

## Borough of Cheltenham

**At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 2nd December, 1912, at 3 p.m. Present :**

THE MAYOR (JAMES TYNTE AGG-GARDNER, ESQ.) in the chair.

Aldermen : CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT RICHARD ROGERS GEORGE NORMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE

Councillors : WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY WILLIAM GEORGE EARENGEY EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES WILLIAM SAWYER EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM WALTER JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

Apologies—Apologies for non-attendance were received from the Deputy Mayor, Alderman Rogers and Councillor Haddock.

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1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council on the 9th November last having been printed and a copy sent to each Member of the Council, be taken as read, and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

2—Election of Councillor for the South Ward—The Town Clerk reported the Election of Thomas William Smith as a Councillor for the South Ward, to fill the casual vacancy caused by the election of Charles Henry Margrett to be an Alderman, and laid before the Council his declaration of acceptance of office.

3—Public Health Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee at their Meetings of the 11th, 18th and 27th November last be approved and confirmed.

4—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 12th and 25th November last, be approved and confirmed.

5—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meetings of the 20th and 27th November last, be approved and confirmed.

6—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meetings of the 14th, 21st, and 27th November last, be approved and confirmed.

7—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 21st November last, be approved and confirmed.

8—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meeting of the 19th November last, be approved and confirmed, subject to the following amendment, viz :—That the name of Alderman Margrett be

substituted for that of Alderman Waghorne in Minute No. 8 (Appointment of Grammar School Governors), as the latter did not wish to be re-appointed.

9—Art Gallery and Museum Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Art Gallery and Museum Committee, at their Meeting of the 13th November last, be approved and confirmed.

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10—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meeting of the 15th November last, be approved and confirmed.

11—Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of the 22nd November last, be approved and confirmed.

12—Public Library Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Library Committee, at their Meeting of the 12th November last, be approved and confirmed.

13—Finance Committee Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 26th November last, be approved and confirmed.

Resolved also, that an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

Mayor.

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### **Borough of Cheltenham**

**MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 6th January, 1913.**

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 9th December, 1912**—Present Aldermen Margrett, Skillicorne, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Hanson-Powell, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz : 7, 8 and 38 Brunswick Street, 14, 16, 18, 25, 38 and 40 Rutland Street. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Overcrowding at—1 Wood's Court, Sherborne Street, and 2 Llewellyn Cottages, Trinity Lane. The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous to

the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875 be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

3—Cleansing and Limewashing at 17 Duke Street, 7 and 8 Bloomsbury Street, 13, 14, 18 and 43 Rutland Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the 'said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

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4—Nuisances from Drains, etc. at 2 and 3 Nailsworth Terrace. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the Drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

5—Insanitary Property—8 Brunswick Terrace, 7, 8, 9, 13, 18 and 43 Rutland Street, 7, 8, 9, and 14 Bloomsbury Street, and Cox's Cottage, Alstone.—The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

6—Houses Unfit for Human Habitation—Cottage at Hester's Way, Arle—The Medical Officer of Health made a representation that this dwelling house was in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, and he recommended that the house be closed. Resolved, That further consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting and that in the meantime notice be given to the owner of the intention of the Council to make a Closing Order.

2 Swindon Passage—The Town Clerk reported that the occupier of No. 2 Swindon Passage, one of the houses in respect of which a Closing Order was made, had not complied with the Notice to vacate the premises. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings to compel compliance with the Notice.

7—Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops' Order—Read, an application from Mr. Edmund Havert, of 16 Albion Street, to be registered as a purveyor of milk. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

8—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction of diseased meat as follows—On the 20th ultimo the carcase and offal of a pork pig (weight 33 lbs.), and on the 27th ultimo and 4th inst. a quantity of beef (weight 270 lbs).

9—Annual Congress of Royal Sanitary Institute—Read, a letter from the Secretary, Royal Sanitary Institute, stating that the Annual Congress would be held at Exeter, from 7th to 12th July next, and asking the Council to appoint delegates to attend. Resolved, That the Medical Officer of Health and Chief Inspector of Nuisances be authorised to attend the Congress.

10—Annual Congress of Royal Institute of Public Health—Read, a letter from the Hon. Secretary, Royal Institute of Public Health inviting the Council to appoint delegates to attend the Annual Congress to be held at Paris, from the 14th to the 18th May next. The Town Clerk reported that the Mayor would be willing to attend the Congress at his own expense, if his engagements permitted. Resolved, That the Mayor be appointed a delegate to attend the Congress.

11—Diversion of Sewer off Hewlett Road—Read, a letter from Mr. C. G. Capper, Architect, enclosing plan of a new street proposed to be constructed off Hewlett Road. The Borough Surveyor reported that a public sewer which passed through the building site was included in the scheme for the reconstruction of the sewers in the Fairview District. The reconstruction of the existing sewer would cost about £90 and he recommended that this should be disconnected and a new sewer laid under the proposed new road at an estimated cost of £107, subject to a payment by the owner of £62. Resolved, That the recommendations be approved and adopted.

12—**Report of Farms Sub-Committee**—The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 9th instant. Present—Alderman Skillicorne, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel and Wood (Councillor Wood in the chair).

Farms' Manager's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Farms' Manager. Since the last Meeting 43 head of Cattle had been purchased for £512 14s. 6d., and 35 sheep for £57. (Total Purchases, £569 14s. 6d., 4 calves had been bred on the Farms. 10 head of cattle (including 2 calves) had been sold for £151 7s. 0d., and 15 sheep for £40 5s. 3d. (Total Sales £191 12s. 3d.) One cow had died on the farms.

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Resolved, That the Manager be authorised to have new bottoms and bars fixed to the mangers and also to purchase two dozen apple trees for planting at Barn Farm. Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

13—Sludge—The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. A. Godwin, of Hester's Way, wished to obtain a supply of sludge for his land. The cost of the necessary drain would be £30, and Mr. Godwin was willing to pay £3 per annum for is years. Resolved, That the extension be made subject to a formal agreement being entered into.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 16th December, 1912.** Present : Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Blakeney, Green, flees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood. (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

14—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz :—54 Rutland Street, 1 and 3 Millbrook Cottages, Millbrook Street, 3 Denmark Cottages, Millbrook Street, 18 Albion Parade, 32 Fairview Road 32 Winstonian Road. —Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the

Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

15—Overcrowding at 2 Providence Place, Portland Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

16—Cleansing and Limewashing at 7 and 11 King Street Gardens, 30 Sidney Street, 13 and 35 Duke Street, 49, 53, 54, Rutland Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

17—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 1 Denmark Cottages, Millbrook Street, 12 Albert Place, 22 and 28 York Street and Cottage at rear of 28 York Street.—The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

18—Insanitary Property—5, 7, 11 and 14 King Street Gardens, 30 Sidney Street, 49, 53 and 54 Rutland Street and 1 and 2 Denmark Cottages, Millbrook Street.—The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875 be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

19—Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of Notices requiring the abatement of nuisances arising from dirty walls and ceilings, defective pitching, etc., and also the provision of an ash receptacle, which had been served but not complied with. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to compel compliance.

20—Houses Unfit for Human Habitation—Cottage at Hester's Way, Arle—With reference to the representation made by the Medical Officer of Health at the last Meeting, the Town Clerk reported that he had given notice to the owner of the Cottage at Hester's Way, Arle, occupied by Mr. Thomas Ivin, of the intention of the Council to make a Closing Order. Resolved, That it appearing to the Council that the above-mentioned dwelling-house is in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, an order be now made pursuant to Section 17 (2) of the Housing, Town Planning, etc., Act, 1909, prohibiting the use of the said house for human habitation until the

seine has been rendered lit for that purpose, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Order and that Notice of such Order be given to the owner.

47, 48 and 50 and Cottage at rear of 48 Rutland Street—The Medical Officer of health made a representation that these dwelling houses were in a state so dangerous or injurious to health at to be unfit for human habitation and he recommended that the houses be closed. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting and that in the meantime notice be given to the owner of the premises of the intention of the Council to make a Closing Order.

21--Sludge—Read, a letter from Mr. Unwin, specifying the alterations he required to be made in the draft agreement. Resolved, That these be agreed to and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Agreement.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman

#### **STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 10th December, 1912.** Present: Councillors Baker, Bendall, Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett, Stewart, and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

1—Street Projections—Read, applications from the Cheltenham Gas Company for permissions to place projecting lamps outside No. 1 Great Norwood Street and No. 4 Hewlett Street, and from Mr. Rice to place a lamp outside No. 244 High Street. Resolved, That the applications be acceded to, subject to compliance with the usual conditions.

Read, a letter from Messrs. W. Hall & Sons, Ltd., for permissions to place 2 lamps outside No. 92 High Street during the Christmas Season. Resolved, That the applications be acceded to subject to the lamps being put up to the satisfaction of the Street inspector.

2—**Report of Trees Sub-Committee**—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 27th ultimo. (Present; Councillors Baker, Bendall, Mann and Stewart, (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

After inspecting the trees, &c., as to which complaints had been received, they recommended as follows :—

Montpellier Street—That guards be fixed to the young trees.

Bayshill Lawn—That the trees be pruned but not removed.

Promenade—That the trees be pruned but not removed.

Christ Church Road—That the tree near Stanley Villa be not removed and that the attention of the owner be called to the trees which overhang the footpath.

Eldorado Road—That the tree blown on one side be removed and that the trees on the portion of road near Queen's Road be pruned.

The Park—That the 2 trees near " Silwood " be not removed.

Greville Terrace—That the remaining large tree be not removed and that 25 silver birch trees be planted.

College Road—That the trees near " Vanstone " and No. 2 St. Luke's Villas be not removed.

St. Anne's Road—That the trees be slightly lopped.

Resolved, That the recommendation of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

3—Private Improvement Works—Churchill Road—Read, letters from Messrs. Winterbotham, Gurney & Co., and Mr. W. J. Temple, asking the Council to have regard to the greater or less degree of benefit to be derived from the Private Improvement Works in Churchill Road when apportioning the expenses amongst the abutting Owners. Resolved, That the letters be referred to the Borough Surveyor for consideration when preparing the apportionment.

4—Corporation Contracts—Read, a letter from the Secretary, Cheltenham Mister Printers Association, asking whether the Corporation are satisfied that all the Contractors carrying out work for the Corporation are observing the conditions agreed to between employers and employees. Resolved, That the Secretary be informed that the Committee are not aware that the conditions are not being carried out by any of the Contractors.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 23rd December, 1912.** Present :—Alderman Margrett, Councillors Bendall, Mann, Merrett and Stewart (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

5—Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report Re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 22nd November to the 19th December, 1912 (both dates inclusive) had been as follows :—

Roads repaired—Gloucester Road (16900 square yards), Leckhampton Road (530 square yards),  
Roads patched—Bath Road, College Road, Hatherley Road, Keynsham Street, Lansdown Road,  
Moorend Park Road, Moorend Road, Overton Park, St. James' Square and Swindon Road.

Electricity Trenches repaired—Bath Road, Leckhampton Road, Libertus Road, Norwood Road and Painswick Road. Footpaths Gravelled—Leckhampton Road and Tudor Lodge Road. Bricks replaced with Setts—Leamington Place (part). Footpath Paving repaired—All Saints' Road, Bath Road, Devonshire Street, Hatherley Street, New Street, Pittville Circus, Pittville Circus Road, Swindon Road, Swindon Street., Tivoli Street and Trinity Lane.

Kerb repaired—All Saints' Road, New Street, Swindon Road. Channelling repaired—All Saints' Road, Ambrose Street, Hewlett Place, Knapp Road, New Street. Crossings repaired-3. Cabstand renewed -1 in St. James' Square. Manholes pared round-1. Gully Grates fixed-2.

