

Playing-fields Comtee.

EFFINGHAM SILVER JUBILEE COMMITTEE.

Receipts & Payments Account to 20th May, 1935.

To Printing	£5. 4. 7.	By Donations to date	£98.14. 0.
Teas	28. 6. 2.		
Marquee	11.17. 6.	(including £24 from	
Radio	6. 0. 0.	Effingham Parish	
Aged, Infirm & Needy	9. 7. 6.	Council)	
Souvenirs	5.18. 9.		
Prizes	7. 6.11.		
Sports Sundries	1. 5. 3.		
Sundries	17. 6.		
Insurance	15. 0.		
Cartage	8. 0.		
Dance Expenses	18. 2.		
Stamps, Stationery, etc.	1. 8. 7.		
Balance in hand at Bank	19. 0. 1.		
	<u>£98.14. 0.</u>		<u>£98.14. 0.</u>

I have examined the Books and Vouchers of the Effingham Jubilee Committee and hereby certify that the above Account shows the true state of affairs to date, in accordance with the information given to me.

(Sgd) F.C. Smith,
Chartered Accountant.

20th May, 1935.

Resumé of Jubilee Commé Minutes P-F's.

EFFINGHAM PLAYING FIELDS COMMITTEE.

HON. SECRETARY:
I. A. W. MCGOWAN.

THE SCHOOL,
EFFINGHAM.

At its first Meeting on 11 March 1935 the Jubilee Committee resolved that in addition to celebrations on the Day, there should be some permanent memorial which should take the form of the provision of a Playing Ground for the children.

The matter was discussed. At later meetings, and on 26th March 1935 the 31-acre site at the corner of Effingham Manor Cross Roads was suggested as the most suitable site available. Purchase out of the rates was considered - the Committee being informed that a 1d rate would produce £45 and that purchase could be spread over 30 years. Upkeep would fall on the Parish Council who would therefore have to be notified as soon as anything definite was arranged. It was resolved to approach the Trustees of the 31-acre site and a sub-committee, consisting of Major Cundall, Mr Diamantidi and Mr Nottage were appointed to deal with the question

On 15 April 1935 Mr Diamantidi reported to the Jubilee Committee the result of his negotiations with the Public Trustee and Mr Heaton, the Solicitor for the Pauling Trustees, the owners of the site. If the whole was acquired to be maintained in perpetuity as an open space Mr Heaton would recommend the acceptance of the low price of £4000 - No building would be allowed. The land was at present bringing in £70 p.a. for grazing.

Another site in Madges Lane was on offer at £1200, also with a restriction on building.

It was decided to refer the matter to a Ratepayers' Meeting to be called after Jubilee Day.

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On 21 April 1935 Mr Diamantidi reported that the restriction on building on the 31-acre site had been removed.

An offer by Mr Calburn to enclose a portion of the Common and offer it free as a Playing Field was mentioned.

It was decided that the Jubilee Fund balance should remain in the Bank and that appeals for donations should be deferred until the Committee could give definite facts and figures. The P.F. COMee to try to get a comprehensive scheme for disposal of the frontage

On 13 December 1935 it was reported that the 31-acre site was still on offer at £4000. The idea of disposing of the frontage had had to be abandoned but promises of support to the amount of £1700 had been received.

It was decided that the Sub-Comée shd remain in being with the addition of Mr McG. and such others as they might co-opt - whether members of the Jubilee Committee or not.

Hon. Sec. to meet P-F Assocn repve and ascertain what assistance might be obtainable from this source.

A MEETING of the PLAYING FIELDS COMMITTEE was held at Grove House, Effingham, on Saturday, 15th February, 1936, at 6 p.m.

Present:- Mr Diamantidi (Chairman)
Major Cundall)
Mr McGowan) (Members)
" Nottage)
" Stewart Adams (Ex Officio)

The Resolution (relating to this Committee) passed at the Meeting of the Jubilee Committee held on the 13th December, 1935, was read, viz.

"That the present Sub-Committee remain in being with the addition of Mr McGowan and such others as they wish to co-opt - whether members of this Committee or not."

The Chairman stated that he was afraid the time at his disposal would not allow of his continuing to act as Chairman. The negotiations for the acquisition of the 31-acre site on the Leatherhead Road were at present in abeyance, but the price had been agreed at £4,000. Towards this sum the following donations had been promised provided the land was purchased for the purpose in view:-

Mrs McNair	£1000
Capt. Botterell (in return for the cession to him at a proportion- ate price of a strip of about 4 acres fronting Brown's Lane)	500
Sir Nicholas Waterhouse	200

£1700

The Committee expressed their warm appreciations of these generous offers. Major Cundall proposed a hearty vote of thanks to the Chairman

for the good work which he had done, and congratulated him on the success of his efforts. He hoped that he would continue to act as Chairman, and to this Mr Diamantidi agreed, but added that he would unfortunately not be able to devote much time.

Mr Nottage reported that he had had an interview with the Chairman of the Town Planning Committee of the Guildford R.D.C., and it appeared that there would be little difficulty in obtaining a grant if the land were acquired as a private open space, especially if the plans incorporated an allotment scheme. If it were necessary for £2000 to be provided by a loan secured on the rates, this would involve an increase in the local rate of about 2d., a penny rate producing about £50.

The question of enlarging the Committee by co-opting further members was then considered, and it was decided that a letter should be addressed to the following residents, inviting them to serve:-

Miss Bright
Mrs Calburn
" Mooney
" Nicholson
Miss Ross

Mr W. Curtis
✓ " Floud
✓ " Mallaby-Deeley
" O'Hagan
" Shankland
" Wallis
" Williamson

agreed with
The letter to be ~~approved by~~ Major Cundall and Mr Stewart Adams before despatch.

The proceedings then closed.

A MEETING of the PLAYING-FIELD COMMITTEE was held at Grove House on Sunday, 8th March, 1936, at 6 p.m.

Present:- Mr Diamantidi (Chairman)
~~Mr. [REDACTED]~~
Mr McGowan (Secretary)
" Nottage
" Stewart-Adams (ex officio)

Draft letter to be sent to various residents, inviting them to join the Committee, was considered amended and agreed, and the Secretary was instructed to order some headed Typing paper.

Mr Nottage reported that the Chairman of the Town-Planning Committee had recommended that the Allotment scheme should be incorporated with the Playing-Fields scheme on the same piece of ground. If this could be done the Parish Council would be prepared to drop the Field at present scheduled for a Recreation Ground -about 6-acres up Madges Lane. It was agreed that after the enlarged Committee was formed a letter should be sent to the T.P.C., in-telling them what was being done and notifying them that a grant would be applied for in due course.

Mrs McNair was co-opted a Member of the Committee, and will be notified by the Chairman.

Father Bird's name was added to the list of those to whom the circular letter is to be addressed.

EFFINGHAM PLAYING FIELDS COMMITTEE.

HON. SECRETARY:
I. A. W. MCGOWAN.

THE SCHOOL,
EFFINGHAM.

March, 1936.

Dear Sir/Madam,

For some time a Sub-Committee appointed by the Jubilee Committee at the time of the National Festivities in May, 1935, has been engaged in investigating the practicability of providing Playing Fields for the use and enjoyment of the inhabitants of Effingham.

As the result of negotiations, a concrete plan has now been evolved, and the Committee have obtained an offer of an important freehold site of some 31 acres near the North-East corner of Effingham Manor Cross Roads at the favourable price of £4,000, and an opportunity, which may never recur, is thus presented of acquiring a piece of land in an ideal situation, and preserving it as an open space.

Promises of very substantial financial support, amounting in the aggregate to about £2,000, have already been received, and we feel that the stage has now been reached when an organised effort should be made to enlist the sympathy and help of the principal residents of the Village. With this object, it is proposed first to enlarge the present Committee so that it may be of a more representative and influential character. The Committee would greatly value your help in this connection, and invite you to join them in their efforts by becoming a Member, and so collaborate in a work which they feel to be of considerable importance to the future welfare of the Village.

Mr. Stewart-Adams will allow himself to telephone to you in the course of the next few days for an appointment to see you when he will explain to you the details of the scheme.

We are, Dear Sir/Madam,

Yours faithfully,

Stewart-Adams
or

Robert Anderson
Ant. J. M. Smith

Charles H. H. H.

PLAYING-FIELDS COMMITTEE (as enlarged)

✓ Mr J. Stewart Adams, School House.	Chairman	
✓ Mrs. Whale, Windy Ridge, Effingham Common		Book 240 ✓
✓ J. A. H. Macnair - Yew Tree Ho.	Hon. Treasurer	
✓ Mr McGowan	" Sec.	
✓ Mrs Mooney, Rose Cottage.	Book. 3	Book. 30 ✓
✓ Rev. Fr Bird, Priest's House.		Book. 263 ✓
✓ Major H.O. Cundall, The Dormy House.		Book 211 ✓
✓ Mr A.N. Diamantidi, Grove House.		Book 115 ✓
✓ Rev. H.A. Floud, The Vicarage.		Book. 314 ✓
✓ Sir G.M.M. Mallaby-Deeley, Slater's Oak.		Book. 193 ✓
✓ C. Nottage, 2, Brown's Cottages.		
✓ " T.R. Nicholson, The Barn	Book. Book 411	✓
✓ " B.N. Wallis, White Hill House	Book 27	✓

Co-opted. 13.1.37

all ✓ S. Bramwell Jones Two Oaks, Cobham Way. E. Horsley.	E. Horsley 385	
✓ A. Dibdin - Fair View - Beech Ave. Effingham.	Book. 220	Co-opted
✓ Harry Tyrell, Cranston La. Effingham.		

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Rev. Dr. H.W. Loader. Priests' House. Effingham
- J.W. Reynolds. The Vicarage.

Hony. Solvi - S.A. Williamson. c/o Prachey & Co.,
Arundel Ho., Arundel St., Strand. W.C. 2.

MINUTES of the First Meeting of the enlarged Comee
Held at the School on Tuesday, 26 May 1936 at 8.30.p.m.
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Present: Mr Stewart Adams (in the chair in the absence of Mr Diamantidi)
Mr McGowan Hon. Sec.
" Nottage Original Member
~~Fr-Bird~~
Mrs Whale)
Fr Bird) Co-opted Members
Mr Floud)
" Mallaby-Beeley)
" Wallis)

1. A letter from Mr Diamantidi was read, apologising for his unavoidable absence.
2. The Chairman gave a resume of the events which had led to the formation of the present Comee & of the position in regard to the 31-acre site, belonging to the Pauling Trustees, near the N.E. corner of Effingham Manor Cross-Roads, the acquisition of which for Playing-Fields was now under consideration.
3. Mr Nottage read a letter which he had received from the Clerk to the Guildford R.D.C. in reply to an inquiry he had made, stating that:
 - (a) the present proposal could be incorporated in the town-planning scheme for the provision of an open space.
 - (b) the R.D.C. could contribute to the cost of purchase, and possibly also the C.C.
 - (c) If the R.D.C. contributed, the question of the control of the open space would be a matter for arrangement between the R.D.C. and the persons concerned.
 - (d) a special meeting of the Town-Planning Comee was fixed for 4th June, and they would be glad to consider further representations.

