer's Report as approved by the County Council;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2126 **Prevention of Blindness:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"I am submitting to the Public Health Committee a circular letter received from the Ministry of Health on the above subject. The circular refers to a report on the Prevention of Blindness which was issued last year by the Standing Committee on the Prevention of Blindness of the Union of Counties Associations for the Blind and states that reference is made therein to accidents involving injury to the eyes which occur in road-making and ancillary processes, and in hedge cutting and trimming. It is pointed out that chipping stone or the glass of pavement lights, fitting paving-stones and similar jobs, are often carried on without any protection to the worker, whereas the passer-by is sometimes protected from the risk of flying chips by a screen. The attention of Local Authorities who are responsible for the employment of men on work of this nature is drawn to the importance of taking all possible measures to reduce the risks to which such workers are exposed."

Arising thereon, the Borough Surveyor intimated that the matter was one which at all times received very careful consideration.

2127 **Wayleaves:**

The under-mentioned applications from the Post Office Authorities were submitted:—

1. Underground line across Avenue Road, N. 12, from outside Nos. 32/34 to outside Nos. 35/37, thence along the north side to outside Nos. 45/47. Council to reinstate at their own cost.
2. Underground line with the necessary manholes along the north side of East End Road and the south-east side of Green Lane from High Road to a point opposite Briarfield Avenue, north-east side; thence across Green Lane and along the north-east side of Briarfield Avenue to the North Circular Road, south-east side. Also along the north-east side of Briarfield Avenue from North Circular Road north-west side to Squires Lane, thence across Squires Lane and along the south-west side of Lichfield Grove to Regents Park Road.

RECOMMENDED that such applications be granted, subject to the actual positions of the lines being agreed by the Borough Surveyor, and to the work being carried out to his satisfaction.

2128 **Electric Main Applications:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"The following applications for underground electric cables and overground disconnecting boxes have been received from the General Manager and Engineer:—

27th July, 1937	Underground electric main extension East End Road from outside new houses by Arden Cricket Field to the North Circular Road.
30th July, 1937	Underground electric main extension from sub-station Windsor Open Space, traversing Wickliffe Avenue (a private street) and Hendon Lane from the junction with Wickliffe Avenue to Crooked Usage.
30th July, 1937	The plan accompanying this application shows a proposal for main extensions in the following Streets:— Cornwall Avenue; the following sections of Nether Street (Dollis Road to Elm Park Road, Eversleigh Road to Grosvenor Road, and Lansdowne Road to Fursby Avenue); Nethercourt Avenue; Fursby Avenue; Chesterfield Road; West Avenue; Brent Way; Hamilton Way; Finchley Way; Lansdowne Road; Grosvenor Road; Eversleigh Road; Elm Park Road; and Gordon Road. With the exception of carriageway crossings at street junctions all these mains will be laid under the footpaths.

The plan also shows cable extensions along Lovers Walk from Nether Street to Wentworth Avenue and it should be borne in mind that the Council's low level sewer passes under this path and the manholes might obstruct the laying of the cables.

4th August, 1937 ... Overground disconnecting box, east side of Birley Road, near the junction with Totteridge Lane. The footpath at this point is 8 feet wide and the box would not cause a serious obstruction.

21st August, 1937 ... Overground disconnecting box, grass verge, east side of Nether Street, south of Western Court."

RECOMMENDED that the applications in question be granted so far as the Town Council has jurisdiction in the matter.

2129 **Telephone Kiosk:**

It was reported that an application, dated 5th August, 1937, had been received from the Post Office Telephones for permission to erect a telephone kiosk in Princes Avenue, south-west side, near to its junction with Ballards Lane; further, that this kiosk was in substitution for one which stood on the forecourt of the Kiwi premises in Ballards Lane and that the Borough Surveyor saw no objection to the proposal.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted and that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in connection with the Agreement.

2130 **Hendon Lane Widening:**

The Borough Surveyor presented Drawing No. 11,328, showing the proposed widening of Hendon Lane to 50 feet between King Edward Buildings and Gravel Hill and intimated that the estimated cost of the improvement (excluding acquisition of land) was £5,717;

RECOMMENDED that the proposal be approved and that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to submit same to the Middlesex County Council.

2131 **Omnibus Stopping Places—Regents Park Road:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"(*a*) **Regents Park Road by 'La Delivrance.'**

The London & Home Counties Traffic Advisory Committee in company with a representative of this department inspected Regents Park Road in the neighbourhood of the statue 'La Delivrance' on the 24th August, 1937, and investigated the suggestion that the 'request' stop on pole 85 should be moved to pole 82. The Committee, while not prepared to make the change suggested, verbally inferred that if the Council consider an additional 'request' stop desirable, between Arden Road and Fitzalan Road, they would consider the proposal.

(*b*) **Near Junction with East End Road.**

The Committee also inspected the stopping places at the junction of East End Road where it will be necessary to make alterations in connection with the installation of the automatic traffic signals and it was decided that the stop for northbound traffic should be at pole 71 and that for southbound traffic (including service No. 143, eastbound) at a point outside No. 262, Regents Park Road. Westbound East End Road, service 143 omnibuses will stop outside No. 5, Stanhope Court."

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that as regards (a), further representations be made to the Advisory Committee after Councillor Grobel has had an opportunity of discussing the matter with a representative of the Borough Surveyor's Department on site; and

(2) that as regards (b) the proposals be approved.

2132 **Erection of Signs:**

(*a*) The Borough Surveyor reported that the North Middlesex Golf Club were desirous of erecting a sign on a direction sign-post belonging to the Council which was situate on the pavement junction of Friern Barnet Lane and High Road, N. 20, such sign to be lettered "To the North Middlesex Golf Club";

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised thereto subject to the Club entering into an Agreement in a form to be approved by the Solicitor providing (*inter alia*) for payment of an acknowledgment rental of 1/- per annum.

(*b*) The Borough Surveyor also intimated that an application had been received from the Finchley Golf Club for permission to place signs bearing the title "Finchley Golf Club" in the following positions:—

(i) On lamp post at water trough at Church End.

(ii) On sign post at corner of Nether Street and Dollis Road.

(iii) On red "Fire" lamp post opposite Eversleigh Road.

(iv) On broken green lamp post at the bottom of Moss Hall Grove.

(v) On lamp post in Ballards Lane opposite top of Moss Hall Grove.

RECOMMENDED that except as regards (3) above, the application be granted, subject to the Club entering into an Agrement in a form to be approved by the Solicitor providing (*inter alia*) for payment of an acknowledgment rental of 1/- per annum in respect of each sign.

2133 **Seymour Road—Junction with Etchingham Park Road and Holdenhurst Avenue:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"A letter, dated the 13th July, 1937, has been received from Mr. G. Grose, "Ladsmere," Holdenhurst Avenue, drawing attention to what he terms a very dangerous crossing for general motor traffic at the above junction. Police records show that there was one accident at the junction in 1935-36 involving slight personal injury to a motor cyclist. The position might be met by erecting 'Cross Road' signs in each approach in Etchingham Park Road and 'Slow Major Road Ahead' signs in Seymour Road and Holdenhurst Avenue, or alternatively white lines could be painted down the centre of the four approaches. Before any action can be taken it would be necessary to approach the Police and the Ministry of Transport."

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to obtain the views of the appropriate Authorities on the matter and to report further at next meeting.

2134 **Totteridge Lane Widening:**

The Borough Surveyor presented Drawing No. 11,287 showing the proposed widening of Totteridge Lane;

RECOMMENDED that same be approved and that authority be given for the plan to be transmitted to the Middlesex County Council.

2135 **Proposed "School" Sign—Kingsley Way:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"A letter, dated the 6th October, 1937, was received from Major Marjoribanks asking for 'School' signs to be erected in Kingsley Way. The letter was considered by your Committee in December last when it was decided that the matter should stand over until Kingsley Way was declared a highway repairable by the inhabitants at large. This road has now been taken over and I recommend that two 'School' signs should be erected, one on the north and one on the south of Leas House School. The estimated cost is 47/- each and I shall be glad of your instructions. If the Committee approve, the matter should be referred to the Police and the Ministry of Transport."

RECOMMENDED that the proposal be approved and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to communicate with the appropriate Authorities in regard thereto.

2136 **Sewer Floodings:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that during the exceptionally heavy storm on the 13th August, 1937, reports of floodings at the following points had been received:—

East End Road, N. 3 by No. 2, Stanhope Court.
Rosemary Avenue, N. 3.
The Bishop's Avenue, N. 2.
Falloden Way, N.W. 11.
Winnington Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb.
Holly Park Garage, Regents Park Road, N. 3.
Deansway, Hampstead Garden Suburb.
Templars Crescent, N. 3.
Dollis Avenue, N. 3.
Baronsmere Road, N. 2.
Southern Road, N. 2.
Hervey Close, N. 3.
Cyprus Gardens, N. 3.
Church Crescent, N. 3.
Litchfield Way by Litchfield Court, Hampstead Garden Suburb.
Fordington Road, Hornsey.
Village Road, N. 3.
Dukes Avenue, N. 3.
Regents Park Road, junction with North Circular Road, N. 3.
Long Lane by Montpelier Road and No. 399.

further, that investigations were being made and that a further report would be submitted as soon as possible.

2137 **Footpath—Twyford Avenue to Durham Road (All Saints' Church):**

The Borough Surveyor reported receipt of a letter, dated 18th August, 1937, from Mr. H. Eason enquiring whether the Town Council would agree to scavenge the above footpath.

It was intimated that the cost of the work would be approximately £4 per annum;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council will be prepared to undertake the work in question, subject to the necessary Agreement being entered into.

2138 **Proposed Warning to Motorists—Ballards Lane by Kingsway, N. 12:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that, in accordance with instructions, he had investigated this matter and was of opinion that an improvement might be effected by the laying down of a white line from the apex of the island towards Dale Grove as indicated on the sketch submitted.

The Committee were in agreement with the proposal and instructions were given to him to obtain the views of the appropriate Authorities thereon.

2139 **Proposed Widening—68, Ballards Lane—Site of Premises Formerly Occupied by Kiwi Polish Co. Pty., Ltd:**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon a communication, dated 3rd August, 1937, received from Messrs. Newton and Wright intimating that it would be necessary to move the crossing giving access to their premises approximately 2 feet northwards and that they were prepared to convey to the Town Council, free of cost, the land between the new frontage and the back edge of the public footpath, provided the Council would construct the crossing at their own expense.

He further intimated that the estimated cost of the work was £42, excluding any necessary alterations to an existing private manhole;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that, subject to the approval of the Middlesex County Council, the offer be accepted;

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in connection with the Conveyance; and

(*c*) that, if necessary, payment of reasonable legal costs be approved.

2140 **London Passenger Transport Board Proposed Sub-Station, East Finchley:**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon a proposal which had been made by the London Passenger Transport Board in regard to the erection of a sub-station in connection with the electrification of the railway, on a site nearly opposite to The Bishop's Avenue;

RECOMMENDED—

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(*a*) that no objection be raised thereto so far as the Town Council are concerned; and

(*b*) that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to notify the Middlesex County Council of the proposal.

2141 **Electricity Department—Overground Disconnecting Boxes:**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon applications received in connection with the erection of overground disconnecting boxes as follows:—

On grass island junction of Courthouse Gardens and Nethercourt Avenue.

In Nether Street, opposite West Avenue.

In Finchley Avenue, junction with Crooked Usage.

RECOMMENDED that same be approved.

2142 **Plan No. 10,125—Shops with Living Accommodation Over—Nether Street:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the above-mentioned plan which was being recommended by the Town Planning Committee for approval showed an area of land to be given up for widening purposes without monetary compensation, subject to the Town Council bearing the cost of making up and paving the widened portion;

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RECOMMENDED that the proposal be approved in principle and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to report at next meeting on the cost involved.

2143 **Fire Brigade:**

(*a*) Barrow-in-Furness Conference.—A letter, dated July, 1937, was submitted from the Secretary to the above referring to the Conference on Fire Brigade matters held by representatives of local authorities at Barrow-in-Furness in May last. He stated that the Conference, on consideration of the recommendations contained in the report issued last year of the Departmental Committee on Fire Brigade Services (the Riverdale Committee) had passed a series of resolutions and appointed a Committee to proceed promptly upon the resolutions and to maintain contact with the Home Office, having regard to the intention of H.M. Government to introduce a Bill on Fire Brigade matters in the present session of Parliament; that the Committee had met and, the various resolutions of the Conference having been conveyed to the appropriate quarters, was now concerned in the drawing of a scheme for a Central Fire Brigades Advisory Board, as it was instructed to do by the Conference; further that the Committee had decided to invite local authorities to subscribe towards the expenses incurred for printing, etc., on the following scale:—

	£	s.	d.
Local authorities with a population of 50,000 or upwards	3	3	0
Local authorities with a population of more than 20,000 but less than 50,000	2	2	0
Local authorities with a population of under 20,000	1	1	0

It was reported that in a further letter the Council were invited to appoint a representative or representatives to attend a meeting which would be held at Cheltenham in the "Fire Week" on the 23rd September, 1937, when it was anticipated that the Barrow-in-Furness Committee would be in a position to lay before the meeting a scheme for a Fire Brigade Authorities Advisory Council.

After full consideration, the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade was appointed to attend the meeting to be held on the 23rd September, 1937;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the action taken be approved; and

(*b*) that a contribution of 3 guineas be made by the Town Council towards the expenses in question.

(*b*) Employment of Regular Soldiers on Completion of their Service with the Colours.—The Town Clerk reported receipt of a communication, dated 26th July, 1937, from the Under Secretary of State, Home Office (Fire Brigade Division) asking for the co-operation of Fire Brigade Authorities in the employment of regular soldiers who had completed their engagements with the Colours.

It was stated that it was recognised that a factor which in the past had doubtless operated against the appointment of ex-soldiers to fire brigades was the liability to recall to the Army which existed in the case of men who had not completed their period of service in the Army Reserve, and that in order to meet this difficulty, as far as practicable, it had been agreed with the War Office, in common with the other Service Departments, that in the event of mobilisation taking place in circumstances involving a risk of air raids, men with Reserve obligations (except a few "key-men") would not be called up on mobilisation but would remain on fire brigade duty for a period of three months; further, that during that period the position would be considered by the Home Office and the Defence Departments in the light of prevailing conditions.

(*c*) Fire Brigade Pensions Act, 1925.—The Committee considered a Memorandum received from the Fire Brigades' Union (circulated).

(*d*) Firemen's Cottages—4, Pointalls Close.—It was reported that, owing to his being unable to obtain alternative accommodation, Fireman Evans did not vacate the above premises when he retired on the 9th August, 1937, but was, on the authority of the Chairman of the Committee, permitted to remain in occupation until the 20th August;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*e*) County of Middlesex (Finchley, Hornsey and Friern Barnet Boundaries) Order, 1937.—The Town Clerk reported upon correspondence which had taken place with the Friern Barnet Urban District Council relative to the position as regards fire alarms and fire hydrants consequent upon the coming into force of the above Order, from which it appeared that it would be necessary for a Finchley street fire alarm, situate near Whetstone Lodge, High Road, N. 20 (now in the Friern Barnet area), to be transferred to the Finchley area on the opposite side of the High Road.

The Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade intimated that the removal and reinstatement cost would be approximately £5 and that the annual rental required by the London Telephone Service for new cables would be £8 12s. 0d. under an Agreement for a five year term;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the carrying out of the necessary work at the cost indicated.

(*f*) Damage to Town Council's Property.—It was reported that a fire alarm at the junction of High Road and The Bishop's Avenue was damaged by a private motor car on the 27th August, 1937, and that the matter had been dealt with.

(*g*) Chief Officer's Report.—The Chief Officer of the Brigade reported as follows:—

(i) Fires.—That a number of fires, as shown in the list circulated, had occurred between the 21st June and the 20th August, 1937.

(ii) Ambulance Calls.—That the following ambulance calls had been received between the 21st June and the 20th August, 1937:—

Private Removals.	Accidents. Motor.	Accidents. Other.	Illness in street.	Not required on arrival.	Hoax calls.	Total
69	29	15	7	6	0	126

(iii) Staff.—That Mr. H. Taylor and Mr. R. A. Priddle, the newly appointed firemen, commenced duty on the 31st July and 9th August, 1937, respectively.

That Firemen Fuller and Francis resumed duty after illness on the 10th July and 27th July, 1937, respectively, and that medical certificates had been submitted.

That Fireman Fisher was absent from duty owing to illness from the 10th to the 16th July, 1937 and that medical certificates had been submitted.

That Fireman Wilkins sustained slight injuries to his right ankle on the 17th August, 1937, and was at present unable to continue his duties and that a medical certificate had been submitted.

(iv) Presentation.—That the Chairman of the Committee had very kindly presented to the Brigade a complete set of bowls.

(v) Fire Brigade.—That a letter, dated 23rd August, 1937, had been received from Mr. E. J. Cleaver of 8, Woodberry Gardens, expressing his thanks for the prompt attention of the Brigade in connection with a fire which had occurred at his garage in Montrose Crescent.

2144 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the several Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

A. N. H. BAINES,

Chairman (*pro tempore*).

Public Health Committee's Report.

9th SEPTEMBER, 1937.

Present: Councillor Jones (Chairman), Councillor Grobel (Vice-Chairman), Aldermen Briant and Pike, and Councillors Collis, Grocott, Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Murphy.

2145 **Minutes:**

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

2146 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved, subject to the addition of the following item:—

Overprinting of Posters—National Health Campaign—£20.

2147 **Medical Officer's Report:**

The following report of the Medical Officer for the 9 weeks ended 28th August, 1937, was submitted and approved:—

	Wards.				
" 1. **Deaths.**—	N.	E.	W.	1937.	1936.
Number registered	31	28	24	83	77
Infants under one year	2	1	1	4	3
Infectious disease	—	—	—	—	1
2. **Births.**—					
Number notified under the Notification of Births Acts	55	52	60	167	143
3. **Infectious Disease.**—					
Cases notified	17	6	7	30	30
Scarlet Fever	12	1	6	19	13
Diphtheria	—	1	—	1	4
Erysipelas	1	2	—	3	8
Pneumonia	2	—	—	2	3
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	—	—	1	2
Cerebro-Spinal Meningitis	1	—	—	1	—
Enteric Fever	—	—	1	1	—
Acute Poliomyelitis	—	2	—	2	—
4. **Tuberculosis.**—					
Pulmonary cases	2	6	1	9	7
Non-pulmonary cases	—	—	—	—	1
5. **Patients in Hospital.**—					
Number in hospital on the 2nd July				17	10
Number admitted				20	22
Number discharged				24	20
Number of deaths				—	—
Number in hospital on the 3rd September				13	12

6. **Children Act, 1908, and Children and Young Persons Act, 1932.**—

At the time of the last report there were 18 mothers and 41 children on the register. Since then 1 mother and 13 children have been added and 10 children have been removed from the register, leaving 19 mothers and 44 children on the register."

2148 **Sanitary Inspector's Report:**

This was submitted. Arising thereon the Inspector reported as follows:—

(1) Houses without proper dustbins (Section 22 of the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908).—

4 and 7, Elmfield Road, N. 2.
32, Fredericks Place, N. 12.
10, Rasper Road, N. 20.
5, Friern Park, N. 12.

That the above houses were not provided with proper dustbins;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that notices be served upon the owners, requiring them to provide at their respective premises a strong galvanised iron dustbin with a suitable cover; and

(*b*) that, failing compliance with such notices, proceedings be taken for recovery of the penalties mentioned in Section 22 of the Finchley Urban District Council Act, 1908.

(2) Housing Act, 1936.—

(*a*) 12, Woodside Park Gardens, N. 12.
26, Brackenbury Road, N. 2.
22, Brackenbury Road, N. 2.

That the above-mentioned houses, which were occupied or of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes were unfit for human habitation, and he submitted a schedule of the defects found.

The Committee being satisfied that the said houses were capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered fit for human habitation, it was

RECOMMENDED that in pursuance of sub-section 1 of Section 9 of the Housing Act, 1936, the statutory notices now submitted be served upon the persons having control of the said houses requiring them to execute the works specified in such notices.

(*b*) Nos. 1/6, Rustic Cottages, Dunger Place, N. 12.—That the tenants of Nos. 3 and 5, Rustic Cottages, had now found other accommodation and had given up possession of the premises; further, that he understood that the owners would proceed with the demolition of Nos. 1 to 6, Rustic Cottages, at an early date.

(*c*) 46, Cavendish Avenue, N. 3.
19, Sylvester Road, N. 2.

That notices should, he suggested, be served upon the occupiers of the above-mentioned dwellinghouses requiring them to furnish within fourteen days a statement in writing of the number, ages and sexes of the persons sleeping in the said dwellinghouses;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

(3) Complaints.—That since the 2nd July, 1937, the following complaints had been received and dealt with :—

re Condition of house	34
,, Blocked or defective drains	10
,, Absence of dustbin	2
,, Nuisance from dustbins	3
,, Accumulation of refuse	12
,, Burning of refuse	6
,, Flooding	7
,, Rats and Mice	12
,, Insects	3
,, Fleas	1
,, Nuisance from keeping of animals	3
,, Nuisance from smoke	1
,, Nuisance from noise	2
,, Absence of water supply	1
,, Condition of drinking water	1
,, Smells from road gully	1
,, Condition of brook	1
,, Dirty milk bottle	1
,, Unsound food	1
,, Shops Acts	3
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(4) Milk and Dairies Acts—Milk and Dairies Order, 1926—Registration.—That an application to be registered as retail purveyors of milk within the Borough had been received from :—

Tesco Stores, Ltd., 720, High Road, N. 12.

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted.

(5) Slaughter of Animals Act, 1933 (Section 3).—That an application had been received from Mr. H. C. Barnes of 37, Kitchener Road, N. 2, for a licence to slaughter animals in slaughterhouses or knackers' yards ;

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted for the period ending 31st December, 1937, subject to payment of a fee of 1/-.

(6) Unsound Food.—That the diseased or unsound meat, particulars of which were submitted, had been destroyed since last meeting.

(7) Petroleum (Consolidation) Act, 1928.—

(*a*) Grace Ellen Moore, trading as Purkess Self-Drive Car Hire, 204, Ballards Lane, Finchley, N. 3.—That an application had been received from Grace Ellen Moore for a licence to keep 48 gallons of petroleum spirit at 204, Ballards Lane, N. 3, and that it was proposed to store the petroleum spirit in two-gallon cans placed in a galvanised iron storage bin which would be kept in the small open space on the western side of the premises ;

RECOMMENDED that the licence now submitted be granted to the above-mentioned applicant for the period ending 30th June, 1938, subject to the storage arrangements being completed to the satisfaction of the Petroleum Inspector and to the conditions annexed to the licence being observed.

(*b*) Merry Miller Bakeries, Ltd., The Walks, East Finchley, N. 2.—That an application had been received from Merry Miller Bakeries, Ltd., for a licence to keep 1,000 gallons of petroleum spirit in bulk at their factory, The Walks, East Finchley ; further, that the applicants were already licensed to keep 500 gallons of petroleum spirit in bulk at these premises ;

RECOMMENDED that the licence now submitted be granted to the above-mentioned applicants for the period ending 30th June, 1938, subject to the conditions mentioned in the report of the Inspector.

(*c*) Proposed Petrol Filling Station, North-West Corner Site at Junction of North Circular Road and High Road.—That an application had been received from Mr. Stanley Thomas Glanfield of 101, Station Road, New Barnet, Herts., for a licence to keep 6,000 gallons of petroleum spirit in bulk at a new petroleum filling station to be constructed at the junction of the North Circular Road and High Road, N. 2; that it was proposed to keep the petroleum spirit in underground storage tanks and to erect six electrically operated petroleum supply pumps and that it was also proposed to provide two additional reserve storage tanks which might, subject to the Council's approval, be brought into use at some future time; further, that the details of the installation were shown on the Plans Nod. 29, 29a and 29b submitted by the applicant;

RECOMMENDED that the licence now submitted be granted to the above-mentioned applicant for the period ending 30th June, 1938, subject to the conditions mentioned in the report of the Inspector.

2149 **Midwives Act, 1936—Domiciliary Service of Midwives:**

(*a*) Appointment of Two Municipal Midwives.—The Committee interviewed five applicants for the above appointments and in accordance with the authority delegated to them by the Town Council it was decided that, subject to the approval of the Middlesex County Council, Miss A. M. Davey and Mrs. A. B. Talbot be appointed to the positions on the terms mentioned in the advertisement and conditional upon their passing the necessary medical examination.

(*b*) A letter, dated 19th July, 1937, received from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council was submitted, stating that the Minister of Health did not propose to direct any alteration to be made in the proposals of the County Council for the provision of a domiciliary service of midwives, a copy of which, as submitted to the Minister, was forwarded to the Council on the 25th March last, and that the Minister had decided to allow an extension of the period in which the proposals must be carried into effect only until the 1st October next; further, that a draft of the necessary formal agreement between the Council and the County Council would be forwarded as soon as possible but that it was hoped that pending the settlement of the details thereof, the Council would initiate any steps which might be necessary as a preliminary to the arrangements;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

2150 **Bye-Laws—Hairdressers' and Barbers' Premises:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"At the meeting of your Committee in June last, a letter received from the Finchley and District Branch of the London & Provincial Hairdressers' Association was submitted, protesting against the above Bye-Laws which had been made by the Town Council and asking that a deputation might be received for the purpose of discussing the Bye-Laws. In accordance with the instructions of the Council at its subsequent meeting I informed the Association that the Council could not see its way to receive a deputation on the matter, but a copy of the objection was, however, forwarded to the Ministry of Health when the Bye-Laws were submitted for confirmation. In a letter, dated 23rd July, 1937, which has now been received from the Ministry, it is stated that the Minister prefers that all objections to Bye-Laws should be dealt with locally in the first instance and an attempt be made either by conference or otherwise to settle the matter; further, that if this procedure fails the Minister should be furnished with the observations of the Council on the objections."

RECOMMENDED that, in the circumstances, an invitation be extended to the Association to appoint three delegates to appear before the Committee at its next meeting and that in the meantime the Association be asked to furnish for the information of the Committee particulars of their objections to the Bye-Laws.

2151 **Prevention of Blindness:**

A circular letter (No. 1621), dated 6th August, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted, drawing the attention of the Council to the importance of taking all practicable steps to prevent blindness and impaired eyesight and referring to the Report on the Prevention of Blindness which was issued last year by the Standing Committee on the Prevention of Blindness of the Union of Counties Associations for the Blind.

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The Medical Officer of Health reported that the matters referred to in the circular were being dealt with.

2152 **Finchley, Hornsey, Wood Green and Friern Barnet Joint Hospital Committee:**

A letter, dated 26th August, 1937, received from the Clerk and Accountant of the Finchley, Hornsey, Wood Green and Friern Barnet Joint Hospital Committee, was submitted, enclosing a copy of the District Auditor's Report and the Financial Statement of Accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1937, of the Joint Hospital Committee as certified by the District Auditor.

2153 **Local Health Services—Information at Post Offices:**

A circular letter (No. 1643b), dated 30th August, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health, was submitted enclosing copy of a letter and enclosures which the Minister had addressed to the County and County Borough Councils on the question of displaying information in Post Offices about Local Health Services. The letter asked that the Council, being the Maternity and Child Welfare Authority, would co-operate with the County Council in supplying such information as was more readily accessible to them than to the County Council, in order to enable a complete statement of the Health Services available in the District to be prepared;

RECOMMENDED that the Officers concerned be instructed to co-operate with the County Council in the manner desired.

2154 **Third Party Claims:**

It was reported that a number of claims had been received and dealt with.

2155 **Insurance of Workmen—Accident—B. Hale:**

The Town Clerk reported that the above employee had met with an accident since last meeting and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

2156 **Erection of Mortuary—North Circular Road:**

The Town Clerk reported that in issuing consent to the raising of a loan of £3,270 for the erection of the new mortuary, the Ministry of Health had intimated that the approval of the Minister was given to the Council's proposals, subject to the planting of a thick belt of suitable evergreen trees round the site on the north-west side.

2157 **Maternity and Child Welfare Sub-Committee:**

It was reported that a meeting of the above Sub-Committee had been held on the 9th September, 1937, and the following report was submitted:—

"Present: Councillor Jones (Chairman), Councillor Grobel (Vice-Chairman), Councillors Collis, Grocott, Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Murphy; also Mrs. Healing and Mrs. Robinson.

1.—**Requisitions.**—

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved, subject to the addition of the following items in respect of Bourchier House:—

	£	s.	d.
(i) Installation of Gas Fire in Caretaker's Cottage	1	12	0
(ii) Repairs to Anthracite Stoves	4	0	0

2.—**Supply of Milk to Expectant Mothers.**—

A letter, dated 10th July, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted, suggesting that the Council should give further consideration to the desirability of ensuring the provision of a sufficient supply of milk or other food for expectant mothers at any stage of pregnancy when this provision is necesssary for the maintenance of the health of the mother.

After hearing a report by the Medical Officer on the matter, it was

RECOMMENDED that the Ministry be informed that arrangements will be made where necessary for the supply of milk to expectant mothers to be increased to 1 quart a mother per day.

3.—**Infant Welfare Centre—Essex Park.**—

The Town Clerk reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Sub-Committee he had enquired of the Trustees of the Methodist Church, Ballards Lane, if it was their intention to dispose of the Hall which was at present used by the Council as an Infant Welfare Centre and had received a reply from the Secretary to the effect that the matter had been under consideration but that the Trustees had decided to take no action in regard thereto for the time being.

4.—**Erection of Health Centre—Oak Lane.**—

The Sub-Committee had before them a letter, dated 13th August, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health making a number of observations on the plans of the proposed Health Centre.

After full consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Surveyor and the Medical Officer of Health be instructed to interview the Ministry of Health on the points raised and, if necessary, to report further to the Sub-Committee thereon at next meeting.

5.—**Medical Officer's Report.**—

The Report (circulated) of the Medical Officer of Health for the 13 weeks ended 28th August, 1937, was submitted.

6.—**Maternal Deaths.**—

The Medical Officer reported that since the last meeting of the Sub-Committee three maternal deaths had taken place and he reported briefly as to the cause in each case.

7.—**The Finchley Infant Welfare Association.**—

The Medical Officer reported that a print of the 24th Annual Report of the above Association had been circulated to each member of the Council and the congratulations of the Sub-Committee were extended to the Association on the work which had been carried out during the past year.

8.—**Instructions.**—

RECOMMENDED that the Instruction given to the Medical Officer of Health, as entered in his Instruction Book, be approved.

J. HUGH JONES,
Chairman."

RECOMMENDED that the Report of the Sub-Committee be received and adopted.

2158 **Public Baths:**

(*a*) Squires Lane.—

(i) Monthly Statement.—A Statement (circulated) was submitted showing the number of bathers and receipts for the 9 weeks ended 29th August, 1937.

(ii) Winter Arrangements.—The Borough Surveyor reported hereon;

RECOMMENDED that the arrangements for the period ending 31st March, 1938, be the same as those agreed last year as per Minute No. 2025 (a) (v).

(iii) Boiler Cleaning and Inspection.—

RECOMMENDED that the Baths be closed for boiler cleaning and inspection from Monday, 27th December, 1937, to Sunday, 2nd January, 1938, both days inclusive.

(*b*) Open Air Pools.—

(i) Monthly Statement.—A Statement (circulated) was submitted showing the number of bathers and receipts for the 9 weeks ended 29th August, 1937.

(ii) Drowning Fatality.—The Town Clerk intimated that at the Special Meeting of the General Purposes Committee held during the vacation, he reported that a small boy had been drowned at the Open Air Pool on the 19th August, 1937, and that an Inquest into the tragedy was held by Dr. Cohen, the Coroner, at the Friern Barnet Council Offices on the 23rd August, when a verdict of "drowned whilst bathing in the Finchley Swimming Pool" was returned.

(iii) Closure of Pools.—The Committee decided that the Pools should be closed to the public at sunset on Saturday, 25th September, 1937, and instructions were given to the Town Clerk to give public notice to that effect;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2159 **Sewage Analysis:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that a sample of sewage effluent was taken from the high and low level outfalls on the 20th August, 1937, by the Lee Conservancy Board and the analysis figures of the check sample were submitted.

2160 **Sewer Floodings:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that on the occasion of the severe storm on Friday, 13th August, 1937, flooding of soil sewers took place at the following points:—

Basement Flat—31b, Lichfield Grove
22, Vivian Way
Long Lane by Montpelier Road
The Bishop's Avenue
8, Chesterfield Road;

further, that the matters were being investigated and that, if necessary, a report would be submitted to the Committee thereon in due course.

2161 **National Health Campaign:**

The Medical Officer of Health reported upon a quotation amounting to £49 8s. 0d. which he had obtained from the Central Council for Health Education for posting notices relative to the above, for a period of 26 weeks from the 1st October, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that such quotation be accepted.

2162 **Sewage Disposal Works—Purchase of Second-Hand Clinker, etc.:**

The Borough Surveyor reported hereon, and it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that he be authorised (a) to purchase second-hand clinker from Mr. G. Haynes at a cost of £140, subject to Contract; and (b) to purchase a second-hand distributor at a cost not exceeding £25;

(2) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration insofar as the requisite financial arrangements are concerned.

2163 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

J. HUGH JONES,
Chairman.

Education Committee's Report.

13th SEPTEMBER, 1937.

Present: Councillor Grocott (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), Alderman Syrett, Councillors Burch, Jones, Langlands, Steward and Wilmot; Miss Davey, Mrs. Miall, Mr. Merry.

Non-Member: Councillor Mrs. Murphy.

2164 **Accounts:**

Accounts, amounting to £1,212 11s. 10d. have been examined and approved for submission to the Finance Committee for payment.

2165 **School Attendance Return:**

The following are the school attendance figures for the month of July, 1937:—

School.	Average No. on Books.	Average Attendance.	Percentage.
Alder Senior	306	273	89.2
Alder Infants	127	111	87.4
Northside Senior	236	198	83.9
Northside Junior	484	409	84.5
Manorside Senior	286	254	88.8
Manorside Junior	516	431	85.4
Martin Junior	452	394	87.1
Summerside Junior	477	421	88.2
St. Mary's Junior	514	444	86.3
St. John's Junior	314	279	88.8
Christ Church Senior	218	198	90.8
Holy Trinity Junior	311	262	84.2
Our Lady of Lourdes Mixed	291	261	89.6
Total	4532	3935	86.8

2166 **Student Teacher:**

Miss R. N. Simons, who was appointed a student teacher by the Council at their June, 1937, meeting, has withdrawn her application on account of her desire to take up other work.

2167 **Martin School—Part Use of by Hornsey Education Authority:**

Notice was received on 1st September, 1937, from the Borough of Hornsey terminating, on 30th September, 1937, their agreement for the part use of the Martin Council School.

RECOMMENDED that such notice be accepted.

2168 **Middlesex Edward VII. Memorial Hostel, Bexhill-on-Sea:**

A letter has been received from the Secretary to the above-named Hostel asking the Authority to renew the arrangements made last winter for the reservation of two places at the Hostel for children selected by the School Medical Officer to receive convalescent treatment.

RECOMMENDED that two places be reserved at the Middlesex Edward VII. Memorial Hostel, Bexhill-on-Sea, for the period 28th September, 1937, to 31st March, 1938, for children selected by the School Medical Officer to receive convalescent treatment, each at a cost of 28s. per week, plus fares.

2169 **Martin School—Flat Roofs:**

The Caretaker reported on the 6th August that the lead had been stripped and stolen from the flat roofs to the windows of the Junior Department.

The occurrence has been reported to the Police and the Insurance Company.

2170 **Holy Trinity School—Report by H.M. Inspector:**

A report made by H.M. Inspector, Mr. A. F. Watts, after visits to Holy Trinity School on 22nd and 23rd July, 1937, has been considered. A copy of the report was circulated to members with the agenda for the September meeting of the Education Committee.

2171 **Special School Case:**

The mother (a widow) of "J.M.H." a deaf and dumb boy (date of birth, 28th September, 1925), has made application for the Education Authority to accept responsibility for the cost of the education and maintenance of her boy at the Royal School for Deaf and Dumb Children, Margate.

RECOMMENDED that, as from the 13th September, 1937, the Finchley Education Authority accept responsibility for the cost of the education and maintenance of "J.M.H.," aged 12 years, at the Royal School for Deaf and Dumb Children, Margate, at a fee of £75 per annum, the parent to pay weekly contributions amounting to £37 10s. 0d. per annum towards this expense.

2172 **Summerside School—Additions:**

The consent of the Ministry of Health to the raising of the necessary loan (£10,967 for buildings) was received on 13th August, 1937, and the work will be commenced as soon as the contract has been completed.

2173 **Manorside School—Alterations and Additions:**

(*a*) The building operations are now well in hand.

(*b*) Having regard to the building operations and to the reconditioning of the heating system at Manorside School arrangements have been made for the Caretaker to defer taking his summer holiday until September, 1937, and authority has been given for the appointment of a temporary Caretaker, for two weeks, at a wage of £3 per week, while the School Caretaker is on holiday.