Trees felled—Evesham Road (Pittville Estate), 1 dead elm, Langdon Road (1 dead lime), Leckhampton Road (1 elm, blown down). Trees planted—Albert Road (3 birches), Clarence Square (1 birch), Gloucester Road (1 plane), Grafton Road (1 beech), Imperial Square (1 birch), Langdon Road (2 birches and 1 lime), Leckhampton Road (9 limes and 4 planes), Pittville Chalet, road by (3 birches), Pittville Lawn (1 plane), Prestbury Road (1 birch), Promenade (1 lime), Tewkesbury. Road (1 plane), The Park (1 plane), Wellington Road (1 birch).

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Ashes Collection and Disposal—During 4 weeks ended the 12th December, 1912-870 loads collected, SIG consumed and 24 tipped away. Weight consumed-1080 tons, 6 cwt,. Steam generated—Hourly average 7,976 lbs.

Slab Factory—During 4 weeks ended the 12th December, 1912, 4140 lineal feet of kerb, and 146 lineal feet of blocks for sewage filters made.

6—**Report of Plans Sub-Committee**—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 10th and 23rd inst. Resolved, That the same be approved and adopted.

7—Street Projections—Read, applications from the Cheltenham Gas Company, for permission to place lamps outside No. 5 Great Norwood Street, and 244a High Street, and from H. A. Webb to place 3 lamps outside Nos. 93 and 95 Bath Road. Resolved, That the applications be acceded to subject to the usual conditions.

Read, a letter from J. A. Anderton, for permission to place a banner across North Street announcing the United Week of Prayer from the 5th to 12th January. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, subject to the banner being placed at a height of not less than 30 feet from the ground.

8—Telegraphic Lines—Read, an application from the Superintending Engineer, P.O. Telegraphs, for consent to the erection of an overhead telegraphic line along the lane at the rear of Lansdown Crescent. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the position of the poles being approved by the Borough Surveyor, and to painted lagging, six feet high being placed round the base of each pole.

9—Nuisance from Rooks—Read, a Memorial from Mr. G. Daniels, of 22a Bennington Street and others complaining of the noise of the rooks in the trees near these premises and asking that the trees should be lopped. Resolved, That the Memorialists be informed that the Corporation have no power to have these trees lopped, as they are on private property.

10—Arle Road (Gloucester Road to Six Chimney Lane)—The Borough Surveyor submitted Specification, Plan and Estimate of the Works required to be done to the above Streets. Resolved, That the same be approved ; and that Notice be given under Section 44 of The Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, to the Owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said Street, requiring to be drained, levelled, repaired, metalled, flagged, channelled or made good ; requiring them to do the specified Works within 28 days ; and that if such Notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the Works mentioned or referred to therein ;

and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act, and the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889.

11—Naunton Lane Tip—The Borough Surveyor reported that the present site in Naunton Lane now used for a tip for depositing road scrapings, etc., was nearly covered and that the owners were willing to allow a further portion of the adjoining land to be used on the same terms as the present land. Resolved, That the Common Seal be affixed to an agreement to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

12—Clay Mill for Destructor--Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to purchase a Second-hand Claymill for reducing the size of the Clinker at the Destructor, at a cost of £12 10s.

13—Motor Car—The Committee considered the question of purchasing a Motor Car for the use of the Borough Surveyor. The Borough Surveyor reported that the cost of hiring a Car for the past 12 months was £120, and that the owner was willing to sell the Car now used by him for £85. Resolved, That the Committee recommend the Council to purchase the Car.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

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#### PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 10th December, 1912.** Present : Councillors Baker, Bendall, Hanson Powell, Steel, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

1—New Streets and Buildings—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following notices and plans of intended new streets and buildings, viz :—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1132	Barnby Bendall & Co.	6 houses, Lypiatt Street.
1133	Dr. Grace Billings	New Motor House, Gloucester Lodge.
1134	Cheltenham Education Committee	New Domestic Science Centre, Gloucester Road Schools
1135	Do. do.	New Domestic Science Centre, Naunton Park Schools
1136	J. Drew	Additions to Hatherley Court Lodge, Hatherley Road.
1137	J. Stewart	New Street off Hewlett Road.

Resolved, That Plans No. 1133 and 1135 be approved, that Plans No. 1134 and 1136 be approved, subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Inspector of Nuisances, and that Plans No. 1132 and 1137 be disapproved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Monday, the 23rd December, 1912.** Present Councillors Bendall, Steel and Stewart (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

2—New Streets and Buildings.—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following Notices and Plans of intended new Streets and Buildings, viz :—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1137	J. Stewart	New Street off Hewlett Road (amended plan)
1138	C. G. Capper	4 houses in a new street off Hewlett Road.
1139	Cheltenham College Council	New Workshop, Thirlestaine Road.
1140	M. E. Burnyeat	Additions to Coulter, Hatherley Road.
1141	G. Kunz	New Cloakroom, 11 Montpellier Villas.
1142	T. W. Smith	House in Leckhampton Road, adjoining Railway.

Resolved, That Plans No. 1137, 1138, 1139 and 1142 be approved, and that Plans 1140 and 1141 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Inspector of Nuisances.

3—Temporary Building, Gloucester Road—The Building Inspector reported that a temporary building had been erected in Gloucester Road, without plans basing been first submitted. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owner to show cause why the building should not be removed.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

#### **TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 18th December, 1912.** Present, Alderman Rogers, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones and Sawyer (Councillor Blakeney in the chair).

1—Band in Promenade—Resolved, That the Cheltenham Rifle Band be engaged to play in the Promenade Bandstand on Boxing Day from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at a charge of £3.

2—Musical Afternoon—Resolved, That in view of the number of bookings of the Town Hall during the Ball Season the Afternoon Concerts be discontinued for the fortnight commencing the 7th proximo and the Season extended for two weeks.

3--Summer Concerts—Mr. A. W. Newton and his Solicitor attended the Meeting with reference to the Draft Lease of the Montpellier Gardens to Mr. Newton. Resolved, That the Draft Lease as now settled be approved and that the Common Seal be affixed to an engrossment thereof.

4—Guides—Read, a letter from the Official Enquiry Office, Leipzig, Germany, asking to be supplied with copies of the Illustrated Guide to Cheltenham for distribution at Leipzig in exchange for a similar number of their Guide for distribution at Cheltenham. Resolved, That 100 Guides be forwarded to Leipzig.

5—Tree in Pittville Gardens—Read, a letter from Colonel Graham, of Aubervie, asking for the removal of a tree in the Pittville Gardens at the back of his house. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

J. H. BLAKENEY, Chairman.

#### **ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.**

**At Meeting of this Committee held on Saturday, the 30th December, 1912**—Present The Mayor, Alderman Norman, Councillors Haddock, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Steel and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Charge Engineer—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that Mr. Spencer, one of the Charge Engineers had resigned, having obtained an appointment at Devonport. Resolved. That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to fill the vacancy.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 12th November, 1912**—Present : Alderman. Norman, Councillors Green, Haddock, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Steel and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

2—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he had tested the gas for illuminating power with the following result :-14 candles. His test for purity showed 22 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

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3—Requisition for Materials required—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted a list of materials, etc., which would probably be required during the ensuing month and the same was approved.

4—Applications for Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received an application for electric supply to six houses in Fairfield Park Road. The cost of the necessary extension would be £42. Resolved, That the extension be made.

An application had also been received for a supply to Liddington Lake House. The cost of the necessary extension would be about £40, and the owner was willing to deposit £30, to be returned to him at the rate of £5 per annum, provided a supply was taken for a period of six years, and that the amount of energy consumed was not less than £5 per annum. Resolved, That the extension be made on these terms, subject to an agreement being entered into.

5--Charge Engineer—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had appointed Mr. Lloyd Lewis, of Newport, Charge Engineer, to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Mr. Spencer.

6—Lighting of Hewlett Place and Naunton Lane—Read, a Memorial from W. J. Edwards and others, calling attention to the lighting of Hewlett Place, and also a letter from Mr. T. W. S. Commin, asking for additional lighting in Naunton Lane, from Thirlestaine Road to Naunton Schools. Resolved, That the Committee view these streets at their next View Meeting.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

### WATER COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 19th December, 1912.**—Present: Aldermen Norman, Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Bendall, Green, Merrett and Wood (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Borough Engineer's Report—The monthly report of the Borough Engineer was read:

Hewletts Springs Dowdeswell Springs Leckhampton Springs

#### DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 17th December, 1912	Average for corresponding period during last 3 years.
Hewletts	271,000 gallons	245,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	1,084,000 "	872,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	<u>57,000</u> "	<u>49,000</u> "
Total	1,414,000 "	1,166,000 "

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#### CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

	17th Dec., 1912.		17th Dec., 1911.	
	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
Hewletts		24,601,000 gallons		8,893,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	32ft. 0in.	100,013,000 "	15ft. 0in.	27,162,000 "
Leckhampton	8ft. 0in.	<u>1,081,000</u> "	3ft. 0in.	<u>405,000</u> "
Total Storage		125,705,000 "		36,460,000 "

2—Salts Farm—The Borough Engineer reported that he had received an application from the tenant of Salts Farm for the erection of a Stable and Corn Store. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting. Resolved, also, That the next Meeting be held at the Dowdeswell Reservoir and that the Committee inspect Salts Farm.

3-1 Bath Street—Read, a letter from H.M. Office of Works enquiring if the Corporation would make a reduction in the rent of No. 1 Bath Street and giving notice to terminate the tenancy at Midsummer next failing satisfactory terms being arranged. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to see the Surveyor of the Post Office with a view to arranging for the continuance of the tenancy.

4—Laboratory Accommodation—Read, a letter from the Medical Officer of Health asking for the provision of better laboratory accommodation. Resolved, That the matter be referred to the Public Health Committee for consideration.

5—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeal Book were considered and the rates settled and adjusted

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

#### **GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 6th December, 1912**—Present : Alderman Skillicorne, Councillors Baker, Merrett and Stewart (Councillor Baker in the chair.)

1—Shops Act, 1912—The Shops Inspector reported that on the 4th inst., 4 Shop Assistants were employed at The London Supply Company's Shop on the usual half-holiday, after 1.30 p.m., contrary to Section 1 of the Act. He had received a complaint that they had been kept until 2 p.m., on the previous half-holiday.

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He also reported that on the 23rd November he visited three of Mr. C. Dickins' shops and found the Assistants were not being allowed the interval for tea required by the Act. Mr. Dickins attention had been called to the requirements of the Act on a previous occasion. Resolved, That the Inspector be authorised to take proceedings in each case.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 17th December, 1912.** Present Aldermen Norman, Rogers, Skillicorne and Waghorne, Councillors Bendall, Haddock, Merrett and Stewart (Alderman Norman in the chair).

2—Diseases amongst Animals--Superintendent Hopkins reported an outbreak on the 12th inst., of Parasitic Mange at Grovefield Gardens, Gloucester Road, in the occupation of William Hodgetts.

3—Fire Brigade—The Captain of the Fire Brigade reported that the Brigade was called to extinguish a fire at No. 76a High Street, on the 7th instant, caused by a gas stove. Damage about £10. Brigade Expenses £3 4s. 4d. Buildings and contents insured.

4—Shops Act, 1912—Fruiterers and Greengrocers' Shops Closing Order—The Town Clerk reported that the Order fixing Wednesday, at 1 p.m., to be the early closing day for all Fruiterers and Greengrocers' Shops in the Borough had been confirmed by the Home Office.

The Shops Inspector reported that Mr. James Snaddon, of 40 Fairview Road had kept his shop open on the weekly half-holiday for the sale of grocery in contravention of Section 4 of the Shops Act, 1912. Resolved, That the Inspector be instructed to take proceedings against Mr. Snaddon.

5—Municipal Offices--Read, a circular letter from the Local Government Board, asking Local Authorities to allow the use of their premises, where possible, for the Audit of the Accounts of Approved Societies, and pointing out that under Section 27(2) of the National Insurance Act, this

could be done on terms which would enable the premises to be housed without expense to the Local Authority.