4. The Chairman then announced the resignation of Mr Diamantidi as Chairman and Mr McGowan as Secy and invited proposals for filling these offices and that of Treasurer.
On the proposal of Mr Floud, seconded by Mr Mallaby-Deeley, Mr Stewart Adams was unanimously elected Chairman.
Mrs Whale and Mr McGowan were elected Hon.Treasurer and Hon.Secy.respectively.
5. A discussion then took place on the methods to be adopted to raise the balance of the money required, and it was decided that the following preliminary steps should be taken:-
(a) The Secy to write to the Clerk to the Guildford R.D.C., inquiring whether the Town-planning Comtee would approve the re-zoning of the 31-acre site (part of which under the present town-planning scheme is zoned as a business centre) as an open space, to be used for Playing-Fields and Allotments in lieu of the areas at present scheduled for those purposes, and generally how the R.D.C. could help in the matter.
(b) On the proposal of Mr Wallis, the Chairman and Secretary to see Mr Diamantidi and discuss with him the question of obtaining an option on the site.
6. It was further decided that ~~the~~ any definite action towards raising the balance of the fund required should be deferred pending the issue of the general appeal shortly to be made on behalf of the King George Memorial Fund.
7. The next Meeting was fixed for Tuesday, 9th June, the Secy to circulate those Members who were not present. notify
8.30.at the School.

J. Stewart Adams.
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MINUTES of Meeting held at the School on Tuesday,
9 June 1936 at 8.30.p.m.

Present:-	Mr Stewart Adams	Chairman
	Mrs Whale	Hon.Treasurer
	Mr McGowan	Hon.Secy.
	Fr Bird	
	Mr Floud	
	" Nottage	
	" Wallis	

Mr Nottage reported that the T.P.C.of the Guildford R.D.C. were meeting on 11th June, when our letter would be discussed, and he would be present.

The Chairman reported that he and the Secretary had seen Mr Diamantidi, and on the latter's suggestion a letter had been written by the Secretary to Mr Diamantidi for him to forward to Mr Heaton, requesting an option on the 31-acre site. This letter was read and also a further letter sent to the Guildford R.D.C.

The Secretary was instructed to write to the King George Mansion House Fund, explaining that we were in a dilemma in approaching residents for contributions to our local scheme now that the Lord Mayor's Appeal had been launched, and inquiring whether we might expect any help from the central fund.

Mr Floud suggested that a short notice might be inserted in the Parish Magazine. It was decided to hold this over until after the next meeting.

Resolution:- Proposed by Mr Wallis
Seconded " " Floud

"That the Committee do its business through its Officers."

Carried nem.con.

Resolution:-

Proposed by Mr Wallis
Seconded " Mrs Whale

"That at their Meeting on 11th June the T.P.C. be asked by our Representative whether they would waive their present Playing Fields & Allotment Schemes in favour of the voluntary scheme now under consideration in the event of the voluntary scheme being successful."

Carried unanimously

The Next Meeting was fixed for Wednesday, 17th June 1936 at White Hill House at 8.30.p.m.

J. Stewart Adams
17.6.36.

Chairman

MINUTES of MEETING held at White Hill House on Wednesday
17 June 1936 at 8.30.p.m.

Present:-

Mr Stewart Adams	Chairman
Mrs Whale	Hon. Treasurer
Mr McGowan	" Secy
Fr Bird	
Major Cundall	)
Mr Floud	)
" Nicholson	)
" Nottage	)
" Wallis	)
	Members

The Chairman stated he had received a letter from Mr Mallaby-Deeley, regretting his inability to attend owing to indisposition.

The following correspondence was then read and considered:-

Letter d/- 29.5.36. Sec. to Mr Diamantidi
" " 3.6.36. Rider Heaton to Mr Diamantidi
" " 11.6.36. Mr Heaton to Mr Diamantidi
" " " " Secretary
" " " Mr Diamantidi to Secy.

Mr Nottage reported that the T.P.C. sub-committee were favourably disposed to the project. They proposed to view the 31-acre site, and would reply in due course.

Resolution:- Proposed by Major Cundall
Seconded " Mr Wallis

"That a letter be written by the Secretary to Mr Diamantidi, inquiring whether in the course of his negotiations he had received any letter from the P.T. regarding the property, and requesting him to suggest a date convenient to him for the next meeting so that the Comtee have the advantage of his assistance

Carried unanimously.

J. Stewart Adams
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MINUTES of a MEETING held at the School on
Saturday, 25th July, 1936, at 2.45.p.m.

Present:-	Mr Stewart-Adams	Chairman
	Mrs Whale	Hon. Treasurer
	Mr McGowan	" Sec.
	Fr Bird	)
	Mr Diamantidi	)
	" Floud	)
	" Nottage	)
	" Wallis	)
		Members

The Secretary reported that Mrs Mooney and Mr Mallaby-Deeley had notified him that they were unfortunately unable to attend.

Mr Diamantidi said that he had had no correspondence with the Public Trustee, all his negotiations having been with Mr Heaton. The P.T. and Mr Heaton were co-trustees of the Pauling Estate, for which Mr Heaton's firm acted as Solicitors. Mr Diamantidi had been given to understand that the P.T. had no power to grant an option in any circumstances. The original offer of the property for £4000 was contained in a letter from Mr Heaton to Mr Diamantidi and had recently been confirmed by telephone. The position was that if a better offer was received the Trustees would not be precluded from accepting it but they would first notify us, as they would prefer that the land should be preserved as an open space.

The Chairman reported that he had recently met Mrs Pauling accidentally with Fr Bird and that she had confirmed that she was anxious to benefit Effingham and if the Committee applied for it she would agree to their having an option for 6 months.

Mr Diamantidi said he would himself give £250. The total amount promised (subject to the whole purchase-price being raised) was therefore now £2000, viz.

Mrs McHair	£1000
Capt Botterell (on the terms previously stated)	500
Sir Nicholas Waterhouse	250
Mr Diamantidi	250
	£2000

Mr Nottage reported that the Guildford R.D.C. had now stated that they would give a substantial donation without any conditions as to control, as a contribution to the King George Memorial Fund.

Resolution: Proposed by Mr Diamantidi
Seconded by Fr Bird

"That the Chairman write a personal letter to Mrs Pauling, explaining the Committee's position, and requesting her assurance that the land would not be sold for 6 months."

Carried unanimously.

Resolution:- Proposed by Mrs Whale
Seconded by Mr Diamantidi

"That the Chairman and Secretary draft a letter and arrange for it to be printed and circularised to all householders in the Parish"

The proceedings then closed.

J. Stewart Adams
7. Oct. '36

MINUTES of a MEETING HELD AT THE SCHOOL on
Wednesday, 7th October 1936, at 8 p.m.

Present:-	Mr Stewart Adams	Chairman
	Mrs Whale	Hon. Treasurer
	Mr McGowan	" Sec.
	Fr Bird	
	Rev. H.A. Floud	
	Major Cundall	
	Mr Nottage	
	" Wallis	

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

Letters of apology for non-attendance were read from Messrs Diamantidi, Mallaby-Deeley and Nicholson and suggestions therein ~~for~~ concerning the Appeal Letter were discussed.

In reply to an inquiry by Major Cundall, Mr Nottage stated that the Clerk to the Guildford R.D.C. had told him that when the amount raised voluntarily had been ascertained the R.D.C. would probably agree to contribute half the balance required for the purchase of the land.

The Appeal and covering letter drafted by Mr Wallis were discussed, and it was agreed that:-

the word "acquisition" be substituted for "acquirement" on p.4.

the word "District" be substituted for "County" on P.1.1.4 of the covering letter and on P.2 1.4 of the Appeal.

the names of the Committee be listed in the Appendix without their addresses.

Copies of the Appeal and Covering Letter be sent to:-

Mrs Pauling
Mr Heaton
Guildford R.D.C.

Mr Nicholson's suggestion ~~to delete the penultimate paragraph of the Appeal~~ ^{was} discussed, and it was pointed out that it was anticipated that a grant from the Playing Fields Assn wd be available for equipment, but only after the purchase of the land had been arranged.

Resolution proposed by Major Cundall, seconded by Mr Floud:-

"That the penultimate paragraph stand as it is"

Carried unanimously

Resolution proposed by Mr Floud, seconded by Mr Wallis:-

"That the Letter and Appeal, as amended, be approved and circulated, subject to the approval of Mr Heaton and Mrs Pauling being first obtained"

Carried unanimously

Resolution proposed by the Secretary, seconded by Mr Floud:-

"That the name of the Committee be changed to
"The Effingham King George V Memorial Playing
Fields Committee"

Carried unan.

Resolution proposed by Major Cundall, seconded by Fr Bird:-

"That the Jubilee Committee balance of £19. 8. 1
be transferred to this Committee".

Carried unan.

The proceedings then closed.

J. Stewart Adams.

Jan 13.37.

MINUTES of a MEETING held at Yew Tree House on
Wednesday, 13th January 1937 at 8.30.p.m.

Present:-	Mr Stewart Adams	Chairman
	Mrs McNair Macnair	Hon. Treasurer
	Mr McGowan	" Secretary
	Major Cundall	)
	Rev. H.A. Floud	)
	Mr Mallaby-Deeley	)
	" Bramwell-Jones	) Members
	" Nottage	)
	" Nicholson	)
	" Wallis	)
	" Bramwell Jones	Co-opted Member.

It was reported that Mrs Mooney, Fr Bird and Mr Diamantidi regretted that they were prevented from attending.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

Letters received in response to the Appeal from Miss Bright and Messrs Botterell, Cresser, Hankey, O'Hagan and Wallis were read, and the Secretary reported the result of correspondence which he had had with the Guildford R.D.C., King George's Jubilee Trust, King George's Fields Foundation, the National Council of Social Service, the Surrey County Playing Fields Assn and the National Playing Fields Assn.

The Chairman reported that Mrs Whale had been obliged to resign from her position as Hon. Treasurer in consequence of leaving the District and proposed a Vote of thanks to her for the good work which she had done, which was carried unanimously.

On the proposal of the Chairman, Mrs J.A.H. Macnair was unanimously elected Hon. Treasurer vice Mrs Whale (resigned).

The following Resolution was then passed:-

"That Mrs Macnair, Hon. Treasurer, be authorised to sign cheques on behalf of the Committee jointly with the Hon. Secretary, Mr McGowan. The authority of Mrs Whale to sign is terminated."

Proposed by the Chairman & carried unanimously.
Mr. Bramwell Jones was co-opted a member of the Comtee.
The Secretary was instructed ~~to~~ (in consultation with the Chairman) to draft a notice for the Press & the Parish Magazine as soon as definite information

had been received from the Guildford R.D.C. of the amount of their contribution.

Resolution Proposed by Major Cundall, seconded by Mr Nicholson:-

"That a circular Letter or Handbill be sent to all Householders, as soon as the Guildford R.D.C.'s contribution was known, setting out the then position, and appealing for further support."

Carried.

An offer by Mr Wallis to have enlarged copies of the Plan of the Area reproduced for posting in various parts of the Village was gratefully accepted.

With reference to Mr Wallis's conditional offer of £100, it was agreed that a Letter should be drafted in consultation by the Chairman, Mr Wallis and the Secretary who would then discuss with the Treasurer the persons to whom it should be addressed. It was suggested that it should be sent out over the signature of the Treasurer.

On the proposal of Mr Wallis, seconded by Mr Floud, Mr A. Dibdin was unanimously co-opted a Member of the Committee.