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2174 **Holy Trinity School—Appointment:**

RECOMMENDED that the consent of the Authority be given to the appointment, by the Managers of Holy Trinity School, of Miss Gladys Chapman (in the place of Miss Elliott, retired) as a certificated assistant mistress in full-time service, exclusively in the capacity of a teacher, upon the terms and subject to the

conditions of Scale IV. of the Burnham Arbitration Award and the decisions of the Board of Education relating thereto, or upon the terms and subject to the conditions of any other Scale of Salaries that may be adopted by the Council, and to Article 17 (c) of the Education Code, 1926, and to the conditions of appointment of the Authority in force from time to time. The engagement to commence on 1st September, 1937, and to be terminable by one month's notice in writing on either side.

2175 **St. Mary's School—Appointment:**

RECOMMENDED that the consent of the Authority be given to the appointment, by the Managers of St. Mary's School, of Mr. Frank H. Holmes (in the place of Mr. Cooper, promoted) as a certificated assistant master in full-time service, exclusively in the capacity of a teacher, upon the terms and subject to the conditions of Scale IV. of the Burnham Arbitration Award and the decisions of the Board of Education relating thereto, or upon the terms and subject to the conditions of any other Scale of Salaries that may be adopted by the Council, and to Article 17 (c) of the Education Code, 1926, and to the conditions of appointment of the Authority in force from time to time. The engagement to commence on 1st September, 1937, and to be terminable by one month's notice in writing on either side.

2176 **Teaching Staff—Resignations:**

The following resignations have been received from members of the teaching staff:-

Name.	School.	To take effect on.
Mr. A. E. Smith, Headmaster	Alder Senior	31st October, 1937.
Miss P. M. Bone, Assistant Mistress	Northside Junior	30th September, 1937.
Mr. F. H. Holmes, Assistant Master	Northside Junior	31st August, 1937.
Miss K. Rhodes, Domestic Subjects Mistress	Alder Senior	31st August, 1937.

Authority has been given:—

(1) for advertisements to be issued immediately inviting applications in connection with the appointment of a Headmaster to the Alder Senior Mixed School, in the place of Mr. A. E. Smith.

(2) for advertisements to be issued inviting applications from young experienced teachers to fill two vacancies in the teaching staff.

(3) for names of applicants to be obtained, if possible, from the Domestic Subjects Training Colleges to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Miss K. Rhodes, authority being given also for advertisements to be issued if suitable applications are not forthcoming.

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the action taken be approved.

(*b*) that a man be appointed to the Headship of the Alder Senior Mixed School.

(*c*) that the Education Appointments Sub-Committee be authorised to select not more than six applicants for the post of Headmaster to the Alder School for interview by the Education Committee.

(*d*) that the Education Appointments Sub-Committee interview applicants for the two vacancies for Assistant Teachers, and applicants for the post of Domestic Subjects Mistress at the Alder Senior School, and recommend appointments.

(*e*) that the Education Committee be authorised to make the appointments referred to in (1), (2) and (3) above, subject to report; and

(*f*) that a special meeting of the Education Committee be held on 18th October, 1937, at 7.30 p.m. for this purpose.

2177 **Supply Teaching Appointments:**

RECOMMENDED that the supply teaching appointments made during the period 5th April to 23rd July, 1937, as set out on the list circulated with the agenda for the September, 1937, meeting of the Education Committee, be approved.

2178 **Teachers (Superannuation) Acts:**

The Board of Education have awarded superannuation allowances to Miss E. M. Elliott and to Miss A. Spittle, members of the teaching staff recently retired.

2179 **Holy Trinity School—Playground:**

The approval of the Board of Education to the surfacing of the boys' playground at Holy Trinity School and to an expenditure of £715 (£790, less £75, the contribution to be made by the Managers) was received on 28th July, 1937.

The work is being carried out departmentally by the Borough Surveyor.

F. J. GROCOTT,

Chairman.

Allotments Committee's Report.

14th SEPTEMBER, 1937.

Present: Councillor Brooksbank (Chairman), Mr. Rolfe (Vice-Chairman), Alderman Wells, and Messrs. Hewitt and Sunderland.

Non-Member: Alderman Pateman.

2180 **Minutes:**

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

2181 **Allotments:**

(*a*) Gordon Road.—

(i) Applications were submitted from the tenants of plots Nos. 24a and 46 for an abatement of rent on account of the condition of the plots at the time of the commencement of their respective tenancies. After careful consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED that such applications be not granted.

(ii) An application was submitted from the Electricity Department for consent to the erection of an overground electrical disconnecting box on the above allotments, and it was reported that a small portion of plot No. 9, approximately 3 ft. x 1 ft., would be affected;

RECOMMENDED that consent to the erection of the disconnecting box in the position indicated on drawing No. 37187/D be granted, subject to satisfactory arrangements being made with the tenant of the plot affected thereby.

(*b*) Vale Farm.—It was reported that the tenant of plot No. 9 at above had made application for permission to erect a small greenhouse on his plot;

RECOMMENDED that the desired permission be granted subject to the position, type of building and materials being first approved by the Borough Surveyor.

(*c*) Whetstone Stray.—The Town Clerk reported upon an interview which had taken place with two allottees from the above area, when the question of obtaining greater security of tenure was discussed, and the Committee decided to consider the matter in detail at their next meeting.

(*d*) Vacant Plots.—Particulars hereof were submitted.

2182 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

W. L. BROOKSBANK,
Chairman.

Electricity Committee's Report.

14th SEPTEMBER, 1937.

Present: Councillor Baines (Vice-Chairman) in the Chair, Aldermen Briant, Pateman, Pike and Syrett, and Councillors Burch, Grobel and Hayter.

2183 **Minutes:**

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

2184 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of Requisitions (circulated) be approved.

2185 **Coal:**

It was intimated that the present stock of coal was approximately 506 tons and the General Manager and Engineer reported upon correspondence which he had had with the Joint Electricity Authority in regard to the running of the generating station during the coming winter;

RECOMMENDED that the General Manager and Engineer be authorised to purchase, if necessary, "spot lots" of coal not exceeding in the aggregate 1,000 tons, subject to report.

2186 **Generating Staff:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported upon a communication received from the Chief Engineer to the London & Home Counties Joint Electricity Authority in regard to the future of the generating plant particularly in relation to the operating staff, and he intimated that a further report would be made at the next meeting of the Committee.

2187 **Bulk Supply—Effect of Load Factor:**

The General Manager and Engineer submitted a graph showing the effect of the improvement of load factor on the average price per unit paid for bulk supplies.

2188 **Disposal of Trojan Vans:**

It was reported that, in view of the purchase of the two electric enclosed vans, the two Trojan vans which had been in use since approximately 1931 had now become redundant.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that authority be given to the General Manager and Engineer to dispose of the two Trojan vans on the best possible terms, subject to report.

2189 **Units Purchased, Maximum Demand and Load Factor:**

The General Manager and Engineer submitted the following report:—

	1936/37.	1937/38	% Increase.
Units purchased during July and August	1,938,899	2,515,137	29.71%
KW. of maximum demand during July and August	4,210	4,760	13.06%
Load Factor	31.19%	35.86%	4.67%
Units purchased April 1st—August 31st	5,727,924	7,101,035	23.97%
Highest Maximum Demand recorded .... —	6,820	7,560	10.85%

2190 **Applications for Supply:**

The following report of the General Manager and Engineer was submitted:—

"Total number of applications received for supply	16,100	=	43,024 kw.
Number reported at last meeting	15,951	=	42,478 kw.
Increase	149	=	546 kw."

2191 **Domestic Tariff:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

	June.	August.	Increase.
"Application forms completed	2,258	2,745	487"

2192 **Domestic Apparatus:**

It was reported that, up to the end of August, 1937, applications had been received for the following appliances to be installed:—

	To 20th June.	To 31st Aug.	Increase.
Cookers	886	1324	438
Water Heaters	163	242	79
Immersion Heaters	43	97	54
Wash Boilers	111	196	85
Radiators	111	177	66
Kettles	201	254	53

2193 **Domestic Tariff Consumers:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"I give below a schedule indicating the respective ranges of rateable values of those consumers who have adopted the Two-Part Tariff:—

	No. of Premises.	No. of Consumers.	%	% of Consumers in each class to No. of Premises.
Not assessed	—	73	2.6	—
Assessments under £25	4007	342	12.5	8.5
Assessments from £26— £60	11490	1828	66.6	15.9
Assessments from £61—£100	1530	420	15.3	27.4
Assessments from £101—£175	247	71	2.6	28.7
Assessments over £175	45	11	0.4	24.4
	17319	2745	100.0	15.8"

2194 **Alternating Current Supplies:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"The following statistics relating to Alternating Current supplies are of interest:—

	June.	July.	August.
Transformer Maximum Demands	332 K.V.A.	322 K.V.A.	419 K.V.A.
Unit consumption	95,560	81,216	118,641
A.C. Consumers	694	752	916"

2195 **Land—Junction of The Ridgeway and Ballards Lane:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"The parcel of land at the junction of Ballards Lane and The Ridgeway was purchased in June, 1934, for the purpose of erecting an electricity showroom. The cost of the land was £2,900 and the annual loan charges amount to about £110.

The intention to build a showroom on this site was abandoned and, later, when approval was given to the completion of Showrooms in Falloden Way and High Street, North Finchley, it was suggested that consideration might be given to the building of a further showroom on this site.

I suggest that in view of the present and future commitments of the Council this project should be deferred. In the meantime I am arranging for the site to be kept clean."

After full consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED that the Parks and Open Spaces Committee be notified that this Committee will be prepared to transfer to that Committee the land in question, subject to consent being obtained to the necessary appropriation and to the Parks and Open Spaces Committee agreeing to accept responsibility for repayment of the outstanding loan.

2196 **Lake—Electricity Works:**

It was reported that the Medical Officer of Health had made a complaint regarding the breeding of mosquitoes on the lake at the Electricity Works and ~~had~~ to so recommended that ~~it~~ the lake should be stocked with fish of a suitable type which would consume the larvæ of the mosquitoes.

In these circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for an expenditure of £35 to be incurred in this connection.

2197 **Alternative Two-Part Domestic Tariff:**

A letter, dated 12th August, 1937, was submitted from the Electricity Commissioners as follows:—

"The Electricity Commissioners desire me to refer to your letter, dated 23th July and previous correspondence in regard to the proposal of the Council to purchase privately owned electric cookers from consumers who desire to avail themselves of the facilities offered by the authorised domestic tariff. It is observed that after the cookers are purchased they will remain with the consumers on hire.

The Commissioners would raise no objection to the proposals of the Council but they could not approve of the expenditure incurred on such second-hand cookers being defrayed from the loan which has been sanctioned with a repayment period of 7 years for the provision of new cookers and other apparatus.

The Commissioners would, if the Council so desired, be prepared to consider an application for consent to a loan with a repayment period of three years in respect of the expenditure which it is estimated may be incurred in connection with the scheme."

After full consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED that, in the circumstances, the cost of cookers purchased from consumers be defrayed from the Electricity Revenue Account.

2198 **Boiler Insurance:**

The General Manager and Engineer intimated that reports had been received from the Municipal Mutual Insurance, Ltd., in respect of Nos. 7 and 8 boilers with the respective superheaters and economisers and that such reports indicated that both boilers were in order.

2199 **Telephones:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"It is necessary that the Deputy Mains Engineer (Mr. P. A. Ward) should be on the telephone. Mr. Ward lives in the Hampstead Garden Suburb which prevents the installation of an extension line from the Electricity Works. I have, therefore, had Mr. Ward connected to an exchange line under an arrangement whereby the Department will bear the quarterly standing charges and Mr. Ward will pay for any chargeable calls. I shall be glad of your approval."

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2200 **Scrap Metal :**

The General Manager and Engineer reported that it was desirable that scrap metal should be disposed of frequently.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for advertisements to be issued, as and when necessary, inviting tenders for all classes of scrap metal.

2201 **Railway Crossing—Cornwall Avenue :**

The General Manager and Engineer reported that arising from the sanction of the Council at their meeting on the 27th July, 1936, to the extension of mains in the Grosvenor Road area, it was necessary to cross the railway between Cornwall Avenue and Nethercourt for the cable to feed this new network ;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the Town Clerk be authorised to negotiate for the necessary easement as shown on Drawing No. 37182d, which was submitted at the meeting ; and

(*b*) that payment by the Town Council of reasonable legal costs and Surveyor's fees in connection with the matter, be approved.

2202 **Change-Over—Ballards Lane :**

The General Manager and Engineer reported that he would be glad of approval to change-over a section of Ballards Lane, between Long Lane and Redbourne Avenue, and he intimated that the change-over would affect 73 consumers with a connected load of 135kw. and that the estimated cost would be approximately £575 ;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

2203 **Tariffs :**

The General Manager and Engineer reported upon a communication received from Mr. J. P. Garner of 28, Cyprus Road in respect of the alteration in the Domestic Power Tariff ;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken thereon.

2204 **Extensions of Mains :**

It was reported that, since the last meeting of the Committee, mains had been laid in the following roads :—

(i) Percy Road (Friern Park to Specialloid's Works) ;

(ii) ~~Ballards Lane~~ Regents Park Road (L.P.T.B. Sub-Station to Holly Park Sub-Station) ;

further, that as a matter of urgency, a main had been laid in Fitzalan Road, from Regents Park Road to the premises of the Express Dairy Co., Ltd. ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2205 **Testing of Meters :**

It was reported that, under the Electricity Supply (Meters) Act, 1936, important revisions in the testing and certification of meters were made obligatory ; further, that the General Manager and Engineer had had a preliminary discussion with one of the meter examiners appointed by the Electricity Commissioners and that he hoped to be in a position to report fully on the matter at next meeting.

2206 **Short Circuit Testing Demonstration:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported that he had received an invitation, which included the Chairman of the Committee, to witness test plant demonstrations at the Hebburn Works of Messrs. A. Reyrolle & Co., Ltd., on the 19th October, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that either the Chairman or the Vice-Chairman of the Committee, together with the General Manager and Engineer, be authorised to attend the demonstrations in question.

2207 **Electric Cookers:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"The tender of the General Electric Co., Ltd., which was accepted in March for the supply of electric cookers was based on a specification which included standard hotplates having a loading of 1,800 watts. Subsequently I decided, after discussions with the manufacturers, to increase the hotplate loading to 2,250 watts. I am advised by the General Electric Co., Ltd., that the extra cost in respect of these higher loaded hotplates is 3/6d. per cooker.

I shall be glad of your authority to pay the Company 3/6d. per cooker in respect of the cookers for which orders have already been issued, numbering 1,474 representing a total of £257 19s. 0d., and to place all future orders on the following revised prices:—

	£	s.	d.	
(i) Small size cookers	8	8	0	each
(ii) Medium size cookers	10	13	0	each
(iii) Large size cookers	15	8	6	each."

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

2208 **Wiring of Council Housing Estates:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported that the existing Housing Estates comprised 535 dwellings, made up as follows:—

(i) Woodhouse Road and Summers Lane area	390
(ii) Squires Lane area	96
(iii) North Circular Road area	49

further, that instructions were given at the meeting of the Joint Sub-Committee of the Housing and Electricity Committees held on the 1st September, 1937, for an estimate to be submitted of the cost of installing one plug point ready for use in each bedroom and living room, and that in respect of the above houses approximately 2,140 plug points would be necessary; he added that, on the assumption that one contractor would be given the work and that it would proceed without intermission, it was estimated that the cost would not exceed £3,210 or an average of 30/- per point;

The Committee gave instructions for the foregoing particulars to be laid before the Housing Committee. 2279

2209 **Red Lion Hill Housing Estate:**

(*a*) The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"With regard to the proposed 58 flats on the Red Lion Hill Housing Estate two suggestions were made:—

(i) The wiring of plug points as above;

(ii) The wiring only, without fuse boards or switches and plugs.

The estimate for (i) is £342 and for (ii) £228.

The cost per plug point of adding the fuse boards and plug points at a later date would be approximately 12/6d. This figure includes the additional labour charge."

The Committee gave instructions for the foregoing information to be laid before the Housing Committee. 2282

(*b*) The General Manager and Engineer also reported as follows :—

"The approval of the Committee is requested to the installation of :—

(i) Cooker wiring;
(ii) Electric Cookers;
(iii) Wiring and Installation of Immersion Heaters;
(iv) Thermostatically controlled Immersion Heaters.

The total estimated capital cost of the above is £1,054 18s. 6d. and the estimated revenue £423 per annum."

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the installation of the cooker wiring and the wiring and installation of immersion heaters be approved ;

(2) that the provision of electric cookers and thermostatically controlled immersion heaters under the terms of the existing development scheme be approved ; and

(3) that the Housing Committee be informed accordingly.

2210 **Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme and New Health Centre—Oak Lane :**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows :—

"In accordance with the instructions of the Committee my reports in connection with the Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme were submitted to the meeting of the Joint Sub-Committee held on the 1st September and my report in regard to the heating of the new Health Centre in Oak Lane was submitted to the Public Health Committee at its meeting on the 9th September."

2211 **Whetstone Sub-Station :**

The General Manager and Engineer reported that, in consequence of the disposal of the battery at the Whetstone Sub-Station, a fairly large room had been rendered vacant and that he had been approached by the staff to ascertain whether permission could be obtained to use this for recreation purposes. He added that there was no other use, owing to difficulty of access, to which the building could be put and that he strongly recommended that it be used for the purpose now suggested ;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

2212 **Accounts and Works Sub-Committee :**

It was reported that a meeting of the Sub-Committee had been held on the 10th September, 1937, and a report of the proceedings thereat was submitted. Arising thereon, it was reported :—

(*a*) Electricity Accounts.—That the Sub-Committee had considered the monthly report of the Borough Treasurer hereon.

(*b*) Adjustment of Consumers' Accounts.—That a list of amounts proposed to be written off due to the adjustment in Accounts after same had been entered in the Rental, had been considered by the Sub-Committee ;

RECOMMENDED that the Amounts shown in the list submitted, amounting to a total sum of £10 3s. 2d. be written off.

(*c*) Accounts and Requisitions.—That the Sub-Committee had passed for payment the Accounts submitted and approved the Requisitions.

(*d*) Payment of Electricity Accounts.—That the General Manager and Engineer had reported that the Gaumont British Picture Corporation, Ltd., had asked that their accounts for electricity supplied might be rendered monthly instead of weekly as at present ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, in future, accounts for electricity supplied be rendered to the Gaumont British Picture Corporation, Ltd., monthly instead of weekly as at present, subject to their depositing with the Town Council a sum equal to the average cost of two months' consumption of electricity, or alternatively to a personal guarantee by the Chairman and one other Director of the Company being given; and

(2) that a similar concession be extended to the Odeon Theatres, Ltd.

2213 **Electricity Undertaking:**

It was reported that an application had been received from the Managing Editor of the "Finchley Review" to be supplied with a copy of the Statement of Accounts and of the duplicated report of the speech delivered by the Chairman of the Committee at the last Council Meeting;

RECOMMENDED that such application be granted.

2214 **Hornsey Electric Lighting Order, 1898:**

A letter, dated 18th August, 1937, was submitted from the Electricity Commissioners forwarding a copy of an Order made by them under Section 6 of the Electric Lighting Act, 1909, to permit the Corporation of Hornsey to supply electricity to premises known as the Islington Borough Council's Crematorium situate in the Islington and East Finchley Cemetery and outside the area of supply under the above-mentioned Order.

2215 **Loan—£40,000—Unspecified Mains and Services:**

The Town Clerk reported that the formal consent of the Electricity Commissioners had been received to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £40,000 for expenditure on unspecified mains and services; that the period for repayment was 25 years and that the sanction was issued on the understanding that details of the expenditure actually incurred thereunder would be furnished to the Commissioners in due course; further, that the Commissioners had raised a question with regard to the statements giving details of expenditure incurred under the loans previously sanctioned which were forwarded to them and desired to be furnished with certain additional information; that they had also stated that, subject to any adjustment which might be necessary in regard to the matter mentioned above the amount to be accounted for was as follows:—

	£
Amount now sanctioned	40,000
Less amount overspent as at 31st March, 1937, and already accounted for	8,644
Amount to be accounted for as from 1st April, 1937	£31,356

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to furnish the Electricity Commissioners with the information desired.

2216 **Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882 to 1936—London and Home Counties Electricity District Order, 1925:**

The Town Clerk reported that the Clerk and Solicitor to the London and Home Counties Joint Electricity Authority had forwarded a statement giving particulars relating to the estimated Head Office Management and Administrative expenses and income of the Authority for the nine months ending 31st December, 1937; that in doing so, he had stated that the estimates had been submitted to the Electricity Commissioners for approval as required by the provisions of the London and Home Counties Electricity District Order, 1925, and that he had been instructed by the Authority to submit the information to the Town Council so that, should they so desire, they might submit to the Commissioners their observations upon the Authority's estimates;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken thereon.

2217 **North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply (Consolidation) Act, 1928—Notice of Works—11 kv. Feeders to Myddleton Park Sub-Station, Friern Barnet:**

A letter, dated 14th August, 1937, was submitted from the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Company as follows:—

"In pursuance of the powers conferred upon us by the above, I beg to give you notice of our intention to carry out the works shown on Sketch 0816a enclosed. Cables of the paper insulated, lead covered and armoured type for operation at 11,000 volts will be laid direct in the ground along the line indicated in blue at a depth shown in the trench section attached to the plan. The cables will be covered throughout their length by a continuous run of protective tiles, and so far as possible will be laid in the public footway at a distance of about 18 inches from the back line.

The whole of the works to be carried out are in the Friern Barnet Urban District, but I understand that you have cables at the junction of Great North Road and Oakleigh Road, and I shall be glad to learn that the proposed works have your approval."

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the Company's proposals provided that the feeders are laid at a sufficient distance from the Council's cables to allow access for jointing, etc., and that precautions are taken during the carrying out of the works to prevent damage to such cables.

2218 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

It was reported that the under-mentioned properties of the Town Council had been damaged since last meeting and that the matters had been dealt with:—

"Overground Disconnecting Box—Junction of Howard Walk and Brim Hill.

Plate Glass Window—Electricity Showroom—Falloden Way.

Service Cable supplying flats above Glovers' Shop—113, High Road, N. 2.

Electric Cooker at Oak Cottage, High Road, N. 20."

2219 **Insurance of Workmen—Accidents:**

It was reported that the under-mentioned employees had met with accidents since last meeting and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter:—

H. Bolding.
T. Lowen.
W. Baron.
F. C. Edwards.
R. G. Trowsdale.

2220 **Third Party Claims:**

It was reported that a number of claims had been received and dealt with.

2221 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

A. N. H. BAINES,
Chairman (*pro tempore*).

General Purposes Committee's Report

15th SEPTEMBER, 1937.

Present: The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands) (Chairman), Alderman Briant (Vice-Chairman), Aldermen Syrett and Wells, and Councillors Collis, Grocott and Jones.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pateman and Pike, and Councillors Mrs. Murphy and Wilmot.

2222 **Minutes:**

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

2223 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

2224 **Gas Undertakings Acts, 1920-1934—Gas Examiners' Reports:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"A letter, dated 20th July, 1937, has been received from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council with reference to the arrangements under which the County Council has assumed, on behalf of the local authorities in the County, the responsibility for the appointment of gas examiners under the above-mentioned Acts and the practice of periodically sending to such local authorities copies of the reports of the gas examiners which concern their respective areas, and asking for the Town Council's views upon the question of the desirability of discontinuing this practice.

It is suggested in such communication that the preparation of the necessary number of copies and their circulation amongst the local authorities concerned involves an amount of labour and consequent expense which perhaps is not warranted by serving any really useful purpose and that unless the Councils of the several county districts desire to continue receiving the reports, the present practice might be terminated.

It is pointed out that the reports rarely disclose any contravention of their obligations on the part of the Gas Companies concerned, but that if the present practice of circularising the reports were discontinued arrangements would, if desired, be made for the Authorities to be informed whenever any serious breach of the regulations appeared to have taken place."

RECOMMENDED that in the circumstances no objection be raised to the proposed discontinuance of the issue of the reports in question, subject to arrangements being made for the Town Council to be informed in the event of any serious breach of the regulations appearing to have taken place.

2225 **Coronation:**

The Town Clerk reported receipt from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council of a letter enclosing copy of the following communication which had been addressed to the Lord Lieutenant of the County by the Home Secretary:—

"I have had the honour to lay before The King the Loyal Address of the County of Middlesex upon the occasion of Their Majesties' Coronation.

It gave The King and Queen much pleasure to receive an Address of such interest and so beautifully prepared and The King has commanded me to convey to Your Lordship, and to ask Your Lordship as His Majesty's Lieutenant to express to all those who subscribed the Address, Their Majesties' warm thanks for this testimony of the loyalty and devotion of the inhabitants of Middlesex."

2226 **Civic Banquet, 1937:**

RECOMMENDED that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and Aldermen Briant, Pike and Syrett be appointed to make all necessary arrangements in connection with the above function.

2227 **Annual Reports of Local Authorities:**

The Town Clerk reported receipt of a letter, dated 31st August, 1937, from the Editor of the "Municipal Journal" drawing attention to a competition which was being organised by the Proprietors of the Journal for the best report on the work of a Local Authority for the year 1936/37 and intimating that the closing date for the receipt of entries from local authorities in England and Wales was the 30th September, 1937; further, that any Local Authority or any individual officer of an Authority might enter for the competition.

2228 **Burial Charges—St. Marylebone Borough Cemetery:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"A letter, dated 24th August, 1937, has been received from the Town Clerk of St. Marylebone, stating that his Council have had under consideration this Council's application in November, 1935, for a reduction in the fees chargeable to residents of Finchley for burial in St. Marylebone Cemetery, but that they regret that they are unable to ask the Minister of Health to approve any such reduction.

He states, however, that, as far as cremations are concerned, his Council have obtained the approval of the Minister to the fees chargeable to residents of Finchley being the same as those chargeable to residents of St. Marylebone. Such fees are as follows:—

	Inhabitant of St. Marylebone or Finchley.	Non-Inhabitant of St. Marylebone or Finchley.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
For the cremation of the remains of:—		
(*a*) a still-born child	17 6	17 6
(*b*) a person whose age at the time of death did not exceed 10 years ..	2 2 0	2 12 6
(*c*) a person whose age at the time of death exceeded 10 years	4 4 0	5 5 0

Provided that where actual cremation is commenced before the hour of ten in the forenoon, the foregoing charges or fees in paragraphs (b) and (c) shall be reduced by twenty-five per centum.

Officiating Minister.

At each cremation ... ... 6s. 0d.

Double the amount of the above fee will be charged in respect of a non-parishioner of St. Marylebone or Finchley not dying within the Borough of St. Marylebone or the Borough of Finchley."

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to communicate with each of the three Burial Authorities within the Borough asking that representatives from the Town Council may be afforded an opportunity of discussing with representatives of the Burial Authorities the question of the fees chargeable to residents of Finchley for burial in their respective cemeteries.

2229 **National Committee for Provision of Holidays for Unemployed Workers in Distressed Areas:**

The Town Clerk reported receipt of an application from the Hon. Secretary of the above Committee for a contribution towards the cost of organising two holiday camps for unemployed men and their families;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health, a contribution of £10 10s. 0d. be made towards the funds of the Committee; and

(2) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration so far as the necessary financial arrangements are concerned.

2230 **Empire Migration and Development Conference:**

It was reported that the Town Council had been invited to appoint delegates to attend the above Conference which was to be held in the Guildhall, London, on the 11th, 12th and 13th October, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that Alderman Syrett be appointed to represent the Town Council at the Conference in question.

2231 **Postal Facilities:**

The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated 30th July, 1937, received from Messrs. Specialloid, Limited, forwarding for the information of the Town Council, copy of a communication which they had addressed to the Postmaster at the Northern District Post Office drawing attention to the inadequate postal facilities at the North Finchley Sub-Post Office;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to communicate with the Post Office Authorities referring to the letter received from them in August, 1936, intimating that authority had been given for the establishment of a Crown Post Office in North Finchley, and enquiring as to the present position of the matter.

2232 **Hospitals Week:**

A letter, dated 10th August, 1937, was submitted from the Organiser of the above, asking for the help and co-operation of the Town Council by means of a display of posters and notices on the hoardings under their control;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council will be pleased to co-operate in the manner desired.

2233 **Travelling Facilities:**

(*a*) Omnibus Route 26.—The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"I have been informed by the London Passenger Transport Board that, commencing on the 6th October the above route operating daily between North Finchley and Wandsworth Bridge will be withdrawn between North Finchley and High Road, Willesden in peak hours and at other periods in the day will be curtailed at Harlesden (Willesden Junction Hotel); further, that the route will be withdrawn entirely on Sundays and public holidays."

(*b*) London Passenger Transport Board Bill — Equalisation of Fares.—The Town Clerk reported hereon, as follows:—

"The Committee will remember that in July last it was decided to co-operate with Hendon and Harrow in making representations to the Railway Rates Tribunal with a view to bringing about equalisation of fares on the metropolitan railway from Stanmore and the L.N.E.R. from Edgware to Town on the basis of the fares now ruling on the Edgware Tube and in this connection the Town Clerk of Hendon has forwarded copy of a communication which he has received from the Clerk of the Harrow Council as follows:—

'With reference to our previous correspondence in this matter, I have had a telephone conversation with Mr. Rawden Smith of the Board, in which he referred to the assurance given to the House of Commons Committee by the Commercial Manager of the Board, and to the House of Lords Committee by Lord Ashfield, as to the policy of the Board to achieve uniformity of fares in respect of the Edgware and Morden, L.N.E.R. and Stanmore (Met.) Lines, and expressing the view that if the Council were fully alive to the details of the Board's proposal in this matter, it would be found to be unnecessary to make application to the Railway Rates Tribunal. It was suggested, therefore, that it would be of advantage if I were to have an interview with the Commercial Manager of the Board before any definite step was taken on behalf of the Council.

In view, however, of the recent decision of the Council to join with Hendon and Finchley in the submission of joint representation to the Railway Rates Tribunal, I shall be glad if I may have your observations in this matter.'

The Town Clerk of Hendon has suggested to the Harrow Council that it would be very desirable if the Board were to supply each Authority with a list of the existing fares and of the proposed amendments and also particulars as to the action they have taken with a view to bringing the amended fares into operation at an early date; and that it might then be useful if arrangements could be made for a joint meeting with the Commercial Manager of the Board.

He enquires whether the Town Council concur in the suggestion."

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council agree to the suggestion of the Town Clerk of Hendon as indicated above and that, in the event of the Joint Meeting being held, Aldermen Pike and Syrett be appointed to represent the Town Council thereat.

2234 **Nethercourt Estate :**

(*a*) Extension of Lullington Garth.—The Town Clerk reported receipt from the Ministry of Health of formal consent to the sale to the Hendon Council of a small portion of the Nethercourt Estate for the purpose of the extension of the above road and intimated that the Ministry had asked to be informed, in due course, of the Council's proposals for the utilization of the sale proceeds ;

RECOMMENDED that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee to deal with.

(*b*) Finchley Golf, Sports and Social Club, Ltd.—The Annual Report and Statement of Accounts of the above Club for the year ended 31st March, 1937, were submitted, and it was reported that a copy thereof had been forwarded to each member of the Committee.

2235 **Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937 :**

A circular letter, dated 10th August, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Health drawing attention to the provisions of the above Act which received Royal Assent on the 30th July, 1937. It was intimated that a print of the circular would be forwarded to each member of the Committee in due course.

2236 **Printing of Minutes and Reports, 1937/1938 :**

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for advertisements to be issued inviting tenders for the above.

2237 **Year Book, 1937/1938 :**

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be authorised to obtain quotations for the printing of the above.

2238 **The Institution of Cost and Works Accountants :**

It was reported that the Town Council had been invited to appoint a representative to attend the Municipal Session of the 16th National Cost Conference to be held in London on Thursday, the 30th September, 1937 ;

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Treasurer be appointed to represent the Town Council thereat.

2239 **London "Safety First" Council :**

The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated 30th June, 1937, received from the London "Safety First" Council forwarding particulars of a Home Safety Leaflet, copies of which it was suggested the Town Council should purchase for distribution.

After full consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that 25,000 copies of the leaflet be purchased by the Town Council for the sum of £6 11s. 3d. and that a copy thereof be forwarded to each householder either with the rate demand notes or otherwise at the discretion of the appropriate Chief Officers ; and

(2) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration so far as the necessary financial arrangements are concerned.

2240 **Avenue House:**

It was reported that at the last meeting of the Public Libraries Committee it had been decided to suggest to this Committee that floor covering should be provided in the public lavatories at Avenue House in which event the Public Libraries Committee would be prepared to pay one half of the cost involved;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the provision of the necessary floor covering at a cost not exceeding £3 10s. 0d. and that such expenditure be borne by this Committee.

2241 **Craven Lodge Estate:**

As a matter of urgency the Town Clerk submitted copy of a letter, dated 8th September, 1937, received from Mr. J. Manning as follows:—

"Land adjacent to Stonemason's Yard, High Road, N. 2.

I beg to make application for the use of the above land for fourteen days at the end of September for the purposes of a travelling show.

I am willing to pay £10 for the use of the land for the fourteen days and will, if my application is granted, make my own arrangements for water, power, etc., and I will clear the rubbish which **has been** deposited on the land and will leave the land in a clean and tidy condition."

Instructions were given for a reply to be forwarded to the effect that the application was one which the Town Council could not see their way to entertain;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2242 **Open Spaces—Public Meetings:**

The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated 13th September, 1937, received from the Secretary of the Finchley and District Peace Council, as follows:—

"May I advert to the subject of recent correspondence between us under the above heading?

Permission to hold a meeting was refused, we are told, because it is contrary to the Council's 'practice' to permit open spaces to be used for purposes of a controversial character.

This I believe is not a correct statement as to past practice. Further, 'practice' is not inalterable in any case.

May we be told, please, if the Council supposed the proposed meeting was to be controversial in the sense that controversy would take place between the speakers or, alternatively, if the Council regards it as controversial whether meetings about peace should take place at all?

It is a commonplace that 99 per cent. of the people are devoted to the ideal of world peace. The Government and His Majesty's Opposition, the Churches and every political party claim to be striving for the realisation of this ideal. Between whom is it anticipated there will ensue controversy? Who objects, in brief, to the advancement of this ideal? The members of my Council cannot discover such persons. Will the Council say who they are or, if it cannot or will not, abandon the fallacy that a peace meeting is controversial?

The broader issue that there is no apparent reason why controversial subjects should not be discussed at meetings in the parks is undoubtedly one upon which the detailed views of the Council might usefully be stated. That such meetings have for many, many years taken place in parks and commons throughout London and the provinces must be known to members of the Council. It is the duty of the police to deal with those singularly rare occasions where unruliness is displayed; we cannot think the police in Finchley would find themselves at a loss if any meetings ever got out of hand.

If, after reflection, the Council feels it can sustain its position that meetings are only objectionable if 'controversial,' we might well be told what species of meeting not falling under this ban was envisaged by the Council when Bye-Law 19 was adopted. Apart from the subject of peace, what subject is there upon which there are not differing views of a major or a minor character? With the Council's present policy if consistently followed it begins to appear that there never could be a meeting of any kind at all—except, I must submit, about peace.

It will be obvious that the large number of local organisations composing this Council are not disposed to allow the matter under discussion to be dismissed and forgotten. Would it not be of value if the Council, or one of its Committees, interviewed a representative deputation so that there might take place an exchange of views on a not unimportant topic?"

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council have nothing to add to their previous communication on the matter.

2243 **Council Minutes and Reports:**

The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated 13th September, 1937, received from the Chairman of the East Finchley Ratepayers' Association enquiring whether he could purchase copies of the Council Minutes for the use of his Committee, and if so at what cost.

It was reported that it was the practice for a copy of the Minutes and Reports to be forwarded to each of the other Ratepayers' Associations within the Borough free of cost immediately following each meeting of the Town Council;

RECOMMENDED that a similar concession be granted to the East Finchley Ratepayers' Association.

2244 **Open Air Pool—Refreshment Room:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"At the last meeting of the Education Committee it was reported that Stephens Memorial Hall had been sold and the question of finding temporary accommodation for about 45 children from Summerside School, who had previously been housed in the Stephens Memorial Hall, was considered. It was pointed out that alternative accommodation was required for approximately six months, until the new buildings at Summerside School had been completed.

The Education Committee ask that they may have the use of the tea room at the open air pool for the purpose in question for a period of approximately six months if it is found that the room meets with the requirements of the Committee and of the Board of Education.

The Committee offer to pay a rental of not exceeding £10 0s. 0d. a month including fuel, light, cleaning, the use of lavatory accommodation and some space for cloakrooms.

The matter is referred to your Committee as one of urgency."

After very careful consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED that subject to the accommodation meeting with the requirements of the Education Committee and of the Board of Education and to satisfactory arrangements being made with a view to preventing access to the Pool by the children, the Education Committee be granted the use of the refreshment room for a period not exceeding six months on the terms suggested.