6—Radiators for Mayor's Parlour and Committee Room—The Borough Surveyor submitted the Tenders (5) received for the wiring required for the Radiators to be placed in the Mayor's Parlour and Committee Room. Resolved, That the Tender of Mr. F. H. Bastin (the lowest) of £7 7s. 0d., be accepted and that the work be put in hand.

7—Game Licence—Read, an application from C. Bartlett & Son for a licence to deal in game at No. 11 Montpellier Walk. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

8—Town Hall—Read, letters from Messrs. Winterbotham, Gurney & Co., objecting to any Exhibition of Cinematograph pictures being allowed in the Town Hall, which they contended was a breach of the covenant for quiet enjoyment in the lease of the Winter Garden, and also asking that a definite understanding should be arrived at, that no arrangements should be made by the Corporation with regard to the Town Hall or any other Municipal building which would permit of the charge for admission being less than is charged for the Winter Garden. Resolved, That the reply of the Town Clerk be approved and that the Council are unable to make any arrangements which would fetter them in dealing with the Town Hall, or other Municipal buildings, as the Corporation may think reasonable and proper.

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9—Awning outside Town Hall—Read, an application from Messrs. J. Lance & Co., Ltd., on behalf of Mrs. Landale, for permission to erect an awning at the entrance to the Town Hall, for use at the Balls, on the 8th and 10th proximo. Resolved, That permission be given subject to any damage done to the building being made good.

10—Market—Read, a letter from Mr. Chas. C. Castle, asking that gas should be installed in the Office at the Market. Resolved, That the Committee consider that this should be provided at his own cost.

GEO. NORMAN,

Chairman.

#### **MUNICIPAL OFFICES SITES COMMITTEE.**

**The Report of the special Committee appointed by the Council on the 5th December, 1910 to consider the question of the Municipal Offices.**

1. The Committee met on Thursday, the 5th December, 1912. Present—Aldermen Margrett, Norman and Waghorne, and Councillors Baker, Bendall, Earengy, Merrett, Rees Jones and Stewart (Alderman Margrett in the Chair). The Committee, as advised by the Borough Surveyor and Mr. H. Vale, Quantity Surveyor, of Wolverhampton, have determined that none of the designs sent in, can be carried out for the sum stipulated in the conditions and are therefore unable to recommend the Council to make any award, but they think some recognition should be made of the trouble and expense the competitors have incurred in preparing designs. They therefore recommend (1) that a payment of 20 guineas each should be made to the authors of the designs sent in by: "Efficiency and Economy" and "Palladio," and (2) 5 guineas a-piece to the other six competitors.

They also recommend that the Town Clerk be instructed to return the designs to the competitors.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

#### **ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 11th December, 1912.** Present—The Mayor, Aldermen Waghorne and Winterbotham, Councillors Green, Rees Jones and Steel, Dr. E. T. Wilson, and Mr. H. Stroud (Alderman Winterbotham in the chair).

1—Cleaning and Restoring Pictures—Letters were received from Mr. E. Parker, and Mr. A. K. Higgs, and a statement from Mr. A. Whitcombe and others with reference to their complaint in respect of the Curator. Resolved, That the Curator be asked to make a statement in writing in reply thereto, and that the matter be then considered by the Committee.

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2—Curator's Report—The Curator reported that 937 visits had been made to the Art Gallery and Museum, since November 13th, and over 500 Catalogues of the Exhibition had been sold.

Mr. A. W. Chapman, Birkdale, Little Herberts, Charlton Kings, had presented a bronze medal, struck at Padua in the 14th Century.

Mrs. G. B. Witts had presented a collection of Worked Flints, Pottery, an Amulet of Kemmeridge Coal, and Fossils, collected by her late husband, Mr. G. B. Witts, together with photographs of West Tump, and Mr. Witts, and these were being arranged in cases in the Local Room.

10 small temporary cases had been made by the Staff for the reception of Mr. Cornelius E. Cardew's collection of Palaeolithic and Neolithic Implements.

The collection of Cotteswold Flints, made by Rev. J. H. Cardew, and which had been on loan to the Museum for some years had now been presented by Dr. G. A. Cardew.

The collection of Seeds and Economic Specimens presented by Mr. Robertson, of Painswick, were being arranged for exhibition.

Mr. F. W. Haslam had presented a Book of pressed Ferns and Flowers for the Museum.

The present exhibition of paintings by Modern Artists would be closed on December 31st, and the pictures returned to the Artists.

Resolved. That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors. Resolved, also That the Curator be instructed to obtain tenders for a suitable case or cases for the Exhibition of the Flints presented by Mrs. Witts and others.

JAS. B. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 30th December, 1912**—Present : The Mayor, Aldermen Norman and Winterbotham, Councillors Green, Rees Jones and Steel, Dr. E. T. Wilson and Mr. G. Dimmer. (Alderman Winterbotham in the chair).

3—Cleaning and Restoring Pictures—After considering the statements received from the firms of Picture and Art Dealers in support of their complaint against the Curator and the statement in reply made by the latter, the Committee report that they do not consider that the cases in which the Curator has undertaken work for private persons amounts to general trading as alleged. They are satisfied that he has not diverted either his time or attention from his public duties which have been punctually and efficiently discharged, but they are of opinion that he should not, without the permission of the Committee, undertake commissions for cleaning and restoring pictures for private persons, or use the Corporation's promises for private work, and they have received an assurance from him that he will not do so.

It should be added that the Committee find that no private work has been done on the premises of the Corporation except the cleansing and restoring of pictures purchased by the Curator himself for experimental purposes, to gain experience in his work as Curator, and that this has been done in his own time.

4—Leslie Young Bequest—Resolved, That the picture by Mr. J. L. Pickering, entitled "Shadowed," be purchased out of the Leslie Young Bequest for one hundred guineas.

JAS. B. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

#### **MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 29th November, 1912**—Present : Councillors Baker, Blakeney, Haddock, Merrett and Silk (Councillor Haddock in the Chair.)

1—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Surveyor reported that one of the occupants had now given up his tenancy of the Baths so that there were only dances on two evenings each week. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to make a condition in future lettings of the Baths for dances that the music shall be placed at the Bath Road side of the building and that no brass instruments shall be used.

2—Alstone Baths—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to let the Hall for Meetings at a charge of £1 11s. 6d., without chairs but including lighting, or £2 2s. for lettings continued beyond 11 p.m. Resolved, also, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to have an additional exit provided at the South West side of the building, if the building is taken for public meetings.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 13th December, 1912.** Present—The Mayor, Councillors Bendall, Blakeney, Haddock, Merrett, Sawyer, Silk and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the Chair).

3—Montpellier Baths.—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from 1st April to 30th November, were as follows

Receipts ... 388 10 7	Expenses ... 471 19 3
	Interest Redemption (Proportion) .. <u>352 13 4</u>
£388 10 7	£824 12 7

Wiring—The Borough Surveyor submitted the Tenders (5) received for wiring the Montpellier Baths. Resolved, That the Tenders be referred to the Borough Electrical Engineer to consider and report thereon.

4—Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from

1st April to 30th November, were as follows :—

£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Receipts ... 339 3 1	Expenses 341 7 0
	Interest Redemption (Proportion) ... <u>223 6 8</u>
£339 3 1	£564 13 8

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5—Mineral Water. The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during November last was 773 compared with 1114 for the month of November last year. The number of bottles of Aperient Water sold during November was 156 as compared with 164 for the corresponding month last year.

6—Football at Recreation Grounds—Read, an application from the Captain of the Boot Repairers' (Wednesday) Football Club for permission to play at the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the usual conditions.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

#### **BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 20th December, 1912—**Present Alderman Rogers, Councillors Mann, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel, Stewart and Winterbotham. (Councillor Stewart in the Chair.)

1—Designs—Resolved, That the following Designs be approved, viz—Headstones to graves of Mary Anne Phipps, Elizabeth Dickerson, Benjamin Burrell and Matilda Bond. Memorial Crosses to graves of Agnes Isabel Langhorne. Mabel Emily Earwaker and Craven Burrell Fuller.

2—Inspection of Cemetery—Resolved, ;That the Committee inspect the Cemetery at their next Meeting on the 24th proximo at 11 a.m.

JAS. STEWART,

Chairman.

#### **PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 10th December, 1912**—Present: Councillors Earengy, Green, Mann, Merrett, Sawyer Steel and Wilkins, Messrs. F. J. Caudle, J. R. Claridge, E. Gridley, E. C. Rogers and H. Stroud (Councillor Steel in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts, £3 19s. 8d. The number of volumes consulted in the Reference Library was 1512, an increase of 57 compared with the corresponding period of last year. The number of volumes issued from the Lending Department was 10,094, an increase of 46 as compared with the corresponding period of last year. 41 books of the Braille type had been issued to 11 blind persons during the last three months.

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2—**Report of Sub. Committee**—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 6th instant Present—Councillors Green and Merrett, Messrs. F. J. Caudle and J. R. Claridge (Councillor Green in the Chair). They recommended—

(1) That a hamper for the Carriage of books for the blind be purchased for 15s

(2) That the latest edition of the Encyclopaedia Britannica be purchased at a cost of £27 12s. 6d.

(3) That a new uniform for the Caretaker be obtained at a cost of £5 9s. 0d.

(4) That the Lending and Reference Libraries be closed from December 25th to 27th inclusive. Resolved, That the recommendations of the Sub. Committee be approved and adopted.

3—" Daily Mail " and " Daily Express." Read, a letter from Miss Burton offering to present for one year the " Daily Mail " and " Daily Express " to be placed in the News Room. Resolved, That the offer be accepted with the thanks of the Committee.

ROBERT STEEL,

Chairman.

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 24th December, 1912.** Present: Alderman Skillicorne, Councillors Rees Jones, Steel, Wilkins and Winterbotham (Councillor Steel in the chair).

1—General District Rate--The Report of the Borough Accountant dated the 24th instant on the collection of the second instalment of this Rate was read. Amount collected £7684 14s. 7d. Leaving outstanding, £16750 8s. 1d.

2—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 24th instant, on the collection of this Rate for the half-year ended the 25th March next was read. Amount collected £4310 1s. 11d. Leaving outstanding, £8045 4s. 3d.

3—Loans—The Borough Accountant reported that the Lenders of £300 secured by Debenture No. 361, were willing to continue the loan for another five years at 3 5/8 per cent. Resolved, That this be agreed to.

He also reported that the Llandudno Urban District Council were willing to lend 4700 if a similar amount were advanced to them, the loans to bear interest at 3 1/2 per cent., the period of the loan and length of notice for repayment to be the same in each case. Resolved, That subject to the security offered being approved by the Town Clerk, the sum of £700 be advanced to the Llandudno Urban District Council out of the Electric Lighting Reserve Fund, and that a Debenture be sealed and issued for a like amount to be advanced by the Llandudno Urban District Council. Resolved, That £121, part of the Leslie Young Benefaction to the Art Gallery & Museum be invested with the Corporation in the names of the Mayor and Deputy Mayor for the time being.

4—County Rate Basis—Read, a letter from Messrs. W. Eve & Sons stating that they were instructed by the Gloucester-shire County Council to value for rating purposes the Electricity and Water Undertakings, and asking to be supplied with the published Accounts for the last three years and also permission to inspect the works. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

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5—Accounts—The Financial Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure since the last meeting and the Bills and Accounts to be paid were examined, and the latter ordered to be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

The Treasurer's accounts at the Bank were examined, and the balances found to be correct. The following was the General Statement :—

In hand on the 26th November last	£ 8,654 9 8
Received since that date	<u>10,001 12 10</u>
	18,656 2 6
Paid since that date	<u>7,507 8 4</u>
	In Hand £11,148 14 2
being General Accounts	£ 9,485 0 9
Sinking Fund Accounts	724 3 5
" Leslie Young Benefaction " Accounts	<u>939 10 0</u>
	£11,148 14 2

ROBT. STEEL,

Chairman.