J. Stewart Adams
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Treasurers Report.

Since the Meeting held on 13th January last, Donations totalling £20:2:6 have been received - the number of Donors being 21.

The amounts vary from £5:5:0 in the case of Mrs Hansard and the Eppingham Village Golf Club down to 2/-.

The position at this date therefore, is that we have received Donations, including £19:0:1 brought in from the Jubilee Fund, amounting to £220:16:1. An item of £7:12:11 has been paid for printing which leaves a balance at the Bank of £207:18:2. Bank statement produced.

DONATIONS PROMISED.

Anonymous.	£1000
Guildford R.D.C.	£1000
% Sir N. Waterhouse.	£ 250
% Mr A.N. Diamantidi	£250
Mr Wallis	£ 100
Surrey County F.F.	50
Sir G. Mallaby Deely	£ 25
Mr D. Mooney	£ 25
Mr Dibdin.	£ 14
	<u>£2714</u>

% There are, I understand, certain conditions attaching to these promises. Can the position be clarified?

15th March 1937.

Hon. Treasurer.

MINUTES of a MEETING held at Yew Tree House on
16 March 1937 at 8.15.p.m.

Present:-	Mr Stewart Adams	Chairman
	Mrs. Macnair	Hon. Treasurer
	Mr McGowan	" Secretary
	Mr Bramall Jones)	
	Major Cundall)	
	Rev. H.A. Floud)	Members
	Fr Bird)	
	Mr Nottage)	

The Chairman reported that he had received a letter from Mr Wallis regretting his inability to attend, and the Secretary said that he had heard from Mr Dibdin to the same effect, and that Mrs Mooney could also not come.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed.

The following letters were read:-

27 Jan.	from Surrey C.C.	valuing the land at £4250.
3 Feb.	"	Natl P.F.Assn.
5 "	"	Guildford Rural D.C.
9 "	"	Surrey C.C.
25 "	"	Mr S.A. Williamson
4 Mar.	"	" S.J. Meadows

The Treasurer submitted her Report, & Bank Statement, showing a balance, representing net receipts to date of

	£207. 18. 2.
Donations promised	2714. - -

Total:- £2921. 18. 2.

The above sum of £2714 includes three amounts (Sir N. Waterhouse £250, Mr A.N. Diamantidi 250 and Mr & Mrs Wallis £100, which are subject to certain conditions).

The Chairman then read extracts from letters received from Mr Diamantidi, stating that his and Sir N. Waterhouse's contributions were subject to Mr Botterell coming in for £500 in return for a strip of the land, as promised. Mr Floud read a letter, dated 9 March, from Sir N. Waterhouse, stating that he wanted to know more about the project, but hardly thought he could come forward with any very substantial amount.

The Secretary was requested to communicate with Sir Nicholas Waterhouse and suggest that the Chairman and a member of the Committee should call upon him and furnish him with the further information he desired.

Resolution: Proposed by Mr Floud
Seconded " Major Cundall

"That a small sub-committee be formed to consider with the Hon. Solicitor:

- (a) the procedure for vesting the land in trustees
- (b) the desirability of opening negotiations with the Owners of the land and report."

Carried

It was agreed that the sub-committee should consist of the Officers and Major Cundall. Major Cundall to notify the Secretary of a convenient time and place for the first meeting on Sunday, 21 March.

Mr Harry Tyrrell of Orestan Lane, was co-opted a Member of the General Committee.

Mr Floud undertook to try to obtain a donation from Mr Turner of Crossways.

The proceedings then closed.

J. H. M. A. D. Wms
May 7 '37

Sunday - 21st March. 5 p.m.

1st meeting of Negotiating Sub. Comm.

Present: - I.A.W. Mel. in Chair.

Major Cudell } members.
Mr Branah Jones }

Mr P.A. Williamson Hon. Solr.

(as understood to be the case)

- ① Agreed that if it was desired to vest the land
then required in a body of individuals as Trustees
there should be a minimum of five.

Recommended that following be invited to act: -

1. Vicar of the Parish
2. R.C. Priest - —
3. Repre of G.R. W.C.
4. — - Sunny Co. P. & Comm.
5. Mr Macnam
6. Mr Sibdin
7. — G. Illingworth
8. — B.W. Wallis.

2. ② Mr Williamson will consider whether the land should
be vested with the Recreation Grounds Act 1889 or
what procedure he recommends. Also whether

a restriction against charging for admission to the ground
as prevent one charging for any portion of the ground
which might be reserved for a park occasion or
for entrance to a Village Hall if eventually one
were built on part of the site.

3. It was agreed that Mr Williamson should call on
Mr Healdon with a view to buying him as to
whether any ^{lower} ~~low~~ price would be accepted.

Mr Williamson took with him ^{to the house} Mr. P. J. Ann & Paul
Bence leave with him his plan &
copies of the with Healdon's valuation.

Major Cundell told Mr. Healdon when it will
be convenient for Mr Williamson to meet the
St. Louis again - some time after 20 April.

EFFINGHAM, KING GEORGE V. MEMORIAL, PLAYING FIELDS.

To the Chairman and Members of
the Effingham Playing Fields Committee.

Since the meeting held on the 16th March last I am happy to report that considerable progress has been made in the matter of the collection of Donations to this fund, something just over £450 having been received.

The actual position at the moment is as follows:-

Donations received	£667:10:7
Less Printing	7:12:11
	<u>659:17:8</u>

Donations promised.

A number of the promised donations have been received since the last meeting and the position at the moment is as follows:-

Anonymous	£1000
Guildford R.D.C.	£1000
(Sir N. Waterhouse) Anon	£250
Mr A.N. Diamantidi	£250
Mr Wallis	£100
Mr Dibdin	£14
	<u>£2614</u>

At the last Meeting I asked the an effort should be made to clarify the position with regard to the promise of Sir N. Waterhouse and Mr Diamantidi. I understand that a deputation waited on the former and that the result is to be reported to this meeting. With regard to Mr Diamantidi he assures me that he intends to fulfil his promise and that we can definitely count on his £250.

With regard to the promise made by Mr Wallis, I understand that this is conditional upon four other donations of a similar amount being received and I would therefore draw the attention of the Committee to the fact that so far we have only succeeded in finding three viz. Sir N. Wadia, Mr & Mrs Illingworth and Mr Winterton Lambert

I think we can safely assume that the whole of
of the promises listed above, ^{will materialise} in which case ~~the~~ position
is that we have, in round figures, £3273 towards the £4000
required.

I should like to mention that I had a long
conversation with Mr Calburn and although at the outset
he was rather antagonistic to the scheme, feeling that
his offer to provide a playing field free of charge, was
not appreciated, yet in the end he agreed that the present
scheme is more suitable and gave me his cheque for 25
guineas. His letter I should like read to the Committee
and it is attached hereto for this purpose. I have sent
a letter of thanks in the name of the Committee.

I have received an A/c for £3:16:8 for printing etc.
which I ask should be passed for payment.

May
7th ~~April~~ 1937.

Lina Maclean
Hon. Treasurer

MINUTES of a MEETING held at Yew Tree House on
7 May 1937 at 8.15.p.m.

Present:-	Mr Stewart Adams	Chairman
	Mrs Macnair	Hon. Treasurer
	Mr McGowan	" Sec.
	Mrs Mooney	
	Mr Bramall Jones	
	" Dibdin	
	Rev. H.A. Floud	
	Mr Nicholson	Members
	" Nottage	
	" Tyrrell	
	" Wallis	

Apologies for non-attendance had been received from
Fr. Bird and Sir Meyrick Mallaby-Deeley.

1. The Minutes of the last Meeting were read and confirmed. Arising therefrom a Letter from Sir Nicholas Waterhouse, dated 12 April, promising a donation of £250 on certain conditions was read. Mr Floud said that he had had a long interview with Mr Turner, who, however, was not prepared to subscribe.
2. The Treasurer's Report, disclosing a Total of Donations received and promised (less outgoings) of £3273 was received. The Treasurer was congratulated on the very successful results shown.
3. A letter addressed to the Treasurer by Mr Calburn on the 23rd April was read, in which the writer in enclosing a cheque for 25 guineas referred to the fact that an offer by him some time ago to present the village with land had not been appreciated. The Secretary was instructed to write to Mr Calburn, explaining the circumstances.

4. Mr Nottage said he had recently met the chairman of the T.P.C., who had promised to help us out if we found difficulty in raising the balance of the purchase price. A proposal to ^{write to} the Guildford R.D.C., inquiring whether further assistance might be anticipated, was discussed, but it was decided to defer this.
5. Mr Wallis suggested that, in view of the Mr Killick's valuation, Mrs Pauling must have been misled in thinking that she was making a large concession in agreeing to the sale of the land subject to restriction for £4000. After discussion it was agreed that subject to Mr Williamson's approval the Chairman should approach Mrs Pauling through Fr Bird and draw her attention to the position.
6. The Chairman reported the result of an interview which he and the Secretary had had with Mr Rogers of the Surrey C.C. on the 28th April. Mr Rogers had said that the County Council might be prepared to make some financial contribution in exchange for some arrangement whereby they would have the exclusive use of some 5 acres for the Central School which was to be built in the grounds of the Lodge. The Secretary was instructed to inform Mr Rogers that whilst the Committee wd be willing to entertain an application they cd not contemplate anything that wd place any part of the land out of their control.
7. It was agreed that the following should be asked for a contribution:-
Mr Botterell by Mr Nottage.
Messrs Cubitt & West by the Secretary.

Mewantland 20.6.37

Saturday - 8th May 1937. Effingham Manor & C.

2nd meeting of negotiating sub-committee.

Present: J. S. Adams in the Chair.

Major Cundell

Mr Bramhall Jones

Mr. McEvoy

Mr S. A. Williamson - Hon. Sec.

1. Mr Williamson said he had discussed with Mr Heaton the question of price & the imposition of restrictions & covenants & pointed out to him that Mr Killick's Valuation on behalf of the County Council was stated to be a Valuation of the land unencumbered. Therefore in Mr W's view if it was a *similia quod non* that the restrictions we have to be imposed by the vendors in the conveyance that the land shd only be used for playing fields, the matter must be reported to the Clerk to the ~~Council~~ ^{Council}, so that if they thought fit they desirable the valuer shd be asked to amend his valuation. Heaton said that Mr Pauling was in favour of a sale because of the fact that the land wd be used as playing fields, & the P.C. had given his consent on that ground, but he admitted that their own valuation was round about the figure they were obtaining. H. held out no prospect of a change of view.

on a reduction in price but not report on conversion
to the P.T. or Mr. Pauling.

Mr. Pauling had any further communication from H. Mr. W.
says him again & states that the best proceeding to take
will be to prepare a draft contract so that it can be
sent to the Clerk to the Council for him to see the
halting of the restrictions it was desired to impose.

H. rather demurred but eventually promised a
draft contract which he sent with a letter
reserving any points with the P.T. but raise.

In reply to Mr. W.'s inquiry Heaton said
the vendors were not in a position to give
access to the lower road. They had
an interest in selling as players' fields
because it will be to the benefit of other
properties of theirs "across the way"

Mr. Williamson said that Mr. Pauling could sell as
tenant for life but with the consent of the trees
he would have no power to sell below the
true value.

~~Mr. Williamson advised that there was
a duty on the Council to inform the
G.R.D.C. of the restrictions which were imposed.~~

Mr. W. He considers that the draft contract contains
wording of restrictions ought to be imposed on
the land in perpetuity it should be examined
by the G.R.D.C. before any further steps

is taken, seeing that the valuation obtained
by the Hume E.C. was on an unencumbered
freehold property.