2245 **Fire Brigade:**

The Town Clerk submitted the following report received from the Chief Officer of the Fire Brigade:—

"At 5.26 p.m. on the 14th instant the Brigade responded to a fire call to 34b, Market Place, N.W. 11, occupied by Mr. W. Turl, and on arrival found a small quantity of clothes and boxes on fire in an attic.

The lady occupier was in a very agitated condition and openly repeated that she had set fire to the place.

In view of her condition and to ensure that she would not again set fire to the premises after the Brigade had left I informed Police Inspector Hitchcock and P.C. 479S. of the circumstances. These two officers were in attendance at the fire.

At the request of the Police I attended the Highgate Petty Sessions this morning, when the lady was charged but remanded for a week for a medical report, but I was not required to give evidence.

I understand that the Police will require me to make a statement for them this evening and to attend the Highgate Petty Sessions again next Wednesday."

2246 **Fraudulent Charity Collection:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"On Friday evening, the 10th instant, a telephone call was received from 'Arkeden,' The Bishop's Avenue, stating that a man had called there purporting to be a collector appointed by the Corporation for the Spanish Refugee Children. The informant was advised to notify the Police, and as a result of their prompt action, J. F. Sheedy, age 20 of Edmonton was arrested and appeared at Highgate Court this morning. He pleaded guilty, and was bound over for two years under the probation officer."

2247 **Widows', Orphans' and Old Age Contributory Pensions (Voluntary Contributors) Act, 1937:**

The Borough Treasurer reported as follows:—

"I have received from the Controller of the Ministry of Health a memorandum setting out particulars of the effect of this Act upon employees of local authorities who are excepted from insurance contributions and benefits by virtue of their inclusion in a Superannuation Scheme. Changes are made with effect from the 3rd January, 1938, respecting the eligibility of excepted persons to become voluntary contributors. In addition the new Act gives certain options to persons who are at present voluntary contributors.

It is pointed out in the memorandum that it is desirable that the information about these changes should be brought to the notice of the employees concerned, and I therefore propose, with the Committee's approval, to prepare a simple explanation of the relevant provisions of the new Act and to circulate it to the employees concerned."

RECOMMENDED that the proposal of the Borough Treasurer be approved.

2248 **Corporation Stock—Storage of Records:**

The Borough Treasurer reported as to the desirability of providing fire-proof accommodation for the Register of Stock and ancillary records in connection with the Stock Issue and submitted a quotation from Library Bureau, Limited, for the supply of a suitable safe cabinet at the sum of £56 12s. 0d.;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that such quotation be accepted subject to contract; and

(2) that the matter be referred in the Finance Committee for consideration so far as the necessary financial arrangements are concerned.

2249 **Public Library—Avenue House:**

The Chairman of the Public Libraries Committee reported upon the necessity for additional accommodation being provided at Avenue House to facilitate the carrying out of the work in connection with the cataloguing of the book stock for the East Finchley District Library and as to the possibility of one of the rooms on the first floor being utilised for this purpose;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the proposal be agreed in principle, subject to the necessary accommodation being available; and

(2) that the Borough Engineer and Surveyor report at the meeting of the Town Council as to the cost of the provision of the necessary lighting and heating.

2250 **Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922:**

RECOMMENDED that, subject to the approval of the Minister of Health, the under-mentioned posts be designated as established posts under the Act and that such posts be occupied by the persons indicated as from the dates set opposite to their respective names:—

Name.	Post.	Date.
J. Yates	Assistant Sanitary Inspector	11th October, 1937.
H. J. Martin	Senior Assistant, East Finchley District Library	1st October, 1937.

2251 **East Finchley Methodist Church:**

The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated 22nd July, 1937, received from the Hon. Trust Secretary of the above Church inviting the Mayor and the members of the Town Council to attend the morning service at 11 o'clock on Sunday, the 20th February, 1938, on the occasion of the visit of the Rev. Dr. Bond, President of the Methodist Church;

RECOMMENDED that the invitation be considered as early as possible in the ensuing Municipal Year.

2252 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the several Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

W. C. LANGLANDS,

Chairman.

Finance Committee's Report.

16th SEPTEMBER, 1937.

Present: Alderman Syrett (Chairman), Councillor Hayter (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Burch, Caine, Gröbel and Norman.

2253 **Minutes:**

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

2254 **Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts:**

(*a*) Advance—£520.—

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, subject to satisfactory references being received, an advance with interest at the appropriate rate in force at the date of completion of the Mortgage be made to the applicant whose name is set out below:—

No.	Name.	Property.	Nature of Interest.	Amount applied for £	Period for repayment. Years.	Purchase price. £	Valuation. £
990	Collinson, D. A. (Mrs.)	8, Highwood Avenue	F.	520	20	700	650

(2) that the Town Clerk take up from the Public Works Loan Board the sum of £520, being the amount of such advance;

(3) that the Town Clerk be authorised to approve the Order for Certificate;

(4) that the Corporate Seal be affixed thereto and to the Receipt therefor;

(5) that the fee of the Public Works Loan Board be paid by the Town Council.

In accordance with the authority delegated to this Committee, it was

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Public Works Loan Board for advance to the Town Council of the sum of £520.

(*b*) The Borough Treasurer reported as follows:—

(i) Approved Advances.—That advances amounting to £666,550 had been approved.

(ii) Advances Repaid.—That in the under-mentioned cases the principal outstanding had been paid, together with all interest charges:—

Mortgage No.	Rate of Interest.	Proprietor.	Premises.
410	5¼%	Cutler, J. (Miss)	"Hathaway," Bow Lane.
411	5¼%	Smith, H.	20, Falkland Avenue.
560	5¼%	Wright, W.	9, Grove Road.
710	5¼%	Orange, A. P.	48, West Avenue.
743	5¼%	Palmer, B. W. S.	71, Naylor Road.
870	4%	Lee, E. L. (Mrs.)	63, Birley Road.
969	3½%	Hamblin, A. E. (Mrs.)	103, Abbots Gardens.

(iii) Mortgages Transferred to the Abbey Road Building Society.—That 163 Mortgages had been transferred to the Abbey Road Building Society, whilst a further 3 Mortgages were to be transferred at the 30th September, 1937, representing a total of £56,428; that he had received from the Society the sum of £326, representing the agreed contribution of £2 per case and that the final result of the offer made to borrowers was as follows:—

Number to whom offer was sent	320
Number transferred as above...	166
Number who have since repaid their mortgages	20
Number who declined the offer	15
Number who did not reply	119;

further, that the Society had requested that the terms of the offer might again be communicated to those mortgagors who did not reply;

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Treasurer be instructed to arrange accordingly.

(iv) Advances Outstanding.—That the number of advances now outstanding was 277, representing a sum of £119,331.

2255 **Consents to Loans:**

The Town Clerk reported the receipt from the Ministry of Health of the undermentioned consents to loans:—

Purpose.	Amount. £	Period for Repayment. (not exceeding).
(*a*) Provision of Furniture, East Finchley Library	779	15 years.
(*b*) Provision of Mortuary—North Circular Road	3,270	30 years.
(*c*) Purchase of Land and Premises for Housing Purposes (Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme)	5,653	50 years.
(*d*) Extensions—Summerside School ...	10,967	70 years.
(*e*) Reconditioning of Heating System—Manorside School	1,392	15 years.
(*f*) Reconstruction of Surface Water Sewer—Long Lane	495 (Additional Expenditure).	30 years.
(*g*) Purchase of Land at junction of Long Lane and Squires Lane for Housing Purposes	1,075	80 years.

2256 **Finchley Stock Order, 1937:**

A letter dated 6th August, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted enclosing six copies of the above Order which had been made by the Ministry of Health.

2257 **Local Government (Adjustment of Gains and Losses in County Districts) Regulations, 1937:**

The Town Clerk reported that the Ministry of Health had forwarded to him two copies of the above Regulations, dated 28th July, 1937, and that he had referred one copy to the Borough Treasurer; further, that the Regulations superseded the Local Government (Adjustment of Gains and Losses in County Districts) Provisional Regulations, dated 5th May, 1937, and that apart from an amendment to the definition of "minor separately rated area" they were in identical terms.

2258 **Housing Acts, 1935 and 1936—Housing (Rural Workers) Acts, and Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts—Interest on Loans, etc.:**

A circular letter (No. 1652), dated 13th August, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted stating that His Majesty's Treasury had decided that the rate of interest to be charged on loans, secured on Local Rates, made on and after the 4th August, 1937, from the Local Loans Fund to Local Authorities for any purposes of the Housing Acts, the Housing (Rural Workers) Acts, 1926 and 1931, and the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts, 1899 to 1923, should be 3⅝ per cent. whereas the rate previously fixed was 3½ per cent.

The Council were reminded that by virtue of Sections 37 (3) and 92 (2) of the Housing Act, 1935, the rate of interest on (i) loans made by local authorities under the provisions of Section 2 of the Housing (Rural Workers) Act, 1926, and (ii) advances made by local authorities under the provisions of the Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts was fixed at a rate one-quarter per cent. in excess of the rate of interest, which, one month before the date on which the terms of the loan or advance were settled, was the rate fixed by the Treasury in respect of loans from the Local Loans Fund to local authorities for housing purposes.

2259 **Proposed Ticket Office and Shelter—Victoria Recreation Ground:**

The Town Clerk reported that at the last meeting of the Council the tender of William Harbrow, Ltd., at the sum of £224 was accepted for the carrying out of the above work, subject to Contract; further, that the Council had already approved an expenditure of £236 in respect of the work and that in the circumstances the matter had been referred to this Committee for consideration insofar as the additional expenditure of £8 was concerned;

RECOMMENDED that such expenditure be met out of Item No. 24 (1) (3)—Maintenance of Buildings and Fencing, Victoria Recreation Ground—included in the estimates of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee.

2260 **Electricity Undertaking—Loan—£40,000—Unspecified Mains and Services:**

The Town Clerk reported that the formal consent of the Electricity Commissioners had been received to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £40,000, repayable within a period of 25 years, for expenditure on unspecified mains and services.

2261 **Sewage Disposal Works—Purchase of Second-hand Clinker, etc.:**

The recommendations of the Public Health Committee in regard to the above were reported and considered;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that no objection on financial grounds be raised to the expenditure proposed;

(2) that, pending the raising of a loan for the provision of new filter beds at the Low Level Works, such expenditure be charged to capital account.

2262 **Supplemental Estimates:**

The Committee had before them references from the under-mentioned Committees with regard to the matters respectively indicated below:—

Committee.	Matter.	Cost involved. £ s. d.
(*a*) Education — — —	Supply of Fuel — — —	61 0 0
(*b*) General Purposes — —	National Committee for Provision of Holidays for Unemployed Workers in Distressed Areas—Contribution — — —	10 10 0
(*c*) General Purposes — —	London "Safety First" Council—Purchase of Home Safety Leaflets — — —	6 11 3
(*d*) General Purposes — —	Corporation Stock—Storage of Records — — — —	56 12 0

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council approve supplemental estimates in respect of the items of expenditure above-mentioned, subject as regards (a) to the Education Committee effecting a saving of an equivalent amount on other items included in their estimates.

2263 **Banking Terms:**

The Borough Treasurer reported upon his negotiations with Barclays Bank Limited in connection with the above and intimated that a further report would be made to the Committee as soon as possible.

2264 **Consolidated Loans Fund—Advances:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement of transfers to be made from the above Fund on the 30th September, 1937, in the exercise of the statutory borrowing powers described:—

Date of Sanction.	Amount of Sanction. £	Period Sanctioned. years.	Period of Advance. years.	Particulars.	Amount already advanced. £	Amount to be advanced. £
General Rate Fund Capital.—						
8/12/1926	3,765	30	30	Surface Water Sewer—Lichfield Grove, etc.	—	3,765
22/ 6/1937 20/ 8/1937	6,517 495	30 30	30 30	Surface Water Sewer — Long Lane, etc.	—	7,012
8/ 6/1937	21,005	80	80	Housing Land—Red Lion Hill...	—	21,005
25/ 2/1937	4,662	30	30	Lyttelton Playing Fields—Pavilion and Conveniences	—	4,662
5/ 3/1937	1,100	30	30	Glebe Land Bowling Green Pavilion	—	1,100
4/ 6/1937	6,100	60	30	Arden Estate—North Circular Road	—	6,100
23/ 4/1937	9,148	60	60	Rocklands, Gordon Road ...	—	9,148
6/ 8/1937	3,270	30	30	New Mortuary	—	3,270
(Subject to sanction being received by the 30th September, 1937).				Refuse Destructor—New Cells and Chimney	—	13,904
1/ 6/1937	11,136	30	30	East Finchley Library ...	—	11,136
1/ 6/1937	895	15	15	Heating and Lighting — East Finchley Library	—	895
5/ 8/1937	779	15	15	Furniture—East Finchley Library	—	779
15/ 6/1937	2,500	7	7	Books—East Finchley Library	—	2,500
21/ 1/1937	634	10	10	Private Street Works—Argyle Road	—	634
						£85,910
Education Capital.—						
12/ 8/1937	10,967	50	30	Summerside School — Additions	—	10,967
5/ 7/1937	6,796	30	30	Manorside School—Additions ...	—	6,796
5/ 7/1937	500	10	10	Manorside School — Furniture and Fittings...	—	500
17/ 8/1937	1,392	15	15	Manorside School—Heating ...	—	1,392
						£19,655
Electricity Capital.—						
2/11/1936	35,666	25	25	Mains	25,000	10,666
29/12/1936	5,300	25	25	Mains and Services	5,000	300
24/ 2/1937	8,000	7	7	Consumers' Electrical Apparatus	—	8,000
24/ 2/1937	2,000	15	15	Consumers' Wiring Installations	—	2,000
31/ 3/1937	2,500	25	25	Services	—	2,500
27/ 5/1937	854	7	7	Consumers' Apparatus	—	854
12/ 8/1937	40,000	25	25	Mains and Services	—	20,000
						£44,320
				Total amount to be advanced =		£149,885

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Council approve the transfer from the Loans Fund of the amounts referred to above;

(2) that as regards the loan of £10,967 in respect of additions to the Summerside School, this be repaid within a period of 30 years.

2265 **Private Street Works:**

The Borough Treasurer reported as follows:—

"In accordance with the Committee's instructions, the Deputy Town Clerk and I interviewed officials of the Ministry of Health with a view of ascertaining whether it would be possible to obtain a lump sum sanction for unspecified Private Street Works in order that delay in the execution of the works might be avoided. We were informed that the Ministry were not in any circumstances likely to accede to such an application.

The Council's difficulties, especially in relation to the increase of tendered prices on a rising market, were appreciated, and a suggestion was made for the Council's consideration that each batch of streets should be divided between:—

(1) Those in respect of which no objections are received from frontagers;

(2) Those in respect of which objections are received from frontagers.

Application for sanction could then be made and dealt with forthwith in respect of the first section, while the remaining streets could be made the subject of a separate application and dealt with by Local Inquiry if necessary."

RECOMMENDED that, subject to the approval of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee, the procedure outlined above be adopted and that the Officers concerned be instructed to arrange accordingly.

2266 **Nethercourt Estate—Extension of Lullington Garth:**

The reference from the General Purposes Committee hereon was reported and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the Ministry of Health be informed that the proceeds from the sale of the small portion of the Nethercourt Estate required for the Lullington Garth extension will be applied in reduction of the loan raised for the purchase of the Estate.

2267 **Electricity Reserve Fund—Investments:**

The Committee carefully considered a report of the Borough Treasurer on the present position of the outside investments of the Electricity Reserve Fund which, it was stated, consisted of the following:—

Stock.	Nominal holding. £ s. d.	Cost (excluding brokerage). £ s. d.	Market Selling Price (13/9/37). £
India 3%	6,992 4 8	5,987 2 0	5,402
India 3½%	6,082 18 3	5,953 13 0	5,543
India 4%	2,973 12 4	2,992 4 0	3,189
Local Loans 3%	7,518 15 4	6,760 19 0	6,349
War Loan 3½%	7,020 10 4	7,214 14 0	7,031
Conversion 3½%	7,007 4 9	7,214 14 0	6,946
		£36,123 6 0	£34,460

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that, with a view to preserving the corpus of the Electricity Reserve Fund, authority be given to the Chairman of the Committee and the Borough Treasurer to sell the above-mentioned investments, with the exception of the India 4 per cent holding, as and when opportune, and to transfer the proceeds to the Consolidated Loans Fund.

2268 **Superannuation Fund and Electricity Reserve Fund:**

The Borough Treasurer reported that at the end of the present month there would be cash balances of approximately £3,200 and £800 standing to the credit of the Superannuation Fund and the Electricity Reserve Fund which sums he suggested should be invested.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that the holding of approximately £2,974 India 4 per cent. stock referred to in the preceding paragraph be transferred at the market price current at the time of transfer to the Superannuation Fund and that the sum of £4,000, being the purchase money together with the approximate sum of £800 above-mentioned, be paid into the Consolidated Loans Fund as an investment of the Electricity Reserve Fund.

2269 **Finchley Corporation Stock:**

The Committee considered a report by the Borough Treasurer as to the proceeds from the first two instalments of the Stock and as to the amount of capital stamp duty which was payable on the nominal amount of stock issued.

2270 **Rate Collection for Period 1st July to 31st August, 1937:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement:—

	£		£
Arrears of former Rates	6,192	Amount of Rate collected as per previous report	110,213
Estimated Product of Rate—half-year 1st April to 30th September, 1937	199,709	Amount collected 1st July—31st August, 1937	77,099
Additions to Rate—new assessments, etc.	3,754	Rate outstanding	22,343
	£209,655		£209,655

2271 **Receipts and Payments—July and August:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement:—

Fund or Account.	July. Receipts. £	July. Payments. £	August. Receipts. £	August. Payments. £
General Rate Fund Revenue	137,336	93,914	18,808	25,031
Education Revenue	3,444	10,399	1,272	552
Electricity Revenue	4,050	33,052	8,687	13,714
Housing Revenue	1,786	—	2,084	—
General Rate Fund Capital	—	3,968	1,215	9,020
Electricity Capital	45	2,149	30	13
Loans	1,100	10,022	—	40,632
Stock	43,851	—	178,930	—
Superannuation Fund	927	444	834	465
Fire Brigade Pensions Fund	23	4	37	4
	£192,562	£153,952	£211,897	£89,431

2272 **Statement of Bank Balances—15th September, 1937:**

The following statement was submitted by the Borough Treasurer:—

Fund or Account.	Debit. £ s. d.	Credit. £ s. d.
General Rate Fund Revenue		35,849 19 8
Education Revenue		10,182 3 1
Electricity Revenue		26,067 18 11
Housing Revenue		12,475 1 5
General Rate Fund Capital	8,940 19 3	
Education Capital	144 7 1	
Electricity Capital	7,595 12 4	
Loans	183,320 18 6	
Fire Brigade Pensions Fund		69 19 5
Superannuation Fund		2,523 7 0
Salaries		1,843 2 8
Advance	9,246 18 2	
Suspense		148 5 7
Stock		313,060 16 8
Totals	£209,248 15 4	£402,220 14 5
Net Balance		£192,971 19 1

2273 **Summary of Accounts Approved and Recommended for Payment—August, 1937:**

The following summary was submitted of Accounts included in the Interim Orders on Treasurer issued during the month of August:—

	Interim Order. 17th Aug., 1937. £ s. d.	Interim Order. 19th Aug., 1937. £ s. d.	Total. £ s. d.
General Rate Fund Revenue	24,629 17 7	401 1 2	25,030 18 9
Education Revenue	484 7 4	67 3 1	551 10 5
Electricity Revenue	13,302 1 1	412 4 8	13,714 5 9
General Rate Fund Capital	9,019 15 11		9,019 15 11
Electricity Capital	13 0 0		13 0 0
Loans	22,234 0 0	18,398 0 0	40,632 0 0
Superannuation Fund	464 13 7		464 13 7
Fire Brigade Pensions Fund	4 4 5		4 4 5
	£70,151 19 11	19,278 8 11	89,430 8 10

2274 **Summary of Accounts Approved and Recommended for Payment—September, 1937:**

The following summary was submitted of Accounts included in the Interim Order on Treasurer, and in the Order on Treasurer to be submitted to the Council for approval :—

	Interim Order. £ s. d.	Council Order. £ s. d.	Total. £ s. d.
General Rate Fund Revenue	15,250 18 7	28,743 13 1	43,994 11 8
Education Revenue	394 18 4	4,624 14 2	5,019 12 6
Electricity Revenue	8,080 8 11	29,661 19 8	37,742 8 7
Housing Revenue		2,790 9 2	2,790 9 2
General Rate Fund Capital	2,113 13 6	7,093 3 6	9,206 17 0
Education Capital		836 0 0	836 0 0
Electricity Capital	53 7 6	4,196 19 1	4,250 6 7
Loans	135,753 11 11	7,853 11 2	143,607 3 1
Superannuation Fund		307 4 11	307 4 11
Fire Brigade Pensions Fund		18 7 7	18 7 7
Stock	300,000 0 0		300,000 0 0
	£461,646 18 9	86,126 2 4	547,773 1 1

2275 **Instructions:**

RECOMMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Town Clerk, as entered in his Instruction Book, be approved.

C. S. SYRETT,

Chairman.

Housing Committee's Report.

20th SEPTEMBER, 1937.

Present: Councillor Mrs. Legge (Chairman), Councillor Connorton (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant, Pike and Wells, and Councillors Burch, Mrs. Murphy and Wilmot.

Non-Members: Alderman Pateman, and Councillors Baines and Wightman.

2276 **Minutes:**

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

2277 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

2278 **Construction of Flats for the Working Classes:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had circulated to each member of the Committee a print of the final report to the Minister of Health of the Departmental Committee on the construction of flats for the working classes.

2279 **Workmen's Dwellings:**

(*a*) C. R. Alldis, 177, Summers Lane.—The Town Clerk reported that the action against the above tenant was duly heard at Barnet County Court on the 27th July, 1937, when an order was made for possession of the property to be given up within twenty-eight days and the arrears of rent and costs to be paid at the rate of 5/- per month.

(*b*) Re-letting of Vacant Houses.—The Chairman reported as to the action authorised by her with reference to the re-letting of two houses which had recently become vacant.

The Committee duly approved such action and it was decided that a meeting of the Workmen's Dwellings (Letting) Sub-Committee should be held on the 18th October, 1937, for the purpose of compiling a list of suitable tenants from the applications for Council houses.

(*c*) Wiring for Supply of Electricity for Heating Purposes.—The Committee carefully considered the report of a Joint Meeting of the Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme Sub-Committee and the Electricity Accounts and Works Sub-Committee hereon, together with a reference from the Electricity Committee arising on a report of the General Manager and Engineer, whereupon it was

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RECOMMENDED that the Town Council do not incur the expense of wiring existing Council houses for the supply of electricity for heating purposes at the present time.

(*d*) Assisted Wiring for Supply of Electricity.—

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Town Clerk be authorised to sign on behalf of this Committee applications from tenants for assisted wiring facilities after perusal of such application by the Borough Treasurer; and

(2) that the Borough Treasurer be instructed to report to this Committee upon any application where, in his opinion, such facilities should not be granted.

(*e*) Applications for Consent to the Erection of Motor Garages.—The Borough Surveyor reported that applications had been received from the tenants of two Council houses for permission to erect garages at the side of their premises and to construct crossings over the footways;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that each case be dealt with on its merits and that the Borough Surveyor submit full particulars of the above-mentioned applications to this Committee at next meeting; and

(2) that, as regards each application for which consent is given, the tenant be responsible for the whole cost involved, including the cost of constructing the footway crossing.

(*f*) Electricity—Domestic Tariff Agreements.—The Borough Surveyor reported that up to the 10th September, 1937, 91 tenants of the Council's Housing Estates had entered into a domestic tariff Agreement for the supply of electricity for lighting and cooking.

2280 **Land—Junction of Long Lane and Squires Lane:**

A letter, dated 7th September, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted, forwarding formal consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £1,075 for the purchase of the above land for housing purposes. With reference to the proposal to exchange a portion of the land for part of the adjoining land, attention was drawn to the requirements of Section 143 of the Housing Act, 1936. It was pointed out that in connection with any application for the Minister's consent to appropriation, it would be necessary for the Minister to consult the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries and to give public notice of the exchange and afford opportunities to all persons interested to make representations and objections, and if necessary, to hold a local inquiry.

Arising thereon, the Borough Surveyor submitted, as instructed, alternative schemes for the erection of six large houses, together with full particulars of the cost involved.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(2) that Scheme "B" (drawings Nos. 11351 and 11329) now submitted, be approved in principle and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to submit the detailed plans and estimates, with particulars of the rents, to this Committee as soon as possible;

(2) that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the appropriation of the land edged green on Drawing No. 11351 for the erection of dwellings for the working classes; and

(3) that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the appropriation of the land edged red on Drawing No. 11351 for public walks and pleasure grounds.

2281 **Ivy Lodge, Long Lane:**

(*a*) The reference from the Parks and Open Spaces Committee hereon was reported, and it was

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RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health, the offer of that Committee to transfer the above premises to this Committee for the sum of £534, be accepted;

(2) that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the use of the premises for the housing of the working classes; and

(3) that the Borough Treasurer report at the meeting of the Town Council as to the appropriate rent to be charged on the letting of the premises.

(*b*) The Borough Surveyor reported that the estimated cost of the works necessary to render the premises suitable for habitation was £50 15s. 0d.

RECOMMENDED that the matter be considered further at the meeting of the Town Council in conjunction with the report of the Borough Treasurer, referred to in recommendation 3 above.

2282 **Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme—Heating, etc.:**

The Committee had before them the report of a Joint Meeting of the Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme Sub-Committee and the Electricity Accounts and Works Sub-Committee hereon, together with references from the Electricity Committee and a letter, dated 15th September, 1937, from the North Middlesex Gas Company.

After consideration, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the whole matter be referred to the Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme Sub-Committee for consideration at a meeting to be held on the 1st October, 1937;

(2) that the Borough Surveyor and the General Manager and Engineer be instructed to collaborate with a view to the submission to the Sub-Committee of reports in a simplified and if possible comparative form covering all the points to be considered concerning the use of electricity or gas in the Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme; and

(3) that the General Manager and Engineer be asked to attend the meeting and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to arrange for a representative of the North Middlesex Gas Company also to be present.

2283 **Proposed Lease of Land off Summers Lane to the Salvation Army:**

The Borough Surveyor submitted a letter, dated 27th August, 1937, received from the Salvation Army in regard to their tenancy of a small area of land adjacent to the Housing Estate in Summers Lane;

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council are, subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health, prepared to grant to the Salvation Army a lease of the land for a period of 21 years at the present rental of 5/- per annum.

2284 **Inspection of Schemes of Flats:**

The Chairman submitted a report on the visit of the Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme Sub-Committee to Liverpool when a number of schemes of flats were inspected and useful information obtained. Instructions were given for a copy of the report to be forwarded to each member of the Council.

2285 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

MARY E. LEGGE,

Chairman.

Borough of Finchley.

Municipal Offices,

Finchley, N. 3.

19th October, 1937.

Sir (or Madam),

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an ORDINARY MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY will be held on MONDAY NEXT, the 25th day of OCTOBER, 1937, at 8 o'clock in the afternoon at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, and all and several the members of the said Council are hereby summoned to attend.

The business to be transacted at such meeting is as follows:—

(1) Confirmation of the Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 27th day of September, 1937.

(2) To open a tender for Catering—Main Pavilion, Lyttelton Playing Fields, received after the time stipulated in the advertisement.

(3) Tenders for :—

(*a*) Hire of two motor cars for use by the Mayor and the Town Clerk.
(*b*) Printing of Agendas, Minutes and Reports.
(*c*) Supply of E.H.T. and L.T. Cables.
(*d*) Sale of scrap metal.
(*e*) Construction of two "Non-Attention" hard tennis courts, Glebe Land.
(*f*) Levelling and re-surfacing of first class Rugby Pitch, Glebe Land.
(*g*) Demolition of Mowbray House, Oak Lane.
(*h*) Erection of 36 flats and 2 wash houses—Red Lion Hill Housing Estate.
(*i*) Catering—Main Pavilion, Lyttelton Playing Fields.
(*j*) Purchase of a portion of the Rocklands Estate.

(4) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees, and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(*a*) **Children's Safety** of the 30th September, 1937.

(*b*) **Public Libraries** of the 4th October, 1937.

(*c*) **Town Planning** of the 4th October, 1937.

(*d*) **Valuation** of the 5th October, 1937.

(*e*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 5th October, 1937.

(*f*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 6th October, 1937.

(*g*) **Public Health** of the 7th October, 1937.

(*h*) **Education** of the 11th October, 1937.

(*i*) **Electricity** of the 12th October, 1937.

(*j*) **General Purposes** of the 13th October, 1937.

(*k*) **Finance** of the 14th October, 1937.

(*l*) **Housing (Special)** of the 18th October, 1937.

(*m*) **Education (Special)** of the 20th October, 1937.

(*n*) **Finance (Special)** of the 25th October, 1937 (if any).

(5) Other Correspondence (if any).

(6) Reports of Officers (if any).

(7) The Chairman of the Town Planning Committee to move as follows :—

"Finchley Planning Scheme No. 9.

(i) That the Town Council, in pursuance of Section 6 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, hereby decide to prepare the above Planning Scheme with reference to certain areas situate wholly within the Borough of Finchley and enclosed within the inner edge of a blue border on a map now produced to the Council and marked and certified by the Town Clerk under his hand, dated the 25th day of October, 1937, as the Resolution Map ;

(ii) That the Town Clerk be authorised to take all necessary steps to give effect to the foregoing."

(8) To authorise the Corporate Seal to be affixed to certain documents (list to be circulated).

(9) Payment of Accounts.

(*a*) The Town Clerk to report that, since the last meeting of the Town Council, a Borough Treasurer's Interim Order for the sum of £14,658 7s. 7d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(*b*) Motion.—

"That an Order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 14th October, 1937, amounting to £224,830."

(10) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Council in Committee.

(11) To receive and consider the reports of the following Committees and correspondence arising therefrom :—

(*a*) **Town Planning** of the 4th October, 1937.
(*b*) **Valuation** of the 5th October, 1937.
(*c*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 5th October, 1937.
(*d*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 6th October, 1937.
(*e*) **Public Health** of the 7th October, 1937.
(*f*) **Legal and Parliamentary** of the 8th October, 1937.
(*g*) **Education** of the 11th October, 1937.
(*h*) **Electricity** of the 12th October, 1937.
(*i*) **General Purposes** of the 13th October, 1937.
(*j*) **Finance** of the 14th October, 1937.
(*k*) **Housing (Special)** of the 18th October, 1937 (if any).
(*l*) **Education (Special)** of the 20th October, 1937 (if any).
(*m*) **Finance (Special)** of the 25th October, 1937 (if any).

(12) Other Correspondence (if any).

(13) Reports of Officers (if any).

(14) To consider, if necessary, the question of the raising of any temporary loan.

(15) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Edwin Barber

Town Clerk.

Questions.

Notice of any question intended to be asked at the Meeting of the Town Council must be given at the office of the Town Clerk not later than Twelve noon on the day of such Meeting.

Borough of Finchley.

At an Ordinary Meeting of the Council of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY, held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on MONDAY, the 27th day of September, 1937.

PRESENT:

His Worship the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.).

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).

Aldermen—

A. J. Briant.
G. H. Pateman.
A. T. Pike, O.B.E., J.P.
C. S. Syrett.
Vyvyan Wells.

Councillors—

A. N. H. Baines.
W. L. Brooksbank.
P. H. Burch.
J. F. Kneale Caine.
A. C. D. Collis.
J. Connorton.
C. P. Grobel.
F. J. Grocott.
C. Hayter.
J. Hugh Jones, LL.B.
Mrs. M. E. Legge.
Mrs. E. Murphy.
R. J. N. Norman.
H. A. Rutt.
Major H. W. Steward.
C. F. Wightman.
H. H. Wilmot.

2286 **Prayers:**

The Mayor's Chaplain attended the meeting, and opened the proceedings with prayer.

2287 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of a Special and of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 26th day of July, 1937, were presented, and it was

RESOLVED that such Minutes be taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a correct record of the proceedings.

2288 **Tenders:**

(*a*) Supply of Newspapers, Periodicals, etc., to the Public Libraries;

(*b*) Supply of Immersion Heaters and Circulators;

(*c*) Supply of Aluminium Utensils for use on Electric Cookers;

(*d*) Catering rights at Main Pavilion, Lyttelton Playing Fields.

RESOLVED that the tenders received in connection with the above be opened and referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

2289 **Reports of Committees :—**

RESOLVED that the reports of the under-mentioned Committees be received and adopted, as varied by the amendments (if any) set out and adopted :—

(*a*) **General Purposes (Special)** of the 26th August, 1937.

(*b*) **Public Libraries** of the 6th September, 1937.

(*c*) **Town Planning** of the 6th September, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 2074 (g) (Proposed Developments—241, Regents Park Road, N. 3) the Borough Surveyor reported that he was awaiting a reply from the Middlesex County Council on the matter.

(*d*) **Valuation** of the 7th September, 1937.

(*e*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 7th September, 1937.

(*f*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 8th September, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 2110 (c) (Automatic Traffic Control Signals—Barnet Bye-Pass, junction with Northway), it was

RESOLVED that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to communicate with the Middlesex County Council urging them to expedite the carrying out of the work.

Arising on the report, it was

RESOLVED that the Town Clerk be instructed to communicate with the Police Authorities pointing out that a large percentage of motorists using Ballards Lane and High Road, North Finchley, fail to comply with the Regulations in force in connection with pedestrian crossings and requesting that, in view of the amount of traffic, both passenger and vehicular, using these roads, they will be good enough to arrange for special observation to be kept and for such action to be taken as will ensure that proper use may be made of the crossings.

(*g*) **Public Health** of the 9th September, 1937.

(*h*) **Education** of the 13th September, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 2167 (Martin School—Part use of by Hornsey Education Authority) it was reported that a communication had been received from the Hornsey Corporation asking that the 31st October, 1937, might be substituted for the 30th September, 1937, mentioned in the notice ;

RESOLVED that no objection be raised thereto.

(*i*) **Allotments** of the 14th September, 1937.

(*j*) **Electricity** of the 14th September, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 2196 (Lake—Electricity Works), it was

RESOLVED that the word " had " in the second line thereof be deleted and the words " it is " substituted therefor, and that the word " it " in the third line be deleted and the words " the lake " substituted therefor.

Arising out of paragraph 2204 (Extensions of Mains), it was

RESOLVED that the words " and Regents Park Road " be inserted after the words " Ballards Lane " in the fourth line thereof.

(*k*) **General Purposes** of the 15th September, 1937, with the exception of paragraph 2242 (Open Spaces—Public Meetings) which be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

Arising out of paragraph 2244 (Open Air Pool—Refreshment Room) the Chairman of the Education Committee intimated that he desired to refer, in Committee, to the question of the heating of the refreshment room.

(*l*) **Finance** of the 16th September, 1937.

(*m*) **Housing** of the 20th September, 1937, with the exception of paragraph 2281 (Ivy Lodge—Long Lane) which be referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

Arising out of paragraph 2279 (c) (Workmen's Dwellings—Wiring for Supply of Electricity for Heating Purposes) the Vice-Chairman of the Electricity Committee asked that the Housing Committee would explore the possibility of heating points being hired to tenants of Council houses at a small rental ;

RESOLVED—

(1) that the matter be referred to the Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme Sub-Committee for consideration ;

(2) that the General Manager and Engineer be instructed to to prepare a scheme and submit same to the Sub-Committee.

Arising out of paragraph 2282 (Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme—Heating, etc.) it was moved by Councillor Caine, seconded by Councillor Grobel "that the Chairman of the Electricity Committee be invited to attend the meeting in question." On being put the motion was lost.

Arising out of paragraph 2283 (Proposed Lease of Land off Summers Lane to the Salvation Army), it was

RESOLVED that the words "and with the approval of the Allotments Committee" be inserted after the word "Health" in the second line of the recommendation and that the word "Salvation" be inserted before the word "Army" in the third line thereof.

2290 **Death of Mr. Titus Barham :**

A letter, dated 29th July, 1937, was submitted from the Clerk of the Wembley Urban District Council as follows :—

"I am instructed to thank your Town Council for their sentiments expressed in your letter of the 27th instant which I read to the monthly meeting of my Council last evening.

My Council appreciate very much the sympathy of a neighbouring authority in the loss Wembley has sustained by the death of its Charter Mayor elect."

2291 **Private Street Works—Derwent Crescent :**

The following petition signed by 29 residents and frontagers in the above road was submitted :—

"We, the undersigned residents and frontagers of the **Derwent Crescent Estate,** Whetstone, earnestly petition the Finchley Borough Council to reconsider the estimated cost of making up the aforementioned Crescent.