**Borough of Cheltenham**

**At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 6th January, 1913, at 3 p.m. Present :**

THE MAYOR (JAMES TYNTE AGG-GARDNER, ESQ.) in the chair. THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen : CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT RICHARD ROGERS WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE JAMES BATTEN WINTERBOTHAM

Councillors : WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY WILLIAM GEORGE EARENGEY EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN PERCY HADDOCK JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES WILLIAM SAWYER EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM -WALTER JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council on the 2nd December last having been printed and a copy sent to each Member of the Council, be taken as read, and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

2—Public Health Committee--Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee at their Meetings of the 9th and 16th December last be approved and confirmed.

3--Street and Highway Committee--Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 10th and 23rd December last, be approved and confirmed, subject to the following amendment, viz :—That the resolution to Minute No. 13 (Motor Car) of the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

4—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meeting of the 18th December last be approved and confirmed.

5—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meetings of the 30th November and 12th December last, be approved and confirmed.

6.—Cheltenham (Extension) Electric Lighting Order, 1912—Resolved, That the Common Seal be affixed to a Memorial for a review of the Taxation of the Costs to be paid by the Cheltenham Gas Company in respect of their opposition to the Cheltenham Electric Lighting Order, 1912.

7—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 19th December last, be approved and confirmed.

8—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meetings of the 6th and 17th December last, be approved

and confirmed, and that a Licence to deal in Game be granted to Messrs. C. Barnett & Sons of 11 Montpellier Walk.

9—Municipal Offices Sites Committee—Resolved, that the Report of the Municipal Offices Sites Committee, at their Meeting of the 5th December last, be approved and confirmed.

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10—Art Gallery and Museum Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Art Gallery and Museum Committee, at their Meetings of the 11th and 30th December last, be approved and confirmed.

11—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee--Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meetings of the 29th November and 13th December last, be approved and confirmed.

12—Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of the 20th December last, be approved and confirmed.

13—Public Library Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Library Committee, at their Meeting of the 10th December last, be approved and confirmed.

14—Finance Committee -- Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 24th December last, be approved and confirmed. Resolved also, that an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

15—Notice of Motion—Councillor Blakeney gave notice of his intention to move at the next Quarterly Meeting of the Council : " That it be an instruction to the Municipal Offices Sites Committee that they continue their deliberations with regard to the scheme for the provision of Municipal Offices and that they reconsider the provision of a site and that Minute No. 1 of the Meeting of the Committee on the 15th May 1911 be rescinded."

Mayor.

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### **Borough of Cheltenham.**

**At a Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Friday, the 24th January, 1913, at 3 pm. Present :**

THE MAYOR (JAMES TYNTE AGG-GARDNER, ESQ.) in the chair. THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen : CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT RICHARD ROGERS GEORGE NORMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE JAMES BATTEN WINTERBOTHAM

Councillors : WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY WILLIAM GEORGE EARENGEY EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN PERCY HADDOCK JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM

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1—Gloucestershire Insurance Committee—Resolved, That Councillors Bendall, Blakeney, Hanson Powell, Merrett and Winterbotham be appointed Representatives of the Corporation on the Cheltenham District Committee of the Gloucestershire Insurance Committee.

2—Town Hall—Read a letter from the Secretary, Charity Organization Society, asking for the free use of the Supper Room at the Town Hall for a two days exhibition to be arranged by the Society in conjunction with the National Association for the Prevention of Consumption. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

Mayor.

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### **Borough of Cheltenham**

**MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Quarterly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, 3rd February, 1913.**

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.**

**At a meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 13th January, 1913**—Present Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Hanson Powell, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood. (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz :-3 Millbrook Cottages, New Street Cottage, New Street. 18 Albion Parade, 28 Hanover Street, 7 Orchard Place, 63 and 65 Brunswick, Street, 21 Malvern Street, and 54 Tivoli Street. —Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Cleansing and Limewashing at 10 Elm Street, 3 Gloucester Cottages, New Street Cottage. New Street, Woodland House, Market Street, 28 Hanover Street, and 7 Orchard Place. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

3—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 21 Queen's Retreat, Regent House, and Regent Cottage, Swindon Road, and 23 Millbrook Street.—The inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved. That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

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4—Insanitary Property-10 Elm Street, 3 Gloucester Cottages, Gloucester Road, New Street Cottage, New Street, 28 Hanover Street, Plough Cottage, Folly Lane, 1 and 2 Cotswold View, Marsh Lane and 1, 8 and 9 Marsh Lane.— The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing- to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875 be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

5—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported that on the 24th ulto., portions of beef and organs of an heifer (224 lbs) and on the 10th instant a box of Herrings, (196lbs) were surrendered and destroyed as unfit for human food.

6—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—Nos. 47, 48 and 50 and Cottage at rear of 48 Rutland Street—With reference to the representation made by the Medical Officer of Health at the last Meeting, the Town Clerk reported that he had given notice to the owner of 47, 48 and 50 and Cottage at rear of 48 Rutland Street, of the intention of the Council to make a Closing Order. Resolved, That it appearing to the Council that the above mentioned dwelling houses were in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, an Order be now made, pursuant to Section 17 (2) of the Housing, Town Planning, etc., Act, 1909, prohibiting the use of the said houses for human habitation until the same have been rendered fit for that purpose and that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Order and that Notice of such Order be given to the Owner.

2 and 3 Attewells Court, 1 and 2 York Place, Swindon Road, and 1 and 2 Eaton Cottages, Bath Road.—Demolition Order.—The Town Clerk reported that he had given Notice to the owners of the above premises of the intention of the Committee to consider the question of making an Order for the demolition of the premises. Mr. E. L. Baylis, the owner of Nos. 1 and 2 York Place, Swindon Road, attended the Committee and asked the Committee to adjourn consideration of the matter for three months as he hoped to be able to make arrangements which would result in the premises being put into proper order. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned for 3 months.

Resolved, That The Chairman, Councillors Steel and Stewart, be appointed a Sub-Committee to inspect Nos. 2 and 3 Attewells Court and Nos. 1 and 2 Eaton Cottages, Bath Road, and that consideration of the demolition be adjourned to the next Meeting.

7—Laboratory Accommodation—The Resolution of the Water Committee referring the application of the Medical Officer of Health for better Laboratory Accommodation to this Committee was considered. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned.

8—Abattoir—Read a letter from Mr. H. A. Webb, asking that the Abattoir should be connected with the Telephone Exchange. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

9—Leckhampton Sewerage—Read a letter from the Local Government Board stating that on the 1st instant they had issued their formal sanction to the communication of the Sewers in Leckhampton with the Borough Sewers.

10—Public Health (Tuberculosis) Regulations, 1912—Read a letter from the Local Government Board, enclosing copy of an Order made by the Board consolidating and amending the Public Health (Tuberculosis) Regulations 1908 and 1911. The Order would come into force on the 1st February next, and provided for the compulsory notification of eases of non-pulmonary as well as pulmonary Tuberculosis by Medical Practitioners to the Medical Officer of Health, who was required to make such enquiries and to take such stops as may be necessary or desirable for investigating the source of infection and for preventing the spread of infection. Resolved, That the Order be referred to the Medical Officer of Health with instructions to supply the necessary forms to Medical Practitioners.

11—Royal Sanitary Institute—Provincial Sessional Meeting. Resolved, That an invitation be given to the Royal Sanitary Institute to hold their next Provincial Sessional Meeting in Cheltenham and that the General Purposes Committee be recommended to grant the free use of the Town Hall for the Meeting.

12—Offensive Trade—The Town Clerk reported that a case had been stated by the Justices for the opinion of the High Court on a point of law, raised by the Butchers' Hide, Skin and Wool Co., Ltd., who were convicted on the 26th September last, for carrying on an Offensive Trade at the Nags Head Yard, without the consent of the Corporation. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to brief Counsel to support the conviction.

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13—**Report of Farms Sub-Committee**--The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 13th inst. Present-- Alderman Skillicorne, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel and Wood (Councillor Wood in the chair).

Farms' Manager's Report—The Farms' Manager reported that the stock on the Farms on the 13th inst. was 19 horses (not including 6 at Depot) 100 head of cattle, 91 sheep and 3 pigs all doing fairly well ; 8 calves had been bred on the Farms ; 20 head of cattle (including 8 calves) had been sold for £246 0s. 2d. and 77 sheep (including 21 lambs) for £172 16s. 3d. (Total Sales £418 16s. 5d. He recommended (1) that a drain should be laid in Mr. Stuckey's field at Barn Farm (2) that 500 two-inch land pipes be purchased, (3) that 10,000 Osiers be purchased for planting. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the drain laid in Mr. Stuckey's field, that the Manager be authorised to obtain 500 land pipes and that Tenders be obtained for supplying 10,000 Osiers.

Read a letter from the Hon. Sec., Cotswold Hunt, asking that the wire at the Farms should be taken down. Resolved, That the Sub-Committee inspect the wire at their next Meeting.

Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE, Chairman

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 20th January, 1913.** Present : Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood. (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

14—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz : 4, 5, 6 and 7 Gordon Terrace, and 4 Hawarden Parade. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

15 --Overcrowding at—Room over Stable in Hermitage Street. The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875 be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

16—Cleansing and Limewashing at 2, 3, 4, 5, 6 and 7 Gordon Terrace, 1 Normal Terrace, 55 Worcester Street, and 13 Waterloo Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

17—Nuisances from Drains, etc. at 9 Pittville Street and Tulloch's Cottages, Swindon Road. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the Drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

21 Queen's Retreat and 2 and 3 Nailsworth Terrace—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that he had examined the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above premises and found the same to be defective and to require amendment and alteration. He submitted specification of the works required to be done. Resolved. That the same be approved and that notice be given under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises requiring them to do the specified works within 21 days.

18—Insanitary Property-1 to 7 Gordon Terrace, Sherborne Place, 15 Sidney Street, 1 Normal Terrace, 35 Worcester Street and 13 Waterloo Sheet.—The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

19—Houses unfit for Human Habitation-2 and 3 Attwells Court—Demolition Order.—The Sub-Committee (Alderman Skillicorne and Councillors Steel and Stewart) appointed at the last Meeting, reported that they had inspected these two Cottages. The premises were being used for storage of goods and they did not consider it was necessary to require the demolition of the property. Resolved, That the question of making a demolition order be deferred.

1 and 2 Eaton Cottages, Bath Road.—The Sub-Committee also reported that they had inspected these Cottages. The owner was repairing one of the Cottages and proposed to convert the other Cottage into a workshop. Resolved, That the question of making a demolition order be adjourned to the next meeting.

20—Destruction of Diseased Meat —The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction on the 15th instant of the carcase and offal of a sheep (361bs).

21—Hatherley Sewerage—Read a letter from the Clerk of the Cheltenham Rural District Council enclosing copy Resolution of the District Council declining to enter into any Agreement in respect of the houses which had been connected with and were draining into the Borough Sewers. Resolved, That a representation be made to the Local Government Board under Section 299 of Public Health Act, 1875, with reference thereto.

22—Defective 'Sewer, Montpellier Retreat—The Borough Surveyor reported that a Sewer in Montpellier Retreat was defective and required reconstruction which he estimated would cost £110. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make application to the Local Government Board for their sanction to the Cost of the work being charged to the Loan for resewering the South Eastern District.

23 —Outfall Sewer—The Borough Surveyor reported that the old outfall sewer under the Gas Works property had burst and required reconstructing for a length of about 40 feet and that he had put this work in hand. Resolved, That the action of the Borough Surveyor be approved.