~~He will send~~

~~He was~~ Agreed: That Mr W. send a
copy of the draft Contract to:-

(a) G. R. D.C.

(b) Clerk to the Hume Co.-Council.

& notify the Recd. of their replies.

Mr Williamson suggested that it
might be a good thing for someone
to see Mr Pauling & point out
that there was no consensus in the
~~offer~~ price at which the land was offered,
but that the best price that could be
asked for a subdivision.

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10.5.37.

Mr. Cundall informed me that the
land ~~was~~ ^{was an offer} in the hands of certain
applied for at a price for building land
(4 houses & 10 acres) of £3750.

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Sunday - ~~28~~ June 1937

Golf club. 7 p.m.

Present: - Mr J. Stewart Adams in the chair
Mayor Cundall
Mr Bramall Jones
- Mr McEwan
- S. A. Williamson.

= Mr McEwan read his note of the proceedings at the last meeting.

Mr Williamson said that on the previous Friday, he had received a letter from Mr Heaton inquiring the position. He had replied that the draft contract had been submitted to the Survey C.C. for revision of the valuation, & that the revision was so drastic that the matter was being referred to the Council.

² The Chairman said he had written to Mrs Parry that Mr Bird had also been here.

² Mr Williamson advised that we should be frank with Mr Heaton ^{tell him} that the Review Valuation figure is. We say we receive a proposal. Mr Williamson said he was dead against the restriction being imposed ~~as~~ in the mortgage. Any restriction, thought proper, could be insisted in the Trust Deed, but he considered that the Trustees shd have fairly wide powers to deal with the position of the land & remodel the 31 ac. on such lines as might be advantageous in future years. No one can foresee the position in 1957 or 1975.

It was decided that the Comtee sh^d present a written Report - if possible in the forthcom^g meeting of the Genl Comtee.

The Williamson advised that any benefits to be derived from vesting the land under the Rensselaer Grounds Act of 1859 would be outweighed by the restrictions thereunder.

He suggests a Trust deed vesting the land in a body of ^{home} local residents with a Comtee of management.

It was agreed in the Report to suggest that the Genl Comtee sh^d be kept in being & that it sh^d however sh^d be enlarged to enable it to carry on negotiations for purchase at a maximum price of
£4000 unrestricted freehold
£2000 restricted.

When the Comtee have come to a decision, the G. R. D. C. sh^d be acquainted with the new facts.

To the Chairman and members of the
Effingham Playing Fields Committee.

Since the last meeting held on 7th May, further
subscriptions amounting to £22:17:0 have been received.
Of this amount £22:10:0 was raised by Miss Rosse and
represents the proceeds of a Bridge drive which she and her
friends arranged. I am sure that the Committee will like to
place on record their appreciation of her work.

The position is now as follows :-

Subscriptions received	£690:7:7
promised	£2614:0:0
	<u>£3304:7:7</u>

30th June 1937.

Hon Treasurer.

MINUTES of a MEETING held at Yew Tree House on
Wednesday, 30 June 1937 at 8.15.p.m.

Present:- Mr Stewart Adams ... Chairman
Mrs Macnair ... Treasurer
Mr McGowan ... Secretary
Mrs Mooney
Mr Bramall Jones
Fr Bird
Major Cundall
Mr Dibdin
Rev.H.A.Floud
Mr Nottage
Mr Tyrrell
Mr Wallis

Sir Meyrick Mallaby-Deeley and Mr Nicholson had sent word that they were unfortunately unable to attend.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the 7th May were read and confirmed.
2. Mr Nottage reported that he had seen Capt. Botterell who said that he was prepared to subscribe something like "£30 to £50" and would write.
Mr McGowan said he had seen Mr West of Messrs Cubitt & West, who was not disposed to subscribe.
3. The Treasurer's Report was read. Further contributions amounting to £22. 17. 0. had been received, of which £22. 10. 0. represented the proceeds of a Bridge Party at the Golf Club organised by Mrs Mooney & Miss Ross. The total subscriptions paid amounted to £690. 7. 7., and, promised, £2614 - a grand total of ~~XXXXX~~ £3304. 7. 7.

The Chairman expressed the thanks of the Committee to Mrs Mooney and Miss Ross for their valuable help.

4. The Secretary read correspondence he had had with the Surrey C.C. and with Mr Calburn and a letter dated 19th June from Mr Williamson.

Major Cundall handed in a letter, dated 30 June 1937 addressed to him by Mr West of Cubitt & West, confirming that the price which they were instructed to quote for the property in Nov. 1933 was £3,750. and that the instructions had not been cancelled. Major Cundall added that this was for development as building land.

5. The Report of the Sub-Committee was then read and laid on the table.

6. The Chairman then read a letter addressed to the Secretary by Mrs Pauling on the 28th June and its enclosures, and these were discussed at length.

Resolution:-

"That this Committee supports the Chairman in the action taken"

Proposed by Rev. H. A. Floud & carried unanimously.

It was decided to adjourn the Meeting until Sunday, 4th July, at 8.30.p.m. when draft reply would be submitted for approval.

The adjourned Meeting was held at Yew Tree House
on Sunday, 4 July 1937 at 8.30 p.m.

Present:-

Mr Stewart Adams	...	...Chairman
Mrs Macnair	...	...Treasurer
Mr McGowan	...	...Secretary
Mrs Mooney		
Fr Bird		
Mr Bramall Jones		
Major Cundall		
Mr Dibdin		
Rev.H.A.Floud		
Mr Nicholson		
Mr Nottage		
Mr Tyrrell		
Mr Wallis		

The discussion of the reply to be made to Mrs Pauling was resumed. It was eventually decided that the best course was for the Secretary or some other member of the Committee to explain the matter personally, and Mr Wallis drafted a short letter asking for an interview, which the Secretary was instructed to send.

J. Stewart Adams

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To the Chairman and Members of the
Effingham Playing Fields Committee.

Since the Meeting held on 30th June last a
two further sums have been received totalling £1:11:0
viz, £1:1:0 from Mr J.B. Luckham, his second donation,
and 10/- from Mrs Mooney representing balance of proceeds
of the Bridge Drive arranged by Miss Ross & Mrs Mooney.

Subscriptions to date therefore amount to £691:18:7.
Subscriptions promised remains at the previous figure
of £2614:0:0½.

2614
692

£3306

26th July 1937.

non. Treasurer.

MINUTES of a MEETING held at Yew Tree House on
Monday, 26 July 1937 at 8.15.p.m.

Present:- Mr Stewart Adams... ...Chairman
Mrs Macnair... ...Treasurer
Mr McGowan... ...Secretary
Mrs Mooney
Mr Bramall Jones
Mr Dibdin
Rev.H.A.Floud
Mr Nicholson
Mr Nottage
Mr Tyrrell
Mr Wallis

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the 30th June and 4th July were read and confirmed.
2. The Treasurer's Report showed two further contributions received:-
Mr J.B.Luckham (2nd donation) 1. 1. 0.
Balance of proceeds of Bridge Drive - 10. 0.

Subscriptions received to date are:-£691. 18. 7.
" promised 2614. 0. 0.
Total:£3305. 18. 7.

3. The Secretary reported that he had seen Mrs Pauling on the 15th July and had a friendly reception. He read a report of the Interview, the result of which was that the offer of the land at £4000 was confirmed, and the suggestion was made that a sale of a portion of the land might be considered.
4. A letter from King George's Fields Foundation was read, stating that the scheme had now been registered as a proposed King George's Field, and that the National P.F.Assn would be asked to complete the necessary investigation on the Foundation's behalf.

5. Mr Williamson's letter of 15 July was then considered.

On the proposal of Mr Dibdin, it was resolved that the Secretary be instructed to write to Mr Williamson, informing him that we approve the action he has taken, that we should be prepared to agree ^{narrowly} to the ~~widening~~ of his proposed restrictive clause, to read: "no portion of the land is to be used for Industrial or Residential purposes, with the exception of a caretaker's cottage, or for any noisy noxious or offensive trade or business."; but that we should prefer to put the restrictions in our own Trust Deed rather than in the Contract of Sale, that ^{we have}

now raised £3300, and are proceeding on the assumption that by the time the negotiations are completed we shall be in a position to produce the purchase price of £4000

6. ~~A~~ Resolution, (proposed by Mr Dibdin
(seconded by Mr Floud

"That the Secretary write to the G.R.D.C. to the effect that we now have the promise of £3300 and certain additional expectations which will not more than cover the cost of laying out; we think the land should now be acquired; we have tried to get a reduction in the price and failed; may we hope for further assistance from the Council?"

carried nem. con.

7. The Chairman, on behalf of the Committee, expressed his thanks and congratulations to Mr Wallis for the poster which he had designed, and undertook to arrange the distribution of copies.

8. The proceedings concluded with a vote of thanks to the Secretary for his interview with Mrs Pauling.

J. Stewart Adams
13 Oct. 37

EFFINGHAM? KING GEORGE V. MEMORIAL, PLAYING FIELDS.

To the Chairman and Members of the
Effingham Playing Fields committee.

Whilst there has been little change in the financial position since the last meeting, I feel that the Scheme has now reached the stage when I should give a detailed statement of the actual position as it is at the moment.

Donations received

£692:18:7

Less payments

Printing	£7:12:11
do	£3:16:8
Postage etc.	3:11

11:13:6

£681: 5:1

Donations promised

G.R.D.C.	£1000:0:0
Anon.	£1000:0:0
Anon.	£ 250:0:0
Mr Diamantidi	£ 250:0:0
Mr Wallis	£ 100:0:0
Mr Dibdin	£ 14:0:0

£2614:0:0

£3295:5:1

Rev Nicholson -

The actual purchase price of the ground is £4000. At the last meeting it was decided that application should be made to the G.R.D.C. for a further grant of £700 and if our application meets with success, and all promised Donations are received, we shall be £4:14:11 short of the £4000 required.

It must however be remembered that there will be certain expenses to be met in connection with the purchase, such as Stamp duties etc, and as there is still a number of residents in Effingham whose names do not appear in our list of subscribers I feel that we should continue our efforts to interest them in the scheme. As an example, Mr Tyrrell tells me that he had a conversation with a ~~Mr Mcmillan~~ *McMillan* a few days ago who appeared to be very interested and said he would talk to his friend, Sir Nicholas Waterhouse, about it. It may be that the gentleman in question is known to some member of the Committee who can follow the matter up with a call.

13th October 1937.

Hon. Treasurer.

MINUTES of a MEETING held at Yew Tree House on
Wednesday, 13 October 1937 at 8.15.p.m.

Present:- Mr Stewart Adams... ...Chairman
Mrs Macnair... ...Treasurer
Mr McGowan... ...Secretary
Fr Bird ...)
Mr Bramall Jones)
Mr Dibdin)
Rev. H.A. Floud) Members
Mr Nicholson)
Mr Nottage)
Mr Tyrrell)
Mr Wallis)
and
Mr S.A. Williamson Hon. Solicitor

The Secretary reported that Mrs Mooney & Sir Meyrick Mallaby-Deeley were unavoidably absent, and that Major Cundall greatly regretted that an urgent & unavoidable engagement prevented his attendance.

The Minutes of the Meeting of the 26 July were read & confirmed.