Whilst the residents and frontagers are desirous of having the work executed according to the specification given by the Council, yet they are of the opinion that the estimated cost of thirty shillings per foot, being in excess of that charged in other areas of the Borough, should be thoroughly reconsidered by the Authority with a view to its reduction to a more comparable figure."

RESOLVED that the matter be referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration.

2292 **Falloden Way—Speed Limit:**

A letter, dated 21st September, 1937, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the Falloden Way Safety Committee forwarding, for the information of the Town Council, a copy of the following resolution passed at a largely attended meeting at the Hampstead Garden Suburb Institute:—

"This great demonstration renews its demand for a 30 miles per hour speed limit on Falloden Way, recording its deepening resentment at the continued delay of the Ministry of Transport in complying therewith and is determined to continue and intensify its efforts until success is achieved."

2293 **Legal and Parliamentary Committee:**

RESOLVED that a meeting of the above-mentioned Committee be convened for Friday, the 8th October, 1937, at 8 p.m.

2294 **Highways—Traffic Conditions—Ballards Lane:**

It was reported that a letter had been received from the Finchley Chamber of Commerce on the above subject, and that same was being laid before the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration at next meeting.

2295 **Documents for Sealing:**

RESOLVED that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents:—

(1) Agreement with the Finchley Rugby Football Club for the tenancy of the second-class Association pitch and the second-class Rugby pitch—Glebe Land.

(2) Contract with the Automatic Telephone and Electric Co., Ltd., for the provision and erection of automatic traffic control signals at the junction of Regents Park Road and East End Road.

(3) Contract with the Automatic Telephone and Electric Co., Ltd., for the maintenance of the automatic traffic control signals at the junction of Regents Park Road and East End Road.

(4) Agreement with the North Middlesex Golf Club in connection with the fixing of a sign to a direction sign post belonging to the Town Council.

(5) Agreement with the Finchley Golf, Sports and Social Club, Ltd., in connection with the fixing of signs to four lamp posts belonging to the Town Council.

(6) Agreement with and Conveyance from Messrs. Newton & Wright in connection with the acquisition of land for widening Ballards Lane outside No. 68.

(7) Agreement with, Conveyance from and Transfer to Mr. F. B. James in connection with the exchange of lands for widening Totteridge Lane.

(8) Licence to Mrs. G. E. Moore, trading as Purkess Self-Drive Car Hire, to store petroleum spirit at 204, Ballards Lane, N. 3.

(9) Licence to Merry Miller Bakeries, Ltd., to store petroleum spirit at their factory in The Walks, East Finchley.

(10) Licence to Mr. S. T. Glanfield to store petroleum spirit at petrol station proposed to be erected at the junction of North Circular Road and High Road.

(11) Agreement with the Middlesex County Council in connection with the provision of a domiciliary service of midwives within the Borough.

(12) Contract with Mr. G. Haynes for the purchase of second-hand clinker.

(13) Contract with Henleys Telegraph Works Co., Ltd., for the supply of cast-iron cut-outs, sealing chambers and neutral connectors.

(14) Contract with Messrs. Siemens Bros. & Co., Ltd., for the supply of all-insulated cut-outs, sealing chambers and neutral connectors.

(15) Contract with Messrs. Callenders Cable & Construction Co., Ltd., for the supply of joint boxes.

(16) Contract with Messrs. H. J. Baldwin & Co., Ltd., for the supply of cable covers.

(17) Contract with Messrs. W. T. Henleys Telegraph Works Co., Ltd., for the supply of sundry jointing materials.

(18) Contract with Messrs. W. T. Henleys Telegraph Works Co., Ltd., for the supply of overground feeder pillars.

(19) Contract with Messrs. A. Reyrolle & Co., Ltd., for the supply, delivery and installation of H.T. Switchgear and Accessories.

(20) Contract with Library Bureau, Ltd., for the supply and delivery of a safe cabinet.

(21) Order for Certificate and Receipt therefor in connection with advance of the sum of £520 from the Public Works Loan Board (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts).

(22) Instrument appointing Mr. J. Yates as :—

(*a*) Assistant Sanitary Inspector ; and

(*b*) Assistant Inspector under the Shops Acts, 1912-36.

(23) Agreement with the Old Fincunians' Football Club as to use of a second-class Association pitch at the Lyttelton Playing Fields.

(24) Agreement with the Acorn Club, Ltd., as to use of a second-class Association pitch at the Lyttelton Playing Fields.

(25) Agreement with the Old Finchleians' Football Club as to use of the first-class Association pitch at the Lyttelton Playing Fields.

(26) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mr. A. Trotman in connection with the acquisition of Nos. 1 and 2, The Gardens, Willow Walk.

(27) Certified copy of Resolution authorising Mr. Leonard Smith, Deputy Borough Treasurer, to redeem the Land Tax in respect of Craven Lodge, 1 and 2, Hillside Cottages and any other properties within the area of the Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme where such tax is in existence.

(28) Deed of Variation of Covenant (in duplicate) *re* widening of High Road, Whetstone—T. Wall & Sons, Ltd.

(29) Discharge of Registered Charges or Vacating Receipts (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts) in respect of the following :—

Mortgage No. 174—F. J. A. Spurgeon, "Beulah," 4, Woodberry Grove.
,, ,, 711—Miss A. Wyatt, 50, West Avenue.
,, ,, 91—A. E. Tew, "The Chestnuts," The Walks.
,, ,, 828—R. G. Rann, 18, Blandford Close.
,, ,, 411—H. Smith, 20, Falkland Avenue.
,, ,, 743—B. W. S. Palmer, 71, Naylor Road.
,, ,, 839—W. A. Weait, 68, Rosemary Avenue.
,, ,, 238—B. W. H. Murfitt, 60, Queens Avenue.
,, ,, 560—W. Wright, 9, Grove Road.
,, ,, 100—F. H. Stephens, 15, Talbot Avenue.
,, ,, 675—Mrs. A. E. Brown, 6, Royston Villas, East End Road.

*(30) Contract with Mr. G. F. Amory for the supply of Newspapers, Periodicals, etc., to the Public Libraries.

* See report of Town Council in Committee.

2296 **Payment of Accounts :**

(*a*) The Town Clerk reported that, since the last meeting of the Town Council, Borough Treasurer's Interim Orders for the sums of £70,151 19s. 11d., £19,278 8s. 11d. and £461,646 18s. 9d., respectively, had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(*b*) **RESOLVED** that an Order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk, directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 16th September, 1937, amounting to £86,126 2s. 4d.

2297 **Council in Committee :**

It was moved by the Deputy Mayor, seconded by Alderman Syrett, and

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the Town Council do now go into Committee.

2298 **Open Air Pool—Refreshment Room :**

Arising out of paragraph 2244 of the General Purposes Committee's Report of the 15th September, 1937, the Chairman of the Education Committee reported that, in connection with the heating of the refreshment room, it was proposed that five radiators should be installed and that the total cost involved, including wiring, etc., was estimated at a sum of £10 ;

RECOMMENDED that the expenditure in question be approved.

2299 **Ivy Lodge, Long Lane :**

Paragraph 2281 of the Housing Committee's Report of the 20th September, 1937, was considered, in conjunction with a report of the Borough Treasurer with regard to the appropriate rent to be charged on the letting of the premises ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the paragraph in question be adopted ;

(2) that a rent of 18/- per week inclusive be approved ; and

(3) that the carrying out of the necessary repairs at the cost indicated be approved.

2300 **General Purposes Committee :**

A report of a special meeting of this Committee, dated 26th August, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2301 **Public Libraries Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 6th September, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2302 **Town Planning Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 6th September, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (Plan No. 10123—Garage, 10, Brookland Rise, Hampstead Garden Suburb in Brookland Hill—Miss M. Vernon), the Borough Surveyor reported that the owner had now amended the plan to show the proposed building set back behind the building line. In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that the plan in question be approved.

2303 **Valuation Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 7th September, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2304 **Parks and Open Spaces Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 7th September, 1937, was submitted and considered.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (Rocklands, Gordon Road), the Town Clerk submitted the report of the Valuation Officer on the matter, and it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that recommendation (a) be adopted, subject to the words "place the matter in the hands of Agents" being deleted and the following substituted therefor :—"arrange for appropriate advertisements to be issued in the press" ;

(2) that recommendation (b) be not adopted.

It was further

RECOMMENDED that the report, as amended, be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2305 **Highways and Fire Brigade Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 8th September, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2306 **Public Health Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 9th September, 1937, was submitted and considered.

Arising out of paragraph 4 (Erection of Health Centre—Oak Lane) an amendment was proposed by Councillor Baines, seconded by Councillor Caine :—

(*a*) that the recommendations of the Public Health Committee in regard to the heating of the Health Centre be not adopted ;

(*b*) that the resolution passed by the Town Council on the 26th July, 1937 (Minute No. 1949) approving in principle of proposals contained in a report of the General Manager and Engineer be re-affirmed ; and

(*c*) that the whole matter be referred to the Electricity Committee with a view to their making the necessary arrangements in connection therewith.

The amendment was subsequently withdrawn by permission of the Town Council.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the recommendations of the Committee be not adopted but that the whole matter be referred to the Committee for further consideration ;

(2) that the General Manager and Engineer be instructed to attend the next meeting of the Committee ; and

(3) that the Borough Surveyor and the General Manager and Engineer be instructed to submit at that meeting detailed estimates of the cost of heating the Health Centre by means of a coke fired boiler system and by electricity respectively.

Arising out of paragraph 5 (Proposed Electricity Sub-Station — Summers Lane), it was

RECOMMENDED that the recommendations of the Committee be not adopted but that the following be substituted therefor :—

" (1) That Drawing No. 37181.S shewing the elevations of the proposed Sub-Station be approved ;

(2) that the Electricity Committee be allowed the use of the site of the sub-station at a rental of £1 per annum ;

(3) that the Officers concerned be instructed to confer and report to the Public Health Committee as to the necessity for the planting of a suitable hedge between the sub-station and Summers Lane and for the fencing of the site."

It was thereupon further

RECOMMENDED that the report, as amended, be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2307 **Education Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 13th September, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2308 **Electricity Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 14th September, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council, Alderman Syrett and Councillor Langlands voting against the recommendations contained in paragraph 2.

Arising out of paragraph 2 (Independent Technical Report), it was

RECOMMENDED that Mr. L. L. Robinson of Messrs. May and Hawes be instructed in connection with the matter at a fee of 250 guineas.

2309 **General Purposes Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 15th September, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2310 **Open Spaces (Rents) Sub-Committee:**

A report of this Sub-Committee, dated 16th September, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2311 **Finance Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 16th September, 1937, was submitted and considered.

Arising out of paragraph 5 (Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts—Arrears of Instalments) it was reported that the arrears as respects Advances Nos. 306 and 923 had been discharged and that as regards Advance No. 320 a communication had been received from the Mortgagor;

RECOMMENDED that the question of the arrears in the case of Advance No. 320 be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

Arising out of paragraph 6 (Private Street Works—Outstanding Amounts), it was

RECOMMENDED that the fourth name mentioned in the list of defaulters be deleted.

It was thereupon further

RECOMMENDED that the report, as amended, be adopted and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2312 **Housing Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 20th September, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising on the report, it was further

RECOMMENDED that the Instruction given to the Town Clerk, as entered in the Instruction Book, be approved.

2313 **Finance Committee :**

A report of a Special Meeting of this Committee, dated 27th September, 1937, was submitted and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2314 **Staff—Resignation of Assistant Sewage Disposal Works Manager :**

It was reported that Mr. R. W. Covill, the Assistant Sewage Disposal Works Manager, had resigned his appointment and would be leaving the service of the Town Council on the 31st October, 1937 ;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the position at a commencing salary of £260 per annum, rising by four annual increments of £10 to a maximum of £300 per annum ; and

(*b*) that a Sub-Committee consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and the Chairman of the Public Health Committee be authorised to make the appointment, subject to report.

2315 **Tenders :**

(*a*) Supply of Newspapers, Periodicals, etc., to the Public Libraries ;

(*b*) Supply of Immersion Heaters and Circulators ;

(*c*) Supply of Aluminium Utensils for use on Electric Cookers ;

(*d*) Catering rights at Main Pavilion, Lyttelton Playing Fields.

The tenders received in connection with the above were submitted ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that as regards (a) the tender of Mr. G. F. Amory for the supply of newspapers, periodicals, etc., to the Public Libraries for a period of 12 months from the 1st October, 1937, be accepted, subject to Contract ;

(2) that as regards (b), (c) and (d), the tenders be referred to the appropriate Committees for consideration ; and

(3) that the Contract with Mr. G. F. Amory be added to the list of documents for sealing.

2316 **Resumption of Council :**

RESOLVED that the Town Council do now resume, and that the recommendations above set forth be adopted.

Mayor.

Report of a Meeting of the Children's Safety Committee.

THURSDAY, 30th SEPTEMBER, 1937.

Present: Councillor H. A. Rutt (Chairman), The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), Councillors F. J. Grocott, (Mrs.) M. E. Legge, (Mrs.) E. Murphy, H. H. Wilmot; Messrs. C. A. Berrey, H. Cowen, M. C. Hackett; Inspector L. J. Hooper.

2317 **Middlesex County Council—Children's Safety Committee:**

The County Council's Children's Safety Committee have decided to convene a Conference of Local Children's Safety Committees in the County for the discussion of a number of matters of common interest to all Safety Committees.

The Local Committee have been asked to appoint two representatives to attend the proposed Conference, to be held during October, 1937.

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that Councillor Mrs. Murphy and the Director of Education be appointed to attend the proposed conference.

(*b*) that in the event of the Director of Education being unable to attend the proposed conference he be authorised to nominate a teacher member of the Committee to attend.

2318 **The Pedestrians' Association:**

A memorandum issued by the Pedestrians' Association replying to the suggestion of the Commissioner of Police for the Metropolis that pedestrians are at fault in 83.5 per cent of accidents in which they are involved with moving vehicles in the metropolitan area, has been considered and noted.

2319 **St. Mary's School—Exit Gate:**

Consideration has been given to the question of the additional safety that may ensue from the northern gate on the main road side of St. Mary's School being closed to children leaving school after the morning and afternoon sessions.

RECOMMENDED that it be suggested to the Education Committee that the Managers of St. Mary's School be asked to consider the desirability, as a precautionary measure against accidents, of closing as a means of exit after the morning and afternoon sessions, the northern gate on the main road side of the School.

2320 **Lectures by Police Officers:**

A course of lectures on road safety, has been given in the schools recently and a further course will be given prior to the Christmas vacation, 1937.

2321 **Street Accidents to Children:**

An analysis of street accidents to children under fifteen years of age known to the Police to have occurred in Finchley during the period 1st June to 31st August, 1937, has been considered:—

Nature of Accident.	Number of Cases. Fatal Injury.	Serious Injury.	Slight Injury.	Total.
Pedestrian injured by Motor Vehicle.....	—	—	12	12
Pedal cyclist injured in collision with Motor Vehicle	—	1	2	3
Passenger in Motor Vehicle injured in Motor Vehicle accident	—	—	—	—
Pedestrian injured by pedal cyclist	—	—	2	2
Pedal cyclist injured by fall from cycle, etc., where no other vehicle was involved	—	—	—	—
Pedestrian injured by walking into stationary Motor Vehicle	—	—	2	2
	—	1	18	19

2322 **Public Playground, Long Lane, N. 2:**

RECOMMENDED that the Parks and Open Spaces Committee be asked to consider the desirability

(1) of increasing the height of the fencing along the easterly side of the playground by the fixing of, say, wire netting.

(2) of providing a more suitable type of entrance gate to the playground and of moving it to a position not in a direct line with the drinking fountain.

(3) of placing a safety barrier on the inside of the entrance.

H. A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Public Libraries Committee's Report.

4th OCTOBER, 1937.

Present: Councillor Collis (Chairman), Councillor Hayter (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Pike, and Councillors Grobel, Mrs. Legge and Wilmot.

Non-Members: Aldermen Pateman and Syrett, and Councillors Mrs. Murphy, Rutt and Wightman.

2323 **Chief Librarian:**

Prior to the commencement of the ordinary business, the Chairman extended, on behalf of the Committee, a hearty welcome to Mr. F. Seymour Smith, the newly appointed Chief Librarian.

2324 **Minutes:**

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

2325 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of Requisitions (circulated) be approved, subject to the substitution of "£50" for "£25" in item No. 7, "East Finchley."

2326 **Public Libraries:**

(*a*) Statistics.—The Chief Librarian reported as under, the figures in brackets being those reported for August, 1936:—

(i) Readers.—That the number of readers registered in the Libraries was 13,401 (5,366).

(ii) Stock.—That the book stock now amounted to 34,741 (17,727).

(iii) Loans.—That the number of books lent during the month of August, 1937, from Avenue House was 15,026 (15,279), and from North Finchley 14,909 and that the following table showed the number of books lent from each class of the stock at Avenue House during August, 1936, and August, 1937, and at North Finchley for August, 1937:—

CLASS.	AVENUE HOUSE. Aug., 1937. Loans.	% of total.	Aug., 1936. Loans.	% of total.	In-crease.	De-crease.	NORTH FINCHLEY. August, 1937. Adult. Loans.	% of total.	Junior. Loans.	% of total.	Total. Loans.	% of total.	GRAND TOTALS. August, 1937.
General	69	.5	25	.2	44	—	16	.1	25	1.1	41	.3	110
Philosophy	277	1.9	219	1.4	58	—	130	1.0	1	.04	131	.9	408
Religion	168	1.1	169	1.1	—	1	95	.8	7	.3	102	.7	270
Sociology	522	3.5	469	3.1	53	—	271	2.1	147	6.7	418	2.8	940
Languages	175	1.2	249	1.6	—	74	94	.8	—	—	94	.6	269
Science	264	1.8	298	2.0	—	34	146	1.2	102	4.7	248	1.7	512
Useful Arts	664	4.4	721	4.7	—	57	374	2.9	144	6.5	518	3.5	1182
Fine Arts	642	4.2	691	4.5	—	49	280	2.2	46	2.1	326	2.2	968
Music	200	1.3	239	1.9	—	39	165	1.3	3	.13	168	1.1	368
Literature	708	4.7	673	4.3	35	—	374	2.9	47	2.1	421	2.8	1129
History and Travel	2121	14.1	2100	13.6	21	—	1321	10.4	131	5.93	1452	9.7	3573
Biography	575	3.8	768	5.1	—	193	358	2.8	20	.9	378	2.5	953
Fiction	8641	57.5	8758	56.9	—	117	9078	71.5	1534	69.5	10612	71.2	19253
TOTALS	15026	100.0	15279	100.0	211	564	12702	100.0	2207	100.0	14909	100.0	29935
					(Net Decrease 353)								
Days open	25		23		2	—	25		25		25		—
Daily Average Loan	601		668		—	67	508		88		596		1197
Readers	5948		5366		582	—	6028		1425		7453		13401
Stock	20560		17727		2833	—	11540		2641		14181		34741
Cash	£17/7/4		£14/7/11		£2/19/5	—	£16/12/7		£1/13/8		£18/6/3		£35/13/7

(iv) Cash Receipts.—That the cash receipts during August amounted to £17 7s. 4d. (£14 7s. 11d.) at Avenue House and £18 6s. 3d. at North Finchley.

(*b*) Offers of Books.—

RECOMMENDED that the following offers of books for use in connection with the Public Libraries be accepted and that the thanks of the Town Council be conveyed to the respective donors :—

Donor.	Book.
Christabel Pankhurst	The Lord Cometh.
Thos. Firth and John Brown, Ltd.	The Brown-Firth Research Laboratories.

(*c*) Withdrawals from Stock.—

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Chief Librarian be instructed—

(*a*) to arrange for a register to be kept of all books withdrawn from stock and for such register to contain particulars of books replaced ;

(*b*) to submit the register to the Chairman of the Committee each month for initialling ; and

(*c*) to report to the Committee each quarter as to the number of books withdrawn during that quarter.

(2) that the Chief Librarian be instructed further to enquire of the Royal National Mission to Deep Sea Fishermen and the Missions to Seamen if they would care to accept the books which are withdrawn from stock and to submit the replies received to the Committee in due course.

2327 **Instructions :—**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

2328 **Vote of Thanks :**

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Chairman of the Committee for his services during the past year.

A. C. D. COLLIS,

Chairman.

Town Planning Committee's Report.

4th OCTOBER, 1937.

Present: Councillor Wilmot (Vice-Chairman) in the Chair, the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Alderman Wells, and Councillors Mrs. Murphy, Norman and Wightman.

Non-Members: Alderman Pateman, and Councillors Mrs. Legge and Rutt.

2329 **Minutes:**

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

2330 **Finchley Planning Scheme No. 9:**

The Town Clerk reported that in accordance with Article 30 (2) of the Town and Country Planning Regulations, 1933, a certified copy of the proposed resolution to prepare the above planning scheme had been served upon the Middlesex County Council.

The Town Clerk was instructed, providing that the County Council did not make any representations on the resolution within the prescribed period, to take the necessary steps for the formal resolution deciding to prepare the Scheme and the Resolution Map, to be submitted at the next meeting of the Town Council.

2331 **Hornsey Planning Scheme No. 1:**

A notice was submitted of an Inquiry which the Minister of Health had instructed one of his Inspectors to hold in respect of the application of the Hornsey Borough Council for approval of the above Planning Scheme, at the Town Hall, Crouch End Broadway, N. 8, on the 23rd November, 1937.

2331a **Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1—Kingswood, Corner of Hendon Avenue and Dollis Avenue:**

The Town Clerk reported that a letter, dated 24th September, 1937, had been received from Messrs. Maple & Co. enquiring whether the Town Council would permit the above premises to be used for the purpose of a Children's Home, but that a further letter had now been received stating that their client had decided to withdraw the application to use the premises for the purpose proposed.

2332 **Unoccupied Flats:**

The following monthly report of the Valuation Officer hereon was submitted:—

"Number of unoccupied flats in the Borough 58 (69).

Total number of flats erected 1,699 (1,689).

These figures do not include premises converted.

The corresponding figures for last month are set out in brackets."

2333 **Advertising Site Adjoining Wallingford House, High Road, East Finchley, N. 2:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that a letter, dated 23rd September, 1937 had been received from the Finchley Billposting Company, together with a sketch plan asking for permission to erect a bow-shaped hoarding approximately 64 feet in length and 23 feet in height at the above site in place of the existing hoarding;

RECOMMENDED that the Finchley Billposting Company be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to give their consent under the provisions of the Middlesex County Council (General Powers) Act, 1906, for the erection of the above hoarding.

2334 **Proposed Developments:**

(*a*) 26, Alexandra Grove, N. 12.—The Town Clerk submitted a letter which had been received from Messrs. Batty & Stevens enquiring whether the Town Council would be prepared to grant permission for the above premises to be used as a guest house;

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. Batty & Stevens be informed that the Town Council are prepared to agree to the premises being used for the purpose proposed.

(*b*) Land—Junction of Falloden Way and the North Circular Road.—The Borough Surveyor reported that a further letter had been submitted from Messrs. G. Reed and Sons, Ltd., together with a tentative site plan and elevations of flats they proposed to build on the triangular area of land at the junction of Falloden Way and the North Circular Road, and that the developers asked for permission to erect 144 flats at the junction of the two roads and 106 houses on the land at the rear;

RECOMMENDED that Messrs. George Reed & Sons, Ltd., be informed that the Town Council approve, in principle, of the proposed development, but that the matter will be considered further on deposit of the necessary plans.

(*c*) Building Lines—Linden Lea and Norrice Lea.—A letter, dated the 27th September, 1937, was submitted from Mr. A. Whitaker with tentative plan, asking for permission to encroach slightly at two points on the building lines in Linden Lea and Norrice Lea;

RECOMMENDED that, in the circumstances, the Town Council raise no objection to the proposed encroachments.

(*d*) House—Junction of Norrice Lea and Winnington Road.—The Borough Surveyor submitted a letter, dated 27th September, 1937, which had been received from Mr. J. C. S. Soutar asking for permission to erect an "L" shaped building on this site with a building line to Norrice Lea of 15 feet in lieu of a rectangular building with a 20 feet line as required by the Scheme. Mr. Soutar suggested that the proposal, if agreed, would improve the line of sight at the junction of these roads;

RECOMMENDED that Mr. Soutar be informed that the Town Council agree, in principle, to the erection of the above building and to the reduction of the building line to 15 feet in Norrice Lea for this purpose.

(*e*) Brooklyn, High Road, N. 12.—A letter, dated 1st October, 1937, was submitted from Mr. Storey, together with a sketch plan of a proposal to erect 12 lock-up garages adjoining the above house;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council approve, in principle, of the proposal and that Mr. Storey be informed that the matter will be considered further on deposit of the necessary plans.

(*f*) Woodlands, High Road, N. 20.—The Borough Surveyor submitted a letter, dated 2nd October, 1937, from Mr. F. J. Lawes, with sketch plans of a proposal to erect offices with flats over for H.M. Office of Works on the above site;

REECOMMENDED that Mr. Lawes be informed that the Town Council are not prepared to agree to the proposal, as such development would contravene the provisions of the Agreement scheduled to the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1 relating to this property.

Prior to the consideration of this proposal, Alderman Wells disclosed that he had an interest therein and in consequence did not vote or take any part in the discussion relating thereto.

2335 **Plan No. 10158—Two Flats and Garages—4, Waverley Grove, N. 3—Messrs. V. Smith, Ltd.:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the above plan showed a proposal to erect two flats and garages at the above site which was zoned in the Finchley Planning Scheme No. 1 for dwellinghouses, but that one of the external walls of the building was shown as being of insufficient thickness. The Borough Surveyor was instructed to approach the developers with a view to their amending the plan to comply with the Bye-Laws and to report at the meeting of the Town Council;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the action taken be approved; and

(2) that the Town Council approve, in principle, of the erection of flats on the site.

2336 **241, Regents Park Road, Junction with Cyprus Road, N. 3:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the County Surveyor had informed him that, as regard the Cyprus Road frontage of the above site the County Council approved the building line of 15 feet from the existing boundary of the road as suggested by the Town Council, but that in respect of the Regents Park Road frontage, the County Council approved the widening line of 45 feet from the centre of the tram track, but suggested that provision should be made for a service road and footpath of 25 feet instead of 24 feet as originally proposed;

RECOMMENDED that notwithstanding anything contained in Minute No. 2074 (g) in respect of the Regents Park Road frontage of the above site, the Town Council adopt the suggestion of the County Council herein and agree to a widening line of 45 feet from the centre of the tram track, together with a service road and footpath of a total width of 25 feet.

2337 **Plans:**

RECOMMENDED that the following plans be APPROVED subject to the conditions severally mentioned by the Borough Surveyor in his report:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
10099	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	50, Hertford Road, N. 2	The Ancient Order of Foresters.
10100	House	Plot X562, Litchfield Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb	The Legal Estate & Construction Co.
10133	Addition	Side of 101, Kingsley Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. A Richie.
10134	House	Plot 0252, Ossulton Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb, at corner of Brim Hill	Mr. V. R. Stotesbury.
10135	Greenhouse	Rear of 25, Finchley Avenue, N. 3	Major A. E. Sansom.
10136	House	Ridgeview Road, N. 20, adjoining footpath leading to Swan Lane	Mr. A. H. Harris.
10137	House	Plot X583, Litchfield Way, Hampstead Garden Suburb	The Legal Estate & Construction Co.

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
10138	Garage	Side of 22, Finchley Way, N. 3	Mr. W. J. M. Lewer.
10139	Covered way	Side of 26, St. Margarets Avenue, N. 20	Mr. F. Hicks.
10140	House	Plot 10, site of "Rathgar," Dollis Avenue, N. 3	Novean Homes (London), Ltd.
10141	Alterations and additions and tool shed	4, Etchingham Park Road, N. 3	Mr. J. D. Couston.
10142	House	Plot 8, Amberden Avenue, N. 3	Messrs. Tant & Co.
10143	Additional garage to flats	Adjoining 26, Park Avenue, N. 3	Messrs. V. Smith, Ltd.
10144	House	Plot No. 2, Bishops Grove, N. 2, off The Bishops Avenue	Messrs. R. Hart & Sons, Ltd.
10145	Garage	Side of 14, Moss Hall Grove, N. 12	Mr. L. B. Noltingk.
10146	Store shed	Rear of 20, Richmond Road, N. 2	Mr. E. Winter.
10147	House	Plot 17, Edmunds Walk, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. I. Meering.
10148	House	Plot 15, Edmunds Walk, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. I. Meering.
*10149	Garage	Rear of 192, Ballards Lane, N. 3	For Dr. Mayberry.
10150	Tool Shed	Side of 151, Abbots Gardens, N. 2	Mr. A. L. Surl.
10151	56 flats and eleven garages	Gordon Road, N. 3, between Eversleigh Road and Grosvenor Road	Messrs. Wood & Waller.
†10152	Additional three flats and two garages	Falloden Court, Brookland Rise, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Messrs. Fegg & Sons.
10153	Garage	On land at rear of 45-55, Eton Avenue, N. 12	Mr. A. H. Dack.
10154	Addition to Hall	"Waenavon," Woodside Grange Road, N. 12	Mr. R. Thomas.
10155	Garage	Side of 75, Westbury Road, N. 12	Mr. F C. Ost.
10156	Garage	Rear of 72, Chandos Road, N. 2	Mr J. Gregory.
10157	Two garages	Huntly Drive, Nether Street, N. 3	10th Finchley Scouts Group.

* Referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

† Referred to the Middlesex County Council for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935.

2338 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

2339 **Vote of Thanks:**

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Chairman and Vice-Chairman for their services during the past year.

H. H. WILMOT,

Chairman (*pro tempore*).

Valuation Committee's Report

5th OCTOBER, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillor Brooksbank, and Mr. A. E. Griffith.

2340 **Minutes:**

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

2341 **North Middlesex Assessment Committee:**

(*a*) The Valuation Officer submitted the following communication received from the Clerk of the above Committee:—

"I beg to inform you that the Assessment Committee at their meeting on Friday, 17th instant, again considered Proposals for the amendment of the Valuation List in respect to the assessments of the above properties, and after consideration of the report of the Viewing Committee determined as follows:—

Nos. 14, 24 to 32, 36 to 42 and 48	That the assessments of £50 gross, £40 rateable value, each, be reduced to £48 gross, £38 rateable value, each.
Nos. 34, 44 and 46	That the assessments of £57 gross, £46 rateable value, each, be reduced to £55 gross, £44 rateable value, each.

I was directed to order that the necessary alterations be made to the Valuation List.

I was also directed to inform you that the Assessment Committee were of the opinion that the assessments of Nos. 6 to 12 and 16 to 22 (even), Fursby Avenue should be correspondingly reduced, and to request that your Rating Authority submit Proposals in order that the suggested reductions be put into effect."

RECOMMENDED that, in accordance with the suggestion of the Assessment Committee, the under-mentioned reductions in assessments be approved:—

No.	From.		To.	
	G.	R.	G.	R.
6.	£51	£41	£49	£39
8.	£51	£41	£49	£39
10.	£61	£49	£59	£47
12.	£50	£40	£48	£38
16.	£50	£40	£48	£38
18.	£59	£47	£56	£45
20.	£51	£41	£49	£39
22.	£57	£46	£55	£44

(*b*) Freston Tower, Hendon Avenue.—The Valuation Officer reported that the Assessment Committee had also viewed the above property and reduced the assessment from £256 Gross Value, £210 Rateable Value, to £240 Gross Value, £197 Rateable Value.

2342 **Rating and Valuation (Apportionment) Act, 1928—De-rating Claim:**

It was reported that a claim for de-rating had been received in respect of the Cambridge Works, Bedford Road, which were in use for the manufacture of iron work for coaches and came within the definition of Industrial Hereditament;

RECOMMENDED that such claim be not opposed by the Rating Authority.

2343 **Preparation of the Third New Valuation List:**

It was reported that the Committee held an unofficial meeting on the 30th September, 1937, when the Memorandum of the Central Valuation Committee in regard to the above was considered.

It was also reported that a Conference between representatives of Rating Authorities within the County of Middlesex was to be convened in the near future ;

RECOMMENDED that the Deputy Mayor and the Valuation Officer, and, if possible, the Chairman of the Committee, be appointed to represent the Rating Authority at the Conference.

2344 **Vote of Thanks :**

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Chairman of the Committee for the services rendered by him during the past year.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Highways and Fire Brigade Committee's Report.

5th OCTOBER, 1937.

Present: Councillor Rutt (Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), Aldermen Briant and Pateman and Councillor Grobel.

Non-Member: Councillor Mrs. Murphy.

2345 **Minutes:**

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

2346 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

2347 **Damage to Town Council's Property:**

It was reported that the under-mentioned properties of the Town Council had been damaged since last meeting and that the matters had been dealt with:—

Lamp Column—Dollis Road.
Slab Paving—Durham Road.
Switch Column—Briarfield Avenue.
Lamp Column—St. Margaret's Avenue.
Footway—Leslie Road.

2348 **Third Party Claims:**

It was reported that a number of claims had been received and dealt with.

2349 **Street Accidents:**

The Returns received from the Police Authorities were submitted, from which it appeared that the number of street accidents which had occurred in the Borough during the month of August, 1937, as compared with the corresponding period for the previous year, was as follows:—

	Fatal.	Personal Injuries.		Total.
August, 1936 ...	—	29		29
August, 1937 ...	3*	Serious. 2	Slight. 24	29

* In one of these cases the accident actually occurred on the 26th February, 1937, but death did not take place until the 4th August, 1937.

2350 **London Traffic Act, 1924:**

A letter, dated 9th September, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Transport referring to the inspection, at which the Town Council were represented, of the stopping places for omnibuses and trolley buses at the junction of Regents Park Road and East End Road and stating that, after consulting the London and Home Counties Traffic Advisory Committee, the Minister had decided that the under-mentioned stopping places should be put into operation for an experimental period commencing on the 15th September, 1937:—

In Regents Park Road.—

North-bound omnibuses and trolleybuses to stop at the present coach stop at T.S. 71.

South-bound omnibuses and trolleybuses to stop at the L.S. outside No. 262. This stop to be used also by services proceeding into East End Road.

In East End Road.—

West-bound omnibuses to stop at the entrance to No. 5, Stanhope Court.

It was added that it was proposed to review the working of the stopping places in question at the end of three months, and that, if the Town Council desired to furnish the Minister with any observations thereon, they should do so before the expiration of that period.

2351 **Proposed Lay-out—Junction of Falloden Way and Addison Way:**

It was reported that a communication, dated 10th September, 1937, had been received from Mr. Hugh Franklin as follows:—

> "I would be glad if you will bring before the appropriate committee and authorities the enclosed proposal for a new lay-out at the junction of Falloden Way and Addison Way.
>
> There have been accidents and many near-accidents at this spot, and the plan I have sketched allows only of two sets of traffic crossing each other—that coming out of Brookland Rise and not turning left, with that from Falloden Way going Eastwards, the latter also crossing the westbound traffic if turning into Oakwood Road.
>
> This is an awkward junction to negotiate from Addison Way, if there is much westbound traffic on Falloden Way; while from a pedestrian point of view it is very dangerous. My system will allow of several refuges which are at present impossible."

Arising on the above, the Borough Surveyor reported that an official of the Ministry of Transport had called upon him with reference to a suggestion for the construction of a footbridge across Falloden Way and he submitted a plan which he had subsequently received indicating the proposals;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the proposals of the Ministry of Transport be approved in principle so far as this Committee is concerned;

(*b*) that the Ministry be asked to submit the elevations of the proposed footbridge to the Town Council, and that it be suggested to them that step access also be provided on each side of the bridge;

(*c*) that the matter be referred to the Parks and Open Spaces Committee for consideration; and

(*d*) that, having regard to the proposals of the Ministry of Transport, no action be taken on the suggestions put forward by Mr. Hugh Franklin.

2352 **London "Safety First" Council:**

A letter, dated 22nd September, 1937, was submitted from the Secretary to the above making application for a contribution towards the funds of the "Safety First" Council and expressing the hope that the Town Council would consider the question of increasing the financial support which they had been good enough to accord in past years.

It was reported that a sum of 5 guineas was contributed last year;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for a similar amount to be paid for the current year.

2353 **Complaint Re**

(*a*) **Condition of Channel—Junction of Church Lane and Leslie Road; and**

(*b*) **Condition of Footpath through Pointalls Allotments:**

It was reported that the following resolution had been passed by the East Finchley Ratepayers' Association:—

> "That the attention be called to the Borough Surveyor as to the condition of the channel at the junction of Church Lane and Leslie Road, causing frequent accumulation of rain water to the inconvenience of pedestrians; also to the condition of the footpath through Pointalls Allotments from Long Lane."

With regard to the question of the channel, the Borough Surveyor reported that the necessary repairs had been effected and, in connection with the complaint as to the condition of the footpath through Pointalls Allotments, he was instructed to go into the matter and report thereon at next meeting.