24—Sewage Disposal Works—Read a letter from the Local Government Board enclosing Sanction for an additional loan of £1,000 repayable in 15 years. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the Board with a view to an extension of the period granted for the loan and also with regard to the observations in their letter.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

#### **STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 14th January, 1913.** Present: Councillors Baker, Bendall, Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins, (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

1—Street Projections—Read an application from the Cheltenham Gas Company for permission to place 2 lamps outside Nos. 1 and 2 Ambrose Street. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the usual conditions.

2—Battledown Approach and Alstone Lane—Read letters from Mr. H. Musket calling attention to the condition of the footpath in Battledown Approach and from the Manager of the Queen's Hotel and Mr. S. Owens with reference to Alstone Lane. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to bring up piano and estimates of the work required to be done by the abutting Owners.

3—Marle Hill Parade—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the footpaths in Made Hill Parade repaired.

4—Chapel Lane, &c., Great Norwood Street—The Rev. Pr. Nicholson, and Messrs. J. Jones, D. Lewis and F. Caudle, attended the Committee on behalf of the Trustees of Bethesda Schools and asked that the Schools should be exempted from payment of the private improvement expenses (£8 19s. 10d.) in Chapel Lane and the Lane between Chapel Lane and Great Norwood Street, on the ground that the schools were only used in connection with the Chapel. Resolved, That this be agreed to.

5—Motor Car—The Resolution of this Committee at the 'Meeting on the 23rd ulto., recommending the Council to purchase a Motor Car for the use of the Borough Surveyor, was further considered. Resolved, That the present arrangement of hiring a Car be continued, namely the payment of 6d. a mile, the Corporation providing Chauffeur and paying the cost of Insurance.

6--Stanhope Street—Read a letter from Mrs. Compton of 7 Stanhope Street, claiming compensation in respect of an accident sustained by a fall in Stanhope Street. Resolved, That the Council are unable to accept any liability.

7—Leckhampton Road—Read a letter from Mr. F. A. Webley of Commerce House, Leckhampton Road, complaining of the state of the turf opposite his premises. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Borough Surveyor.

8—Temporary Building, Gloucester Road--The Town. Clerk reported that he had given notice to the owner of the temporary building erected in Gloucester Road adjoining Saxby Lodge, to show cause why the building erected in contravention of the Bye-Laws should not be altered or pulled down. Read a letter from Mr. R. N. Arnison asking that the Building should be allowed to remain. Resolved, That the removal of the building be required.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 27th January, 1913.** Present :— Alderman Margrett, Councillors Baker, Bendall, Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

9—Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 20th December, 1912 to the 23rd January, 1913 (both inclusive) had been as follows :—

Roads repaired—Hatherley Road (6,500 square yards), Overton Park (1,320 square yards). Roads patched—Clarence Street, Gloucester Road, Lansdown Road, Leamington Place, Lypiatt Terrace, Manchester Street, St. James' Square and Winchcombe Street.

Electricity trenches repaired—Crescent Terrace, Evesham Road, High Street, Lansdown Parade, Leckhampton Road, Libertus Road, London Road, Montpellier Terrace, Painswick Road, Prestbury Road, Promenade, and Suffolk Road.

Footpath Paving repaired—Albion Street, College Road, Fairview Street, High Street, Lansdown Place, Leamington Place, St. Anne's Terrace, St. Luke's Road and Wellington Street. Footpaths gravelled—Fairfield Street (250 square yards), Pittville Circus Road (270 square yards).

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Channelling repaired—Swindon Road and Swindon Street. Manhole covers renewed—1. Gullies renewed—2. Trees planted—Gratton Road, 22 silver birch ; Pittville Circus Road, 3 silver birch. Trees pruned—Eldorado Crescent and Read, Glencairn Park Road, St. Anne's Road and St. George's Road. Trees felled—Christ Church Road 1 lime (dead), Evesham Road 1 elm (by Committee's order).

Ashes Collection and Disposal—During 5 weeks ended the 16th January, 1913-1,091 loads collected, 1,015 consumed and 46 tipped away. Weight consumed-1.341 tons, 13 ½ cwt. Steam generated—Hourly average 7,342 lbs.

Slab Factory—During 5 weeks ended the 16th January, 1913, 3,420 lineal feet of kerb, and 312 lineal feet of sewage faller blocks and 67 road blocks made. View Meeting—The following Members attended the View Meeting on Friday last : Councillors Baker, Bendall, Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett and Wilkins.

10—Report of Plans Sub Committee—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub Committee at their Meetings on the 14th and 24th inst. Resolved, That the same be approved and adopted.

11.—Street Projections—Read a letter from the Manager, Labour Exchange, asking for permission to place an enamel plate outside the Municipal Offices. Resolved, That permission be given.

12—Obstruction of Footpath-The Street Inspector reported that Mr. H. Higgins persisted in placing goods outside Nos. 314 and 315 High Street, adjoining, his premises, so as to obstruct the footway. Resolved, That if the obstruction is continued, the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings against Mr. Higgins.

13—Stanhope Street and Hatherley Road (Opposite Hatherley Court)—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to bring up plans and specifications of the work required to be done in these Streets by the abutting owners,

14—Phoenix Passage—The Borough Surveyor submitted Specification, Plan, and Estimate of the Works required to be done to the above Street. Resolved, That the same be approved ; and that Notice be given under Section 150 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the Owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said Street, requiring to be sewered, levelled, paved, metalled flagged, channelled or made good ; requiring them to do the specified Works within

28 days ; and that, if such Notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the Works mentioned or referred to therein); and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act, and the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889.

15—Battledown Approach (North side from Hale’s Road to entrance to Grammar School Ground)—The Borough Surveyor submitted Specification, Plan and Estimate of the Works required to be done to the above Street. Resolved, That the same be approved ; and that Notice be given under Sections 44 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, to the Owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon tire parts of the said Street, requiring to be drained, levelled, repaired, metalled, flagged, channelled or made good ; requiring them to do the specified Works within 28 days; and that, if such Notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the Works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that tire expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act, and the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889.

16—Alstone Lane—Complaints having been received of the condition of Alstone Lane. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the Owners asking theirs to repair the road.

17—Footpath from Naunton Lane to Old Bath Road—Read a memorial from W. F. Sims and others, calling attention to the condition of this footpath. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the footpath repaired with clinkers at a cost of not exceeding £15.

17—Baker Street--Read a letter from Mr. W. Stroud of 16, Baker Street, asking for the repair of the footpath opposite his house. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to bring up a plan and Specification of the work required to be clone by the abutting Owners.

19—Suffolk Parade—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Owners of 20 to 25 Suffolk Parade had offered to give up a strip of land in front of their premises for widening and improving the road if the Corporation would provide a new fence along the improved line of frontage, and also make up the road as widened, including a new paved footway. Resolved, That the offer be accepted and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the work carried out.

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20—Advertisement Hoarding, Ambrose Street—Read a Memorial from Mr. C. Dennis and others, asking that notice should be given to Messrs. Sheraton & Son for the removal of the hoarding on the land belonging to the Corporation. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

21—Town Planning—Read a letter from the Secretary, Housing and Town Planning Council, asking the Council to appoint Delegates to attend the Midland Conference of Local Authorities at the Council House, Birmingham, on the 27th and 28th proximo. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to attend the Conference.

22—No. 15 Ambrose Street—The Town Clerk reported that he had received an offer from Mr. Brown, Fruiterer, St. George's Place, to rent No. 15 Ambrose Street, at an inclusive rent of 10s per week. Resolved, That the offer be accepted. Resolved, also That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the premises put into tenantable repair.

23—Naunton Park Road—Read a letter from Mr. W. Lloyd calling attention to the surface water from the land occupied by Mr. C. Smith, overflowing the footpath on Naunton Park Road, and also to the wooden buildings erected on the land. Resolved, That consideration of the scatter be adjourned to the next Meeting.

24—Accident in Winchcombe Street.—Read a letter from Messrs. Earengy & Pruen giving notice of an accident to Mrs. Emily Robinson, of 78 Victoria Road, Stroud Green, which she sustained by slipping on the edge of the footpath in Winchcombe Street. Resolved, That the Corporation do not admit any liability in the matter.

25 —Whaddon Lane—Read a letter from Mr. C. H. Birkin complaining of the flooding of the allotments occupied by him. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to report on the matter at the next Meeting.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

#### PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 14<sup>th</sup>, January, 1913.** Present Councillors Baker, Bendall, Hanson Powell, Steel, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

1—New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following notices and plans of intended new buildings, viz :—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1143	W. Heath	Addition to No. 13 Clare Place
1144	A. Miles, Ltd.	New Office, etc., at rear of 117 High Street
1145	W. Herbert	Detached House, Leckhampton Road.
1146	H. H. Martyn & Co., Ltd.	Extension to Sunningend Works, St. Mark's
1147	F. J. Bennett	New Hippodrome, Albion Street

Resolved, That Plans No. 1143, 1145, and 1146 be approved, that plans No. 1144 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Inspector of Nuisances and that plans No. 1147 be disapproved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, the 24th January, 1913.** Present: Councillors Baker, Bendall, Hanson Powell, Steel and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

2—New Buildings.—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended new Buildings, viz:-

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1147	F. J. Bennett	New Hippodrome, Albion Street (Amended Plans)
1148	Mark Williams & Co.	Engine Shed, Made Hill Road
1149	W. J. H. Pilley	Conversion of House and Stable into 2 dwelling houses

Resolved, That Plan No. 1147 be approved subject to an undertaking being entered into to provide a fire-proof curtain if called upon, after a period of two years, that Plans No. 1148 be approved as a Temporary Building subject to the usual Agreement being tottered into to remove the same on 3 months notice and that Plans No. 1149 be disapproved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

#### **TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 22nd January, 1913.** Present: Alderman Rogers, Councillors Baker, Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones and Steel (Councillor Baker in the chair).

1—Musical Afternoons—Read a letter front Mr. Horace Teague applying for the use of the Town Iran on the 11th March, for his Benefit Concert. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to being allowed by Mr. Teague in respect of the payment for the Orchestra for that date and to his paying the cost of Lighting and any other out of pocket expenses.

Read a letter from the Hon. Secs., Visitors Information Bureau stating that complaints had been received from Visitors on account of the Concerts being discontinued for a fortnight in January during the Ball season and suggesting that this should not be done in future.

2—Montpellier Gardens—Read an application fruits Miss Legh, Hon. Sec. of the Cheltenham Archery Club for the use of the Archery Ground at Montpellier Gardens for the coming Season. Resolved, That the use of the ground be granted from the 1st April to the 31st October next at a charge of £12 12s. including the services of a man to put up and take down the targets.

3—Pittville Estate—Gardens. The Borough Surveyor reported that damage had been done to the carriageway leading to the Pump Room by the Sewer of the Cheltenham Rural District Council again overflowing and that he was having the damage made good and an account for the same sent to the Rural District Council. Resolved, That the action of the Boroughs Surveyor be approved.

4—Hedge in Chalet Gardens—The Committed inspected the hedge in the Chalet Gardens part of which had been removed and the space planted with shrubs. Read letters from Col. Dawson and Mrs. Holmes asking that the remaining portion of the hedge should be removed and shrubs planted. Resolved, That a further length of 31 yards be removed.

5—Trees—After inspecting the trees, as to which complaints had been received. Resolved—

- (1) That the tree near Aubervie be removed.
- (2) That the lower limb of the tree near Saxham be removed.
- (3) That the tree near Edenholme be lopped.
- (4) That two dead trees near the Old Mill-house be removed.
- (5) That the request of Mr. Mellersh for a tree near the Wild Flower Garden to be cut down to 7 feet be acceded to.

Fence—Resolved, That a light iron fence be placed near the Old Mill-house.

Bridge—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the bridge in the Marle Hill annexe repaired at an estimated cost of £70.