The Treasurer's Report was received, showing:-

Donations received (less outgoings)	681.	5.	1.
" promised	2614.	-	-

Total:- £3295. 5. 1.

The following correspondence was read:-

Ltr. ^{10.7.37} from G.R.D.C., promising a further £700 subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health.

Ltr. ^{10.6.37} from Rider Heaton & Co. to Mr Williamson, stating that in no circumstances was Mrs Pauling prepared to reduce the price of £4000.

Ltr ^{11.10.37} from the Surrey Co.P.F.Assn.

Mr Williamson gave his observations, and advised that following on the restrictive covenant the following proviso should be inserted in the draft contract:-

PROVIDED ALWAYS that should the Owners of property within the Parish of Effingham or the Ratepayers for the time being upon the Rate Book of that Parish at a duly convened Meeting of which not less than 14 days notice be given and by a majority of not less than 60% of those owners and ratepayers present and voting at such Meeting resolve that the land hereby conveyed may wholly or partially be used for such purposes other than Playing Fields or a Recreation Ground as such owners and ratepayers may decide to be for the general benefit of the inhabitants or residents of the said Parish then in such case the restriction imposed by this Conveyance shall to the requisite extent be deemed waived or modified subject nevertheless to the condition that during the period of 5 years from the date hereof such waiver or variation of the said restriction shall not become operative until the consent in writing of the Vendor or her successor or successors in title shall have been obtained.

The following Resolution was proposed by Mr Dibdin and seconded by Mr Nicholson

"That Mr Williamson be authorised to seek modifications of the restriction as drafted to enable the Trustees to use the land for any of the following purposes, *viz.* Playing Fields, Recreation Ground, Social Centre, Allotments & similar purposes, and for the erection of any buildings required in connection therewith, and that he be further authorised to use his best endeavours to obtain the insertion of the proviso and to consent to modifications therein."

Carried with one dissentient.

Mr Bramall Jones stated that Major Cundall had asked him to inform the Committee that he (Major Cundall) was not agreeable to paying £4000 for the land unless the Public Authorities and the Subscribers were notified in advance of the lower valuation which had been given.

The following Resolution was proposed by Mr Dibdin
seconded by Mr Floud
" That having regard to the terms of their public
appeal and of their correspondence with the Local
Authority and to

Authority and to their efforts to obtain a
modification of the Vendor's restrictions the
Committee are satisfied that they have fulfilled
their obligations towards those who have contributed
to their funds"

Carried Nem.Con.

Calling in promised Donations. It was agreed
that this should stand over until the form of the
Contract of Sale had been settled.

Appointment of Trustees. The Secretary was
instructed to invite the Guildford R.D.C. and
the Surrey County Playing Fields Association to
nominate a Representative to act on the Body of
Trustees.

The Rev.H.A.Floud (as Vicar of the Parish)
Father Bird (as Priest of the Parish), Mr Dibdin
and Mr Wallis signified their willingness to act.
The Treasurer will consider the matter and notify
her decision later.

The Chairman on behalf of the Committee expressed
his thanks to Mr Williamson for his kindness in
making a special journey from London to attend
the Meeting and for the great assistance he had
rendered.

J. Hewat Adams
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MINUTES of a MEETING held at Yew Tree House on
Wednesday, 19 January 1938 at 8.15.p.m.

Present:- Mr Stewart Adams... ...Chairman
Mrs Macnair... ...Treasurer
Mr McGowan... ...Secretary
Mrs Mooney... ...
Mr Bramall Jones
Fr Bird
Mr Dibdin
Rev.H.A.Flound
Mr Tyrrell
and
Mr S.A.Williamson.. ...Hon.Solor.

It was reported that Major Cundall, Sir Meyrick Mallaby-Deeley, Mr Nottage and Mr Wallis had sent messages, regretting their inability to attend.

The Minutes of the Meeting of 13 October 1937 were read and confirmed.

The Treasurer's Report was received, showing:-

Donations received:-	£695.	0.	7.	
less Printing &c.	<u>11.</u>	<u>13.</u>	<u>6.</u>	683. 7. 1.

Donations promised:				3314. - -
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				<u>£3997. 7. 1.</u>
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Mr Williamson reported that the Contract of Purchase had been agreed and was ready for signature.

The Secretary said that he had seen Mr Sellings. the Clerk to the Guildford R.D.C. that morning, and that Mr Sellings had suggested that it might be wise to delay the signature of the Contract until he had seen the Ministry of Health next week.

Resolution. (1)

Proposed by Mrs Macnair
seconded " Mrs Mooney

"That the following be appointed Trustees, and that ^{they} be authorised to enter into the Contract of Purchase to sign it on behalf of the Committee and to hold the land on the terms of a Deed of Trust to be prepared:-"

Rev.F.E.Bird, Mr A.Dibdin, Rev.H.A.Floud,
Mr A.G.S.Langley, Mr C.Nottage, Mr B.N.Wallis."

Carried.

Resolution (2)

proposed by Mr Floud
seconded by Fr Bird

"That for the purposes of the Contract referred to in the previous Resolution the Treasurer is hereby authorised to provide the Deposit of £400 (being 10% of the purchase price) when required."

Carried nem.con.

On the proposal of Mr Dibdin, Mr S.A.Williamson was unanimously appointed an additional Trustee.

The letter of 1.12.37. from King George's Fields Foundation was read and considered, and the Secretary was requested to call at the Offices of the Foundation to discuss the matter.

The Secretary read correspondence which he had had with the Surrey Co.P.F.Assn., concluding with their letter of the 14th December 1937, and the following Resolution was passed:-

Resolution(3)

"That the

proposed by Mr Bramall Jones
seconded by Mr Tyrrell

"That the following be appointed a sub-committee to consider with the Secretary the various points raised in the recent correspondence with the Surrey Co.P.F. Assn and the letter of 1.12.37. from King George's Fields Foundation, and to make recommendations to this Committee:-

Rev.F.E.Bird, Mr Dibdin, Rev.H.A.Floud, Mr Nottage
Mr Wallis.

with power to add to their number (not limited to Members of this Committee)."

carried.

J. Stewart Adams
23 May '38

Note The Sub-Committee referred to above met at the Village on Tuesday, 1st Feb. 1938 - the Rev. H. A. Floud being elected Chairman.
Present: - Rev. H. A. Floud (Chairman) & Bird, Mr Dibdin, Mr Nottage, Mr Wallis & Mr Nicholson.

The Sub-Committee decided on the advantages & site for Village Hall & other features of the lay-out to be recommended to the main Comtee. Mr Wallis undertook to prepare plans embodying the recommendations.

L. Atwell

To the Chairman and Members of
The Effingham Playing fields Committee.

There has been little change in the financial position since the last meeting. Two further Donations have been received - £1:1:0 from Mr J.B. Luckham (his fifth) and 1/- from Mrs Harrison. A cheque for £400 has been given to Mr Williamson representing 100/o deposit on the purchase price and we have at the moment a balance of £287:7:8 in the bank.

Colonel Lenfesty telephoned this morning to say that he was sending a cheque for £10:12:0 being the amount allocated by the Parish Council from the balance of the Coronation fund.

Of the promised Donations the following are still outstanding :-

Guildford R.D.C.	£1700:0:0
Anonymous (N.M.)	£1000:0:0
-do- (N.W.)	£ 250:0:0
Mr Wallis	£ 100:0:0
Mr Dibdin	£ 14:0:0
	£3064:0:0

With regard to the two anonymous donations the £1000 will be paid in when required but, with regard to the latter the Treasurer would be glad to receive advice as to the steps which should be taken to collect this amount. The committee will recall that a deputation waited on the gentleman concerned who however attached certain conditions to his promise. As we have not, at the moment, fulfilled these conditions should we hold the matter over until the final position is known?

At the moment the position is as follows :-

Balance of purchase money owing	<u>£3600:0:0</u>
Promises outstanding	£3064:0:0
Balance at bank	<u>£ 287:7:8</u>
	£3351:7:8
Donation from Coronation fund	<u>10:12:0</u>
	<u>£3361:19:8</u>
Deficit	<u>£ 238:0:4</u>
	<u><u>£3600:0:0</u></u>

In addition there will be certain legal charges to be met (stamping deeds etc) but as against this it is anticipated that support may be received from King George's fund and possibly other funds.

23rd May 1938.

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Hon. Treasurer.

MINUTES of a MEETING HELD at the School on Monday,
23rd May 1938 at 8.15.p.m.

Present:- Mr Stewart Adams... ...Chairman
Mr Bramall Jones... ...A/Treasurer
Mr McGowanSecretary
Mr Dibdin
Rev.H.A.Floud
Mr Nicholson
Mr Nottage
Mr Tyrrell
Mr Wallis

Fr Bird and Mr Williamson sent messages, regretting their inability to attend.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were confirmed.

Mr Dibdin stated that he would like to be released from acting as a Trustee as he would not have the time to devote to it, but agreed to leave the matter open until the Trust Deed had been settled.

The Secretary read recent correspondence which he had received from the District Council and from the Hon. Solor, confirming that contracts had been exchanged with the Vendor on the 6th May and that the date fixed for completion was the 11th August 1938.

The Treasurer's Report was read, showing that against the liability for the balance of the Purchase price and Stamp Duty

£3640

there was available

Bank balance	287. 7. 8
Coronation Fund	10. 12. -
Promises outstanding	3064. - -
Deficit	<u>278. - 4.</u>

£3640

Included in the Outstanding Promises is an anonymous donation of £250 which is conditional on the whole of the purchase price being subscribed.

It was RESOLVED (on the proposal of Mr Dibdin, seconded by Mr Floud) that the Secretary write to King George's Fields Foundation, explaining the position, and asking them to meet us by making part of their contribution available for the balance of the purchase price.

Resolution

proposed by Mr Wallis
seconded by Mr Floud

"That a Progress Report be drafted, duplicated & circulated to Subscribers."

Carried nem.con.

It was agreed that Messrs Dibdin & Wallis would collaborate with the Secretary in preparing the Report.

Resolution

Proposed by Mr Dibdin
Seconded by Mr Nicholson

"That the Sub-Committee's Report as embodied in Mr Wallis's plan be approved and adopted, and that a copy be forwarded to King George's Fields Foundation with a view to its acceptance by them as the approved lay-out."

Carried unanimously

J. Stewart Adams
26 July '38

a subsequent meeting of the Trustees passed a resolution accepting the donation from King George's Fields Foundation on the conditions expressed in their letter of 1.12.37.

EFFINGHAM (KING GEORGE V. MEMORIAL)
PLAYING FIELDS COMMITTEE.

RECEIPTS.

Subscriptions received	£3668:6:9
-do- promised	
but not yet received. }	114:0:0

£3782:6:9.

PAYMENTS.

Dyer, Printing	£7:12:11
-do-	3:16:8
R.H.&Co.	
deposit on	£400:0:0
purchase.)	
Postages.	4:0
Cheque book.	2:0
	<u>£411:15:7;</u>
Cash in Bank	£3236:11:2.
Subscriptions)	
outstanding.)	114:0:0
	<u>£3782:6:9.</u>

23rd July 1938.

MINUTES of a MEETING held at the School on Tuesday,
26th July 1938 at 8.15.p.m.