2354 **Highways—Traffic Control:**

A letter, dated 23rd September, 1937, was submitted from the Secretary to the Finchley Chamber of Commerce stating that the question of the traffic conditions in Ballards Lane was discussed at some length at the last meeting of the Executive Committee of the Chamber, when the following resolution was passed:—

> "That traffic lights should be erected in Ballards Lane, at the top of Long Lane (to help to check the speed of traffic through the main shopping part of Church End) and/or hand controlled lights placed in Ballards Lane, opposite Princes Avenue crossing, which particular crossing is considerably used by pedestrians."

A communication, dated 4th October, 1937, received from Mr. T. S. Maxfield Follis referring to the fatal accident which occurred in Ballards Lane on the 10th September last was also submitted.

In addition the following petition, signed by 376 Burgesses, was presented:—

> "In view of the tragic accident on Monday, September 13th, we, the undersigned Burgesses of Finchley appeal to the Finchley Borough Council to make a strong representation to the Ministry of Transport for improved pedestrian crossings and better Police supervision of the main roads, in order to secure the safety of the population of the Borough."

The whole matter was very carefully considered and during the course of the discussion, the Chairman of the Committee intimated that he understood that the Police were recommending to the Ministry of Transport that two island refuges be erected, one in Regents Park Road (south of Lichfield Grove) and the other in Ballards Lane (south of the junction with Long Lane).

It was further reported that arising out of an instruction given at the last meeting of the Town Council a communication had recently been addressed to the Police Authorities requesting that they would be good enough to arrange for special observation to be kept and for such action to be taken as would ensure that proper use was made of pedestrian crossings in the Borough;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the recommendation of the Police Authorities with regard to the island refuges mentioned above be supported by the Town Council;

(*b*) that a further communication be addressed to the Police Authorities informing them of the petition received by the Town Council; and

(*c*) that the action of the Committee in instructing the Borough Surveyor to approach the Middlesex County Council forthwith with a view to obtaining authority for pedestrian crossings in the main roads in the Borough to be marked with a distinctive colour be approved.

2355 **Road Traffic Act, 1930—Section 46—Road and Rail Traffic Act, 1933—Section 29—Prohibition or Restriction of Use of Woodberry Way, Grove Road and Churchfield Avenue by Heavy Vehicles:**

The Deputy Town Clerk reported that he and the Borough Surveyor had interviewed the Superintendent of Police hereon who was of opinion that the making of Orders would not be likely to meet the difficulties raised, and further that the roads in question did not appear to come within the purview of the Acts.

In the circumstances, it was

RECOMMENDED that no further action be taken in the matter.

2356 **Brent Cottage, Totteridge Lane:**

It was reported that the above property had now been let on a weekly tenancy to Mr. A. Glover at an inclusive rental of 27s. 6d. per week in accordance with the Valuation Officer's Report as approved by the County Council;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2357 **Private Street Works—30th Batch:**

(*a*) Derwent Crescent.—It was reported that a petition signed by 29 frontagers and residents in the above road had been received as follows:—

"WE, the undersigned residents and frontagers of the **Derwent Crescent Estate**, Whetstone, earnestly petition the Finchley Borough Council to reconsider the estimated cost of making up the aforementioned Crescent.

Whilst the residents and frontagers are desirous of having the work executed according to the specification given by the Council, yet they are of the opinion that the estimated cost of thirty shillings per foot, being in excess of that charged in other areas of the Borough, should be thoroughly reconsidered by the Authority with a view to its reduction to a more comparable figure."

(*b*) Westbury Grove.—It was also reported that a petition signed by 16 frontagers in the above road had been received as follows:—

"WE, the frontagers of the respective properties in **Westbury Grove, North Finchley, N. 12,** and as enumerated below, respectfully submit to the Borough Council this Petition objecting to the cost of the proposed making up of the said Westbury Grove.

We understand that the estimated cost of such making up is 28/7d. per foot frontage, and we submit that a cheaper form of road construction should be considered having in mind that the road is a cul-de-sac and therefore not subjected to heavy traffic."

(*c*) Fenstanton Avenue.—It was also reported that a letter, dated 30th September, 1937, had been received from Mr. W. G. Costar enclosing a communication signed by each of the frontagers on the west side of Fenstanton Avenue (with the exception of Mr. Baker—No. 11—who it was stated was away on holiday but had expressed his verbal agreement with the contents) pointing out that in their opinion the specification set out in the notice appeared unnecessarily elaborate and expensive and should be amended or modified;

RECOMMENDED that in each case the petitioners be informed that they will have an opportunity of expressing their views on the matter at the Public Inquiry which will in due course be held by the Ministry of Health into the Town Council's application for consent to the necessary loan for the carrying out of the works.

2358 **Widening—56/58, Ballards Lane—Elford Estates, Ltd.:**

The Town Clerk reported that the Conveyance of the above land had now been completed and that as a matter of urgency he had, with the approval of the County Council, paid the Owners' Surveyors' fees amounting to 3 guineas;

RECOMMENDED that such payment be approved.

2359 **London Traffic Act, 1924—Section 4—Closing of Streets for Works:**

It was reported that a letter, dated 29th September, 1937, had been received from the Ministry of Transport hereon and referred to the Borough Surveyor for attention.

2360 **Proposed Widening—52/56, Market Place, Falloden Way:**

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the carrying out of the paving works in connection with the above pending completion of the Conveyance.

2361 **Private Street Works:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"At the last meeting of the Finance Committee the Borough Treasurer reported as follows:—

'In accordance with the Committee's instructions, the Deputy Town Clerk and I interviewed officials of the Ministry of Health with a view of ascertaining whether it would be possible to obtain a lump sum sanction for unspecified Private Street Works in order that delay in the execution of the works might be avoided. We were informed that the Ministry were not in any circumstances likely to accede to such an application.

The Council's difficulties, especially in relation to the increase of tendered prices on a rising market, were appreciated, and a suggestion was made for the Council's consideration that each batch of streets should be divided between:—

(1) Those in respect of which no objections are received from frontagers;

(2) Those in respect of which objections are received from frontagers.

Application for sanction could then be made and dealt with forthwith in respect of the first section, while the remaining streets could be made the subject of a separate application and dealt with by Local Inquiry if necessary.'

On the recommendation of the Committee, the Town Council have resolved that, subject to the approval of your Committee, the procedure outlined above be adopted and that the Officers concerned be instructed to arrange accordingly."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the foregoing proposals be approved; and

2x9 (*b*) that the Finance Committee be asked to take appropriate action regarding the application for loan sanction in respect of the 30th batch.

2362 **Electric Main Applications:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"The following applications with plans for underground cables and overground disconnecting boxes have been received from the General Manager and Engineer:—

7th September, 1937 ...	Short length of underground cable in Ballards Lane near Claverley Grove, Claverley Grove from Ballards Lane to Claverley Villas and throughout the length of Claverley Villas.
8th September, 1937 ...	Short length of underground cable, north side of Bedford Road, N. 2, near junction with High Road.
9th September, 1937 ...	Overground disconnecting box, north side of Claverley Grove near junction with Ballards Lane.
9th September, 1937 ...	Underground cables Brookland Rise, Brookland Hill, Brookland Close, Brookland Garth, Hill Top, Midholm Close, Westholm, Midholm, Eastholm, Hill Rise, Hutchings Walk and Maurice Walk, the two latter being private streets.
10th September, 1937 ...	Underground cable Summers Lane from opposite Woodgrange Avenue to a point opposite the proposed new sub-station.
10th September, 1937 ...	Underground cable Woodside Grange Road from Woodside Avenue to Woodside Grove, Woodside Grove to sub-station.
14th September, 1937 ...	Short length of underground cable Dollis Park from junction with Regents Park Road.
15th September, 1937 ...	Overground disconnecting box, Finchley Way, near junction with Brent Way.
15th September, 1937 ...	Overground disconnecting box, Grosvenor Road, near junction with Gordon Road.
15th September, 1937 ...	Overground disconnecting box, Eversleigh Road, near junction with Nether Street.
15th September, 1937 ...	Overground disconnecting box, Hamilton Way, near junction with Brent Way.

17th September, 1937 ...	Overground disconnecting box, Elm Park Road, near junction with Nether Street.
17th September, 1937 ...	Overground disconnecting box, Grosvenor Road, near junction with Nether Street.
17th September, 1937 ...	Overground disconnecting box, High Road, N. 2, near junction with Chapel Street.

I see no objection to the suggested works so far as the Council has jurisdiction in the matter."

RECOMMENDED that the applications in question be granted so far as the Town Council has jurisdiction in the matter.

2363 **Stamp Vending Machine:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that an application, dated 29th September, 1937, had been received from the Postmaster of the Northern District Post Office for permission to affix a stamp vending machine to the pillar box in Etchingham Park Road at its junction with Ballards Lane;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the proposal.

2364 **Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935:**

The Committee considered the under-mentioned plan which had been referred to them by the Town Planning Committee:—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
10149	Garage	Rear of 192, Ballards Lane, N. 3	Dr. Mayberry.

RECOMMENDED that the consent of the Town Council as the Highway Authority be given to the proposal in question under the provisions of Section 2 (1) of the Act, subject, if applicable, to the condition mentioned in Minute 200 (a).

2365 **Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"I beg to recommend that Mechanic Herbert J. Ball occupy the designated post recently vacated by A. J. Howard (resigned). Ball is 26 years of age, married and has been in the service of the Council for 8 years. I also recommend that Scavenger John H. Horobin occupy the designated post previously held by F. Bracey (deceased). Horobin is 28 years of age, married and has been in the service of the Council for 2 years."

The Committee decided to recommend to the General Purposes Committee accordingly, subject in each case to the person concerned passing the necessary medical examination.

2366 **Automatic Traffic Signals:**

(*a*) Junction of Woodhouse Road with High Road, N. 12.—The Borough Surveyor reported that in accordance with a request made by a member of the Town Council he had had the timing of these signals checked;

RECOMMENDED that application be made to the appropriate Authorities with a view to the length of the amber light period being increased from 2 to 5 seconds.

(*b*) Barnet Bye-Pass—Junction with Northway.—The Borough Surveyor reported that he understood from the County Council that a Contract in connection with the above had been entered into and that the work would shortly be commenced, but that some little delay might take place owing to the difficulty in obtaining the requisite materials.

2367 **Erection of Signs—Junctions :—**

(*a*) **Brent Way with Fursby Avenue ;**

(*b*) **Westbury Road with Argyle Road :**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"I understand that several accidents have occurred at the junction of Brent Way with Fursby Avenue and the Committee may consider this a suitable position for the erection of "Cross Road" signs. The conditions are very similar at the junction of Westbury Road and Argyle Road, but in this latter case no report of accidents has reached me."

RECOMMENDED that mandatory signs be erected at each of the points in question, subject to the approval of the Authorities concerned and, as regards (a), to the work being deferred until Fursby Avenue (2nd Portion) is made up.

2368 **County Roads Estimates :**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the annual estimates in connection with the above for 1938/39 had been forwarded to the Middlesex County Council ;

RECOMMENDED that he be instructed to bring before the Committee in January next the question of advertising for tenders for the carrying out of the special maintenance works in respect of Ballards Lane, Regents Park Road, Woodhouse Road and High Road.

2369 **Plan No. 10125—Shops with Living Accommodation Over—Nether Street :**

Referring to Minute No. 2142, the Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"I estimate the cost of paving the land for highway purposes as shown on deposited plan No. 10,125 at £535, including £15 legal costs. This estimate does not include for altering the existing crossing to Huntly Drive, estimated to cost £81, which latter figure has been given to Mr. Lovesay."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the offer of the owners be accepted, subject to Contract and to the Town Council not being required to carry out the whole of the paving works within a specified period ;

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in connection with the Conveyance ;

(*c*) that, if necessary, payment of legal costs be approved ; and

(*d*) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration so far as the necessary financial arrangments are concerned.

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2370 **Hendon Lane—Junction with Gravel Hill, Dollis Avenue and Hendon Avenue :**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"A letter, dated the 7th September, 1937, has been received from the Ministry of Transport as follows :—

'I have to inform you that the traffic conditions at the above junction have been under consideration and it is felt that better conditions would obtain if the lay-out were amended as shown on plan LDP 1284, forwarded herewith.

I should be glad to know whether your Council would be prepared to carry out this suggestion, the work of course to be in temporary material in the first instance.'

I will submit drawing No. 11,354, showing the proposed improvement at the junction of Hendon Lane and Gravel Hill and drawing No. 11,355 showing the proposed improvement at the junction of Hendon Lane, Hendon Avenue and Dollis Avenue. The estimated cost of the schemes including temporary work is £515 and £590 respectively.

The proposals will necessitate a central channel down the south-west footpath of Hendon Avenue owing to the levels of the forecourts. A scheme for improving the lighting at this junction was approved in June, 1937, but the work has not yet been executed and such scheme will require amendment if the Ministry's proposals are put into effect."

RECOMMENDED that the Ministry of Transport be informed that, in the opinion of the Town Council, no useful purpose would be served by the carrying out of the works in question.

2371 **"Halt at Major Road Ahead" Signs:**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows:—

"Following a circular from the Ministry of Transport, dated the 16th August, 1935, in November of that year a list of existing 'Slow' and 'Halt' signs in the district was forwarded to the Commissioner of Police for the Metropolis for his observations. His reply dated August, 1937, has now been received and he makes the following suggestions:—

1. 'Halt' signs in place of existing 'Slow' at the following junctions:—

   (*a*) Station Road leading to Regents Park Road;

   (*b*) Church Lane leading to East End Road.

2. Generally.—

   (i) Junction of Granville Road and Ballards Lane.—He suggests that the Optician's notice board on the north side of this junction might with advantage be removed or set back.

   (ii) Alexandra Grove.—Shrubbery on the south side of junction with Ballards Lane might with advantage be curtailed.

   (iii) Christchurch Avenue, Junction with High Road, N. 12.—'Slow' sign at this junction is rendered indistinguishable during the hours of darkness owing to its being in the shadow of the light cast by the adjacent street lamp. Moreover, the sign is not easily picked out by the head lamps of cars owing to the presence of trees. It is suggested, therefore, that the sign should be illuminat night."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that as regards 1 the proposals be approved;

(*b*) that as regards 2 (i) the Borough Surveyor be instructed to approach the person concerned on the matter and report;

(*c*) that as regards 2 (ii) no action be taken in the matter;

(*d*) that as regards 2 (iii) provision be made for the carrying out of the work in next year's estimates.

2372 **Rounding of Fence—Junction of Hendon Lane and Hendon Avenue:**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon an interview which he had had with Mrs. Parnell of 1, Hendon Avenue, N. 3., from which it appeared that the fence at the point in question was being re-erected and that she was prepared to have same rounded which would afford an improved site line, subject to the Town Council bearing the additional cost involved amounting to a sum of £2 10s. 0d.;

RECOMMENDED that this expenditure be approved.

2373 **Oakdene Estates Ltd.—Brent Way:**

The Borough Surveyor reported receipt of a communication, dated 29th September, 1937, from Messrs. Saunders, Sobell and Greenbury as follows:—

"With reference to our Mr. Sobell's interview with you to-day we confirm that our suggestion is that our clients are to execute the Deed of Dedication *re* Brentway forthwith, as amended between the Solicitors, in consideration of the Council foregoing any claim to damage *re* Gordon Road.

We shall be obliged if you will kindly place this before your Council and let us hear as quickly as possible as the winter is approaching, which militates against road work."

RECOMMENDED that a reply be forwarded to the effect that the Town Council cannot accede to their request, and that the document in question must be completed without further delay.

2374 **Bus Stop Sign:**

The Borough Surveyor reported receipt of a communication, dated 30th September, 1937, from the Operating Manager (Central Buses), London Passenger Transport Board, as follows:—

"The Traffic Commissioner has now agreed that inward bound coaches in Regents Park Road at East End Road should make a common stop with 'buses and trolleybuses at the lamp standard outside No. 262. This alteration is to come into operation on Monday, the 11th proximo, and we shall be entirely removing our post and sign now situate outside No. 5, Grove Terrace, and shall be fixing the latter to the lamp standard at the new stop. I would take this opportunity to thank the Council for the facilities afforded us in respect of the post, and shall be glad to hear that there will be no objection to this flag being added to the lamp standard."

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the proposal subject to the necessary Agreement being entered into.

2375 **Relaying of Water Main:**

The Borough Surveyor reported receipt of a notice, dated 1st October, 1937, together with a plan, from the Barnet District Gas and Water Company in connection with the relaying of a 20 inch water main in High Road between Friern Barnet Lane and Summers Lane;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the proposal but that the Borough Surveyor urge the Company to arrange for the carrying out of the with a minimum of inconvenience to users of the highway.

2376 **Electricity Department—Overground Disconnecting Boxes:**

The Borough Surveyor reported upon applications received in connection with the erection of overground disconnecting boxes as follows:—

(*a*) Hill Rise, junction with Hill Top;

(*b*) Brookland Hill, junction with Brookland Rise;

RECOMMENDED that same be approved.

2377 **Fire Brigade:**

(*a*) Sub-Committee.—It was reported that a meeting of the Sub-Committee had been held on the 29th September, 1937, and a report of the proceedings thereat was submitted. Arising thereon, it was reported:—

(i) Accident—Fireman Wilkins.—That the Chief Officer of the Brigade had reported that Fireman Wilkins, who sustained slight injuries to his right ankle on the 17th August, 1937, was still unable to continue his duties, but that the injury was now yielding to treatment.

(ii) Cycle Replacement.—That the Chief Officer of the Brigade had reported that the bicycle which had been in general use at the Fire Station for several years should be replaced and that he had received an offer of 10/- for the machine;

RECOMMENDED that a new bicycle be purchased at a cost of £6 5s. 0d. and that the offer of 10/- for the present machine be accepted.

(iii) Pointalls Close and Footpath.—That the above had been made up, but had not been surfaced;

RECOMMENDED that the Chief Officer of the Brigade obtain an estimate from the Borough Surveyor of the cost of the necessary surfacing works and that provision be made in the estimates for the next financial year for the carrying out thereof.

(iv) Fire—34b, Market Place, N.W. 11.—That the Chief Officer of the Brigade had reported that in connection with the fire at the above premises he had given evidence at the Highgate Petty Sessions and that his attendance would be required at Quarter Sessions.

(v) Fire Brigade Service.—That the Chief Officer of the Brigade had reported upon the Conference of representatives of Local Authorities in connection with Fire Brigade Services, which he had attended at Cheltenham on the 23rd September, 1937, and had submitted to the Sub-Committee various papers which were considered thereat.

(*b*) Fire—Alexandra Grove.—It was reported that a letter, dated 29th September, 1937, had been received from Mr. E. Grant as follows :—

"In common with many other residents of the Borough who witnessed the fire which took place in Alexandra Grove last evening, I was struck by the inefficiency of some of the hoses which the Fire Brigade had in use.

Many of these were more than usually leaky, and in one instance at least (from a hose attached to a hydrant opposite Thyra Grove) a twenty foot high column of water was to be seen.

Apart from the wastage of water and pumping energy, residents would like to feel that the Brigade apparatus is maintained at its maximum efficiency, and I should feel obliged if the attention of the appropriate Committee is drawn to this matter.

It is only fair to say that onlookers were most impressed by the efforts of the Brigade Staff who are to be congratulated on their work.

They appeared to be considerably hampered by the public, and it was only after the fire had been almost extinguished that sufficient police arrived to marshal the onlookers. Would it not be possible for an automatic advise to be given to the police when the Fire Brigade is called, so that they can despatch Officers immediately?"

A communication, dated 1st October, 1937, was also submitted from Mr. J. J. Holland as follows :—

"Several of my friends have made complaints about the leaks in the hose at the fire in Alexandra Grove on Tuesday last.

I am adding my name as I understand there was a denial as to the faulty hose, but it certainly was leaking in many places as I saw them myself."

Arising on the above, the following report was submitted by the Chief Officer of the Brigade :—

"With reference to the communication, dated the 29th September, 1937, received by the Town Clerk from Mr. E. Grant in connection with the above fire, I wish to report as follows :—

(*a*) Referring to the first three paragaphs of the letter, the hose used was new, purchased in 1935, and was in the best possible condition when taken from the appliances for use at the above fire (average life of hose subject to normal use is about 15 years).

The number of small punctures in the hose which appeared while the hose was being used was caused by small pieces of grit, etc., which may be found in any street. These pieces of grit adhere to the outside of the hose and the vibration caused by water passing through the hose sets up chafing and consequent punctures.

It is quite usual when hose has been in use for a short time at a fire to find a number of punctures caused by grit, sharp stones, flints, sharp edged cubs and broken glass, etc., but whenever possible at a fire temporary patches are applied to the larger punctures. It is not, however, always possible during a serious fire to spare time and men to attend to such defects. At the above-mentioned fire a number of temporary patches were applied to the larger punctures.

The routine practice after every fire when hose has been used is to test, scrub, dry and repair all hose used. It is then aired, couplings cleaned and inspected and re-stowed in appliances or stores. This routine ensures that at all times the hose in each appliance and stores is in the best serviceable condition.

(*b*) Referring to the last paragraph of the letter it is the routine duty of the watchroom attendant to notify the Police of all fire calls received and necessitating the turn-out of an appliance. In this instance the first fire call was received at 8.37 p.m. and the Police were notified at 8.40 p.m During the three minutes interval the dutyman had

other immediate duties to attend to such as—transmitting the call to appliance drivers, checking the despatch of appliances and crews, verifying the address of the call and restoring alarm signals, etc. With regard to the public hampering the Brigade this is nearly always the case until the Police arrive. There were several Police Officers on duty at this fire and in my opinion they controlled the onlookers exceedingly well."

(*c*) Chief Officer's Report.—The Chief Officer of the Brigade reported as follows :—

(i) Fires.—That a number of fires, as shown in the list circulated, had occurred between the 21st August and the 20th September, 1937.

(ii) Ambulance Calls.—That the following ambulance calls had been received between the 21st August and the 20th September, 1937 :—

Private Removals.	Accidents. Motor.	Accidents. Other.	Illness in street.	Not required on arrival.	Hoax calls.	Total
36	17	19	1	7	0	80

(iii) Fire Drill—Finchley Memorial Hospital.—That fire drill had been carried out at the above Hospital on the 8th and 10th September, 1937, and that the result on both occasions was satisfactory.

2378 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the instructions given to the several Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

2379 **Vote of Thanks :**

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Chairman of the Committee for the services rendered by him during the past year.

HAROLD A. RUTT,

Chairman.

Parks and Open Spaces Committee's Report.

6th OCTOBER, 1937.

Present: Alderman Wells (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Pateman and Syrett, and Councillors Collis, Mrs. Legge and Mrs. Murphy.

2380 **Minutes:**

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

2381 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of Requisitions (circulated) be approved.

2382 **Land Junction of The Ridgeway and Ballards Lane:**

The recommendation of the Electricity Committee in regard to the above which was adopted at the last meeting of the Town Council was reported and considered, and after hearing a statement by the Borough Treasurer as to the financial aspect of the proposal, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Electricity Committee be informed that this Committee will be prepared to accept, as from the 1st April, 1938, their offer in connection with the transfer of the above land;

(2) that application be made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the appropriation of the land for purposes of public walks and pleasure grounds as from the 1st April, 1938; and

(3) that, if necessary, the consent of the Electricity Commissioners be obtained to the proposal.

2383 **Lyttelton Playing Fields:**

(*a*) Hockey Pitch. The Town Clerk submitted an application from the Secretary of the Hampstead Garden Suburb Institute for the tenancy of the hockey pitch at above for the present season for use by the girls of the Henrietta Barnett School;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Hampstead Garden Suburb Institute be granted the use of the pitch from Mondays to Fridays inclusive during the present season at a charge of £40 inclusive of rates but excluding dressing accommodation; and

(2) that, if desired, the Old Fincunians' Hockey Club be granted the use of the pitch on Saturdays at a rent to be agreed at a later date.

(*b*) Football Pitches.—

(i) The Committee gave instructions for advertisements to be issued inviting applications for the use of the first class and one second class pitch at above for mid-week matches at a charge of 15s. and 10s. a match respectively;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(ii) Letting to Leas House School.—The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated 3rd October, 1937, received from the Headmaster of the above School stating that the Club were desirous of occupying two pitches and enquiring whether a small pitch could be laid out adjacent to the hockey pitch for their use in addition to the second class pitch already allocated to the School. It was also pointed out in the communication that the School required the use of the pitches as follows:—

Monday afternoons—½ hour.
Tuesday or Wednesday and Thursday afternoons—1¼ hours.
Friday afternoons—½ hour.

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the School be granted the use of the additional pitch above referred to as indicated on Drawing No. 11415 at a charge of £10 for the season inclusive of rates ; and

(2) that the times above set forth for the use of the pitches be approved.

(*c*) Pavilion.—The Borough Surveyor reported that the pavilion would be ready for use on Saturday, the 9th October, 1937, and that arrangements would be made for an employee of the Council to be in attendance whenever Clubs were using the dressing accommodation. Authority was given for keys to be supplied to the Clubs to whom pitches had been allocated, notwithstanding the fact that the Agreements had not yet been signed ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*d*) Catering.—The Borough Surveyor reported upon the tender for the catering rights at above which was opened at the last meeting of the Town Council, and the Town Clerk submitted a communication received from the Acorn Club, Ltd., pointing out that, owing to an oversight, the Club had failed to submit a tender within the specified time, and giving particulars of the terms upon which they would be prepared to undertake the work. A cheque for £5 as evidence of good faith was enclosed with such communication.

After due consideration, instructions were given for fresh advertisements to be issued inviting tenders for the catering rights, and the Town Clerk was directed to return the cheque forwarded by the Acorn Club and to inform them of the Committee's decision ;

RECOMMENDED that the action be approved.

2384 **Whetstone Stray :**

It was reported that, at the last meeting of the Allotments Committee, reference had been made to an interview which had taken place with two representatives of the Whetstone Stray Allottees' Association when the question of the possibility of obtaining greater security of tenure of the allotment land at above was raised.

The Committee decided to inform the Allotments Committee that they would raise no objection to an application being made, at the appropriate time, for the consent of the Minister of Health to the portion of Whetstone Stray at present under cultivation for allotments being used for that purpose for a further period of three years from the 25th of March, 1939 ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2385 **Land, North Circular Road :**

It was reported that the Conveyance of the above land to the Town Council had been completed.

2386 **Physical Training and Recreation Act, 1937 :**

The Committee again had before them the Memorandum which had been issued indicating the powers of Local Authorities under the above Act and decided to refer such Memorandum to the Public Health and Education Committees respectively for consideration.

2387 **Glebe Land:**

(*a*) First Class Rugby Pitch.—

(i) The Town Clerk submitted a letter, dated 2nd October, 1937, received from the Secretary of the Finchley Rugby Football Club asking that the Club might be informed as early as possible what rent would be charged for the above pitch when the resurfacing was completed and also suggesting that the Club might be granted a seasonal occupation only;

RECOMMENDED that the Club be informed that the rent to be charged for the above pitch will be £160 per annum exclusive.

(ii) The Borough Surveyor submitted plans in connection with the resurfacing of the above pitch and reported that the estimated cost of the work was £3,000; further that, while it had been provisionally agreed that the Scheme should be commenced during the current financial year, no sum in respect of loan charges had been included in the estimates;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the plans and estimate be approved;

(2) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration so far as the necessary financial arrangements are concerned; and

(3) that the action of the Committee in giving instructions for advertisements to be issued inviting tenders for the carrying out of the works be approved.

(*b*) Additional Hard Tennis Courts.—The Borough Surveyor submitted plans for the construction of two additional hard tennis courts at above and reported that provision had been made in the current estimates by way of loan for an expenditure of £600 in respect thereof;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that such plans be approved;

(2) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration so far as the necessary financial arrangements are concerned; and

(3) that the action of the Committee in giving instructions for advertisements to be issued inviting tenders for the carrying out of the works be approved.

(*c*) Bowling Green.—In accordance with instructions the Borough Surveyor submitted a plan and estimate amounting to £40 for the provision of sanitary accommodation for ladies in the pavilion at above;

RECOMMENDED that provision be made in the Committee's estimates for the ensuing financial year for the carrying out of the work.

(*d*) Frontage to the North Circular Road.—

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the wrought iron railings along the frontage of the Glebe Land to the North Circular Road to be removed and re-erected at Avenue House.

2388 **Brook Farm Open Space:**

In accordance with instructions the Borough Surveyor submitted a sketch plan showing a suggested footpath from the railway bridge at Walfield Avenue through the above open space to the Brookside Walk, and intimated that the estimated cost of the work was £100;

RECOMMENDED that provision be made in the Committee's estimates for the ensuing financial year for the carrying out thereof.

2389 **Pointalls Open Space:**

(*a*) The Borough Surveyor reported that with a view to meeting a complaint which was reported at the last meeting of the Committee, certain small repairs had been carried out to the fencing of the above open space adjacent to the premises in Sylvester Road;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

(*b*) Frontage to North Circular Road.—

RECOMMENDED that, subject to the approval of the Middlesex County Council, authority be given for the remainder of the fencing along the frontage of the above open space to the North Circular Road to be removed.

2390 **Little Wood:**

The Town Clerk reported upon correspondence which had taken place with Mr. J. C. S. Soutar in regard to the condition of the fence separating the Erskine Lodge Children's Home from Little Wood, which fence, it was claimed, was a party fence.

After hearing a report on the matter by the Solicitor, the Town Clerk was instructed to inform Mr. Soutar that, without prejudice and without admission of liability, the Town Council will be prepared to contribute a sum of £3 5s. 0d. being one-half of the total estimated cost of repairing the fence in question subject to the work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2391 **Disposal of Road Sweepings:**

With further reference to Minute No. 1838, the Chairman reported that in conjunction with the Borough Surveyor's Department he had inspected the various open spaces of the Town Council with a view to placing at the disposal of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee certain areas for the deposit of road sweepings and it was decided to inform the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee that the Committee will be prepared to allow road sweepings to be deposited in portions of the under-mentioned open spaces:—

Brookside Walk by Fursby Avenue.
Glebe Land rear of Open Air Pool.
Pointalls Open Space.

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2392 **Children's Playground—Ivy Lodge, Long Lane:**

The Committee had before them a reference from the Children's Safety Committee in regard to the above and the Borough Surveyor was instructed to go into the matter and report thereon at next meeting.

2393 **Victoria Recreation Ground—Tennis Courts:**

In accordance with instructions the Borough Surveyor reported as to the estimated cost of converting certain of the existing grass courts at above into "non-attention" courts;

RECOMMENDED that provision be made in the Committee's estimates for the ensuing financial year for the conversion of two of the above-mentioned courts into "non-attention" courts.

2394 **Parks and Open Spaces Receipts:**

The Borough Treasurer's Statement of the weekly receipts for tennis, etc., for the month of September, 1937, was submitted.

2395 **Brookside Walk—Falloden Way:**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the Ministry of Transport had submitted a proposal for the construction of a footbridge across Falloden Way, near to its junction with Addison Way, and that it appeared from the plans that a small portion of the Brookside Walk would be required in connection with the Scheme; further, that the proposal had been considered by the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee who were recommending that no objection be raised thereto so far as they were concerned;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the proposal so far as this Committee is concerned, subject to any necessary consents being obtained to the proposed user of the land.

2396 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

2397 **Vote of Thanks:**

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Chairman of the Committee for the services rendered by him during the past year.

VYVYAN WELLS,

Chairman.

Public Health Committee's Report.

7th OCTOBER, 1937.

Present: Councillor Jones (Chairman), Councillor Grobel (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Briant and Pike, and Councillors Collis, Mrs. Legge and Steward.

Non-Members: Councillors Caine and Hayter.

2398 **Minutes:**

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

2399 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the lists of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

2400 **Medical Officer's Report:**

The following report of the Medical Officer for the four weeks ended 25th September, 1937, was submitted and approved:—

	Wards. N.	E.	W.	1937.	1936.
" **1. Deaths.—**					
Number registered	9	16	10	35	27
Infants under one year	—	—	—	—	—
Infectious disease	—	—	—	—	—
2. Births.—					
Number notified under the Notification of Births Acts	19	17	34	70	76
3. Infectious Disease.—					
Cases notified	9	6	2	17	11
Scarlet Fever	8	3	2	13	5
Diphtheria	—	2	—	2	2
Erysipelas	—	1	—	1	3
Acute Poliomyelitis	1	—	—	1	—
Puerperal Pyrexia	—	—	—	—	1
4. Tuberculosis.—					
Pulmonary cases	1	—	2	3	2
Non-pulmonary cases	—	—	—	—	2
5. Patients in Hospital.—					
Number in hospital on the 3rd September	—	—	—	13	12
Number admitted	—	—	—	12	8
Number discharged	—	—	—	7	7
Number of deaths	—	—	—	—	—
Number in hospital on the 1st October	—	—	—	18	13 "

2401 **National Health Campaign:**

Referring to Minute No. 2161, the Medical Officer of Health submitted specimen copies of the posters and pamphlets which were being circulated in connection with the above.

2402 **Erection of Health Centre—Oak Lane:**

Referring to Minute No. 2157 (4) the Medical Officer of Health reported that the Borough Surveyor and he had, as instructed, interviewed the Ministry of Health on the various points raised by the Ministry on the plans of the proposed Health Centre and that, whilst the Ministry were satisfied that many of the alterations suggested were unnecessary by reason of local circumstances, certain of them, particulars of which were submitted, could with advantage be adopted.

Arising thereon, the Borough Surveyor intimated that the alterations in question would increase his estimate of £14,500 by approximately £500.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Town Council approve the alterations provisionally agreed with the Ministry and that the Borough Surveyor be authorised to forward to the Department as soon as possible amended plans embodying such alterations ; and

(2) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee with the suggestion that the question of amending the loan application shall remain in abeyance, pending the acceptance of a tender for the carrying out of the work.

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2403. **Sanitary Inspector's Report :**

This was submitted. Arising thereon the Inspector reported as follows :—

(1) Houses without proper dustbins (Section 75 of the Public Health Act, 1936).—

21 and 26, Naylor Road, N. 20.
84 and 86, Grove Road, N. 12.
1, Birkbeck Road, N. 12.

That the above houses were not provided with proper dustbins ;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that notices be served upon the owners, requiring them to provide at their respective premises a strong galvanised iron dustbin with a suitable cover ; and

(*b*) that, failing compliance with such notices, proceedings be taken for recovery of the penalties mentioned in Section 75 of the Public Health Act, 1936.

(2) Housing Act, 1936.—

(*a*) 1, 3, 5 and 7, Hamilton Road, N. 2.
11, Brackenbury Road, N. 2.

That the above-mentioned houses which were occupied or of a type suitable for occupation by persons of the working classes were unfit for human habitation, and he submitted a schedule of the defects found.

The Committee being satisfied that the said houses were capable at a reasonable expense of being rendered fit for human habitation, it was

RECOMMENDED that in pursuance of sub-section 1 of Section 9 of the Housing Act, 1936, the statutory notices now submitted be served upon the persons having control of the said houses requiring them to execute the works specified in such notices.

(*b*) Overcrowding Survey.—That the total number of cases of overcrowding outstanding at the end of September, 1937, was as follows :—

Council Houses	19
Privately Owned Houses	47
	66

(3) Complaints.—That since the 2nd September, 1937, the following complaints had been received and dealt with :—

re Condition of house	17
,, Blocked drains	2
,, Defective dustbin	1
,, Burning of refuse	2
,, Accumulation of refuse	5
,, Accumulation of manure	1
,, Absence of water to w.c.	1
,, Nuisance from keeping of animals	1
,, Insects	2
,, Rats	2
,, Improper use of passage	2
	36

(4) Inspection of Places of Public Entertainment.—That, in accordance with the suggestion contained in Circular 120 issued by the Ministry of Health, the places of public entertainment in the Borough had been inspected and that at thirteen of such premises sanitary defects were discovered; that the work necessary to remedy these defects had already been carried out or was now in hand and that the result of the inspection had been communicated to the Middlesex County Council who were the licensing authority for the Borough.

(5) Application for consent to establish the trade of a fish frier—134 or 175, Ballards Lane, N. 3.—That an application, dated 21st September, 1937, had been received from Mr. B. Claxton of 350, Finchley Road, N.W. 3, for the consent of the Town Council to establish the trade of a fish frier at either 134 or 175, Ballards Lane, N. 3:

RECOMMENDED that the application be not granted.

(6) Milk (Special Designations) Order, 1936.—That samples of designated milk had been taken and submitted for bacteriological examination and had been found to comply with the prescribed bacterial standards.

(7) Unsound Food.—That the diseased or unsound meat, particulars of which were submitted, had been destroyed since last meeting.

(8) Petroleum (Consolidation) Act, 1928.—

(*a*) The Mother Prioress, Convent of the Good Shepherd, East End Road, N. 2.—That an application had been received from the Mother Prioress for a licence to keep 250 gallons of petroleum spirit in bulk at the Convent of the Good Shepherd, East End Road, N. 2; that it was proposed to store the petroleum spirit in an underground storage tank placed in the open space near the existing garage on the south-west side of the premises and that the details of the installation were shown on the plan No. 31 submitted by the applicant;

RECOMMENDED that the licence now submitted be granted to the above-mentioned applicant for the period ending 30th June, 1938, subject to the conditions mentioned in the report of the Inspector.