Seat in Evesham Road.—Read a letter from Capt. Kelham asking for the removal of a seat opposite Anlaby, Evesham Road. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

6—Date of Meeting—Resolved. That in future the Meeting of the Committee be held on the second Thursday in each month at 4.45 p.m.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

#### **ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 16th January, 1913**—Present: Councillors Green, Merrett, Rees Jones and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he had tested the gas on the 16th inst. for illuminating power with the following result, viz : 15.3 Candles. His test for purity showed 21 grains of sulphur per 100 Cubic feet.

2--Requisition for Material Required—The Boroughs Electrical Engineer submitted a list of materials, etc., which would probably be required during the ensuing month and the same was approved.

3—Applications for Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received applications for supply to two houses at Battledown and six houses in St. Phillips Terrace, the cost of the necessary extensions of main would be £82 10s. and £48 respectively. Resolved, That the extensions he made.

4—Charges of Supply—Read letter from Messrs. Winterbotham, Gurney & Co. with reference to the charge for energy supplied to the Winter Gardens and the Albert Hall. Resolved, That Theatres and Picture Palaces be supplied at an inclusive price of 20. per unit with a discount of 10% for payment within 14 days, for the whole of their supply.

5—Lighting of St. Paul's Road—Read a letter from Mr. E. Broad of No. 1 St. Paul's Street North asking that an Electric lamp should be Placed at the cross roads near his shop. Resolved, That consideration of the application be adjourned.

6—Staff—The Committee considered the notice required to be given by the members of the Staff to terminate their appointments. The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that Mr. C. T. Bastin Accountant and Mr. J. M. Robb (Works Superintendent) were willing that their appointments should be determinable by one month's notice on either side. Resolved, That this be agreed to.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairmen.

#### WATER COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 23rd January, 1913.**—Present: Alderman Margrett, Councillors Baker, Bendall, Green, Merrett and Wood (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Borough Engineer's Report—The monthly report of the Borough Engineer was read:

#### DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 20th January, 1913	Average for corresponding period during last 3 years.
Hewletts	508,000 gallons	532,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	2,236,000 “	1,845,000 “
Leckhampton Springs	<u>135,000</u> “	<u>126,000</u> “
Total	2,879,000 “	2,503,000 “

#### CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

20th Jan., 1913.			20th Jan., 1912.		
	Depth	Contents		Depth	Contents
Hewletts		30,650,000 gallons			24,818,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	32ft. 0in.	100,000,000 “		32ft. 0in.	100,000,000 “
Leckhampton	12ft. 6in.	<u>1,687,000</u> “		9ft. 5in.	<u>1,233,000</u> “
	Total Storage	132,337,000 “			126,101,000 “

2—Salts Farm—The Committee inspected Salts Farm. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to prepare an estimate for erecting a two-stall stable and Corn house and a new fence and also for providing a small filter for the cesspool.

3—Tewkesbury Works—New Filter—The Borough Engineer reported that he had carefully considered Works and had consulted the City Engineer of Worcester where some years ago a similar difficulty had occurred: He recommended that the filter should be lined with bitumen sheeting, protected, as to the floor, with a layer of slabs laid in hydraulic lime mortar and, as to the walls, with a half brick lining jointed with similar material. Resolved, That the Borough Engineer be instructed to prepare a specification and obtain tenders for carrying out the work.

4—Land at Mythe—The Town Clerk reported that a writ had now been issued against the Tewkesbury Corporation as advised by Counsel for an injunction to restrain the Tewkesbury Corporation from interfering with the land at the Mythe belonging to the Corporation.

5—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeal Book were considered and the rates settled adjusted.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

#### GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 21st January 1913**--Present : Aldermen Margrett, Norman, Rogers, Skillicorne, Waghorne and Winterbotham, Councillors Baker, Bendall, Haddock, Merrett and Stewart (Alderman Norman in the chair.)

1 —Diseases amongst Animals--Supt. Hopkins reported that with the exceptions of the horse of Mr. William Hodgetts of Grovefield Gardens, suffering from Parasitic Mange, the Borough was entirely free from Contagious Disease amongst Animals.

5-- Fire Brigade—The Captain of the Fire Brigade reported that the Brigade had not been called to any outbreak of fire during the past month.

3—Taxi Cab Licences—Read a letter from the Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co. Ltd. renewing their application for 12 Taxi Cab Licences and stating that they could arrange for five existing Hackney Carriage Licensees to be given up. Resolved, That Licensees (not exceeding 12) be granted to the Company, subject to their arranging to give up two existing Hackney Carriage Licensees for each Taxi Cab Licensee issued, and subject to the Taxi Cabs being approved by the Sub Committee.

4—Motor Omnibus Licences.—An application was also received from the Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co. Ltd. for a Licence for a Motor Bus to ply for hire between the Midland Stations and the end of Cemetery Road, via Queen's Road, Montpellier, Promenade, High Street and Hewlett Street at the following fares :—

Midland Stations and Montpellier Gardens ...	1d.
Montpellier Gardens and Blue Taxi Office, High Street	1d.
High Street and Cemetery Road ...	1d.

A memorial from residents in the Lansdown, Montpellier and Tivoli Districts was also received in support of the application.

The application of the Cheltenham and District Light Railway Co. to run a Motor Omnibus from the Midland Station to the Colonnade via Lansdown and Montpellier was also renewed. Resolved, That the Mayor, Aldermen Rogers, Skillicorne and Waghorne and Councillor Haddock be appointed a Sub Committee to consider the applications and report thereon to the next Meeting.

5—Licences to store Petroleum—Read applications from Messrs. H. E. Steel, Ltd. for a Licence to store 1,000 gallons of Petroleum in the Plough Yard and from the Queen's hotel Co. to store 200 gallons. The Inspector reported that the premises were satisfactory. Resolved, That the applications be granted. Read an application from the Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co. Ltd. applying for a further temporary Licence to store 200 gallons of petroleum at the rear of their Garage in Spa Road for 3 months, within which time they hoped to complete their new store. Resolved, That a temporary Licence be granted for six weeks.

6—Bye-Law re Noisy Animals—Resolved, That the following draft Bye-Law be submitted for the approval of the Home Office, viz . " No person shall keep within any house, building or premises in the Borough of Cheltenham any noisy animal or bird which shall be or cause a serious nuisance to residents in the neighbourhood. Provided that this Bye-Law shall not apply to a pack of hounds. Provided also that no proceedings shall be taken against any person for an offence against this Bye-Law unless the nuisance be continued after the expiration of a fortnight from the date of the service on such person of a notice alleging a nuisance, signed by not less than three householders residing within hearing of the animal or bird."

" Any person offending against the foregoing Bye-Law shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding £5."

7—Shops Act 1912—Tobacconists Shops Closing Order—An objection received from Mr. J. W. Pearce of Agra House, Bath Road, to the making of an Order fixing Wednesday at 1.30 p.m. as the Early Closing Day for Tobacconists Shops was considered. A letter was also received from Mr. E. Leacey suggesting that the month of December should be exempted from the Order. Resolved. That an Order in the terms of the draft Order now submitted be made, the Council being satisfied that it is expedient to make the Order and that the occupiers of at least two thirds in number of the shops affected by the Order approve of the same and that the Town Clerk be instructed to submit the Order for the confirmation of the Secretary of State.

8—Minutes of Committees—Read a letter from the Metropolitan Press Agency Ltd. asking to be supplied with a copy of the Minutes and Agenda before each Meeting of the Council. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

5—Appointment on Committees—Resolved, That Councillor Smith be appointed a Member of the Burial Board and Electricity and Lighting Committees to fill the vacancies caused by the resignation of Alderman Rogers and Councillor Steel and also a Member of the Municipal Offices Sites Committee.

GEO. NORMAN,

Chairman.

#### **MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 17th January, 1913**—Present: The Mayor, Councillors Baker, Bendall, Blakeney, Haddock, Merrett and Sawyer, Stewart and Silk (Councillor Haddock in the Chair.)

1—Montpellier Baths.—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from April to December, were as follows

Receipts	£409 2 3	Expenses ...	£ 524 16 1
		Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ..	<u>396 15 0</u>
	£409 2 3		£921 11 1

Wiring—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted a revised specification for wiring the Montpellier Baths. Resolved, That tenders be invited by advertisement for carrying out the work.

Chairs—Resolved, That a charge of 5s be made for the use of the Chairs at the Montpellier Baths for Meetings, &c., and that the resolution to Minute No. 2 of this Committee's proceedings on the 5th Sept. last be varied accordingly.

2--Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from

1st April to 31st December, were as follows :—

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts ...	313 1 0	Expenses ... ..	374 5 2
		Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ..	<u>251 5 0</u>
	£343 1 0		£625 10 2

Swimming Baths—The Superintendent of the Alstone Baths reported that the number of bathers during the year ending the 30th September was 46,993 which included 10,507 boys and 1,718 girls (School Children) and that 184 boys and 27 girls had been taught to swim.

3—Naunton Park Recreation Ground.—Read an application from Messrs. Chatters & Smithson, Architects, for permission to lay a drain to the new Domestic Science Centre at Naunton Park School through the Recreation Ground and also asking that the Water supply might be taken off the service main which supplied the Recreation Ground. Resolved, that permission be given for the drain to be laid through the Recreation Ground but that a separate Water main must be laid.

4—Mineral Water Sales—The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during December last was 534 as compared with 588 for the month of December, 1911. The number of bottles of Aperient Water sold during December was 144 as compared with 180 for the corresponding month in 1911.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

#### BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 24<sup>th</sup> January, 1913**—Present Councillors Baker, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel and Stewart (Councillor Stewart in the Chair.)

1.—Inspection of Cemetery—The Committee visited the Cemetery and inspected the same. On the application of the Superintendent. Resolved, That he be authorised to obtain from the Farms 6 loads of manure for use at the Cemetery,

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2—Trees overhanging Grave—The Committee inspected the trees overhanging the grave of Mrs. Berkeley Calcott, of which complaint had been received. Resolved, That the trees be not removed.

3—Designs—Resolved, That the following designs be approved, viz : Memorial to grave of Mary Rees, Memorial Crosses to graves of T. A. Gaisford, Ernest Porter, Crosses and Kerbing to graves of Emmeline Marie De Fable, John Dawson, and Fanny Anne Hall, Headstone and Kerbing to grave of Alfred Overton Oliver.

J. STEWART,

Chairman.

#### **PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 14th January, 1913**—Present: Alderman Col. Rogers, Councillors Earengy, Green, Mann, Merrett, Wilkins and Steel. Messrs. Beckingsale, F. J. Caudle, J. B. Claridge, W. Cresswell, E. Gridley, A. Miles and H. Stroud (Alderman Col. Rogers in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts, £4 11s. 0d. Presentations :—Agent General for Nova Scotia (1 vol), Lady Lee (4 vols), Mrs. Maxwell (9 vols), Major W. Roper Calbeck (1 vol), Mrs. King Harman (1 vol).

The number of Volumes consulted in the Reference Library was 1744, an increase of 73 as compared with the corresponding period of last year. The number of volumes issued from the Lending Department was 11033, a decrease of 854 as compared with last year ; 19 books for the blind had been issued during December last.

2—**Report of Plans Sub-Committee**—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 15th ulto., (present—Alderman Col. Rogers (Chairman) Councillors Merrett and Mr. F. J. Caudle

The Sub-Committee interviewed six out of 14 applicants for the post of Junior Assistant in the place of E. H. F. Yiend resigned, and they recommended the appointment of S. A. A. Webley at 8s per week.

The Sub-Committee also met on the 9th instant, (Present—Alderman Rogers (Chairman), Councillors Green and Merrett and Mr. F. J. Caudle), they recommended :—

(1) That a selection from the list of second-hand books submitted, be purchased at a cost of about £5 10s.

(2) That a selection from the list of books submitted on Archaeology be purchased out of the Leslie Young Bequest at a cost of about 10s.

(3) That owing to the discontinuance of the business of Mrs. Cossens, the Tender of Messrs. J. J. Banks & Son, for the supply of Newspapers, etc., be accepted for the period ending the 31st March next.