Present:- Mr Stewart Adams... ...Chairman
" McGowanHon.Sec.
Rev.F.E.Bird
Mr Dibdin
Rev.H.A.Floud
Mr Nicholson
" Nottage
" Tyrrell
" Wallis

The Secretary was asked to write a note of condolence to Mrs Coombs on the recent death of Mrs Pauling.

The Minutes of the last Meeting were read & confirmed.

The Treasurer's Report, dated the 23rd July 1938 was read, (filed herein).

Total Subscriptions now received:	£3668.	6.	9
outstanding :	114.	-	-
	£3782.	6.	9
Deposit & expenses paid:	411.	15.	7
Cash in Bank	£3256.	11.	2

Resolution Proposed by Mr Nicholson
Seconded " " Tyrrell

"That the Secretary write to Messrs J.Botterell & G.Usmar, reminding them of their promises, and informing them of the present financial position, including the conditional promise from King George's Foundation."
Carried unanimously.

Letters of 13/7/38 from Sir Nicholas Waterhouse
25/7/38 " Mr Williamson
were read.

Mr Wallis's draft reply to a letter of 20/6/38 from

✓ the Guildford R.D.C., enclosing a letter of criticism from Mr Bull, was approved.

✓ The Hon. Secretary's draft reply to letter which appeared in the Surrey Advertiser on the 22nd July also approved.

Mr Wallis's sketch plan of the proposed Entrance was received and approved. It was agreed that this should be completed and forwarded to King George's Fields Foundation for their approval.

J. Newall Adams.
* 19.9.38

EFFINGHAM, KING GEORGE V. MEMORIAL,
PLAYING FIELDS COMMITTEE.

To the Chairman & Members
of the Committee.

Since my last report, dated 23rd July, Mr Wallis has sent me his cheque, very generously increasing the amount of his promised donation from £100 to £105.

This, together with other amounts received, including a second donation of £14 from Mr Dibdin, brings the total subscriptions to £3788:13:9.

After deduction of the following payments :-

Rider, Heaton & Co (Deposit)	£400:0:0
Printing	11:9:7
Postage	4:0
Cheque book	2:0
	<u>£411:5:7.</u>

we are left with a balance of £3376:18:2. in hand.

Consequent on the death of Mrs Pauling we were notified that there would be a certain amount of delay in completing the purchase, and after consultation with Mr McGowan, it was decided to transfer the major portion to Deposit A/c - the Bank offering 1% subject to 7 days notice.

This offer was accepted and £336⁰ was transferred on 16th August, leaving a balance in Current A/c, at that date of £1:17:2.

19th Sept. 1938.

Hon. Treasurer.

MINUTES of a MEETING held at Yew Tree House on
Monday, 19 Sept 1938 at 8.15.p.m.

Present:- Mr Stewart Adams... ...Chairman
Mrs MacnairTreasurer
Mr McGowanSecretary
Mrs Mooney
Rev.F.E.Bird ...
Mr Dibdin
Mr Bramall Jones
Mr Nottage
Mr Tyrrell
Mr Wallis
(Later) Mr Nicholson

The Minutes of the Meeting of the 26th July were read and confirmed.

The Treasurer reported a total balance in hand of £3376. 18. 2d., of which £3360 had been placed on deposit on the 16th August 1938 at 1% p.a. at 7 days' notice.

There was thus a deficit of £223. 1. 10. in respect of the balance of the purchase price of the land without counting the legal expenses.

The Chairman read the Hon.Solicitor's letter of the 16 Sept.1938, reporting the objections raised by King George's Fields Foundation to the Draft conveyance.

The Secretary was instructed to inform the Hon.Solor that the reference to allotments and the proviso regarding the Ratepayers' Meeting could be deleted, but it was essential for a site to be reserved for a Village Hall.

A RESOLUTION proposed by Mr Wallis that the Solor shd be further instructed so to arrange the conveyance that the Playing Fields should ultimately be vested in the Public Trustee of Charity Lands was carried.

Mr Wallis reported that he had made strong representations to the Office of the Architect of King George's Fields Foundation (who had refused approval of the Entrance Design) and also to Mr Zambra, the Secretary of the Foundation. Nothing, however, could be settled until after the return of Mr Ansell, the Architect, and the next Meeting of the Standing Committee of the Foundation on 10th October 1938.

It was agreed that Mr Nicholson should try to induce the Foundation to modify their attitude which was placing us in great difficulty in view of the short time before completion of the purchase was due.

The question of Mr Killick's tenancy was considered and it was agreed that the Chairman should inform him verbally that so far as the Committee was concerned they would like him to continue to graze the field on the same terms, until their next meeting, reserving the football field as heretofore.

J. Newstead.

May. 23. 39.

P R E L I M I N A R Y S T A T E M E N T .

R E C E I P T S .

To, balance, Jubilee Comtee. 19: 0: 1
Subscriptions received 4089:15: 8
/ Interest, Deposit A/c 7:18: 3

£4096:12: 0

£3360 placed on deposit 16th Aug. '38
to 10th Nov. '38. Interest at 1%.

P A Y M E N T S .

By, purchase of)
ground) 4000: 0: 0
Stamp Duty 40: 0: 0
Printing. 11: 9: 7
Postages. 4: 0
/ Bank charges 1:10: 9
+ Balance in bank. / 43: 7: 8.

£4096:12: 0

Checked with Bank statement.

/ Interest 1:7:3.
Cheque book 2:0.
Agreement Stamp 1:6.
1:10:9.

MINUTES of a MEETING held at The School on Tuesday, 23
23 May 1939 at 8 p.m.

Present:- Mr Stewart Adams... ..Chairman
Mr Bramall Jones.for the Treasurer
Mr McGowan... ..Secretary
Rev.F.E.Bird ...
Mr Dibdin
Rev.H.A.Floud
Mr Nottage
Mr Tyrrell
Mr Wallis

Mr S.A.Williamson, Hon.Solor & Trustee also
attended.

Regrets for inability to be present were conveyed
to the Chairman from Mrs Macnair and Sir Meyrick
Mallaby-Deeley.

The Minutes of the Meeting of the 26th July were read
& confirmed.

The Treasurer's Preliminary Statement of Accounts was
received, showing a credit balance at the Bank (con-
firmed by the Bank Statement also produced) of
£43. 7. 8d.

The Hony Solor read the material parts of the Trust
Deed which he had drafted. It was resolved that
the Secy circulate copies to all Members for their
observations and that these be considered at ~~the~~ a
Meeting of the Committee to be held on 28th June.

Mr Wallis's completed Plans of the Entrance & Lay-out
were received. It was resolved:-

1. That the thanks of the Committee be tendered
to Mr Wallis.
2. That the Committee take note that the Plans
have been approved by King George's Fields
Foundation & by the Committee
3. That the Secy be requested to take the neces-
sary steps to obtain the approval of the Local
Authority.

A letter, dated 22nd May 1939, from the Parish Council was read, & the Secy. was instructed to reply, stating that the Foundation's approval to the Entrance & Lay-out plans had only recently been obtained & that the Entrance plans were now being submitted to the Local Authority for their approval. after which the contracts would be placed.

Correspondence from Mr Williamson regarding Mr Killick's grazing tenancy was considered. It was resolved that Mr Nottage and Mr Tyrrell discuss with Mr Killick a reasonable arrangement and report at the Next Meeting.

A Letter, dated 9th May 1939, from the County Divisional Surveyor was read, & the Secy was asked to reply that the Entrance Plans are now being submitted to the Local Authority, and that in the meantime Mr Wallis & Mr Nottage would be pleased to meet the Surveyor on the site & explain them to him.

The Secretary was asked to make inquiries regarding Insurance against Third Party Risk.

Mr Wallis was authorised to call for tenders for the Entrance when the Local Authority's approval of the Plans had been obtained.

The Next Meeting was fixed for Wednesday, 28 June at the School at 8 p.m.

J. McEwan & Co. Ltd.

28 June '39

MINUTES of a MEETING held at The School on Wednesday
21 June 1939 at 8 p.m. -

Present:- Mr Stewart Adams... ..Chairman
Mr Bramall Jones... for Treasurer
Mr McGowan... ..Secretary
Rev. F. E. Bird. ...
Mr Dibdin
Mr Nottage
Mr Tyrrell
Mr Wallis

The Minutes of the Meeting of 23 May were read & confirmed.

Mr Nottage reported that he and Mr Tyrrell had discussed the question of the grazing tenancy with Mr Killick who was willing to consider a proposition from the Committee.

Mr Nottage suggested moving the present iron hurdle fence to a line approximately East & West so as to enclose an area of $3\frac{1}{2}$ acres alongside the Leatherhead Road from the W. boundary as far as the football field. Mr Killick, however, preferred that the existing fence should be retained.

Resolved:- That the Secretary be authorised to call for tenders for the supply & erection of a wire fence with timber posts (4 ft out of the ground) on the line suggested by Mr Nottage, with a cow gate across the public footpath, with power to accept up to £10. The names of the Fernden Fencing CO., Longhurst (Epsom), Scott & Son & Covey & Son were suggested.

That after the fence is up, the Secretary be further authorised to invite tenders for the grazing from Messrs Killick, Legge & Curtis.

The Secretary read tenders which had been received from Messrs Scott & Son and Covey & Sons for the repair of the fence bounding the Leatherhead Rd and was instructed to ascertain from Messrs Covey whether he was prepared to do the work according to the specification sent to him. If so, to accept his tender provided it was lower than Scott's.

A letter, dated 20th June 1939, from the County Medical Officer, regarding repairs required to stand-pipe, was read, and the Secretary was asked to ~~invite~~ ^{ask} Mr Court (employed by Davis, Shere) to ~~carry out~~ the repairs ~~with the Chairman~~.
discuss

Letters from Mr Williamson, dated, 21st, 24th & 26th June were read.

It was agreed that Mr Williamson be asked to deal with Income-tax ~~and~~ Land Tax ^{& Insurance} on the lines he suggests.

The following sub-committee was appointed to discuss the Trust Deed and suggested amendments with Mr Williamson, and report:-

Mr Dibdin
Mr Wallis
The Secretary

The Secretary to convene.

The power to mortgage or sell to be deleted.

J. Stewart Adams (Chamian)
F/M J.A.H. Macnair (Hon. Treasurer)
C. Brannall Jones. Two Oaks. Cobham Way. E. Horsley
(ant Hon. Treas)
I.A.W. McJ. (Hon. Sec.)
Major H.O. Cundall. The Dorney Ho.
A. Dibdin Fair View. Beech Ave.
G. Johnson. Dalehurst, Overton Lane
Rev. H.W. Loader. Priests' House
Mr. Twomey Rose Cott.
Rev. J.W. Reynolds The Vicarage
Harry Tyrrell Overton La.
B.N. Wallis White Hill Ho.

Sir Meyrick Mullaly. Beeley Park. Slater's Oaks.

at the request of the Trustees
MEETING held at the Vicarage on Thursday, Feb. 1 1945
at 8.30.p.m.

Present:- Mr Stewart Adams... Chairman
Mr Bramall Jones for Hon.Treasurer
Mr McGowan Hon.Secretary
Major Cundall
Mr Johnson
Rev.Fr Loader
Rev.J.W.Reynolds
Mr Wallis

Sir Meyrick Mallaby-Deeley wrote regretting his inability to attend owing to ill-health.

Mr G.Johnson was elected a member of the Committee vice Mr C.Nottage deceased.