(*b*) Merry Miller Bakeries, Ltd., The Walks, N. 2.—That a letter had been received from the above firm intimating that they proposed to keep 1,000 gallons of petroleum spirit in one storage tank in lieu of two tanks as stated in their recent application for a licence;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised to the alteration, subject to the conditions mentioned in Minute No. 2148 (7) (b), insofar as they are applicable, being complied with.

2404 **Midwives Act, 1936—Domiciliary Service of Midwives:**

(*a*) The draft Agreement with the Middlesex County Council with respect to the above was submitted;

RECOMMENDED that, subject to slight drafting amendments, the document be approved.

(*b*) The Town Clerk reported that in connection with the appointment of Mrs. A. B. Talbot and Miss A. M. Davey as Municipal Midwives, arrangements had been made for them to commence their duties on the 1st and 14th October, 1937, respectively; further, that in accordance with the wishes of the Middlesex County Council he had obtained from each of the midwives an undertaking not to engage in the private practice of midwifery or maternity nursing in the County of Middlesex for a period of three years after they leave the service of the Council.

2405 **Petroleum (Consolidation) Act, 1928:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"A letter, dated 10th September, 1937, has been received from the Home Office stating that the attention of the Secretary of State has been called to certain serious accidents which have resulted from explosions in disused tanks which had previously been used for the storage of petroleum spirit and asking that the Council will give serious consideration to the advisability of attaching a special condition to any licences issued by them requiring the licensee on discontinuing to use a tank for the storage of petroleum spirit, to take steps to make it safe. The Home Office suggest that the terms of such a condition might be as follows:—

'The holder of this Licence shall, at least ten days before discontinuing to use any underground tank or similar receptacle on the premises to which this Licence relates for the storage of petroleum-spirit, give to the local authority notice of his intention so to do and shall, immediately upon discontinuing so to use it, take such steps as may be necessary to render it immune from danger of fire and explosion, including any necessary steps which the local authority may require him to take for that purpose.

Provided that this condition shall not apply where the use of the receptacle is merely discontinued temporarily for the purpose of cleaning or repair.'"

After hearing the views of the Chief Sanitary Inspector on the matter, it was

RECOMMENDED that the above condition in future be included in all licences and renewals issued by the Council in connection with the storage of petroleum spirit.

2406 **Bye-Laws—Hairdressers' and Barbers' Premises:**

Referring to Minute No. 2150, a letter, dated 4th October, 1937, received from the Hon. Secretary of the Finchley and District Branch of the London and Provincial Hairdressers' Association was submitted expressing regret that the Association were unable to send a deputation to the meeting and setting out the reasons for their objection to the above Bye-Laws;

RECOMMENDED that a copy of the letter be forwarded to the Ministry of Health.

2407 **Housing Acts, 1925-1936—41, Station Road:**

The Town Clerk reported hereon;

RECOMMENDED that the reference to the Closing Order made by the late Urban District Council in December, 1928, with respect to No. 41, Station Road, be deleted from the Local Land Charges Register.

2408 **The Royal Sanitary Institute:**

A letter, dated 29th September, 1937, received from the Royal Sanitary Institute was submitted, stating that meetings of the Institute of interest to members of Local Authorities and their Officers would be held at the Institute of the following dates:—

Tuesday, 9th November, 1937, at 5.30 p.m.

Benjamin Ward Richardson Lecture on

"Abattoir Practice at Home and Abroad."

A comparison between Methods of Control over slaughtering, Humane Killing and Meat Inspection in Great Britain and Abroad.

to be delivered by

Dr. W. A. Lethem, M.C., Medical Officer, Ministry of Health.

Thursday, 9th December, 1937, at 4.30 p.m.

A discussion on

"Factory Hygiene and The Factories Act, 1937."

to be opened by

Dr. Arthur Massey, Medical Officer of Health, Coventry,
and
Mr. Maurice Malins, Sanitary Inspector, Camberwell.

The letter further stated that the Council of the Institute would be pleased to welcome representatives of the Town Council at the meetings and would forward the necessary cards of invitation on being notified of the names and addresses of the representatives appointed.

2409 **Insurance of Workmen — Accident—W. Halpin:**

The Town Clerk reported that the above employee had met with an accident since last meeting and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

2410 **Annual Report for 1937 of the Medical Officer of Health:**

A circular letter (No. 1650), dated 4th October, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted, requesting that the Annual Report for 1937 of the Medical Officer of Health might be drawn up on the lines indicated therein;

RECOMMENDED that the Medical Officer be instructed accordingly.

2411 **Public Baths:**

(*a*) Squires Lane—Monthly Statement.—A statement (circulated) was submitted showing the number of bathers and receipts for the four weeks ended 26th September, 1937.

(*b*) Open Air Pools.—

(i) Monthly Statement.—A statement (circulated) was submitted showing the number of bathers and receipts for the four weeks ended 25th September, 1937.

(ii) "Learn to Swim" Campaign.—A letter, dated 16th September, 1937, received from the "News Chronicle" was submitted thanking the Council for the facilities afforded to their Instructor at the Pool in connection with the "Learn to Swim" Campaign.

2412 **Refuse Destructor:**

(*a*) Repairs.—The Borough Surveyor reported that the repairs to the Destructor had now been completed, the Destructor having been closed from the 13th to the 25th September, 1937, both dates inclusive.

(*b*) Residuals.—The Borough Surveyor reported that Messrs. H. & A. Crawford had asked that they might issue an appeal to householders to place old newspapers in bundles in the dustbins ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that Messrs. H. & A. Crawford be informed that the Town Council are prepared to insert an appropriate notice in the local press, subject to their being reimbursed the cost involved ; and

(2) that the Town Clerk be authorised to approve the wording of any such notice.

2413 **Sewage Disposal Works—Additional Filter :**

The Borough Surveyor reported that provision had been made in the current estimates for a half-year's loan repayment on the sum of £1,000 for the provision of an additional filter at the Sewage Disposal Works and he submitted drawing No. 11,384 showing the extent of the work, together with a detailed estimate of the cost amounting to £825 ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the drawing and estimate submitted be approved ; and

(2) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration so far as the requisite financial arrangements are concerned.

2414 **Land—North Side of Windsor Road :**

The Borough Surveyor reported that in connection with Mr. A. H. Everett's tenancy of a piece of land on the north side of Windsor Road, an application had been received from Mr. L. Baruch to build a garage thereon. He also submitted a letter received from Mr. Everett on the matter, whereupon it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, subject to Mr. Everett surrendering his tenancy of that portion of the land as is coloured pink on drawing No. 11409, the Council agree to let the said piece of land to Mr. Baruch on a yearly tenancy as from the 25th December, 1937, at a rental of £2 per annum, exclusive of rates ;

(2) that Mr. Baruch also be informed of the proposals contained in the foregoing recommendation ; and

(3) that if necessary, Mr. Everett be given six months' notice to determine his present tenancy and that at the same time he be informed that the Council are prepared to re-let to him the area of land coloured pink on Drawing No. 11408 (*i.e.*, the area not required by Mr. Baruch) at a rental of £3 per annum exclusive of rates.

2415 **Instructions :**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

2416 **Vote of Thanks :**

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Chairman of the Committee for the services rendered by him during the past year.

J. HUGH JONES,
Chairman.

Education Committee's Report.

11th OCTOBER, 1937.

Present: Councillor Grocott (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), Alderman Syrett, County Councillor Boggon, Councillors Burch, Jones, Langlands, Stewart and Wilmot; Miss Davey, Mrs. Miall, Mr. Merry.

Non-Members: Councillors (Mrs.) Legge, (Mrs.) Murphy and Wightman.

2417 **Accounts:**

Accounts amounting to £1,716 2s. 2d. have been examined and approved for submission to the Finance Committee for payment.

2418 **School Attendance Return:**

The school attendance figures for the month of October, 1937, are set out below:—

School.	Average No. on Books.	Average Attendance.	Percentage.
Alder Senior	308	281	91.2
Alder Infants	129	119	92.2
Northside Senior	245	213	87.0
Northside Junior	465	399	85.8
Manorside Senior	288	255	88.5
Manorside Junior	525	460	87.6
Martin Junior	442	399	90.2
Summerside Junior	491	445	90.6
St. Mary's Junior	488	424	86.8
St. John's Junior	267	238	89.1
Christ Church Senior	233	213	91.4
Holy Trinity Junior	288	258	89.5
Our Lady of Lourdes Mixed	286	252	88.1
Totals	4455	3956	88.8

2419 **After Care Work—Hon. Organiser:**

For considerations of health Councillor Mrs. Murphy is unable to continue as Hon. Organiser of the After Care Work of the Juvenile Employment Committee.

RECOMMENDED that the thanks and appreciation of the Education Authority be extended to Councillor Mrs. Murphy for her services as Hon. Organiser of After Care Work during the past three years.

2420 **Reports of Meetings of the Children's Care Committee and the Juvenile Employment Committee,** held on 29th September, 1937, circulated to members, have been considered and adopted.

2421 **Twenty-Fifth Annual Report on Juvenile Employment:**

The Twenty-fifth Annual Report on the work of the Juvenile Employment Bureau, as circulated to members, has been considered and adopted.

2422 **Approved Schools—Parental Contributions:**

RECOMMENDED that arrears of parental contributions to the amount of 4s. 0d. in the case of "R.T." be written off as the parents have removed from Finchley.

2423 **Special Schools:**

(i) An application for the reduction of parental contributions in the case of "J.C.", aged 7 years, a deaf and dumb girl, being educated at the Royal School for Deaf and Dumb Children, Margate, has been received.

RECOMMENDED that the weekly contributions due from the parent of "J.C.," a deaf and dumb child, be reduced from 3s. 0d. to 2s. 0d. while the child is being maintained at the Royal School for Deaf and Dumb Children, Margate.

(ii) The Lingfield Epileptic Colony have notified an increase of 1s. 0d. per week in their maintenance charges, as from the 1st October, 1937.

2424 **School Libraries:**

The following statistics relate to the Summer Term, 5th April to 23rd July, 1937:—

	Number of books in schools.	Number of children using the Libraries.	Number of issues.
Senior Schools	2231	893	4930
Junior Schools (including Our Lady of Lourdes School)	2586	1258	10660
All Schools	4817	2151	15590

2425 **Summerside School—Use of Tea Room at Swimming Pool:**

The approval of the Board of Education to the use of the Tea Room at the Open Air Pool has been received. It is hoped that the additional class from Summerside School will be able to commence using the Room on Monday, 18th October, 1937.

2426 **Grading of Schools:**

Certain schools in the Borough fall due to be graded, as from the 1st April, 1937, consequent upon the provisional grading fixed after re-organisation having ceased on 31st March, 1937.

RECOMMENDED that, as from the 1st April, 1937, the schools named in the following schedule be graded in accordance with the figures shewn in column (4) thereof.

(The Head Teachers' salaries will continue to be paid in accordance with the grading shewn in column (5) of the schedule, subject to any observations made by the Board of Education).

School. (1).	Provisional Grade. (2).	Average Attendance for period 1/4/34—31/3/37. (3).	Grade as from 1/4/37. (4).	Grade for salary purposes. (Head Teachers' protected scale). (5).
Northside Senior	III.	207	III.	III.
Summerside Junior	IV.	457	IV.	IV.
St. Mary's Junior	IV.	392	IV.	IV.
St. John's Junior	III.	228	III.	III.
Christ Church Senior	III.	190	II.	IV.
Holy Trinity Junior	III.	250	III.	III.

A report on the grading of Our Lady of Lourdes School will be submitted at a future meeting.

2427 **Alder Senior Mixed School—Re-grading:**

The Alder Senior Mixed School was graded in 1935 but the grading falls due for revision consequent upon the appointment of a new Headmaster. The following particulars, calculated in accordance with the Burnham Report and amendments thereto, relate to the Alder Senior Mixed School:—

Present Grade.	Average Attendance for period 1/4/34—31/3/37.	Grade as from date of appointment of new Headmaster.	Grade for Salary Purposes.
III.	315	III.	III.

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that, as from the date of the appointment of a new Headmaster, the Alder Senior Mixed School, be graded a Grade III. School.

(*b*) that, as from the date of his appointment, the Headmaster appointed to succeed Mr. A. E. Smith at the Alder Senior Mixed School be paid a salary in accordance with Grade III. of Scale IV. of the Burnham Report and amendments thereto.

2428 **Mr. A. E. Smith—Alder Senior School:**

Mr. Smith, the present Headmaster of the Alder Senior Mixed School, who has been in the service of the Finchley Education Authority since February, 1902, will retire on 31st October, 1937.

RECOMMENDED that a letter of appreciation, under the seal of the Council, be sent to Mr. A. E. Smith expressing appreciation of his long and valuable service under the Finchley Education Authority.

2429 **Special Meeting of the Education Committee:**

The date fixed for the special meeting of the Education Committee (18th October, 1937) clashes with the date of a special meeting of the Housing Committee.

RESOLVED that the special meeting of the Education Committee to interview and appoint a successor to Mr. A. E. Smith, Headmaster of the Alder Senior Mixed School, be held on 20th October, 1937, at 7.0 p.m., and not on 18th October, 1937, as previously agreed.

2430 **Street Trading:**

A copy of the Bye-Laws made by the Middlesex County Council in respect of Street Trading, recently approved by the Secretary of State, has been received. The responsibility of enforcing these Bye-Laws in Finchley, on behalf of the County Council, now becomes the duty of the Finchley Local Education Authority.

2431 **Vote of Thanks:**

A hearty vote of thanks has been accorded to Councillor Grocott for his services as Chairman during the past year.

F. J. GROCOTT,

Chairman.

Electricity Committee's Report.

12th OCTOBER, 1937.

Present: Councillor Caine (Chairman), Councillor Baines (Vice-Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Pateman and Syrett, and Councillors Burch and Hayter.

Non-Member: Councillor Rutt.

2432 **Minutes:**

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

2433 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

2434 **Coal:**

It was reported that the present stock of coal was approximately 503 tons as at the date of last meeting.

2435 **Output, Load Factor and Maximum Demand:**

The General Manager and Engineer submitted the following report:—

	1936/37.	1937/38	% Increase.
Units purchased during September	1,251,210	1,753,969	40.18%
KW. of maximum demand during September	6,560	7,160	9.14%
Load Factor	26.81%	34.27%	7.46%
Units purchased from 1st April	6,979,134	8,855,004	26.87%
Highest Maximum Demand recorded since 1st April	6,820 7.30 p.m., 4/4/36.	7,560 7.30 p.m. 2/4/37.	10.85%

2436 **Applications for Supply:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"(a) Total number of premises at which supply is available 17,979

(b) Number of premises at date disconnected 869

(c) Total number of premises at date connected ..... 17,110 = 43,360 kw."

2437 **Domestic Tariff:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

	August.	Sept.	Increase.
"Application forms completed	2,745	3,103	358"

2438 **Domestic Apparatus:**

It was reported that, up to the end of September, 1937, applications had been received for the following appliances to be installed:—

	To 31st Aug.	To 30th Sept.	Increase.
Cookers	1324	1571	247
Water Heaters	242	299	57
Immersion Heaters	97	127	30
Wash Boilers	196	248	52
Radiators	177	430	253
Kettles	254	289	35

2439 **Domestic Tariff Consumers:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"In accordance with your instructions I give below a schedule indicating the respective ranges of rateable values of those consumers who have adopted the Two-Part Domestic Tariff:—

	No. of Premises.	No. of Consumers.	%	No. of Consumers in each class to No. of Premises.
Not assessed	—	65	2.09	—
Assessments under £25	4021	435	14.02	10.8
Assessments from £26—£60	11501	2051	66.10	17.8
Assessments from £61—£100	1547	454	14.63	29.3
Assessments from £101—£175	248	86	2.77	34.7
Assessments over £175	45	12	.39	26.7
	17362	3103	100.00	17.9 "

2440 **Alternating Current Supplies:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"The following indicates the position at the end of September of the alternating current supply and the corresponding figures as at 31st August:—

	August.	September.
Transformer Maximum Demands	419 K.V.A.	890 K.V.A.
Unit consumption	118,641	201,555
A.C. Consumers	916	1,056 "

2441 **Sale of Appliances:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"It will be remembered that at the last meeting of the Committee it was decided that I should bring the question again before you at your October meeting and for the convenience of members I set out below the paragraph which appeared in my September Report:—

'At the June Committee instructions were given to report again on the subject of the sale of fittings and apparatus from the Council's Showrooms.

In my report in June I stated that a very strong desire had been expressed by consumers to make purchases at the Showrooms and that the Department was losing a considerable amount of legitimate contribution to overhead charges by the policy now in force.

It is suggested that apart from the principle involved in not selling to consumers, the convenience of consumers is a matter which deserves very serious consideration. Profound dissatisfaction is frequently expressed by consumers on being told that they must go elsewhere to purchase an article which is before them and it is doubtful whether any consumer ever takes the trouble, unless it be that the article in demand is of major importance. The result is that no one benefits.

I also mentioned in my report that in the event of the Undertaking being acquired under the Government's Proposals for the Re-organisation of Distribution, it was quite certain that the new Authority would exercise all the powers conferred upon it by the now existing Electricity Acts.

I suggest, therefore, that the Committee should consider selling any articles which they may have on sale or return to any consumer who may desire them, but, unless in exceptional circumstances, fittings should not be ordered for consumers by selection from catalogues or other publicity matter.

In addition, I recommend that lamps should be on sale in the Showrooms.' "

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the foregoing report of the General Manager and Engineer be adopted by the Town Council; and

(*b*) that authority be given to him to incur an initial expenditure not exceeding £50 in connection with the provision of lamps.

2442 **Hire Purchase of Refrigerators:**

RECOMMENDED that the General Manager and Engineer be authorised to investigate and report at a later meeting upon schemes for the hire purchase of refrigerators.

2443 **Flood Lighting—Open Air Pools:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"I have received a communication from the Borough Surveyor with regard to the flood-lighting which was installed at the time of the Coronation at the Open Air Pool in which he suggests that it is not now necessary, so far as his Department is concerned, to continue this lighting.

At the same time he has enquired whether the current is being charged to the Highways Department or the cost being borne by the Electricity Department.

I have replied to the Surveyor's letter and intimated that I am in agreement that the usefulness of this lighting has now come to an end and that I am under the impression that the Chairman of the Electricity Committee intended that all charges in connection therewith should be borne by the Public Health Department.

I shall be glad to have your instructions."

RECOMMENDED that the charges in question be borne by the Public Health Committee.

2444 **Coat of Arms on Motor Cars:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported that, in consultation with the Chairman of the Committee, he had arranged for small replicas of the Finchley Coat of Arms to be fixed on the sides of the red Morris motor cars in use in the Electricity Department;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2445 **Comparative Figures of Revenue and Units Sold:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"For your information I give below the units sold and revenue during the quarter ending 30th June of the years 1935, 1936 and 1937:—

	1935.	1936.	1937.
Units sold	2,717,505	3,065,055	3,547,463
Percentage Increase	30.53%	12.79%	15.73%
Revenue from Sales of Current	£15,107	£16,602	£20,437
Percentage Increase	12.58%	9.89%	23.09%

It will be observed that the percentage increase in units sold in the June quarter, 1937, over those sold in the corresponding quarter, 1936, was 15.73% whereas the revenue increased by 23.09%.

This fact is mainly attributable to the Domestic Tariff and the increased revenue derived from separately metered domestic power supplies."

2446 **E.H.T. Switchgear:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:

"It will be remembered that at the June meeting of the Town Council authority was given for the obtaining of a quotation from Messrs. A. Reyrolle & Co., Ltd., for the estimated requirements in the way of E.H.T. Switchgear during the next twelve months, and that on receipt of such quotation the Town Clerk was authorised to prepare the necessary contract on the schedule of prices submitted.

I now beg to report that the quotation has been obtained and transmitted to the Town Clerk, and I understand that the contract document has now been completed."

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2447 **Generating Staff and Workmen:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported that in view of the probability of the early closing down of the station as a generating unit the question of the generating staff and employees would need consideration, and he submitted for the information of the Committee a list giving details of the various men who would be affected;

RECOMMENDED that consideration of the matter be adjourned to next meeting and that, in the meantime, the Town Clerk and the General Manager and Engineer consult the London and Home Counties Joint Electricity Authority thereon.

2448 **Disposal of Recovered Apparatus:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported that, in consequence of the changing over to alternating current, a number of electrical appliances such as motors, etc., suitable for D.C. supply had been recovered and that he would be glad of authority to dispose of them on the best possible terms for use outside the Borough;

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

2449 **Change-over—Whetstone District:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported that, in December, 1936, the Electricity Commissioners had issued their sanction to the borrowing of the sum of £10,875 against the Council's application for sanction to the borrowing of £11,036 and had intimated that the balance (£161) would receive further consideration when full particulars could be furnished of the sub-station site required in Totteridge Lane.

He added that he understood that the District Valuer had placed a value of £200 on the site selected and that it would therefore appear to be necessary for application to be made to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to the borrowing of an additional sum of £39.

2449 (b)

The Committee were in agreement therewith and the matter was referred to the Finance Committee to deal with;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2450 **H.T. Mains System:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"In the annual report for the last financial year attention was drawn to the necessity for reinforcing the H.T. mains system and the proposed final scheme is shown diagrammatically on drawing No. 37184S. submitted, and all new cables are coloured in broad lines. The capacity of the proposed H.T. mains system shown on this drawing under normal conditions is 26,000 kw. which will give a reasonable margin of spare capacity in the event of a cable or Sub-station fault.

The total cost of the additional cables shown on drawing No. 37184S. is £20,280, made up as follows:—

	£
8,200 yards .1 square inch	3,400
3,000 yards .2 square inch	1,876
5,000 yards .3 square inch	4,250
16,200 yards Pilot Cable	3,240
Excavation, reinstatement and cover tiles	5,670
	18,436
10% contingencies (including plant, Clerk of Works, etc.)	1,844
Total	£20,280

Certain modifications to existing Sub-station switchgear will be necessary and a number of additional switches will be required :—

	£
(i) Modifications to existing feeder panels	1,810
(ii) Five new Feeder Panels	1,160
(iii) New Circuit Breakers (Increased Rupturing Capacity of Switchgear)	4,548
	7,018
10% Contingencies	702
Total	£7,720

I recommend that application should be made to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to a loan of £28,000 for H.T. sytem development; it is anticipated that the work would be spread over two years."

The Committee were in agreement with the foregoing proposals and the matter was referred to the Finance Committee to deal with ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2451 **L.T.—A.C. Mains :**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows :—

"In view of the fact that the route of the new H.T. mains is, in the majority of cases, where no A.C. Low Tension main exists, I would recommend that advantage be taken of the ground being opened to lay an L.T. main at the same time.

This would save an expenditure, during the next four or five years, of approximately £2,000 to £2,500 in excavation and reinstatement cost.

I estimate the cost of A.C. mains, laid in parallel with the H.T. mains where possible, as follows :—

	£
8,100 yards .2 square inch 5-core	6,480
1,900 yards .3 square inch 5-core	2,000
	8,480
10% Contingencies	848
Total	£9,328

I recommend that application should be made to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to a loan of £9,328 for this work."

The Committee were in agreement with the foregoing proposals and the matter was referred to the Finance Committee to deal with ;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2452 **Sub-Stations :**

RECOMMENDED that the following expenditure in connection with new sub-stations be approved :—

	£	£
(i) **Belvedere Court.**—		
H.T. Switchgear	1,026	
Transformer	266	
L.T. Switchgear	651	
Cable connections, foundations and sundry equipment	100	
	2,043	
10% Contingencies	204	
		2,247
(ii) **Amberden Avenue.**—		
Kiosk	282	
H.T. Switchgear	760	
Transformer	266	
Cable connections, foundations and sundry equipment	75	
	1,383	
10% Contingencies	138	
		1,521
(iii) **Barnet Bye-Pass.**—		
Kiosk	282	
H.T. Switchgear	760	
Transformer	266	
Cable connections, foundations and sundry equipment	75	
	1,383	
10% Contingencies	138	
		1,521
(iv) **Hampstead Golf Course.**—		
Kiosk	282	
H.T. Switchgear	760	
Transformer	266	
Cable connections, foundations and sundry equipment	75	
	1,383	
10% Contingencies	138	
		1,521
(v) **Summers Lane.**—		
Kiosk	282	
H.T. Switchgear	760	
Transformer	266	
Cable connections, foundations and sundry equipment	75	
	1,383	
10% Contingencies	138	
		1,521
Total		£8,331

2453 **Extension of Mains:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported that, since last meeting, mains had been laid in the following roads:—

"East End Road, Gravel Hill and Rathgar Estate.
Wickliffe Avenue, Hendon Lane (D.C. Feeder).
Ballards Lane Sub-Station to Granville Road.
Falloden Way, south side (Oakwood Road to Northway)."

further, that as a matter of urgency mains had been laid as follows:—

Position.	Estimated Cost. £
Dollis Park, north side, from Regents Park Road	60
Bedford Road	165

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the action taken be approved; and

(*b*) that authority be given for mains to be laid as under:—

Position.	Estimated Cost.
	£
East End Road, New Estate, opposite Recreation Ground	220
H.T. Feeder, Summers Lane	838

2454 **Amberden Avenue—Sub-Station Site:**

It was reported that the Vendors of the sub-station site in Amberden Avenue were insisting that a clause be inserted in the Conveyance making the Town Council liable for the maintenance of the surrounding wooden fence;

RECOMMENDED that no objection be raised thereto.

2455 **Railway Crossing—Cornwall Avenue:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"Arising from Minute No. 2201 in which the Town Clerk was authorised to negotiate the easement required in this matter, as the matter is of considerable urgency I obtained from the London & North Eastern Railway Company their standard terms for a cable easement. The terms are £1 10s. 0d. per year, equivalent to 10/- per cable, and I shall be glad if you will authorise the acceptance."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the terms mentioned above be accepted by the Town Council;

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary action in the matter; and

(*c*) that a letter expressing the appreciation of the Town Council for the facility granted be forwarded to the Railway Company.

2456 **A.C. Meter Testing:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"The Council at their February meeting (Minute No. 751) sanctioned an expenditure of £200 for A.C. meter testing equipment which, however, was not purchased owing to the uncertainty regarding the Electricity Commissioners' requirements under the Electricity Supply (Meters) Act, 1936. This expenditure will now be insufficient to purchase equipment to meet the Electricity Commissioners' requirements.

I have investigated the possibility of having A.C. meters tested by another Undertaking possessing testing equipment complying with the Electricity Commissioners' requirements and the following quotation has been received from the Northmet:—

'I am not yet in a position finally to determine the cost of testing under the provisions of the Electricity Supply (Meters) Act as, of course, the actual methods to be adopted are still under consideration by the Commissioners and no official information is yet available. We understand, however, that it is likely that when the procedure is put into force there will be a separate charge made to cover the Inspector's expenses of threepence per meter certified.

It is unlikely, however, that the procedure to be specified will differ materially from our present practice and therefore I think we are in a position to quote you for the cost of testing, excluding any additional cost covering the Commissioners' expenses referred to above.

It is understood that you would deliver to and collect from our Stores the meters you require tested and that, in the case of the single-phase instruments, these will be delivered in batches of, say, fifty at a time.

Our charge for inspecting and testing new single-phase meters up to 50 amps. capacity would be 1/6d. each and we should propose to issue with each meter so tested a record in accordance with the form enclosed marked "A," which we hope will meet your requirements.

For new whole current polyphase meters up to 50 amps. our charge on the same basis would be 8/6d. per meter.

For special tests (*e.g.*, on Consumers' disputed meters) we should propose to make a charge of 5/- per meter and a Certificate of Test in accordance with the enclosed form would be issued with such meters.

Perhaps you will let me know if these arrangements are satisfactory to you and, if so, when you propose to start sending meters over for test.

I note that you have no two-part or ordinary prepayment meters in use and that you are not at present calling in old meters for overhaul and re-calibration. We should, of course, be pleased to quote you for the cost of the necessary work in connection with these meters if this should be desired.'

The bulk of the A.C. meters which will be utilised will be 20 and 50 amp. single-phase and to the Northmet figure for the testing of these must be added transport charges which I have based on an assumed 7,500 meters per year:—

Cost of Northmet test	1s. 6d.
Cost of transport per meter	2.4d.
Total per meter	1s. 8.4d.

The actual cost of testing a 20 or 50 amp. S.P. meter by our own Meter Department based on 7,500 meters per annum is as follows:—

Labour and supervision of testing per meter	1s. 2.4d.
Capital charges on testing equipment per meter	3.8d.
Total per meter	1s. 6.2d.

I therefore recommend that the Electricity Commissioners be approached for permission to establish an "A" testing station and for sanction to a loan of £1,000 for the purchase of the necessary equipment."

After full consideration the Committee were of opinion that the time was not opportune for the establishment by the Town Council of a Testing Station for A.C. Meters, and it was therefore

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the offer of the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Company as contained in their letter set out above be accepted for a period of one year; and

(*b*) that the Solicitor be instructed to prepare the necessary Agreement in the matter.

2457 **"Home Workers' Campaign":**

The General Manager and Engineer reported that the Electrical Association for Women were desirous of organising a campaign called the "Home Workers' Campaign," the object of which was to provide tuition for those responsible for cooking; further, that it was proposed to inaugurate this campaign by a meeting in the Hampstead Garden Suburb Showroom on Wednesday, the 20th October, 1937, at 6.30 p.m.

The Committee decided to raise no objection to the proposal.

2458 **Accounts and Works Sub-Committee:**

It was reported that a meeting of the Sub-Committee had been held on the 7th October, 1937, and a report of the proceedings thereat was submitted. Arising thereon, it was reported:—

(1) Electricity Accounts.—That the Sub-Committee had considered the monthly report of the Borough Treasurer hereon.

(2) Irrecoverable Arrears and Costs.—That the Sub-Committee had considered a list of irrecoverable arrears and costs in respect of the first half of the year 1937/38 amounting to £98 9s. 9d. and £3 12s. 6d. respectively;

RECOMMENDED that the amounts shown in the list submitted be written off as irrecoverable.

(3) Accounts and Requisitions.—That the Sub-Committee had passed for payment the Accounts submitted and approved the Requisitions.

(4) Petty Cash Account.—That the Petty Cash Account for the month of September had been examined and approved by the Sub-Committee.

(5) Adjustment of Consumers' Accounts.—That the Sub-Committee had considered a list of amounts proposed to be written off due to the adjustment in Accounts after same had been entered in the Rental;

RECOMMENDED that the amounts shown in the list submitted amounting to a total sum of £11 12s. 0d. be written off.

(6) Petty Cash Expenditure at Showrooms.—That the Sub-Committee had considered the question of an allowance being made in the Petty Cash Account of the Department for the provision of refreshments to visitors to Electricity Showrooms;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that a sum not exceeding £1 a month in respect of each showroom be allowed in the Petty Cash Expenditure for the purpose in question and that any expenditure incurred in excess of the above amounts, in connection with the Demonstrations or otherwise, be reported to the Sub-Committee; and

(*b*) that the effect of the foregoing be retrospective to the 1st August, 1937.

(7) Payment of Electricity Account.—That the General Manager and Engineer had reported upon a matter which had arisen on an Electricity Account submitted to Mr. W. G. Marlow of 26, Vivian Way, N.W. 11, for the June Quarter;

RECOMMENDED that the General Manager and Engineer be authorised to agree a satisfactory settlement of the matter with Mr. Marlow.

(8) Extension of 1d. Flat Rate Tariff to Business Premises.—That the General Manager and Engineer had reported that, in his opinion, the flat rate of 1d. per unit for separately metered power supplies, which at present operated only in respect of Domestic Supplies, should be extended as an **optional** tariff to business premises;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, with effect as from and including the 1st October, 1937, an alternative tariff be offered to consumers in business premises for separately metered power and heating supplies at a flat rate of 1d. per unit;

(2) that the new rate operate, at the option of the consumer, as an alternative to the existing maximum demand tariff;

(3) that the tariff be determinable by the Town Council by three months' notice at any time; and

(4) that the whole question of the Tariffs for power supplies be considered and form the subject of a separate report by the General Manager and Engineer at a later meeting.

(9) Shop Window Lighting Tariff.—That the General Manager and Engineer had reported that, in his opinion, the special tariff of 1½d. per unit for supplies afforded in respect of shop window and display lighting in use after 7.30 p.m. was not sufficiently attractive to shopkeepers and prevented many of them from taking advantage of this tariff, and that he had recommended that the price per unit be reduced, as from the 1st October, 1937, from 1½d. to ¾d. and that the rate operate from 7 p.m. instead of from 7.30 p.m. as at present;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the rate for shop window and display lighting be reduced as from the 1st November, 1937, to ¾d. per unit and operate from 7 p.m. instead of from 7.30 p.m. as at present;

(*b*) that the tariff be applicable to such portions of the shop interiors in which business with the public is transacted, with the exception of restaurants, hotels and licensed premises;

(*c*) that the tariff be determinable by the Town Council by three months' notice at any time; and

(*d*) that public notice be given of the revised tariff.

(10) Wiring Contractors—Insurance.—That the Borough Treasurer had reported upon the question relating to the risks of claims by third parties or for workmen's compensation in connection with wiring and installation work carried out by electrical contractors on behalf of the Corporation; further, that he had stated that both Third Party and Workmen's Compensation risks were insured by the Corporation with the Yorkshire Insurance Company, Limited, and that the Company were prepared to extend the existing policies to cover the additional risks referred to and that the additional premium would be based on 50 per cent. of the contract price for the work undertaken.

The Committee decided to suggest to the Finance Committee that the existing Policies with the Yorkshire Insurance Company, Limited, be extended to cover the risk of claims by third parties, and also employees of Sub-Contractors employed by the Corporation in connection with wiring and installation work;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2459 **Supply of E.H.T. and L.T. Cables:**

A letter, dated 30th September, 1937, was submitted from Messrs. Callender's Cable and Construction Co., Ltd., stating that they would be pleased to extend the existing contract in respect of the above for a further period of three months from the 1st October, 1937, on the present terms. They added that, should the prices and terms which they tendered in reply to the Council's advertisement be more favourable to the Council than those afforded under the existing contract, they would be prepared, if their tender were accepted, to extend the prices and terms of that tender to orders received by them during the three months ending the 31st December, 1937;

RECOMMENDED that the Solicitor be authorised to arrange for the necessary endorsement to be made on the Contract.

2460 **Loans:**

(*a*) £6,105.—It was reported that the formal sanction of the Electricity Commissioners to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £6,105 for the provision of mains in connection with the change-over to A.C. on the Woodhouse Housing Estate had been received and that the period for repayment was 25 years.

(*b*) £30,000.—It was also reported that the formal sanctions of the Electricity Commissioners to the borowing by the Town Council of the sum of £30,000 for the provision of consumers' electrical apparatus and wiring installations in connection therewith had been received, and that the periods allowed for repayment were as set out below:—

Purpose.	Amount. £	Period. Years.
Consumers' Wiring Installations	6,000	15
Consumers' Electrical Apparatus	24,000	7
	£30,000	

It was pointed out that the sanctions were issued on the understanding that details of the expenditure actually incurred thereunder would be furnished to the Commissioners in due course and attention was drawn to the proviso attached to the sanctions. It was further stated that the amounts to be accounted for were as follows :—

	Wiring Installations. £	Electrical Apparatus. £
Amount now sanctioned	6,000	24,000
Add balance in hand as at 30th June, 1937	507	—
Less amount overspent as at 30th June, 1937, and already accounted for	—	3,168
Amount to be accounted for as from 1st July, 1937	£6,507	£20,832

It was also requested, with regard to the statement of expenditure submitted with the application, that the Town Council would furnish an amended statement indicating the number of each size and type of apparatus purchased, together with the average cost of **each** size instead of the average cost of **all** sizes. It was further suggested that the average cost of £4 for wiring installations for water heaters appeared to be high and it was asked that additional particulars of this expenditure might be furnished ;

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to furnish the Commissioners with the information desired.

2461 **London and Home Counties Electricity District Orders, 1925-1932—Appointment or Election of Members of the Joint Authority :**

A communication, dated 1st October, 1937, was submitted from the Clerk to the London and Home Counties Joint Electricity Authority forwarding, pursuant to the above-named Orders and the Regulations made by the Electricity Commissioners, notice of a general appointment or election of members of the Joint Authority ;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that Councillor Caine be nominated as a candidate for election as a member of the Joint Authority ;

(*b*) that Alderman Syrett be appointed to exercise the voting power of the Town Council ; and

(*c*) that the Town Clerk be authorised to deal with the matter in the prescribed manner.

2462 **Memorandum of Agreement—Engineering Industry—Wages and Working Conditions :**

A letter, dated 24th September, 1937, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the Employers' Side of the Electricity Supply Industry District Council (No. 10) Greater London Area, enclosing a memorandum of agreement, dated 12th August, 1937, which he had received respecting the engineering industry.