(4) That Date labels, showing the date due for return be provided and placed in all Lending Library Books.

(5) That the wages of Mr. C. O'Brien, the Caretaker, be increased from 25s to 27s per week.

Resolved, That the date labels be not provided and that with this exception the recommendations of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

3—Royal Numismatic Society—Resolved, That this Committee become a Member of the Royal Numismatic Society at an Annual Subscription of £1 1s.

RICHARD ROGERS,

Chairman.

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#### FINANCE COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 28th, January, 1913.** Present : Aldermen Skillicorne and Waghorne, Councillors Haddock, Rees Jones, Steel and Wilkins (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant dated the 28th January, on the collection of the second instalment of this Rate was read. Amount collected £15,926 16s. 2d. Leaving outstanding, £8518 6s. 6d.

2—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 28th instant, on the collection of this Rate for the half-year ended the 25th March next was read. Amount collected £8368 14s. 11d, Leaving outstanding, £4824 19s. 8d.

3—Loans—The Borough Accountant reported that since the last "Meeting he had received £200, £5,000 £1,950 and £100 on loan at per cent. Resolved, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of Water, Sewage Disposal, and Electric Lighting Loans.

4—Investment of Sinking Funds--The Borough Accountant reported that the Southend-on-Sea Corporation desired to borrow £3268 at per cent., repayable by instalments of principal and interest within a period of 30 years and also £657 repayable within a period of seven years. Resolved, That subject to the Town Clerk approving the security offered the sums of £3268 and £657 be advanced to the Southend-on-Sea Corporation on the terms mentioned out of the Sinking Funds.

5—Audit of Corporation Stock—The Borough Accountant reported that on the 14th and 15th instant, he had audited the 3 per cent. Stock Accounts at the National Provincial Bank, London, and found the same in order, and that he had made the necessary return to the Inland Revenue Authorities as to stamp duty.

6—Lane at West rear of Great Norwood Street—Private Improvement Expenses—Read a letter from Mrs. Batten asking to be allowed to pay the private improvement expenses (£2 17s. 8d.) due from her by instalments. Resolved, That payment be accepted by four instalments payable on the next four quarter days.

8—Electric Lighting Order. Costs. The Town Clerk reported that the Speaker of the House of Commons had decided that there was no appeal to him from the decision of the 'faxing Officer under the Statute, under which the order for payment of the costs by the Gas Company was made.

7—Accounts—The Financial Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure since the last meeting and the Bills and Accounts to be paid were examined, and the latter ordered to be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

The Treasurer's accounts at the Bank were examined, and the balances found to be correct. The following was the General Statement :—

In hand on the 24th December last	£11,148 11 2
Received since that date (including Loans on Debenture, £7,950)	<u>32,288 10 11</u>
	£43,437 5 1
Paid since that date (including Loans repaid, £1,298 and Purchase of Stock, £291 5s. 92.) .	<u>£23,299 9 1</u>
	In Hand 20,137 16 0
being General Accounts	£15,205 2 2
Sinking Fund Accounts	4,090 18 3
Leslie Young Benefaction " Accounts	<u>829 15 7</u>
	£20,127 16 0

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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### Borough of Cheltenham

**At a Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall,- in the said, Borough, on Monday, the 3rd February, 1913, at 3 p.m. Present :**

THE MAYOR (JAMES TYNTE AGG-GARDNER ESQ. in the chair.

THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen GEORGE NORMAN CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT, RICHARD ROGERS WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE, JAMES BATTEN WINTERBOTHAM

Councillors : WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL JOHN HENRY. BLAKENEY WILLIAM GEORGE EARENGEY EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN PERCY HADDOCK JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS

1-- Minutes of Previous Meetings—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meetings of the Council on the 6th and 24th January last having been printed and a copy sent to each Member of the Council, be taken, as read, and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

2—Gift of Fountain—Read, a letter from Mr. J. W. Drew, stating that Mrs. Drew and he wished to present an Ornamental Fountain to the Town and asking if the Council would find a site for the fountain and also provide a supply of water for the same. Resolved.; That the thanks of the Council be conveyed to Mr. and Mrs. Drew and that they be informed that the Council will provide a site and also a supply of water for the fountain.

3—Public Health Committee—Resolved, —That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee at their Meetings of the 13th and 20th January last, be approved and confirmed.

4- -Street and Highway Committee -Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings, of the 14th and 27th January last, be approved and confirmed.

5—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved; That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meeting of the 22nd January last be approved and confirmed, subject to the following amendment, viz :—That Minute No. 4 (Hedge in Chalet Garden) be not approved.

6—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings' of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meeting of the 16th January last, be approved and confirmed.

7-Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 23rd January last, be approved and confirmed.

8—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meeting of the 21st January last, be approved and confirmed.

9- Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meeting of the 17th January last, be approved and confirmed

10--Burial.-Board Committee--Resolved, That the: proceedings of the Burial Board Committee at their Meeting of the 24<sup>th</sup> January last, be approved and confirmed.

11—Public Library Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public-Library Committee, at their Meeting of the 14th January last, be approved and confirmed.

12—Finance Committee — Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 28th January last, be approved and confirmed.

Resolved also, that an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

13—Site for Municipal Offices—The Notice of Motion given by Councillor Blakeney at the last Monthly Meeting on this subject was withdrawn by him.

Mayor.

### **Borough of Cheltenham**

**MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 3rd March, 1913.**

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 10th February, 1913**—Present : Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood. (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz :-17 Duke Street, 54 and 57, Rutland Street, Long's Cottages, Rutland Street, 3, Denmark Cottages, Millbrook Street, 18, Albion Parade, and 30, Union Street. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 3G of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1881), requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Overcrowding at-2, Wood's Court, Sherborne Street. The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875 be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

3—Cleansing and Limewashing at 8, 23, 25, 39 and 41, thLit Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1975, that the above-named dwelling houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

4- Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 9, Grosvenor Terrace, 13, Nailsworth Terrace and 30, Burton Street. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

5—Insanitary Property—Devonshire House, New Street, 8, 23, 25, 27, 35, 37, 39 and 41, Union Street, 1, Denmark Cottages, Millbrook Street. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875 be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

6—Houses Unfit for Human Habitation--1 and 2, Fountain Passage, Commercial Street.---The Medical Officer of Health made a representation that these dwelling-houses were in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation and he recommended that the houses be closed. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting and that in the meantime notice be given to the owners of the premises of the intention of the Council to make a Closing Order.

1 and 2 Eaton Cottages, Bath Road—Demolition Order—Resolved, That the question of making a Demolition Order in respect of these premises be further adjourned.

7—Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops Order—Read, an application from Mrs. Martha Jane Byard, of the Coffee House, Sherborne Street, to be registered as a Purveyor of Milk. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

8—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction of diseased meat, as follows :—On the 24th ulto., the carcase and offal of a Bacon Pig, on the 25th ultimo, 8 imported ox kidneys, on the 5th inst., the carcase and offal of a bacon pig, and on the 8th instant, the carcase and offal of a pork pig. (Total weight destroyed, 607 lbs.)

9—**Report of Farms Sub-Committee** —The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 10th instant. Present—Alderman Skillicorne, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel and Wood (Councillor Wood in the chair).

Farms' Manager's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Farms' Manager. The number of stock on the 10th inst., was 19 horses (not including 6 at the Depot), 102 head of cattle, 88 sheep and 23 pigs all doing very well. Since the last meeting, 16 head of cattle, including 7 calves) had been sold for £185 8s., and 7 sheep for £16 0s. 8d. Total sales, £201 8s. 8d.) 14 head of cattle had been purchased for £173. 4 calves and 20 pigs had been bred on Farms.

Resolved, That 2 new sheep racks be purchased from Messrs. Meats & Co., for £4 15s each, less 15 per cent., and also from 10,000 to 15,000 Osiers for planting in Filter Beds, at 15s per 1000 including planting.

Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 17th February, 1913.** Present : The Mayor, Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Hanson, Powell, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood, (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

10—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz 25 and 32 Hanover Street, 8 Imperial Square, 1 2 and 3, Tanner's Cottages, Arle, 4, Beaufort Place, Pittville. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

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11—Cleansing and Limewashing at 4 and 5 Alstone Place, 5 Gloucester Cottages, 3, Tanner's Cottages, Arle, 51 and 52 Burton Street, and 4 Beaufort Place, Pittville. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under 46 ref the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners: under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

12—Nuisances from Drains, etc. at Pembury House, Lansdown Crescent and 12 Nailsworth. Terrace. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the Drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

9 Grosvenor Terrace—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that he had examined the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above premises and found the same to be defective and to require amendment and alteration. He submitted specification of the works required to be done. Resolved. That the same be approved and that notice be given under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises. requiring them to do the specified works within 21 days.

13—Insanitary Property—4 and 5 Alstone Place, Gloucester Road, Gloucester Cottages, 1, 2 and 3 Tanner's Cottages, Arle, 32, 51 and 52 Burton Street, and Land in Naunton Park Road occupied by Mr. Cornelius Smith.—The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

14—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—1 & 2 Fountain Passage, Commercial Street. With reference to the representation made by the Medical Officer of Health at the last Meeting, the Town Clerk reported that he had given notice to the owners of No. 1 and 2 Fountain Passage, Commercial Street. Read a letter from Messrs. Godsell & Sons, Ltd., the Owners of the premises, stating that they would inspect the Cottages and if necessary pull the same down. Resolved, That it appearing to the

Council that the above mentioned dwelling houses were in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, an Order be now made, pursuant to Sec. 17 (2) of the Housing, Town Planning Act 1909, prohibiting the use of the said houses for human habitation until the same have been rendered fit for that purpose and that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Order and that notice of such Order be given to the Owners.

10, 11, 12 & 13 Hereford Place. The Medical Officer of Health made a representation that these dwelling houses were in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, and he recommended that the houses be closed. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting, and that in the meantime notice be given to the Owners of the premises of the intention of the Council to make a Closing Order.

15—Dairies. Cowsheds and Milkshops Order.—Read and application from Mr. James Ebdon of 222, High Street to be registered as a Purveyor of milk. Resolved, That the applicant be informed that the Medical Officer of Health considers the premises are unsuitable for the sale of milk.

16—Destruction of Diseased Meat.—The Medical Officer of Health reported that on the 14th instant the carcase of a Pork Pig (77 lbs.) was surrendered and destroyed as unfit for human food.

17—Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of Notices requiring the abatement of nuisance, caused by dirty walls and ceilings, defective floors and roofs, &c., and the provisions of Ash Receptacles which had been served but not complied with. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to compel compliance.

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18—Flooding in Hatherley Road.--The Borough Surveyor reported the flooding of Brook Villas, Hatherley Road which was caused by the surcharging of the Sewer and he recommended that an overflow manhole should be constructed at an estimated cost of £10. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

19--Conference on Infant Mortality.—Read a letter from the National Association for the Prevention of Infant Mortality asking the Council to appoint Delegates to attend a Conference at Caxton Hall, Westminster, on 4th and 5th of August. Resolved, That no Delegates be appointed.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

#### **STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 11th February, 1913.** Present: Councillors Baker, Bendall, Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

1--Street Projections—Read, applications from the Cheltenham Gas Co., for permission to place a projecting lamp outside No. 49 Winchcomb Street and from Messrs.. E. Organ & Sons, to place an Electric Sign outside No. 88 High Street. Resolved, That the applications be accrued to subject to the usual conditions.

2—Rooks in Promenade—Read, a letter from Mr. H. Ursell, asking that five nests in the tree opposite his premises should be removed. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

3—Drainage from Battledown Nurseries—Read, a letter from Mr. A. Barnfield, of Battledown Nurseries, asking for permission to drain the water from his greenhouses into the surface water drain in Hale's Road. Resolved, That this be agreed to.