The following were elected members of the Committee and were appointed Trustees:-

Rev.H.W.Loader vice Rev.F.E.Bird (left)
Rev.J.W.Reynolds " Rev.H.A.Floud

The Chairman expressed the regret of the Committee at the serious loss which they had sustained by the death of Mr Charles Nottage. He reported that the Rev.F.E.Bird, Mr Diamantidi, the Rev.H.A.Floud and Mr Nicholson had left the District. The Hon.Treasurer was unfortunately still in ill health and was in Scotland.

Mr Bramall Jones submitted a complete list of Subscribers, showing subscriptions received £4069.13.8 Present credit balance at the Bank, approx.£120.

The Chairman briefly reviewed the position. At the time of the outbreak of war, Mr Wallis's plans of the Entrance & Lay-out had been approved by King George's Fields Foundation and the Entrance Plans had been sent to the G.R.D.C. for approval. A draft Trust Deed had been prepared but not executed.

In December 1942 the S.W.A.E.C. had requisitioned about 9½ acres which they had let to Mr Killick for ploughing up for winter cattle feed. The remainder of the field (exclusive of the part handed over to the use of the public and of the ~~xxxx~~ old tennis courts) was let for grazing to Mr Killick at a rent fixed by arbitration at £12.10.0. per annum.

The Hon. Sec. was instructed:-

1. to circulate copies of the Trust Deed to members for their consideration.
2. to ascertain whether the Legal Dept of the National Council of Social Service could give assistance regarding the procedure for appointing a Council of Management.
3. to inquire from ^{the} Hon. Solicitor whether any formal steps should be taken by the Rev. F.E. Bird and the Rev. H.A. Floud to retire from their positions as Trustees.

The next Meeting was fixed for Thursday March 1 at the Vicarage.

J. Stewart Adams

MEETING Held at the Vicarage on Thursday, March 1 1945
at 8.30.p.m.

Present:- Mr Stewart Adams (Chairman), Mr McGowan (Hon. Secy), Major Cundall, Mr Dibdin, Mr Johnson, Rev.H.W.Loader, Mrs Mooney, Rev.J.W.Reynolds, Mr H.Tyrrell, Mr Wallis

The minutes of the Meeting of the 1st February were read, and confirmed subject to the following amendment:- Insert the words "at the request of the Trustees" after 'Vicarage'.

Mr Williamson's letter of the 17th Feb., 1945 to the Hon.Sec. was read, and the Committee recorded their opinion that the resolution passed at the last Meeting, purporting to appoint new Trustees, be annulled.

Mr Williamson's letter of the 22nd Febr. on the subject of Mr Killick's grazing tenancy was read. Mr Johnson will discuss the matter with Mr Killick.

The following sub-committee was appointed to settle amendments to the draft Trust Deed with Mr Williamson:- Messrs Dibdin, Johnson, Wallis & McGowan.

It was agreed that the following Organisations should be added in the 2nd Schedule of the Deed:-

Parish Council, Women's Institute, Boy Scouts, Girl Guides, Boys' Club, Girls' Club, Cricket Club & Football Club.

Mr Johnson will make inquiries regarding the steps necessary for early initiation of progress towards the erection of a Village Hall.

J.W. Reynolds.

26.4.45.

MEETING Held at the Vicarage on Thursday, April 26 1945

Present:- Rev.J.W.Reynolds (in the Chair)
I.A.W.McGowan... Hon.Secretary
Major Cundall, Mr Dibdin, Mr Johnson,
Mrs Mooney, Mr H.Tyrrell, Mr Wallis.

Mr Stewart Adams and Father Loader sent messages regretting their inability to attend.
The Rev.J.W.Reynolds was elected to the Chair.

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the 1st March were read & confirmed.
2. The Secy reported that Mr Williamson had heard from the Surrey W.A.E.C. who said that they could not release any part of the land requisitioned and that the renewal or otherwise of the land let to Mr Killick was a matter for the Trustees.
Mr Johnson said that Mr Killick contended that once goal-posts were erected on the football ground people would play on it constantly and the pasture would be of no use. Mr Killick intends to discuss the matter with Mr Reynolds.
It was suggested that a practice pitch on the rough ground used by the public might be arranged for the boys. Mr Johnson will confer with Mr Frank Loxley and then arrange with Mr Reynolds for the establishment of a pitch.
Mr Wallis offered to provide goal-posts if timber can be got. Mr Johnson will obtain timber.
inquiry
3. An informal ~~suggestion~~ had been received from the Bookham &c.Garden Society whether the part of the Playing Fields reserved for the Public would be available for the Annual Flower Show in July if found suitable. The Committee decided that they would welcome such a proposal.

4. Village Hall. Mr Johnson reported that he had made inquiries, and estimated the cost of the lay-out of the Playing Fields & the erection of a small hall at £7,500. If we could raise £5,000, a further £2,500 might be obtained from the Natl Council for Social Service, the Natl Fitness Council & the R.D.C. Cost of up-keep might be £350 p.a. The Parish Council could levy a rate for Parish purposes up to a maximum of 4d. 1d rate produces about £70.

A discussion ensued on the question of handing over to the proposed Council of Management provided for in the draft Trust Deed full control of the Playing Fields including the site of the proposed Village Hall. Certain members of the Committee took the view that the appeal for funds for and the eventual construction of a Village Hall should be retained in the hands of the present Committee. It was decided to consult the National Council of Social Service.

J. H. C. Wainwright
29.6.45

MEETING held at the Vicarage on June 29 1945

Present:- Mr J. Stewart Adams (Chairman)
I.A.W. McGowan (Hon. Secretary)
Mr A. Dibdin
" G. Johnson
Rev. J.W. Reynolds
Mr H. Tyrrell
" B.N. Wallis

1. The Minutes of the Meeting of the 26th April were confirmed.

2. It was agreed to confirm to Mr Killick that we shall require the football ground after Michaelmas but that there will be no objection to his making use of it when it is not being played on.

3. Correspondence with the National Council of Social Service and the National Playing Field Assn was read and discussed. Mr Wallis moved a resolution authorising the Trustees to proceed with the preparation of separate Trust Deeds for the Playing Fields and the Village Hall site. He will put it in writing in order that it may be circulated to members of the Committee for their approval.

Mr Dibdin signified his wish to retire from his position as Trustee, and the Secretary was asked to arrange ~~xxx~~ with Mr Williamson for the revision of the list of Trustees.

The Secretary will apply to the N.P.F. Assn for a copy of their Model Trust Deed.

4. The Committee took note that the site of the Village Hall is fixed by the terms of the conveyance and invited Mr Wallis to ~~arrange~~ agree with the County Surveyor the exact position of the proposed entrance thereto.

WHITE HILL HOUSE,
EFFINGHAM,
SURREY,
BOOKHAM 27.

13th May 1946

Major T.C.L. Farrar,
Romany Cottage,
EFFINGHAM, Surrey.

Dear Farrar,

As a result of a discussion which I have had with Mr. S.A. Williamson I have written him a letter, a copy of which is enclosed together with the schedule attached thereto, and I send this to you for your early information as Chairman of the Parish Council in order that you may know the movement which affairs are likely to take.

Assuming that I have accurately interpreted Williamson's views, I am myself strongly in favour of Scheme "A", but before putting this to the Trustees, as some of them may be opposed to carrying on, (and instead favour being relieved of their responsibilities,) I would like to have some assurance that the Parish Council would themselves be favourably disposed to Scheme "A".

In this connection I see from the "Parish Councillors Guide" that Parish Councils really have very wide powers in the matter of the provision of social and recreative facilities, provided that the "adoptive acts" are in force in their Parish. You will find these acts enumerated on page 4 of the Guide. Can we please know whether these acts have in fact been adopted in Effingham? You will see that it is necessary for a Parish meeting to pass a resolution before the acts become operative in a given Parish.

If we are going to make our own Parish Council a strong administrative and executive body, do you think it would be wise for us to take steps to have available, when necessary, the advice of a solicitor to whom we could refer at any time, preferably one who is familiar with or specialises in local administration?

Yours sincerely,

B. Wallis.

Encl:

*At present
Adoptive Acts
not in force.
They will need
to be adopted
both for playing
fields & burial
ground at a meeting
of the Parish
25.5.46
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WHITE HILL HOUSE,
EFFINGHAM,
SURREY.
Bosham 27.

13th May 1946

S.A. Williamson, Esq.,
Messrs. Peachey & Co.,
Arundel House,
Arundel Street,
LONDON, W.C.2.

Dear Williamson,

KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELDS, EFFINGHAM

It will, I think, be helpful if I try to summarise very briefly the impression which I received on Saturday afternoon of the views which you now hold in connection with the Effingham King George V Playing Fields.

I gather that you feel that the provision of facilities for social intercourse and recreation for those members of the community whose position in life is such that they are unable to provide all those ~~necessaries~~ ^{facilities} for themselves, is in process of passing from the somewhat haphazard stage of being a matter of charity or chance to a stage when regular provision will be ensured by a benevolent and democratic Government.

The Playing Fields at Effingham have been acquired as the result of a determined effort by a small body of enthusiasts working under the haphazard or eleemosynary system which, owing to the lapse of time caused by the war, has already become obsolete before the Trustees of the Playing Fields have been able to complete the covenant by which the provision of social and recreational facilities should be rendered permanent in this village.

At the same time, and also possibly due to the effects of war, the new system of State provision is not yet fully established, or even formulated, though informed opinion considers that its coming is only a matter of opportunity and time.

It is always difficult to recognise the precise stage of evolution at which our own times have arrived, but you feel that we are at present in a definite interim between the death of the old system and the birth of the new. Before this realisation had come to you, you had advised us to make arrangements based on the assumption that the old system might continue, and have drafted for us a covenant designed to work accordingly. You now feel that it would be wiser to wait before making permanent and irrevocable arrangements until the birth of the new system enables us to see to what extent social and recreational facilities will be provided for and financed by the Government; and further, that to commit ourselves to an irrevocable deed based upon the old system might actually prejudice our prospects of taking advantage of the Government schemes of the future; and that we should be wise to hold the matter in suspense until the Government's proposals are fully defined.

To this end you suggest that the existing Trustees, or such of them as may be willing to assume this responsibility, should take steps to form the Council of Management outlined in your draft covenant, in order that the Playing Fields may be brought into immediate action for the benefit of the village, but that the Trustees commit themselves to no irrevocable action.

15th May 1948

You suggest that this may be done in two ways, briefly stated as follows :-

Scheme "A": that the Trustees should lease the Playing Fields to the Parish Council for a certain period on the understanding that the Parish Council would, at their discretion and in accordance with their own plans, cause to be set up some Council of Management similar in its object, if not in its constitution, to that which you have already proposed; and on the further understanding that an area of the Playing Fields should be allocated forthwith for football and cricket, and that the Trustees should give Mr. Killick and the War Agricultural Committee immediate notice to this effect, and

Scheme "B": that the Trustees should themselves remain in control and cause steps to be taken for the formation of a Council of Management and the allocation of Playing Fields as outlined under Scheme "A", the Parish Council having, however, no part in this.

It is quite evident that, given a suitable and willing Parish Council, Scheme "A" is the better of the two. In order to dissociate these proposals from this personal letter I have drafted two Schemes as a separate Schedule.

Will you please tell me if I have correctly represented your views or correct me where necessary, and on hearing from you I will ask McGowan to call, together with the other Trustees, with a view to obtaining their opinion on this new line of action?