2463 **Land—Junction of The Ridgeway and Ballards Lane :**

It was reported that the resolution passed at the last meeting of the Town Council on the recommendation of the Committee had been considered by the Parks and Open Spaces Committee who were recommending as follows :—

"(1) that the Electricity Committee be informed that this Committee will be prepared to accept, as from the 1st April, 1938, their offer in connection with the transfer of the above land;

(2) that application be made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the appropriation of the land for purposes of public walks and pleasure grounds as from the 1st April, 1938; and

(3) that, if necessary, the consent of the Electricity Commissioners be obtained to the proposal."

RECOMMENDED that this be agreed.

2464 **Electricity Distribution—McGowan Report:**

Reference was made to a communication received from the Hon. Secretary of the Committee of Smaller Municipal Electricity Supply Undertakings hereon, a copy of which it was reported had been forwarded to each member of the Town Council;

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken thereon.

2465 **Prepayment Meter Collectors:**

It was reported that a letter, dated 14th September, 1937, had been received from the Hon. Secretary of the Employers' Side of the Electricity Supply Industry District Council (No. 10) Greater London Area in regard to the above and referred to the General Manager and Engineer for attention.

2466 **Electricity (Supply) Acts, 1882-1936—Overhead Line Regulations:**

It was reported that a circular letter had been received from the Electricity Commissioners in connection with this matter and referred to the General Manager and Engineer for attention.

2467 **Third Party Claims:**

It was reported that a number of claims had been received and dealt with.

2468 **Insurance of Workmen—Accidents—F. Bickers and E. Johnson:**

It was reported that the above employees had met with accidents since last me and that the usual steps had been taken in the matter.

2469 **Street Lighting—Research Work:**

The attention of the Committee was drawn to the fact that, in the carryi research work in respect of street lighting, it was necessary for expenditure to b from time to time in the purchase of fittings, materials, etc., and the Commit to refer the matter to the Street Lighting Sub-Committee and to intimate t Committee that, if desired, the Committee would be prepared to accept therefor up to a sum not exceeding £200.

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2470 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the several Off in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

2471 **Vote of Thanks:**

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Chairman of the C services rendered by him during the past year.

J. F. KN

General Purposes Committee's Report.

13th OCTOBER, 1937.

Present: The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands) (Chairman), Alderman Briant (Vice-Chairman), Aldermen Syrett and Wells, and Councillors Caine, Jones and Rutt.

Non-Member: Alderman Pateman.

2472 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of a Special Meeting of the Committee held on the 26th August, 1937, and of the last Ordinary Meeting were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

2473 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions, circulated, be approved.

2474 **Year Book, 1937/38:**

The Town Clerk submitted three quotations received for the printing of the above;

RECOMMENDED that the quotation of the Finchley Press, Ltd. (the lowest) for the supply of 115 copies of the Year Book at the sum of 2s. 7½d. a page, plus £3 12s. 6d. for binding, be accepted subject to contract.

2475 **Open Spaces—Public Meetings:**

It was reported that, at the last meeting of the Town Council, a letter, dated 13th September, 1937, received from the Finchley and District Peace Council in regard to the Town Council's decision not to allow the open spaces under their control to be used for the purpose of public meetings, was referred to the Committee for further consideration, and in connection therewith a Deputation consisting of three representatives of the Peace Council attended the meeting and expressed their views in regard to the matter.

The Committee also had before them a letter, dated 16th September, 1937, received from Mrs. K. Gardner supporting the views expressed by that Organisation, together with an application from the Peace Council for permission to hold an "Armistice Day Meeting" in the Victoria Recreation Ground on Sunday, the 7th November, 1937, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

After very careful consideration of the case submitted by the representatives, it was

RECOMMENDED that, for the time being, the previous decision of the Town Council be adhered to, but that the Peace Council be informed that the whole matter will receive further consideration by the Town Council at a later date.

2476 **International Peace Campaign:**

It was reported that an invitation had been extended to the Town Council to appoint a representative to attend the First National Congress of the International Peace Campaign to be held at University College, London, on the 22nd, 23rd and 24th October, 1937.

The Committee decided to appoint Alderman Syrett to represent the Town Council at the Conference;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2477 **Dispute Between China and Japan:**

A letter, dated 28th September, 1937, was submitted from Mrs. K. E. Gardner urging the Town Council to make representations to the Government to take some action with a view to the discontinuance of hostilities between China and Japan.

2478 **Travelling Facilities:**

(*a*) 'Bus Route No. 34.—A letter, dated 23rd September, 1937, was submitted from the London Passenger Transport Board intimating that as from the 6th October, 1937, 'bus route No. 34 terminating at "The Griffin," Whetstone, would be extended to the "Black Bull."

(*b*) 'Bus Route No. 125.—A communication, dated 2nd October, 1937, was submitted from the London Passenger Transport Board as follows:—

> "I have to advise you, for the information of your Council, that commencing Wednesday, the 20th October, the under-mentioned new 'bus route will be put into operation:—
>
> Southgate Station (Underground) and North Finchley (Tally Ho! Corner) Via Chase Side, Osidge Lane, Brunswick Park Road, Russell Lane, Oakleigh Road, High Road, Whetstone, and High Road, North Finchley.
>
> The route will operate daily under No. 125."

(*c*) "London Transport To-day."—It was reported that a copy of the above Booklet issued by the London Passenger Transport Board had been circulated to each member of the Town Council.

2479 **Hampstead Garden Suburb Residents' Association:**

A print of the 26th Annual Report of the above Association was submitted.

2480 **Avenue House:**

(*a*) A communication was submitted from the Chairman of the Finchley Municipal Swimming Club enquiring whether the Town Council would be willing to let at a nominal rental a room in Avenue House for the use of his Club for Committee Meetings and for storage purposes.

After hearing a report by the Borough Surveyor on the matter, it was

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Club be granted the use of a portion of the basement of Avenue House for storage purposes; and

(2) that it be suggested that they endeavour to make arrangements with one of the present tenants of rooms at Avenue House for the use of a room for Committee Meetings.

(*b*) The Town Clerk reported that he had been informed by the Chairman of the Public Libraries Committee that additional accommodation at above was urgently required in connection with the cataloguing of the books for the East Finchley District Library and that the room most suitable to the requirements of the Chief Librarian was that at present occupied by the Finchley Liberal Dramatic Society;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the tenancy of the Finchley Liberal Dramatic Society of the room in question be determined and that such room be allocated to the Library Department, subject to the necessary financial adjustment as to rent; and

(2) that, if desired, the Dramatic Society be granted the use of the room situate at the end of the passage on the same floor upon terms similar to those of their existing tenancy.

2481 **Rent and Mortgage Interest Restriction Acts, 1920-33:**

A communication was submitted from the Town Clerk of Wrexham forwarding a copy of the following resolution adopted by his Council which the Town Council were asked to support:—

> "That in view of the insufficiency of suitable houses at a moderate rental for the accommodation of the working classes, this Council recommends that the Rent Restrictions Acts, which are due to expire in June, 1938, be extended for a further period of years."

RECOMMENDED that no action be taken in regard thereto.

2482 **Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922:**

(*a*) Additional Designated Posts.—(i) A letter, dated 5th October, 1937, was submitted from the Ministry of Health stating that the Minister had approved the resolution passed by the Town Council on the 27th September, 1937, designating as established posts for the purposes of the Act the positions mentioned in Minute No. 2250.

(ii) **RECOMMENDED** that subject to the approval of the Minister of Health the post of Clerk in the Public Health Department be designated as an established post under the Act and that such post be occupied by Mr. A. F. T. Field as from the 25th October, 1937.

(*b*) Vacant Designated Posts.—

RECOMMENDED that, as from and including the dates severally mentioned, the following designated posts be occupied by the persons indicated:—

Shorthand Typist—Town Clerk's Department	Miss E. Morgan	1st November, 1937.
Mechanic—Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Department	Mr. H. J. Ball	28th October, 1937.
Scavenger—Borough Engineer and Surveyor's Department	Mr. J. H. Horobin	28th October, 1937.

2483 **Local Government Superannuation Act, 1937:**

The Town Clerk submitted a circular letter, dated 21st September, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health drawing attention to certain provisions of the above Act and reported that, in accordance with instructions a print of an explanatory circular No. 1644 had been forwarded to each member of the Committee. The Borough Treasurer was instructed to report at the next ordinary meeting of the Committee upon the provisions of the Act;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2484 **The Chestnut Drive:**

The Committee had before them a letter received from the Secretary of the Finchley Golf Sports and Social Club stating that he had been instructed by his Directors to enquire whether the Town Council as Landlords would be prepared to repair the surface of the Drive which runs through the property from Gordon Road to Frith Lane.

After hearing a report by the Solicitor upon the matter, it was

RECOMMENDED that the Club be informed that in view of the fact that under the terms of the lease the liability for the repair of the Drive is one which falls upon the Club, the Town Council regret that they cannot see their way to take any action in the matter.

2485 **London Passenger Transport Board Bill—Equalisation of Fares:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"With further reference to the above matter, the Town Clerk of Hendon informs me that he has been in communication with the London Passenger Transport Board asking to be furnished with a comparative statement showing the existing fares and proposed reduced fares to London Stations on the three lines concerned, and has forwarded to me a copy of the reply received which is as follows:—

'In reply to your letter of the 20th September, I am directed to inform you that the proposals for the revision of fares on the Board's Stanmore Line, and on the two routes to Edgware, via the Board's existing Northern Line and via the London & North Eastern Line which is to be electrified and worked by the Board, are still under consideration, and that the Board and the Main Line Companies concerned are not yet in a position to say what alterations to existing fares will be made. The problem is a complicated one, because alterations to one group of fares are liable to have widespread reactions upon other groups. No immediate answer can, therefore, be given to your request so far as the fares proposed are concerned.'"

The Town Clerk also submitted the following further communication, dated 12th October, 1937, received from the Town Clerk of Hendon:—

"In connection with the proposed joint action of Finchley, Hendon and Harrow in an application to the Railway Rates Tribunal, I have to inform you that this matter has again been before my Council and in view of the negotiations now proceeding, referred to in the Board's letter of the 29th September, a copy of which has already been sent to you, it seems extremely doubtful whether the Railway Rates Tribunal would at the present time proceed to consider the application, and in the circumstances the Town Council have decided to defer the application but have given instructions for me to press an early settlement of the present negotiations between the London Passenger Transport Board and the Main Line Companies.

I will communicate with you further on any development in the matter."

The Committee were in agreement with the action taken by the Hendon Town Council and decided to defer the further consideration of the matter pending future developments.

2486 **North Finchley District Library—Lecture Hall:**

The Town Clerk submitted a communication received from the Chief Librarian as follows:—

"Mr. L. J. Fairman, the Secretary of the Finchley Chamber of Commerce, has to-day applied for the hire of the above hall on October 27th, from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. for the purpose of holding a business meeting, to be followed by a special meeting at which the candidates in the forthcoming Municipal Elections will be invited to address members and friends. I pointed out to Mr. Fairman that the Council's Minute, 30th December, 1936, on the letting of the lecture hall expressly limits meetings to those of a non-political nature. He replied that his meeting would not be considered political, and I have promised to obtain advice on the matter and inform him of the result of my enquiries at the earliest possible date.

I shall be greatly obliged if, as a matter of urgency, you will bring this matter before the meeting of the General Purposes Committee to be held to-morrow, so that I can let Mr. Fairman know on Thursday."

The Committee gave authority for the letting of the Lecture Hall for the purpose in question;

RECOMMENDED that the action taken be approved.

2487 **Annual Meeting of the Town Council—Tuesday, 9th November, 1937:**

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that Standing Order No. 1 (1) so far as it relates to the time of the Annual Meeting of the Town Council be suspended; and

(2) that the Annual Meeting of the Town Council on the 9th November, 1937, be held at 7 p.m.

2488 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

2489 **Vote of Thanks:**

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Chairman for his services during the past year.

W. C. LANGLANDS,

Chairman.

Finance Committee's Report.

14th OCTOBER, 1937.

Present: Alderman Syrett (Chairman), Councillor Hayter (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), and Councillors Brooksbank, Norman and Rutt.

2490 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of meetings of the Committee held on the 16th and 27th September, 1937, were taken as read, confirmed and signed.

2491 **Small Dwellings Acquisition Acts:**

The Borough Treasurer reported as follows:—

(i) Advances.—That no applications for advances had been received since the last meeting of the Committee.

(ii) Advances Repaid.—That in the under-mentioned cases the principal outstanding had been paid, together with all interest charges:—

Mortgage No.	Rate of Interest.	Proprietor.	Premises.
91	5¼%	Tew, A. E.	15, Clifton Road.
100	5¼%	Stephens, F. H.	15, Talbot Avenue.
174	5¼%	Spurgeon, F. J. A.	Beulah, Woodberry Grove.
238	5¼%	Murfitt, B. W. H.	60, Queen's Avenue.
578	5¼%	Walters, J. P.	20, Hamilton Way.
675	5¼%	Brown, C. & A. E.	6, Royston Villas, East End Road.
711	5¼%	Wyatt, Miss A.	50, West Avenue.
828	5%	Rann, R. G.	18, Blandford Close.
839	4¼%	Weait, W. A.	68, Rosemary Avenue.

(iii) Mortgages Transferred to the Abbey Road Building Society.—That three further Mortgages were transferred to the Abbey Road Building Society on the 30th September, 1937; that on the 8th October, 1937, a letter, a copy of which was submitted, had been addressed to 116 Mortgagors who did not reply to the offer when first made.

(iv) Advances Outstanding.—That the number of advances now outstanding was 266, representing a sum of £111,776.

2492 **Acquisition of Land for Housing Purposes—Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme:**

The Town Clerk reported that he had received from the Ministry of Health formal consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £495, repayable within a period not exceeding 80 years, in connection with the above.

2493 **Sewage Disposal Works—Additional Filter:**

2413. The recommendations of the Public Health Committee in regard to the above were reported and considered;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that no objection on financial grounds be raised thereto; and

(2) that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Council of the sum of £825 for the provision of an additional filter at the Sewage Disposal Works.

2494 **Nethercourt Estate—Extension of Lullington Garth :**

A letter, dated 8th October, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted stating that the Minister approved under Section 166 of the Local Government Act, 1933, of the application of the sum of £10 10s. 0d. being the proceeds from the sale of a portion of the above Estate, towards the reduction of the loan raised for the purchase of the Estate under the authority of the Minister's formal sanction to the borrowing of the sum of £38,760, dated 1st July, 1929.

2495 **Glebe Land :**

(*a*) Additional Hard Tennis Courts.—The recommendations of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee in regard to the above were reported and considered ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that no objection on financial grounds be raised thereto ;

(2) that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Council of the sum of £600 for the construction of two additional hard tennis courts on the Glebe Land ; and

(3) that the question as to whether the consent shall be exercised be considered further by the Committee after it is received.

(*b*) Resurfacing First Class Rugby Pitch.—The recommendations of the Parks and Open Spaces Committee in regard to the above were reported and considered ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that no objection on financial grounds be raised thereto on the understanding that no debt charges will fall to be met in the current financial year ; and

(2) that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Council of the sum of £3,000 for the resurfacing of the first class Rugby pitch on the Glebe Land.

2496 **Private Street Works :**

The Town Clerk reported that the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee were recommending that the proposals of this Committee relative to the division of loan applications in respect of private street works be approved ; further, that that Committee had asked that appropriate action might be taken regarding the 30th batch, the loan application in respect of which was authorised in April, 1937.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the resolution passed by the Town Council on the 26th April, 1937, be rescinded ;

(2) that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £2,840 for the making up of the following private streets in respect of which no objections have been received :—

Street.	Estimated Cost. £	s.	d.
Fursby Avenue (remaining portion)	601	0	0
Kinloss Gardens	1,468	0	0
Chandos Road (remaining portion)	771	0	0
	£2,840	0	0

(3) that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Town Council of the sum of £9,162 for the making up of the following private streets in respect of which objections have been received :—

Street.	Estimated Cost. £	s.	d.
Walfield Avenue	2,764	0	0
Westbury Grove	886	0	0
Derwent Crescent	2,584	0	0
Fenstanton Avenue	1,335	0	0
Hutton Grove (portion)	1,593	0	0
	£9,162	0	0

(4) that, in the event of an objection being received or withdrawn after the above applications have been made, the Town Clerk be instructed to inform the Ministry of Health thereof.

2497 **Consolidated Loans Fund—Advances :**

Referring to Minute No. 2264, the Borough Treasurer reported that as the Consent of the Minister of Health to the raising of a loan of £13,904 in respect of extensions to the Refuse Destructor had not been received by the 30th September, 1937, the advance in question had not been made.

2498 **Plan No. 10125—Shops with Living Accommodation Over—Nether Street :**

2369. The recommendations of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee in regard to the above were reported and considered ;

RECOMMENDED that no objection on financial grounds be raised thereto on the understanding that the expenditure will not need to be met during the present financial year.

2499 **Electricity Undertaking :**

(*a*) Loan Sanctions Received.—The Town Clerk reported that the formal sanctions of the Electricity Commissioners had been received to the raising of the under-mentioned loans :—

Purpose.	Amount. £		Period for Repayment. (not exceeding).
(*a*) Provision of Mains in connection with the change-over to A.C. on the Woodhouse Housing Estate ...	6,105		25 years.
(*b*) Provision of Consumers' Electrical apparatus	24,000	£30,000	7 years.
Provision of Consumers' Wiring installations	6,000		15 years.

(*b*) Applications for Loans.—The Committee considered a number of references from the Electricity Committee with respect to expenditure proposed to be incurred in connection with the Undertaking.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

2449. (1) Change-Over—Whetstone District.—That the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to the borrowing by the Town Council of an additional sum of £39 in connection with the acquisition of a site in Totteridge Lane for the erection thereon of an electricity sub-station ;

(2) H.T. Mains System.—That the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to the borrowing by the Council of the sum of £28,000 for H.T. System development;

(3) L.T.—A.C. Mains.—That the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Electricity Commissioners for sanction to the borrowing by the Council of the sum of £9,328 for the provision of L.T.—A.C. Mains.

(*c*) Wiring Contractors—Insurance.—The reference from the Electricity Committee in regard to the above was reported, and instructions were given to the Borough Treasurer to arrange for the scope of the Third Party and Workmen's Compensation Policies to be extended in the manner desired.

2500 **Erection of Health Centre—Oak Lane:**

The recommendations of the Public Health Committee in regard to the above were reported and considered;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that no objection on financial grounds be raised thereto; and

(2) that the question of amending the loan application be allowed to remain in abeyance pending the acceptance of a tender for the carrying out of the work.

2501 **Finchley, Hornsey, Wood Green and Friern Barnet Joint Hospital—Extension of Nurses' Home and Provision of Post Mortem Room:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"A letter has been received from the Clerk and Accountant of the Joint Hospital Committee to the effect that the Joint Committee have approved proposals for an extension of the Nurses' Home at the Hospital and the provision of a Post Mortem room, the total estimated cost being £2,585.

The Joint Committee consider that divided amongst the constituent Authorities, the capital expenditure involved is hardly large enough to necessitate application for sanction to a loan, and subject to any observations which the Council may have, they suggest that the charges should be treated as revenue items.

The letter is being submitted to the Town Council at its next meeting, but as a matter of urgency, is reported to your Committee for consideration insofar as the requisite financial arrangements are concerned."

Arising thereon, the Borough Treasurer intimated that he estimated that this Council's proportion of the cost would amount to £685.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that no objection on financial grounds be raised to the proposals of the Joint Hospital Committee.

2502 **Electricity Reserve Fund—Investments:**

The Borough Treasurer reported that in accordance with the authority of the Council the holding of £2,973 12s. 4d. India 4 per cent. Stock was transferred on the 28th September, 1937, from Electricity Reserve Fund to the Superannuation Fund at a valuation of 107½, *i.e.*, for £3,196 12s. 9d.; further, that a sum of £4,000 was transferred to the Consolidated Loans Fund from the Reserve Fund to bear interest from the 1st October, 1937.

2503 **Future Capital Needs:**

The Borough Treasurer reported that with regard to the further borrowings that would be required in order to finance prospective capital expenditure on account of General Rate Fund and Electricity services, he would in due course submit proposals for the raising of moneys by short term mortgages of say 5 and 10 years' duration: that the planning of future capital requirements would be facilitated if more precise information were available as to the likely amounts of capital expenditure to be incurred by the Council during the next year or so and of the rate at which that expenditure would take place and that information on these points would incidentally be of assistance to the Committee in considering the Rate requirements of the next few years; that he therefore suggested that the Committee might consider whether it would be useful to ask the Spending Committees to furnish at an early date particulars of all capital schemes proposed to be carried out within the next few years, showing details of estimated cost and the approximate rate at which, it might be expected, progress would be made;

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Treasurer be instructed to furnish the Committee with further explanatory details of his proposals for consideration by the Committee at its meeting to be held in December next.

2504 **Fire Brigade Pensions Fund:**

The Borough Treasurer reported that the Council in May last authorised the investment of £1,300 out of General Rate Fund moneys, in which the Fire Brigade Pensions Fund was then merged, in India 3 per cent. Stock, 1948, and that stock to the nominal value of £1,661 6s. 10d. was duly purchased; further, that the remaining cash balance on this Account was subsequently transferred from the General Rate Fund Account at the Bank to the Fire Brigade Pensions Fund Account;

RECOMMENDED that the Borough Treasurer be authorised to apply to the Bank of England for (i) alteration of the designation of the above-mentioned holding of Stock from Account C (General Rate Fund) to Account E (Fire Brigade Pensions Fund), and (ii) payment of dividends thereon to be made direct to the Council's account at Barclays Bank, Ltd.

2505 **Rate Collection for Period 1st April to 30th September, 1937:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following comparative statement:—

1st April to 30th September, 1936.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		%
Arrears brought forward	5,380 18 3			
Half-year's Instalment of Rate, April—September, 1936	194,560 17 8			
		199,941 15 11	=	100.00
Collected		186,863 6 7	=	93.46
Empty Allowances		5,636 16 5	=	2.82
Otherwise irrecoverable		1,192 17 10	=	.60
Carried forward		6,248 15 1	=	3.12
		£199,941 15 11	=	100%

1st April to 30th September, 1937.

	£ s. d.	£ s. d.		%
Arrears brought forward	6,191 11 10			
Half-year's Instalment of Rate, April—September, 1937	203,639 17 4			
		209,831 9 2	=	100.00
Collected		196,028 18 5	=	93.43
Empty Allowances		5,306 10 11	=	2.53
Otherwise irrecoverable		2,833 15 6	=	1.35
Carried forward		5,662 4 4	=	2.69
		£209,831 9 2	=	100%

2506 **Receipts and Payments—September:**

The Borough Treasurer submitted the following statement:—

Fund or Account.	Receipts. £	Payments. £
General Rate Fund Revenue —	24,166	43,995
Education Revenue — —	1,126	5,020
Electricity Revenue — —	10,987	41,742
Housing Revenue — — —	2,231	2,790
General Rate Fund Capital —	72,006	9,207
Education Capital — —	19,655	836
Electricity Capital — — —	44,337	4,250
Loans — — — — —	304,000	279,588
Stock — — — — —	130,740	300,000
Superannuation Fund — —	1,313	3,504
Fire Brigade Pensions Fund —	28	18
	£610,589	£690,950

2507 **Statement of Bank Balances—13th October, 1937:**

The following statement was submitted by the Borough Treasurer:—

Fund or Account.	Debit. £ s. d.	Credit. £ s. d.
General Rate Fund Revenue —		7,199 2 8
Education Revenue — —		9,547 17 6
Electricity Revenue — —		177 16 2
Housing Revenue — — —		12,013 2 6
General Rate Fund Capital —		46,676 7 9
Education Capital — —		18,674 12 11
Electricity Capital — — —		26,422 16 9
Consolidated Loans Fund — —	158,909 1 7	
Fire Brigade Pensions Fund —		88 16 7
Superannuation Fund — —		542 13 5
Salaries — — — —		1,724 0 2
Advance — — — —	12,069 6 4	
Suspense — — — —		313 16 1
Stock — — — — —		86,120 16 8
Totals — — — —	£170,978 7 11	£209,501 19 2
Net Balance — — —		£38,523 11 3

RECOMMENDED that the Stock Account be closed on the 5th November, 1937, and that the balance be transferred to the Consolidated Loans Fund Account.

2508 **Summary of Accounts Approved and Recommended for Payment:**

The following is a summary of the Accounts included in the Interim Order on Treasurer, and in the Order on Treasurer to be submitted to the Council for approval:—

	Interim Order. £	s.	d.	Council Order. £	s.	d.	Total. £	s.	d.
General Rate Fund Revenue	5,679	17	9	10,532	3	9	16,212	1	6
Education Revenue	658	11	3	5,486	12	2	6,145	3	5
Electricity Revenue	3,877	18	0	14,220	11	4	18,098	9	4
Housing Revenue				2,795	4	4	2,795	4	4
General Rate Fund Capital	4,232	1	7	25,826	14	5	30,058	16	0
Education Capital	160	0	0	496	16	0	656	16	0
Electricity Capital	17	10	0	694	4	10	711	14	10
Consolidated Loans Fund				164,461	0	0	164,461	0	0
Superannuation Fund	32	9	0	307	4	10	339	13	10
Fire Brigade Pensions Fund				9	8	4	9	8	4
	£14,658	7	7	224,830	0	0	239,488	7	7

2509 **Instructions:**

RECOMMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Town Clerk, as entered in his Instruction Book, be approved.

2510 **Vote of Thanks:**

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Chairman of the Committee for his services during the past year.

C. S. SYRETT,

Chairman.

Housing Committee's Report.

(Special Meeting.)

18th OCTOBER, 1937.

Present: Councillor Mrs. Legge (Chairman), Councillor Connorton (Vice-Chairman), the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Aldermen Pike and Wells, and Councillors Grocott and Mrs. Murphy.

Non-Members: Alderman Pateman, and Councillor Rutt.

2511 **Minutes:**

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

2512 **Requisitions:**

RECOMMENDED that the list of requisitions (circulated) be approved.

2513 **Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme:**

(*a*) Heating, etc.—It was intimated that a meeting of the Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme Sub-Committee had been held on the 1st October, 1937, and that a report of the proceedings thereat had been circulated to each member of the Council.

Arising thereon, the Borough Surveyor submitted letters, dated 5th and 13th October, 1937, from the North Middlesex Gas Company and reported, as instructed, on the use of coke in the living room stove and as to the finish to be adopted for the gas boilers in the wash-houses;

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that in order that prospective tenants may have the option of using electricity or gas for cooking purposes, arrangements be made with the Electricity Department and the North Middlesex Gas Company for the installation of the necessary points to permit of the alternative supply being available;

(2) that one electrical and one gas heating point be installed in the second bedroom of each of the two and three-bedroom flats and in the second and third bedrooms of the four-bedroom flats;

(3) that, so far as regards the first section of the Scheme, the Town Council agree to the installation of a living room combination stove suitable for the use of coke and to provision being made for a gas-ignited coke fire in the first bedroom of each flat;

(4) that, as the North Middlesex Gas Company are prepared to carcass the wash-houses for the supply of gas free of charge on condition that a gas cooker point is installed in the kitchen of each flat, the Town Council agree, in view of this and the other information submitted, that the method of heating the water in the wash-houses shall be by means of galvanised gas boilers.

(*b*) Second Section.—A letter dated 30th September, 1937, received from the Ministry of Health was submitted, stating that the plans submitted by the Council for the erection of 24 flats on the remainder of the Craven Lodge Estate were generally satisfactory, and that the Council might now proceed to obtain tenders.

(*c*) Third Section—Blocks "E," "G" and "M".—Referring to Minute No. 1746 (d), the Borough Surveyor submitted detailed Drawings Nos. 11,381, 11,382 and 11,383, together with an estimate amounting to £19,089, for the erection of a further 41 flats with wash-houses built in, being the third section of the Development Scheme.

Arising thereon, it was reported that Blocks "E," "G" and "M," with Blocks "P," "Q," "A" and "R" previously approved, would provide the following accommodation :—

	14—1-bedroom flats.
	38—2-bedroom flats.
	27—3-bedroom flats.
	22—4-bedroom flats.
Total	101 Flats.

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, notwithstanding anything contained in the above-mentioned Minute, the drawings submitted by the Borough Surveyor, providing for the erection of 14—1-bedroom flats, 12—2-bedroom flats, 13—3-bedroom flats and 2—4-bedroom flats including wash-house and drying accommodation, be approved ;

(2) that the Town Clerk be instructed to submit this, the third section of the Scheme, to the Ministry of Health for approval ; and

(3) that advertisements be issued at the appropriate time inviting tenders for the carrying out of the work.

(*d*) Middleton House, Hilton House and Other Properties — Sayer Contract.—The Town Clerk reported as follows :—

"The Vendors' Solicitors have informed me that their clients have up to the present time employed a caretaker at Hilton House who is responsible for certain duties affecting all the properties comprised in the above contract. The Caretaker is employed at a wage of £1 10s. 0d. a week, the employment to be determined by one calendar month's notice on either side, and is provided by the Vendors with free electric light, use of gas stove and supply of gas.

Under the tenancy agreements with the tenants of Hilton House, which the Council will take over on completion of the purchase, the tenants are entitled to the services of a caretaker to carry out certain duties."

RECOMMENDED that, on completion of the purchase, an Agreement be entered into with the present Caretaker to continue his services for the remainder of the tenancies at the same wage and upon the terms at present existing.

(*e*) Appointment of Quantity Surveyors.—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had entrusted the preparation of the Bills of Quantities required for the first section of the Scheme to Messrs. John Leaning & Sons ; further, that this firm had been engaged by the London County Council to take out quantities for housing schemes and had agreed to do the work for the Council on the following scale, viz. :—

On works up to £10,000 in value, 1¾ per cent.

On works over £10,000 and not exceeding £20,000, 1½ per cent.

On works over £20,000 and not exceeding £30,000, 1¼ per cent.

On works over £30,000 and not exceeding £50,000, 1⅛ per cent.

On works over £50,000 and not exceeding £100,000, 1 1/18 per cent.

On works over £100,000 by special arrangement.

An additional half per cent. to be paid on works of alteration.

The scale to be operated so that the remuneration for any work shall in no case be less than that which would be paid for a smaller work.

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the action taken be approved ;

(2) that authority be given for an Agreement to be entered into with Messrs. John Leaning & Sons; and

(3) that in future the appointment of Quantity Surveyors for housing schemes be made by the Town Council.

(NOTE.—This meets with the approval of the Borough Surveyor).

2514 **Land—Junction of Long Lane and Squires Lane:**

Referring to Minute No. 2280, the Borough Surveyor submitted detailed drawings Nos. 11,329 and 11,351 providing for the erection of six houses to accommodate large families on land at the junction of Long Lane and Squires Lane, together with an estimate amounting to £6,065, and particulars of the economic rents;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that the Scheme in question be approved and submitted to the Ministry of Health for consideration;

(2) that advertisements be issued at the appropriate time inviting tenders for the carrying out of the work; and

(3) that the matter be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration insofar as the requisite financial arrangements are concerned.

2515 **Workmen's Dwellings:**

(*a*) Wiring for Supply of Electricity for Heating Purposes.—It was reported that in accordance with the reference from the Town Council, the Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme Sub-Committee at their meeting on the 1st October, 1937, had had before them a report of the General Manager and Engineer with respect to this matter, and that after full consideration the Sub-Committee were of opinion that the Committee should re-affirm their previous recommendation as contained in Minute No. 2279 (c).

It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that the Town Council do not incur the expense of wiring existing Council houses for the supply of electricity for heating purposes at the present time.

(*b*) Telephone Facilities—No. 3, Ingleway.—The Borough Surveyor reported upon an application, dated 1st October, 1937, from the Post Office Telephone Service for permission to place a telegraphic bracket on No. 175, Summers Lane, N. 12, and a similar attachment on No. 3, Ingleway to give telephonic facilities at the latter address;

RECOMMENDED that the application be granted, subject to the Post Office Telephone Service accepting full responsibility for any damage which may be caused to the properties in fixing or removing the attachments in question.

(*c*) Applications for Consent to the Erection of Garages.—Referring to Minute No. 2279 (e) (1), the Borough Surveyor reported that one of the two applicants referred to had withdrawn his application and he submitted full particulars of the application of Mr. J. King of 10, Castleway;

RECOMMENDED that this application be granted, subject to the conditions contained in the above-mentioned Minute and to the submission to and approval by the Town Planning Committee of proper plans.

(*d*) Re-letting of Vacant Houses.—The Chairman reported that a meeting of the Workmen's Dwellings Letting Sub-Committee had been held that evening and a report of the proceedings thereat was submitted.

2516 **Instructions:**

RECOMMENDED that the Instructions given to the Officers, as entered in their respective Instruction Books, be approved.

2517 **Vote of Thanks:**

A hearty vote of thanks was accorded to the Chairman of the Committee for her services during the past year.

MARY E. LEGGE,

Chairman.

Education Committee's Report.

(Special Meeting)

20th OCTOBER, 1937.

Present: Councillor Grocott (Chairman), Councillor Brooksbank (Vice-Chairman), The Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.), Alderman Syrett; Councillors Burch, Langlands, Wilmot; Miss Davey, Mrs. Miall, Mr. Merry.

Non-Members: Councillors (Mrs.) Murphy, Rutt and Wightman.

2518 **Teaching Staff—Appointments:**

With reference to Minute No. 2176 (f), approved by the Town Council at their September, 1937, meeting, applicants have been interviewed by the Education Appointments Sub-Committee in connection with the two vacancies for assistant masters and the vacancy for a Domestic Subjects Mistress and it has been

RESOLVED that the under-mentioned persons be appointed assistant teachers in the full-time service of the Finchley Education Authority exclusively in the capacity of teachers; salaries to be paid in accordance with Scale IV. of the Burnham Arbitration Award, and the decisions of the Board of Education relating thereto, or upon the terms and subject to the conditions of any other scale of salaries that may be adopted by the Authority, and subject to the terms and conditions approved by the Council in September, 1927: duties to commence as soon as possible:—

Miss A. M. Allan,
Mr. H. L. James,
Mr. S. J. Lyden.

2519 **Appointment of Head Master—Alder Senior Mixed School:**

One hundred and nineteen applications were received in connection with the vacancy for a Head Master of the Alder Senior Mixed School, in the place of Mr. A. E. Smith, retired.

In accordance with the authority given to the Committee (Council Minute No. 2176 (f), September, 1937), six applicants selected by the Appointments Sub-Committee were interviewed.

RESOLVED that Mr. W. E Thomas, of Acton, be appointed (in full-time service, exclusively in the capacity of a teacher) Head Master of the Alder Senior Mixed School, or such other school as the Education Authority may from time to time decide, subject to the conditions of appointment of the Authority in force from time to time and upon the terms and subject to the conditions of Scale IV. of the Burnham Arbitration Award and the decisions of the Board of Education relating thereto, or upon the terms and subject to the conditions of any other Scale of Salaries that may be adopted by the Authority, and to Article 17 (c) of the Education Code. The appointmentment to date from 1st December, 1937, and to be terminable by three months' notice in writing on either side.

F. J. GROCOTT,

Chairman.

Borough of Finchley.

Municipal Offices,

Finchley, N. 3.

3rd November, 1937.

Sir (or Madam),

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ANNUAL MEETING of the COUNCIL of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY will be held on TUESDAY NEXT, the 9th day of NOVEMBER, 1937, at 7 o'clock in the afternoon at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, and all and several the members of the said Council are hereby summoned to attend.

The business to be transacted at such meeting is as follows:—

(1) To elect the Mayor.

(2) Confirmation of the Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 25th day of October, 1937.

(3) To receive the Mayor's intimation in writing of the appointment of:—

(*a*) Deputy Mayor.

(*b*) Mayor's Chaplain.

(4) To receive from the Returning Officers the results of the elections of Councillors held on the 1st day of November, 1937.

(5) To open a tender in respect of the demolition of Mowbray House, Oak Lane, received after the time stipulated in the advertisement

(6) To order the payment by the Borough Treasurer of the expenses in connection with the elections held on the 1st day of November, 1937, in accordance with the scale adopted by the Middlesex County Council relative to the election of Urban District Councillors.

(7) To assign Aldermen as Returning Officers at elections for the ensuing municipal year for the several Wards of the Borough.

(8) To appoint the following Committees and Sub-Committee —

(*a*) **Standing Committees :—**

(1) Public Health.

(2) Finance.

(3) Highways and Fire Brigade.

(4) Town Planning.

(5) Parks and Open Spaces.

(6) Public Libraries.

(7) General Purposes.

(*b*) **Other Committees and Sub-Committee :—**

(8) Electricity.

(9) Education.

(10) Valuation.

(11) Allotments.

(12) Legal and Parliamentary.

(13) Local Old Age Pension.

(14) Housing.

(15) Maternity and Child Welfare (Sub).

(9) To appoint such of the following Committees as may be deemed desirable :—

(*a*) Street Trading.

(*b*) New Municipal Offices.

(*c*) Air Raid Precautions.

(*d*) Children's Safety.

(10) To appoint the Town Council's representatives on the Local Higher Education Committee for the ensuing year.

(11) If thought desirable, to appoint representatives of the Town Council on the following Bodies :—

Name of Body.	*No. of Representatives.*
Finchley, Hornsey, Wood Green and Friern Barnet Joint Hospital Committee	Four
North Middlesex Joint Town Planning Committee	Two
Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association	Two
Conference of Local Authorities owning Electricity Undertakings in Greater London	Four
Conference *re* Travelling Facilities	Four
London "Safety First" Council	Three

Name of Body.	*No. of Representatives.*
Hendon Employment Committee	One
Finchley Memorial Hospital Committee	One
Hornsey, Wood Green and District War Pensions Committee	One
Incorporated Municipal Electrical Association	One
Finchley Golf, Sports & Social Club, Ltd.	One
*North Middlesex Assessment Committee	Two

* Period of office of present representatives expires 15th April, 1938.

(12) To fix a date for a Special Meeting of the Education Committee.

(13) To fix the day and hour of meetings of Committees.

(14) To consider the question of the remuneration of the Mayor.

(15) To authorise the Corporate Seal to be affixed to certain documents (list to be circulated).

(16) To consider correspondence and other matters referred to in the Town Clerk's Report (circulated).

(17) Reports of Officers (if any).

(18) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Council in Committee.

(19) To receive and consider a report of the New Municipal Offices Committee of the 28th October, 1937.

(20) To consider correspondence and other matters referred to in the Town Clerk's Report (circulated).

(21) Reports of Officers (if any).

(22) Questions (if any) of which notice has been given to the Town Clerk.

Edwin Barker

Town Clerk.

Questions.

Notice of any question intended to be asked at the Meeting of the Town Council must be given at the office of the Town Clerk not later than Twelve noon on the day of such Meeting.

Borough of Finchley.

At an Ordinary Meeting of the Council of the BOROUGH OF FINCHLEY, held at the Municipal Offices, Finchley, on MONDAY, the 25th day of October, 1937.

PRESENT:

His Worship the Mayor (Alderman S. Pulham, J.P.).

The Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands).

Aldermen—

A. J. Briant.
G. H. Pateman.
A. T. Pike, O.B.E., J.P.
C. S. Syrett.
Vyvyan Wells.

Councillors—

A. N. H. Baines.
W. L. Brooksbank.
P. H. Burch.
J. F. Kneale Caine.
A. C. D. Collis.
C. P. Grobel.
F. J. Grocott.
C. Hayter.
J. Hugh Jones, LL.B.
Mrs. M. E. Legge.
Mrs. E. Murphy.
R. J. N. Norman.
H. A. Rutt.
Major H. W. Steward.
C. F. Wightman.

2520 **Prayers:**

The Mayor's Chaplain attended the meeting, and opened the proceedings with prayer.

2521 **Apologies for Absence:**

It was reported that Councillors Connorton and Wilmot had expressed regret at their inability to be present at the meeting.

2522 **Minutes:**

The Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting of the Town Council held on the 27th day of September, 1937, were presented, and it was

RESOLVED that such Minutes be taken as read, confirmed and signed by the Mayor as a correct record of the proceedings.

2523 **Opening of Tender Received After the Time Stipulated in the Advertisement:**

It was reported that a tender for catering—Main Pavilion, Lyttelton Playing Fields had been received after the time stipulated in the advertisement;

RESOLVED that such tender be opened, but not considered.

2524 **Tenders:**

(*a*) Hire of two motor cars for use by the Mayor and the Town Clerk.

(*b*) Printing of Agendas, Minutes and Reports.

(*c*) Supply of E.H.T. and L.T. Cables.

(*d*) Sale of scrap metal.

(*e*) Construction of two "Non-Attention" hard tennis courts, Glebe Land.

(*f*) Levelling and re-surfacing of first class Rugby Pitch, Glebe Land.

(*g*) Demolition of Mowbray House, Oak Lane.

(*h*) Erection of 36 flats and 2 wash houses—Red Lion Hill Housing Estate.

(*i*) Catering—Main Pavilion, Lyttelton Playing Fields.

(*j*) Purchase of a portion of the Rocklands Estate.

RESOLVED that the tenders received in connection with the above be opened and referred to the Town Council in Committee for consideration.

2525 **Reports of Committees:**

RESOLVED that the reports of the under-mentioned Committees be received and adopted, as varied by the amendments (if any) set out and adopted:—

(*a*) **Children's Safety** of the 30th September, 1937.

(*b*) **Public Libraries** of the 4th October, 1937.

(*c*) **Town Planning** of the 4th October, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 2337 (Plans), it was

RESOLVED that, it appearing that the buildings referred to in the plan specified below may be drained more advantageously in combination than separately, such plan be passed, and that the Borough Surveyor give notice, in pursuance of Section 38 of the Public Health Act, 1936, that the Town Council require that the said buildings be drained in combination into the existing sewers by means of a private sewer or sewers to be constructed in the manner shown on the said plan by the owner or owners of the buildings, and that the Town Council have decided that the cost of constructing and of maintaining and repairing the said private sewer or sewers shall be borne by the owner for the time being of the buildings connected to such private sewer or sewers in the following proportions, namely: each owner shall bear such proportion of the cost of constructing and of maintaining and repairing such private sewer or sewers as the number of buildings owned by him and connected to such private sewer or sewers bears to the whole number of buildings connected to such private sewer or sewers:—

Plan No. 10151—56 Flats and 11 Garages—Messrs. Wood and Waller.

(*d*) **Valuation** of the 5th October, 1937.

(*e*) **Highways and Fire Brigade** of the 5th October, 1937.

(*f*) **Parks and Open Spaces** of the 6th October, 1937.

(*g*) **Public Health** of the 7th October, 1937.

(*h*) **Education** of the 11th October, 1937.

(*i*) **Electricity** of the 12th October, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 2441 (Sale of Appliances), an amendment was proposed by Councillor Baines and seconded by the Deputy Mayor "that the words 'adopted by the Town Council; and' contained in recommendation (a) be deleted and the following substituted therefor:—'deferred for two years.'"

During the course of the discussion on the matter, it was

RESOLVED, on the motion of Alderman Pateman, seconded by Councillor Mrs. Legge, that Councillor Caine be granted leave to speak for more than five minutes.

The amendment was then put and declared carried, 12 voting in favour and 9 against.

It was thereupon put as a substantive motion and carried.

Arising out of paragraphs 2450 (H.T. Mains System), 2451 (L.T.—A.C. Mains) and 2452 (Sub-Stations), an amendment was proposed by Alderman Syrett and seconded by Councillor Brooksbank "that the paragraphs in question be referred to the Committee for further consideration."

On being put, the amendment was lost.

(*j*) **General Purposes** of the 13th October, 1937.

(*k*) **Finance** of the 14th October, 1937.

(*l*) **Housing** of the 18th October, 1937.

Arising out of paragraph 2513 (e) (Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme—Appointment of Quantity Surveyors), it was

RESOLVED that the General Purposes Committee be asked to consider generally the question of the appointment of Quantity Surveyors.

Arising out of paragraph 2515 (a) (Workmen's Dwellings—Wiring for Supply of Electricity for Heating Purposes), an amendment was proposed by Councillor Baines and seconded by Councillor Caine "that the matter be referred to the Committee for further consideration."

On being put, the amendment was lost, 8 voting in favour and 10 against.

(*m*) **Education** of the 20th October, 1937.

(*n*) **Finance** of the 25th October, 1937, as under-printed:—

Present: Alderman Syrett (Chairman), the Deputy Mayor (Councillor W. C. Langlands), Councillors Brooksbank, Burch, Norman, Rutt and Steward.

Non-Member: Councillor Mrs. Legge.

Erection of Six Houses on Land at Junction of Long Lane and Squires Lane:

The recommendations of the Housing Committee in regard to the above were reported, and in connection therewith statements were submitted giving particulars of the estimated capital and annual costs and of the economic rents. It was thereupon

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Ministry of Health for consent to the borrowing by the Council of the sum of £6,065 for the erection of six houses on land at the junction of Long Lane and Squires Lane.

Arising thereon, it was decided to suggest to the Housing Committee that that Committee should consider and report to this Committee on the whole question of the rentals to be charged in respect of the present and contemplated Housing Schemes, bearing in mind the provisions of the Housing Act, 1936.

C. S. SYRETT,

Chairman.

2526 **Private Street Works—Walfield Avenue:**

A petition, dated 4th October, 1937, signed by 41 residents in Walfield Avenue, Whetstone, was submitted, as follows:—

"The residents of this Avenue, having learnt that your Council's estimate of £1 7s. 9d. per foot for making road, consider charge excessive, and desire to appeal. We are informed by our builder, Mr. P. D. Walker, that the foundations of road are good and that only top levelling is needed."

RESOLVED that same be referred to the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee for consideration.

2527 **Passenger Transport Services in the County of Middlesex:**

A letter, dated 19th October, 1937, was submitted from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council, as follows:—

"I beg to refer to my letter of the 22nd May, 1936, and to the subsequent correspondence which has passed in regard to suggested improvements and extensions in the passenger transport services in the County to meet public demands.

I would inform you that the observations of all the Local Authorities in the County have now been fully considered by the County Council and the Transport Undertakers, and on the 22nd September last a Conference was held at the London Passenger Transport Board's offices on the subject. The proceedings at this Conference are referred to in the attached report and it will be seen that the comments of the Transport Undertakers upon the individual matters are noted in the Appendix to the report.

The report was adopted by the Highways Committee at its meeting on the 13th instant and I am accordingly to submit the report to you for information.

You notice from the preamble to the report that Mr. Pick made a suggestion for the setting up of an official body for the consideration of these traffic questions jointly with the Undertakers.

The County Highways Committee is in favour of this suggestion and is prepared to set up a Committee for the purpose. Your Council are invited to co-operate with the County Council by appointing a representative to such Committee at the meetings of which the representatives of the Undertakers concerned will be present. It is proposed to divide the County into two sections for the purpose, with the Edgware and Elstree Roads as the boundary. It is appreciated, of course, that matters may arise for discussion that will involve the joint meeting of both sections.

I shall be glad to have your Council's views in due course."

RESOLVED that the Chairman of the Highways and Fire Brigade Committee be appointed to represent the Town Council on the Committee in question.

2528 **Civic Sunday:**

The Mayor reported that arrangements were being made for the members of the Town Council to attend Divine Service at the Parish Church on Sunday, the 14th November, 1937.

2529 **Petroleum Consolidation Act, 1928:**

The Petroleum Inspector reported that an application had been received from Mr. Sidney Ernest Eames for a licence to keep 500 gallons of petroleum spirit in bulk in an existing underground storage tank situated in the yard on the south-east side of No. 256, Long Lane, N. 3; further, that Mr. Eames also desired to erect a new Bowser hand operated pump in place of the existing pump;

RESOLVED that the licence now submitted be granted to the above-mentioned applicant for the period ending 30th June, 1938, subject

(*a*) to the existing bulk installation being subjected to a proper test approved by the Petroleum Inspector; and

(*b*) to the conditions annexed to the licence being observed.

2530 **Finchley Planning Scheme No. 9:**

The Chairman of the Town Planning Committee moved as follows:—

"Finchley Planning Scheme No. 9.

(i) That the Town Council, in pursuance of Section 6 of the Town and Country Planning Act, 1932, hereby decide to prepare the above Planning Scheme with reference to certain areas situate wholly within the Borough of Finchley and enclosed within the inner edge of a blue border on a map now produced to the Council and marked and certified by the Town Clerk under his hand, dated the 25th day of October, 1937, as the Resolution Map;

(ii) That the Town Clerk be authorised to take all necessary steps to give effect to the foregoing."

The motion was duly seconded, and on being put was carried, and it was

RESOLVED accordingly.

2531 **Documents for Sealing:**

RESOLVED that the Corporate Seal be affixed to the following documents:—

(1) Resolution Map—Finchley Planning Scheme No. 9.

(2) Agreement with and Conveyance from Mr. H. J. Hook in connection with land for widening Nether Street.

(3) Agreement with the London Passenger Transport Board in connection with the affixing of a 'bus stop sign to a lamp post outside No. 262, Regents Park Road.

(4) Conveyance from Mr. J. Furnival of land for widening Nether Street by Court House:

(5) Form of request to the Bank of England to transfer approximately £2,974 of India 4 per cent. Stock from Account "B" to Account "A."

(6) Agreement with the Hampstead Garden Suburb Institute for the use of a hockey pitch at the Lyttelton Playing Fields.

(7) Agreement with The Leas House School for the use of two Association Football Pitches at the Lyttelton Playing Fields.

(8) Licence to the Mother Prioress of the Convent of the Good Shepherd to store Petroleum Spirit.

(9) Agreement with Mr. L. Baruch with respect to tenancy of land on the north side of Windsor Road.

(10) Grant of Easement from the London and North Eastern Railway in connection with laying of cable across the railway between Cornwall Avenue and Nether Court.

(11) Agreement with the North Metropolitan Electric Power Supply Company in connection with the testing of meters.

(12) Endorsement on Contract with Messrs. Callender's Cable and Construction Company for the supply of E.H.T. and L.T. Cables.

(13) Contract with Messrs. Santon, Ltd., for the supply of Immersion Heaters and Circulators.

(14) Contract with Messrs. Hague & McKenzie for the supply of Aluminium Utensils for use on Electric Cookers.

(15) Agreement with Messrs. W. Harold Perry, Ltd., in connection with the Change-over to A.C.

(16) Form of Request to the Bank of England for (i) alteration of the designation of the holding of £1,661 6s. 10d. India 3 per cent. Stock, 1948, from Account "C" to Account "E" and (ii) payment of dividends thereon to be made direct to the Council's Account at Barclays Bank, Ltd.

(17) Agreement with Mr. F. Seymour Smith for tenancy of No. 28, Brent Way.

(18) Agreement with Mr. John Allen as to his services as caretaker of premises included in the Sayer Contract.

(19) Agreement with Messrs. John Leaning & Sons with respect to their appointment as Quantity Surveyors for the Red Lion Hill Housing Scheme (1st Section).

(20) Contract with Finchley Press, Ltd., for the supply of 115 copies of the Year Book.

(21) Agreement with Mr. J. Barrington Baker for services in connection with preparation of plans and specifications for building work in connection with bulk supply arrangements with the Central Electricity Board.

(22) Letter of appreciation to Mr. A. E. Smith, retiring Headmaster of the Alder Senior School.

(23) Licence to Mr. S. E. Eames to store petroleum spirit at yard on south-east side of 256, Long Lane, N. 3.

*(24) Contract with Messrs. W. T. Botten & Co., Ltd., for hire of two motor cars for use by the Mayor and the Town Clerk.

*(25) Contract with Messrs. Warden & Co., Ltd., for printing of Agendas, Minutes and Reports.

*(26) Contract with Messrs. Chas. Kerridge (Metal Merchants), Ltd., for purchase and removal of scrap copper.

*(27) Contract with Messrs. Leopold Lazarus, Ltd., for purchase and removal of scrap lead.

*(28) Contract with the Acorn Club, Ltd., for Catering—Main Pavilion, Lyttelton Playing Fields.

* See report of Town Council in Committee.

2532 **Payment of Accounts:**

(*a*) The Town Clerk reported that, since the last meeting of the Town Council, a Borough Treasurer's Interim Order for the sum of £14,658 7s. 7d. had been issued in pursuance of the provision contained in paragraph 6 (2) of the Standing Orders of the Town Council.

(*b*) **RESOLVED** that an Order in writing be signed by three members of the Town Council and countersigned by the Town Clerk directing the Borough Treasurer to pay the several sums mentioned in the Finance Committee's Report of the 14th October, 1937, amounting to £224,830.

2533 **Votes of Thanks:**

(*a*) His Worship the Mayor.—

RESOLVED, unanimously, on the motion of the Deputy Mayor, seconded by Alderman Wells, that Alderman Samuel Pulham be offered the thanks of the Town Council upon the expiration of his term of office as Mayor, for the able manner in which he has discharged the duties attaching thereto, and for his constant devotion to the welfare of the Borough.

(*b*) The Deputy Mayor and Chairmen and Co-opted Members of Committees.—

RESOLVED, unanimously, on the motion of Councillor Steward, seconded by Councillor Baines, that a hearty vote of thanks be accorded to Councillor W. C. Langlands for the efficient way in which he has carried out his duties as Deputy Mayor during the past year, and also to the Chairmen of the several Committees and to the Co-opted Members on the Valuation, Education, Local Old Age Pension, Allotments, Children's Safety and Air Raid Precautions Committees and on the Maternity and Child Welfare Sub-Committee, for the services rendered by them during the past year.

2534 **Council in Committee:**

It was proposed by the Deputy Mayor, seconded by Alderman Syrett, and

RESOLVED, unanimously, that the Town Council do now go into Committee.

2535 **Town Planning Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 4th October, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2536 **Valuation Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 5th October, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2537 **Highways and Fire Brigade Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 5th October, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (a) (Private Street Works—The Leys), the Town Clerk reported receipt of a communication, dated 21st October, 1937, from Messrs. Fitzpatrick and Son, confirming that they were prepared to relinquish their contract in the matter.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (c) (Private Street Works—The Bishop's Avenue), the Borough Surveyor intimated that a communication had been addressed to Messrs. Wimpey & Co. repudiating the claims made by them, and that a further report would be made on the matter if necessary.

2538 **Parks and Open Spaces Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 6th October, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2539 **Public Health Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 7th October, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council, Councillor Norman voting against paragraph 1 (East Middlesex Drainage Scheme).

2540 **Legal and Parliamentary Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 8th October, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2541 **Education Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 11th October, 1937, was submitted and considered;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that, with the exception of paragraph 5 (Juvenile Employment Bureau—Staff), the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council (Alderman Briant voting against paragraph 4—Martin School—Nursery Classes); and

(2) that paragraph 5 be referred to the Committee for further consideration.

2542 **Electricity Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 12th October, 1937, was submitted and considered.

Arising out of paragraph 9 (Independent Technical Report), an amendment was proposed by Alderman Syrett, seconded by Alderman Briant "that the recommendations of the Committee be not adopted."

On being put, the amendment was lost.

RECOMMENDED that the report be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council, Alderman Syrett voting against paragraph 9.

2543 **General Purposes Committee :**

A report of this Committee, dated 13th October, 1937, was submitted and considered.

Arising out of paragraph 1 (Bye-Laws—Good Rule and Government—Wireless Loudspeakers), a letter, dated 23rd October, 1937, was submitted from Mr. A. W. Lacy, stating that the nuisance in question had abated to a very appreciable extent, and that if the improvement continued, further action on the part of the Town Council would not be requested.

Arising out of paragraph 2 (Glebe Land—Proposed Site for Territorial Headquarters), a letter, dated 23rd October, 1937, was submitted from the War Office, confirming that the Secretary of State for War possessed power to acquire compulsorily the site in question under the Defence Act, 1842.

Arising out of paragraph 5 (Air Raid Precautions), it was

RECOMMENDED that the first paragraph of the Town Clerk's Report therein referred to be amended to read as follows :—

"I have been informed by the Air Raid Precautions Officer for the County of Middlesex that the Medical Officer is expected to attend the 35th (Medical Officers of Health) Course from the 1st to the 6th November, 1937, and the Deputy Surveyor the 36th (Senior Officers') Course from the 8th to the 13th November, 1937, both at the Civilian Anti-Gas School, Falfield, and I shall be glad of the necessary authority for the payment of expenses in connection therewith."

Arising out of paragraph 7 (Postal Facilities), it was

RECOMMENDED that the Town Clerk be instructed to communicate with the Post Office Authorities, urging them to provide improved accommodation of a temporary character pending the provision of a Crown Post Office at North Finchley, in view of the urgent need therefor;

RECOMMENDED that the report, as amended, be adopted, and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2544 **Finance Committee:**

A report of this Committee, dated 14th October, 1937, was submitted and considered.

Arising out of paragraph 5 (Unpaid Rates—Distress Warrants), the Town Clerk reported that no further communication had yet been received on the matter.

Arising out of paragraph 8 (Loans), the Borough Treasurer reported on the matter;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the Town Council, in exercise of the powers conferred upon them by Section 215 of the Local Government Act, 1933, do raise a temporary loan of £50,000 from the lenders, through the agents, at the rate of interest and subject to the agents' commission as indicated in the Instruction Book, for a period of one month from the 11th November, 1937, and thereafter at seven days' notice on either side; and

(*b*) that the Borough Treasurer be instructed to make the necessary arrangements in connection therewith.

Arising out of paragraph 9 (Private Street Works Charges—Outstanding Accounts), it was

RECOMMENDED that the fourth and fifth names mentioned in the list of defaulters be deleted.

RECOMMENDED that the report, as amended, with the exception of paragraphs 1 and 3, be adopted and entered on the Minutes of the Town Council.

2545 **Bye-Laws—Good Rule and Government:**

The Town Clerk submitted the following reports which had been received from the Police Authorities:—

(1) "Reginald John Baker, 42, Bedford Road, East Finchley, N. 2. Age 20.

At 12.45 a.m. on 13th October, 1937, P.C. 697 'S' Reynolds, attached to Finchley Station, stopped and reported the above person whom he saw painting the words 'Blackshirt Meeting here' on the roadway, at Beresford Road, East Finchley.

The offence was witnessed by P.C. 296 'S' Bigmore, and, when pointed out to Mr. Baker, he said 'I am only advertising for the British Union of Fascists. I did not know it was an offence.'

When told he would be reported, he replied 'I am painting this on to let the public know we are holding a meeting here. I will not do any more.'"

(2) "At 12.20 p.m. on 9th October, 1937, P.C. 408 'S' Simmons, attached to Finchley Station, stopped and reported Master Kenneth Ridley, age 15, of 9, Queen's Avenue, Finchley, N. 3, whom he saw riding a tradesman's pedal cycle, owned by Mr. Jacobs, 143, Long Lane, Finchley, N. 3, along Lovers Walk, Finchley, contrary to Finchley Borough Council Bye-Laws, dated 27th July, 1936, Bye-Law No. 27 (4).

When the offence was pointed out to Master Ridley, he made no reply, and when told he would be reported he made no reply.

Respectfully submitted with a view to any action considered necessary by the Finchley Borough Council."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that as regards Case No. 1, legal proceedings be not instituted by the Town Council, but that the Town Clerk be instructed to warn the offender that in the event of a repetition of the occurrence the Town Council will have no alternative but to take a serious view of the matter; and

(*b*) that as regards Case No. 2, in view of the age of the offender, proceedings be not instituted against him, but that the Town Clerk be instructed to warn him that in the event of a repetition of the occurrence the Town Council will have no alternative but to take a serious view of the matter.

2546 **Municipal Offices:**

A letter, dated 13th October, 1937, was submitted from H.M. Office of Works hereon;

RECOMMENDED that same be referred to the General Purposes Committee for consideration.

2547 **Finchley, Hornsey, Wood Green and Friern Barnet Joint Hospital—Extension of Nurses' Home and Provision of Post Mortem Room:**

The Town Clerk submitted the communication received from the Clerk and Accountant to the Joint Hospital Committee hereon to which reference was made in Minute No. 2501;

RECOMMENDED that the proposals of the Joint Committee be approved by the Town Council.

2548 **Air Raid Precautions:**

The Town Clerk reported upon a communication, dated 13th October, 1937, received from the Clerk of the Middlesex County Council hereon;

RECOMMENDED that same be referred to the Air Raid Precautions Committee for consideration.

2549 **Staff:**

A letter, dated 20th October, 1937, was submitted from Miss N. Sharp, conveying to the Town Council her thanks for their kindness in granting her three months' leave of absence.

2550 **Committee of Smaller Municipal Electricity Supply Undertakings:**

A communication, dated 20th October, 1937, was submitted from the Hon. Secretary of the above, and in conjunction therewith the Chairman of the Electricity Committee presented a report on the matter;

RECOMMENDED that action be not taken as suggested in the above-mentioned communication, but that the Town Clerk be instructed to inform the Association of the terms of the resolution already passed by the Town Council on the matter.

2551 **Middlesex County Council (General Powers) Bill, 1938:**

The Town Clerk reported as follows:—

"Since the meeting of the Legal and Parliamentary Committee, I have received from the Clerk of the County Council a print of the draft Clauses it is proposed to insert in the above Bill on behalf of the Local Authorities in the County. Some of the provisions which the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association had asked to be put into the Bill have been omitted, as in the opinion of the County Council's Parliamentary Agents, Messrs. Sharpe, Pritchard & Co., they were not Common Form Clauses and might lead to the defeat of the Bill, owing to the contentious nature of their contents, but a number of Common Form Clauses which the Committee on Common Form Clauses in Private Bills have stated could be usually accepted without special proof have been put in the Bill by Messrs. Sharpe & Co.

Annexed hereto is a list of the Clauses in the Brentford and Chiswick Corporation Act, 1936, and a list of the Common Form Clauses which are now in the draft Bill.

At a meeting of the Parliamentary Sub-Committee of the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association on the 19th instant, it was decided to ask for the deletion of Clause 111 (Building Line in New Streets), as it might conflict with the Town Planning Powers of Local Authorities, and to press for the inclusion of Sections 100/104 of the Brentford Act dealing (*inter alia*) with the accounts of Undertakings and application of Revenue of Undertakings. These Clauses follow in principle the provisions of the Middlesex County Council Act of 1934, in regard to Electricity Undertakings, and the Borough Treasurer informs me that he sees no objection to the new Clauses.

In addition to these, the Sub-Committee are also pressing for the inclusion of the further following provisions in the Brentford and Chiswick Act :—

Section 38 :—(Extension of Section 157 of the Public Health Act, 1875, enabling Local Authorities to make Bye-Laws respecting new buildings). In so far as it is not already covered by Section 61 of the Public Health Act, 1936.

Section 79 :—Powers to construct and maintain boating and bathing pools, etc.

Section 120 :—Power to charge for supervision in addition to costs.

The Sub-Committee are also recommending certain alterations to the Clauses in the draft Bill dealing with Capital Reserve Fund and Renewal and Repairs Fund, with the object of raising the maximum limits of the Funds and the amounts that can be invested in any one year.

I would draw the attention of the Town Council to Clause 102, which provides that at any time before the 1st November, 1938, a poll may be demanded with respect to the question whether the local provisions of the Act shall apply within any district by requisition in writing signed by not less than 100 Local Government electors in the district, and if the result of the poll is against the local provisions, then these provisions are not to apply in that district, provided that after three years from such poll the Local Authority concerned may take another poll on the matter. This Clause has been inserted to meet the condition imposed by the Lord Chairman when agreeing to the County Council promoting legislation on on behalf of the Local Authorities in the County."

RECOMMENDED that the draft clauses be approved subject to the amendments proposed by the Parliamentary Sub-Committee of the Middlesex Borough and District Councils' Association.

2552 **Staff :**

(*a*) Town Clerk's Department — Assistant Solicitor.—The Town Clerk reported receipt of a communication, dated 25th October, 1937, from Mr. R. W. Storr, intimating that he had been appointed to the position of Assistant Solicitor to the Beckenham Town Council and that he therefore wished to give formal notice terminating his appointment with the Town Council ; further, that he would be glad if he could be released from the service of the Council on the 21st November, 1937 ;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that Mr. Storr be released on the date above-mentioned ;

(*b*) that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the appointment of Assistant Solicitor at a commencing salary of £350 per annum, rising by annual increments of £25 to a maximum of £500 per annum ; and

(*c*) that a Sub-Committee, consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor, the Chairman of the General Purposes Committee and the Chairman of the Legal and Parliamentary Committee, be authorised to make the appointment, subject to report.

(*b*) Borough Surveyor's Department—1st Engineering Assistant.—The Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

"Mr. T. V. Cuerden, First Engineering Assistant in this department has secured an appointment with the Ministry of Transport and has tendered his resignation.

The General Purposes Committee would no doubt wish to consider filling this vacancy by appointing a member of the temporary engineering staff and, therefore, I should be glad if the Town Council would give authority for an advertisement to be issued for a temporary engineering assistant at a salary at the rate of £313 per annum."

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that advertisements be issued inviting applications for the appointment of Temporary Engineering Assistant at a salary at the rate of £313 per annum ; and

(2) that a Sub-Committee, consisting of the Mayor, the Deputy Mayor and the Chairman of the General Purposes Committee, be authorised to make the appointment, subject to report.

2553 **Proposed Neon Sign—Messrs. Bignell's Garage Premises, High Road, N. 12 :**

The Borough Surveyor reported as follows :—

" An application, dated the 1st October, 1937, has been received from the Neon Manufacturers, Ltd., asking for permission to instal neon signs at the garage premises of Messrs. Wm. Bignell & Son situate on the High Road, N. 12, corner of Mayfield Avenue. The application complies with the bye-laws relative to Good Rule and Government and although the size of the lettering requires the consent of the Town Council, there would appear to be no reason why this should be withheld."

RECOMMENDED that the consent of the Town Council be given to the proposal.

2554 **The Lodge, Rocklands Estate, Gordon Road, N. 3 :**

The Borough Surveyor reported that a large crack had appeared in the wall of the lodge at Rocklands, and that he was of opinion that repairs should be carried out at once at an approximate cost of £15, although it was possible that a much larger expenditure would be required after further investigation ;

RECOMMENDED that authority be given for the carrying out of the repairs in question.

2555 **Plans :**

The Borough Surveyor submitted a report hereon, dated 21st October, 1937 ;

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the following plans be APPROVED, subject to the conditions severally mentioned by the Borough Surveyor in his report :—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
10158	2 flats and garages	4, Waverley Grove, N. 3	Messrs. V. Smith, Ltd.
10159	Garage	Side of 42, Westbury Road, N. 12	Mr. E. W. Gapp.
10160	Garage	Side of 51, Abbots Gardens, N. 2	Mr. C. T. C. Davey.
10161	Garage	Rear of 1114, High Road, N. 20	Mr. B. Foster.
10162	Garage	Rear of 1373, High Road, N. 20	Mr. H. Williams.
10163	House	Plot 28, Kingsgate Avenue, N. 3	Mr. J. Norris.
10164	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	63, Lichfield Grove, N. 3	The Teachers & General Investment Co., Ltd.
10165	Conversion of house into two self-contained flats	15, Windsor Road, N. 3	Mrs. Hemmings.

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
10166	Garage	Side of 27, Finchley Way, N. 3	Mr. J. Barker.
†10167	Two houses	Plots L.111 and L.112, Lyttelton Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. A. Reast.
10168	Garage	Rear of 35, Torrington Park, N. 12	Mr. R. H. Chappell.
10170	House	Plot 0815, No. 27, Brim Hill, Hampstead Garden Suburb	Mr. G. Ramsbotham.
10072b	Shop	High Road, N. 12, at corner of Castle Road	Mr. W. J. Lewis.

† *Referred to the Middlesex County Council for consideration under the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act*, 1935.

(*b*) that as regards plans nod. 10158, 10161, 10162 and 10072b, the consent of the Town Council as the Highway Authority be given to the proposals in question under the provisions of Section 2 (1) of the Restriction of Ribbon Development Act, 1935 ;

(*c*) that the under-mentioned plans be DISAPPROVED for the reasons stated by the Borough Surveyor in his report :—

No. of Plan.	Premises.	Where situate.	Owner.
10169	House and garage	Plot L.112a, Lyttelton Road, Hampstead Garden Suburb, at corner of Norrice Lea	Dr. Krupenia.
10171	Conversion of house into four self-contained flats	The Lindens, Moss Hall Grove, N. 12	Mrs. Burridge.

(*d*) that the consideration of the under-mentioned plan be deferred until the Annual Meeting of the Town Council on the 9th November, 1937 :—

Plan No. 10120a—50 Flats and 13 Garages—Gordon Road, N. 3, between Grosvenor Road and Eversleigh Road.

2556 **Plan No. 10072b—Shop, High Road, N. 12, at Corner of Castle Road—Mr. W. J. Lewis :**

The Borough Surveyor reported that the above plan showed an area of land in the High Road and in Castle Road, North Finchley, proposed to be given up for widening purposes, without monetary compensation ;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that such offer be accepted, subject (a) to the developers entering into an agreement with regard to the maintenance of an inspection cover on the land proposed to be surrendered ; and (b) to the approval of the Middlesex County Council so far as the frontage to the High Road is concerned ;

(2) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in the matter ; and

(3) that, if necessary, payment of reasonable legal costs be approved.

2557 **Electricity Sub-Station Site—Western Court:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"I have received a communication, dated 14th October, 1937, from Mr. W. L. Barclay which is as follows:—

'I thank you for your letter of to-day's date regarding Sub-station and am agreeable to sale of plot 20 ft. x 20 ft. at the figure originally arranged with Mr. Lovesay, namely, £20, subject to the Council paying all legal or other charges.

If the sale is effected the ground may by that time have been conveyed to the Trustees of the Scout Group but it will be one condition of such conveyance that the sale stands.

I am not myself certain of the exact situation of the sewer at the end of Huntley Drive but I gather from Mr. Lovesay that there is room without building over it and he is agreeable to the building being erected there although strictly speaking his right of way along Huntley Drive extends right to the railway fence.'

The site in question is an alternative to the site previously considered and possesses several advantages, one of which will be the saving of approximately £200 in the cost of cabling as the route will be much shorter. A plan (No. 37247S) will be produced at the Council Meeting."

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that authority be given for the acquisition of the alternative site in question on the terms stated;

(2) that payment of the legal and other charges involved be approved; and

(3) that the plan of the proposed building be referred to the Town Planning Committee.

2558 **Easement—Nether Close:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"In connection with the mains development programme in the Nether Street and adjacent areas, it is necessary to obtain an easement for cables through a portion of Nether Close.

I anticipate that the owner will be prepared to grant the easement for a sum not exceeding 10/- per annum."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that steps be taken to obtain the easement in question and that the Solicitor be authorised to proceed in the matter; and

(*b*) that, if necessary, payment of legal costs be approved.

2559 **Sub-Station Site—Hampstead Golf Club:**

The General Manager and Engineer reported as follows:—

"Under the provisions of Minute No. 1935 of the 26th July, 1937, the Solicitor was instructed to negotiate the necessary easement in connection with the Sub-station site on the property of the Hampstead Golf Club. Since that date negotiations have been proceeding but the Solicitors to the Hampstead Golf Club have recently drawn my attention to the fact that a section of the cable route, which had been included in the original scheme, is over the property of the Hampstead Garden Suburb Trust."

RECOMMENDED—

(*a*) that the Solicitor be instructed to take the necessary steps in connection with the granting of an easement by the Hampstead Garden Suburb Trust for that section of the cable route between Ingram Avenue and the property of the Hampstead Golf Club; and

(*b*) that, if necessary, payment of legal costs and Surveyor's fees be approved.

2560 **Tenders:**

(*a*) Hire of two motor cars for use by the Mayor and the Town Clerk.

(*b*) Printing of Agendas, Minutes and Reports.

(*c*) Supply of E.H.T. and L.T. Cables.

(*d*) Sale of scrap metal.

(*e*) Construction of two "Non-Attention" hard tennis courts, Glebe Land.

(*f*) Levelling and re-surfacing of first class Rugby Pitch, Glebe Land.

(*g*) Demolition of Mowbray House, Oak Lane.

(*h*) Erection of 36 flats and 2 wash houses—Red Lion Hill Housing Estate.

(*i*) Catering—Main Pavilion, Lyttelton Playing Fields.

(*j*) Purchase of a portion of the Rocklands Estate.

The tenders received in connection with the above were submitted;

RECOMMENDED—

(1) that as regards (a), the tender of Messrs. W. T. Botten & Co., Ltd. (the lowest) at the sum of £350 for the first 10,000 miles, £60 for the next 2,000 and 7d. a mile thereafter, be accepted, subject to contract;

(2) that as regards (b), the tender of Messrs. Warden & Co., Ltd. (the lowest) at the sum of 8/6d. a printed page, be accepted, subject to contract;

(3) that as regards (c), (e), (f) and (g) the tenders be referred to the appropriate Committees for consideration;

(4) that as regards (d), the under-mentioned tenders (the highest) be accepted, subject to contract:—

Scrap Copper—Messrs. Chas. Kerridge (Metal Merchants), Ltd., at the sum of £43 2s. 9d. a ton.

Scrap Lead—Messrs. Leopold Lazarus, Ltd., at the sum of £17 5s. 0d. a ton.

(5) that as regards (h), the Borough Surveyor be instructed to consult the Ministry of Health thereon and report further at the Annual Meeting of the Town Council, if possible;

(6) that as regards (i), the tender of the Acorn Club, Ltd. (the higher) at the sum of £44 for the period of two and a half years from the 1st November, 1937, to the 30th April, 1940, be accepted, subject to contract;

(7) that as regards (j), the tender received be not accepted; and

(8) that the necessary contracts be added to the list of documents for sealing.

2561 **Resumption of Council:**

RESOLVED that the Town Council do now resume, and that the recommendations above set forth be adopted.

Mayor.