If we decide to proceed in this way, do you think it would be wise for us to ask and obtain from Mr. Floud, Father Bird, and any other Trustees who no longer wish to be associated with this venture, their deeds of resignation?

With kind regards and many thanks for all your help and advice.

Yours sincerely,

(Sgd) B.N. WALLIS

SCHEDULE I

EFFINGHAM KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELDS

The Position of the Trustees, 13th May 1946.

Having regard to the possibility that the Government of this country may in the future take a far more active share in the provision of facilities for social intercourse and recreation than has been the case in the past, the Trustees of the Effingham King George V Playing Fields may think that it would be unwise for them to execute an irrevocable deed setting up the constitution and method of operation of the Playing Fields and Community Centre in Effingham before they have had an opportunity of learning full details of the Government plans in these matters. They may therefore consider that an interim arrangement should be made by which Playing Fields may be provided for the village and steps may be taken towards the provision of a Community Centre in such a way that full advantage may be taken of any assistance which the Government or County authorities may be prepared to provide when their plans are more fully matured. This interim period may be covered in either of two ways, outlined below :

SCHEME "A":

Under this Scheme it is proposed that the Trustees should approach the Parish Council of Effingham offering them a lease of the whole area of the King George V Playing Fields for a purely nominal rent on the condition that the Parish Council should become responsible for and take an active interest in :-

- (a) The provision, equipment and organised running of such area of Playing Fields as may be permitted by the War Agricultural Committee in the immediate future.
- (b) The active prosecution of the proposed Scheme for a Community Centre and Village Hall on that part of the ground in the King George V Playing Fields which has been approved for this purpose in the original conveyance.
- (c) Take immediate steps to form a Council of Management on the lines set out in the Schedule II.
- (d) Assume all responsibilities which at present rest on the Trustees for the cultivation, fencing, protection, maintenance and supervision of the whole area subject to any arrangements which may be made under the authority of the Surrey War Agricultural Committee for the use of this land for agricultural purposes.

SCHEME "B":

Under Scheme "B" it is proposed that the Trustees, adding, if necessary, to their number, should themselves be the executive body instead of leasing the ground to the Effingham Parish Council, forming a Council of Management for this purpose on the lines laid down in Schedule II.

SCHEDULE II

EFFINGHAM KING GEORGE V PLAYING FIELDS

Proposed Constitution of Council of Management

1. The Board of Governors may be constituted as follows :-
 - (a) Ex Officio Members by virtue of the Offices or Appointments held by them
 - The Vicar for the time being of the Parish of Effingham
 - The Roman Catholic Priest for the time being at Effingham
 - The Representative for the time being of the Parish of Effingham on the Rural District Council
 - A Representative nominated by the Effingham Parish Council
 - A Representative nominated by the Surrey County Playing Fields Association.
 - (b) Six Elected Members who shall be elected at the Inaugural General Meeting to be held as hereinafter mentioned of whom two shall retire each year and two shall be elected at succeeding annual General Meetings each year in their stead. At the first General Meeting six Members shall be elected two to hold office for one year two for two years and two for three years.
 - (c) Representatives of Local Organisations. After the Inaugural General Meeting and also after each Annual General Meeting the ex officio and elected members together may co-opt not more than six persons nominated or approved by recognised local organisations at the invitation of the Governing Body to serve as the representatives of such organisations for the ensuing year.
 - (d) Co-opted Members. The Council may co-opt not more than three other persons to be members of the Governing Body till the next Annual General Meeting.
2. The Governing Body shall have power to set up Committees to assist in the management of the different sections of the Trust Premises and in particular shall set up the two following main Committees from amongst its Members and other persons.
 - (a) A Committee to control and manage the Village Hall and Social Centre when erected and established with such powers and duties and under such conditions as from time to time may be deemed expedient.
 - (b) A Committee to control and manage the Playing Fields and the Sports to be played or indulged in thereon.

RODNEY COTTAGE,
EFTINGHAM COMMON,
SURREY.

BOOKMAN-447.

24 May 186.

The attached letters were sent to
me by Mr. Wallis. In view of the
fact that the subject of the letters
will necessarily have to be discussed
by the Council, will you please study
them & then pass on to the next
Councillor on the list, finally back
to me, before the next Council meeting
on 11 June.

Yours sincerely
T. G. Farnon.

1. Mr. Reynolds. J.W.R.
2. Mr. Johnson. ✓
3. Mr. Black. ✓
4. Mr. Docker
5. Mr. Barnett.
6. Mr. Farnon.

1946
June 18th

Meeting of the Trustees at White Hill House.

Present: - Mr A. Dibiin
 .. G. Johnson
 - B. R. Wallis } Trustees.
 I. A. S. Nelson Hon. Sec.

1. It was agreed that the Hon. Sec. should write to Mr Williamson asking him to make arrangements to transfer the Playing field to the Eppingham Parish Council.
2. It was agreed to buy the Army Hut belonging to the Golf Club (72' x 20') for £20.
Mr Johnson will approach Mr Killick for sanction to erect ^{Hut} ~~the~~ on the S.W. corner of the Football field, & is authorised, as ^{agent} ~~agent~~ for the Trustees, to arrange for the dismantling & re-erection ^{of the} ~~of the~~ Hut on a concrete foundation & fit it for use as a ^{pavilion} ~~parade~~ at an estimated cost of £80.
3. Mr Johnson took charge of the E. Surrey Water Co's estimate of Duplicate Agreement & will seek a reduction in the estimate ^{for} ~~for~~ laying on water.
4. The Hon. Secy will write to the J.E.A. inquiring whether ^{they can} ~~they can~~ arrange a supply of current to the Hut, & suggesting that it would be ^{convenient} ~~convenient~~ to carry out the work at the same time as the road is trench ^{ed} ~~ed~~ for the water supply.
5. The Hon. Secy was requested to write to Mr Killick, referring ^{his} ~~his~~ recent conversation with Mr Wallis, Mr Johnson when he agreed to allow ^{football} ~~football~~ to be played on the Football ground through the coming season, & suggesting a new agreement cutting out the Football field & making a ^{proportional} ~~proportional~~ reduction in the Hut.

EFFINGHAM

KING GEORGE V MEMORIAL PLAYING
FIELDS

Trustees: -

Aubrey Dibden .	Fair Vies . Effingham	appd. 13. 10. 37
Geoffrey Johnson .	Dalchurst. ..	.. 2. 5. 45
Barnes Kewille Wallis .	White Hill House. ..	- 13. 10. 37
Sidney Alfred Williamson .	Arundel House . Straw . London .	.. 19. 1. 38.

MEETING held at the Vicarage on November 15 1946

Present:- Rev.J.W.Reyholds (in the Chair)
I.A.W.McGowan (Hon.Secretary)
Major Cundall, Father Loader & Messrs
Bramell Jones, Dibdin, Johnson & Wallis

The following RESOLUTION was proposed by Major Cundall, seconded by the Hon.Secretary and carried 'nem.con.':-

"That the Balance of £153. 2s. 4d. standing to the credit of the Committee's account at Lloyds Bank, Leatherhead, be transferred to an account about to be opened at the said Bank in the name of The Trustees of the Effingham King George V Memorial Playing Fields.

That the ^{Committee's} accounts be audited by Messrs Davies, Watson & Co., Dorking, and

That on receipt of the Auditors' Certificate the ~~Committee be dissolved~~ Secretary notify the Members that the Committee is dissolved."

November 15 1946

A Meeting of the Trustees was held at the Vicarage at 8.45 p.m.

Present :- { Mr B. R. Wallis (in the Chair)
Mr A. D. D. D. D.
Mr G. Johnson } Trustees

& I. H. W. McGowan Hon. Secy.

The following Resolution was passed unanimously :-

"That Lloyds Bank Ltd at Litherhead being the Bankers of the Trustees of the Fittingham King George V Memorial Playing Fields be and are hereby authorised to honour all cheques or other orders drawn & to accept cash upon receipts for moneys deposited with or owing by the Bank on the account or accounts at any time or times kept or to be kept in the name of the said Committee with the Bank, provided that such cheques, orders or receipts are signed by two Trustees for the time being, & to debit such cheques orders or receipts to the account or accounts with the Bank whether such account or accounts be for the time being in credit or overdrawn or may become overdrawn in consequence of such debit.

That the Bank be furnished with a list of the names of the Committee & Executive Officers & a copy of the Rules & Regulations of the Committee & be from time to time informed by notice in writing under the hand of the Chairman or the Secretary for the time being of any changes that may take place or be made therein & be entitled to act upon any such notice until the receipt of further notice under the hand of the Chairman or the Secretary for the time being.

That these Resolutions be communicated to the Bank & remain in force until notice in writing be given to the Bank by the Chairman or the Secretary for the time being."

The resignations as Trustees of the Rev. F. E. Bird & the Rev. H. A. Hows in consequence of their departure from the neighbourhood, as notified in their letters dated 22nd May 1946 & 23rd May 1946, were accepted.

3. The following expenditure was authorised :-

Old Army Hut - from Liffingham Golf Club Ltd	£ 20.
Erection of Hut on Football field	80
East Surrey Gates Co. for laying on gates to Hut	21 - 7/6

4. Mr Johnson undertook to see to the repair of the fence ^{on} W. side of football field, arranging if possible for the ^{necessary} welding to be done by Neil Spencer Ltd.

Effingham King George V Memorial Playing Fields

A Meeting of the Trustees was held at the Vicarage, Effingham
on Friday, Novr 15 1946

Present: -

Resolution : -

That Lloyds Bank Ltd at Leatherhead, being the Bankers of the Trustees of the Effingham King George V Memorial Playing Fields be & are hereby authorised to honour all cheques or other orders drawn & to accept & act upon receipts for moneys deposited with or owing by the Bank on the account or accounts at any time or times kept or to be kept in the name of the said Committee with the Bank, provided that such cheques, orders or receipts are signed by two Trustees for the time being, & to debit such cheques, orders or receipts to the account or accounts with the Bank, whether such account or accounts be for the time being in credit or overdrawn, or may become overdrawn in

Consequence of such Orbit.

That the Bank be furnished with a list of the names of the Committee & Executive Officers & a copy of the Rules & Regulations of the Committee & be from time to time informed by notice in writing under the hand of the Chairman or the Secretary for the time being of any changes that may take place or be made therein, & be entitled to act upon any such notice until the receipt of further notice under the hand of the Chairman or the Secretary for the time being.

That these Resolutions be communicated to the Bank, & remain in force until notice in writing be given to the Bank by the Chairman or the Secretary for the time being.

~~but to~~

Beconridge
Effingham

February 25 1947

Dear

I write to inform you that I have now received the Accounts of the Committee for the period from October 15 1936 to November 19 1946, duly certified by the Auditors, Messrs Davies, Watson & Co., and a copy is available here for your inspection.

The Committee's task is now completed and I am sure they would wish me to convey to you their cordial thanks for your valuable help.

In accordance with the Resolution passed at their last Meeting on November 15 1946, the Committee is now dissolved.

Yours sincerely,

Major H.O.Cundall
A.Dibdin Esq.,C.I.E.
G.Johnson Esq.,
C.Bramall Jones Esq.,
B.N.Wallis Esq.,C.B.E.,F.R.S.

The Revd H.W.Loader
Mrs Mooney
The Revd J.W.Reynolds
Harry Tyrrell Esq.,