4—**Stores Sub-Committee**--Resolved, That the Stores Sub Committee meet at the Central Depot, on Wednesday, the 19th instant at 2.30, to consider the annual tenders.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 24th February, 1913.** Present :—Alderman Margrett, Councillors Baker, Bendall, Hanson Powell, Mane, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

6—Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 24th January to the 20th February, 1913 (both inclusive) had been as follows :—

Roads repaired—Church Street (105 square yards), Hatherley Street (1,722 square yards), Hewlett Place (342 square yards), Lypiatt Street and Hatherley Street (road between), (1,863 square yards), Suffolk Road (3,055 square yards), Tivoli Street (1,337 square yards).

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Roads patched—Dunalley Parade, Dunalley Street, Gloucester Road, Henrietta Street, King Street, Leckhampton Road, Lypiatt Street, Norwood Road, Pittville Street, Prestbury Road, Queen's Road, St. Paul's Road and Winchcombe Street.

Electricity Trenches repaired—Bath Road, Clarence Street, Fairfield Park Road, Oriel Place, Prestbury Road, Priory Street, Regent Street, Rodney Place, St. James' Square and Winchcombe Street. Gas Trenches repaired—Croft Street, Grosvenor Place South, London Road, Malvern Road, Montpellier Wide Opening, and Western Road.

Footpath Paving repaired—Albion Street, Church Street, Clarence Street, Cambray, Duke Street, Hatherley Street, High Street, Lypiatt Street, Marle Hill Road, Oriel Road, Promenade, Queen Street, Russell Place, St. George's Place and St. George's Road.

Footpaths gravelled—Cemetery Road (650 square yards), London Road (30 square yards), Overton Park (692 square yards), Rowanfield. Road (90 square yards), Sydenham Road South (proceeding). New Channelling laid—Hatherley Street (360 lineal yards). Channelling repaired—Church Street, Leamington Place, Lypiatt Street and Suffolk Road. Kerbing relaid—Hatherley Street and Lypiatt Street.

Street Crossing renewed-1. Gateway Crossings renewed-5. New Gullies fixed---7. New Gratings fixed to Gullies-2. Trees pruned—Albion Street, Battledown Approach, Rear of Clarence Square, Evesham

Road, Hale's Road, Leckhampton Road, Montpellier Street, Parabola Road, Pittville Crescent, Promenade and Sydenham Road South.

Ashes Collection and Disposal—During 4 weeks ended the 13th February, 1913-872 loads collected, 843 consumed and 29 tipped away. Weight consumed-1,135 tons, 4 cwts., 2 qrs. Steam generated—Hourly average 8,607 lbs.

Slab Factory—During 4 weeks ended the 13th February, 1913, 3,559 lineal feet of blocks made for sewage filters.

View Meeting—The following Members attended the View Meeting on Friday last : Councillors Baker, Bendall, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins.

7—Report of Plans Sub Committee—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub Committee at their Meetings on the 11th and 21st inst. Resolved, That the same be approved and adopted.

8— Street Projections—Read an application from the Cheltenham Gas Co., for permission to place projecting lamps outside No. 263 High Street and 9 Rotunda Terrace. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to compliance with the usual conditions.

Read, an application from the Rev. Weaver Evans, for permission to place a streamer across the High Street, from the corner of Rodney Road, on the 25th-27th instant, announcing a Sale of Work at Cambray Church. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, subject to the streamer being placed at a height of not less than 30 feet from the ground.

9--Electric Light Pillars, Hatherley Road—Read, an application from the Borough Electrical Engineer for permission to place two pillars and build is pit in Hatherley Road. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the position of the pillars and pit being approved by the Borough Surveyor.

10—**Report of Stores Sub-Committee**—The Stores Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 19th instant. Present Councillors Baker, Bendall, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair) and considered the tenders (178 in number) for the supply of materials, etc. for the 12 months ending the 31st March, 1914, and examined the samples accompanying such tenders. Resolved, To recommend acceptance of the schedule of prices from the following for the supply of goods required by the Corporation :—

Cement ...	Oxford Cement Co., Ltd. (33s)
Disinfectants	Adcocks, London
Do	United Alkali Co., Ltd., Liverpool
Electric Light Fittings	General Electric Co., Cardiff
Forage ...	Oldacre & Son, Cheltenham
Do. ...	W. Ride & Co., Cheltenham
Do. ...	D. Snowsell, Cheltenham
Do. ...	F. W. Brown, Arle

India Rubber Goods and Hose Pipe	Clyde Rubber Co., Glasgow
Household Goods and Sundries	Jno. Fisher & Sons, Ltd.
Do. do.	E. Joyner & Son
Do. do.	Birmingham Blind Institute
Do. do.	London Supply Co.
Do. do.	Cheltenham Blind Institute
Do. do.	Johns & Sons, Gloucester
Do. do.	E. L. Ward
Do. do.	Osborne House Co.
Do. do.	John Lance & Co., Ltd.
Do. do.	Northern Waste Co.
Ironmongery	Sharpe & Fisher, Ltd.
Do.	Jno. Fisher & Sons, Ltd.
Do.	T. W. Harvey & Sons, Ltd.
Do.	Pryke and Palmer, London
Kerbs, Setts and Macadam	Left to Borough Surveyor to order from
Schedules as required.	
Lead Pipe and Fittings	Geo. Bence & Sons, Ltd.
Lime, Bricks and Sand	Do.
Do.	Powell Gwinnell & Co., Ltd.
Do.	Webb Bros. & Ltd.
Do.	M. Williams & Co.
Stoneware Pipes (Wragg's Manufacture)	Powell Gwinnell & Co., Ltd.
Timber ...	Geo. Bence & Sons, Ltd.
Do. ...	Smith Bros.
Do. (Barrows) ...	F. Hodgkinson
Tools ...	Jno. Fisher & Sons, Ltd.
Do....	Harvey & Sons, Ltd.
Uniforms and Overalls ...	A. N. Cole
Wrought Iron Steel and Files	Stringer Bros., West Bromwich
Do, do. ...	Jno. Fisher & Sons, Ltd.
Do. do.	A. B. Boshier & Co
White Lead, Oils and Colours	Kauriti Ltd., London
Do. do.	John Fisher & Sons, Ltd.
Do. do.	Dee Oil Co.
Do. do.	Rowson Drew, Ltd., London

11—Advertisement Hoarding, Ambrose Street—Read, a letter from the Local Government Board, asking for the observations of the Council on a further letter received by the Board from Mr. C. MacVitie, with reference to the Advertisement Hoarding in Ambrose Street. Resolved, That the reply of the Town Clerk be approved.

12—Telegraph Pole, Christ Church Passage—Read, a letter from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs, asking for permission to place is telegraph pole in Christ Church Passage. The Borough Surveyor reported that the passage was only 6 foot wide and the polo would be an obstruction. Resolved, That under the circumstances the permission be not given.

13—Lypiatt Street—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to bring up an estimate of the repairs required to be done to the footpaths in Lypiatt Street.

14—Prestbury Road—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to bring up a plan and estimate of the work required to be done to the footpaths by the abutting owners.

15—Corporation Workmen—Read, a letter from the Secretary, Cheltenham Building Trades Joint Committee, complaining that Plasterers work was being done by other than plasterers in the employ of the Corporation and a lower wage paid in consequence. Resolved, That the Secretary be asked to give more definite particulars of the work complained of.

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16 Temporary Building, Marle Hill Road—Read, a memorial from the owners and occupiers of houses in Marle Hill Road, protesting against the erection of a shed in Marle Hill Road, which was intended to be used as shelter for a traction engine. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for the Committee to view,

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

#### PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 11th February, 1913.** Present :  
Councillors Baker, Bendall, Sled, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

1—New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following notices and plans of intended new buildings, viz ;—

No. of Plan.	Name	Description
1150	G. H. Roberts	2 Houses, All Saints' Villas Road
1151	Mrs. Henegan	Additions to Arundel Lodge, The Park
1152	W. J. H. Pilley	Additions to Two Cottages and Stables at rear of Jersey Place (amended plans)
1153	A. Page	3 Houses, Swindon Road
1154	S. P. Ryland	Additions to Ombersley, Hatherley Road
1155	Miss R. E. Barnard	Additions to Hitcham, Fairfield Park Road
1156	J. L. Bendall	4 Houses, Naunton Lane
1157	Dr. Pearson	Additions to Greville Lodge, Gratton Road
1158	W. A. Salisbury	Temporary Motor House, Sandfield House, Leckhampton Rd.
1159	W. J. Widdows	Shed in Norwood Road
1160	S. B. Dix	Alteration to Cycle Shop, Norwood Road

1161 Dr. Condor Temporary Motor House, Park Villa, Park Place.

Resolved, That Plans No. 1152, 1154, 1157, 1159 and 1160 be approved, that Plans No. 1151 and 1155 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Inspector of Nuisances, that Plans No. 1158 and 1161 be approved as temporary buildings, subject to the usual Agreement to remove the same on three months notice being entered into and that plans No. 1150, 1153 and 1156 be disapproved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

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**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, the 21st February, 1913.** Present: Councillors Baker, Bendall, Steel, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

2—New Buildings.—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended new Buildings, viz:—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1150	G. H. Roberts	Two Houses, All Saints' Villas Road
1153	A. Page	Three Houses in Swindon Road (amended plans)
1162	Miss Anderson	Temporary Coalhouse, Langdale, Charlton Lane
1163	H. S. Hamilton	Detached House, Leckhampton Load.

Resolved, That Plans No. 1153 and 1163 be approved, that Plans No. 1162 be approved as a Temporary Building, subject to the usual Undertaking being given to remove same on three months' notice and that Plans No. 1150 be disapproved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

#### **TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 13th February, 1913.** Present: The Mayor, Alderman Rogers, Councillors Baker, Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones and Steel (Councillor Baker in the chair).

1—Musical Afternoons—Read, a letter from Mr. A. Willey, Leader of the Municipal Orchestra, stating that they wished to arrange their Annual Outing on the 18th March and asking the Committee to cancel the Concert on that date. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

2—Summer Concerts—The Town Clerk reported that Messrs. Earengy & Pruen had applied to number of Insurance Companies to obtain a Bond to secure payment of the rent but had been unable to obtain a quotation as the Companies considered that the Bond asked for amounted to a guarantee of the solvency of an individual which was not a risk they would undertake. In lieu of giving a Bond he had arranged subject to the approval of the Committee, that the rent should be

paid as follows £100 on Whit Monday, £50 on the first Monday in July, and £50 on the that Monday in August, and that the balance should be settled on the 30th September, after crediting the tenant's share of subscriptions, except that £50 was to be retained by the Corporation out of the Subscriptions on account of the next year's rent. Resolved, That this be agreed to and that the Resolution to Minute No. 7 of this Committee's proceedings on the 27th November last be varied accordingly.

3—Winter Garden—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Lessees of the Winter Garden proposed to re-arrange the seating and provide a larger stage. This would prevent the exits on the east side of the building being used and they asked for permission to construct two new exits as shown on the plan submitted. Resolved, That permission be given subject to the exits being constructed to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor and to the building being reinstated at the termination of the tenancy if required by the Corporation.

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4—Street Tablets--Read, a letter from Mr. H. C. Hill, suggesting that Tablets should be placed on Buildings which have been the residence of distinguished persons to record the fact of their residence. Resolved, That the Committee approve of this suggestion.

5—Promenade Long Garden—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee a Memorial signed by the owners of all the houses, Nos. 14 to 34 Promenade, requesting that a footpath should be 'nude across the Promenade Long Garden as shewn on the plan prepared by the Borough Surveyor, so as to give more convenient access to and from the houses. Resolved, That the consideration of the application be adjourned.

6--Visitors Information Bureau—Read, a letter from the Secretaries Information Bureau, stating that the Committee of the Bureau were publishing an Illustrated Booklet and List of Apartments, and asking the Corporation to take a two-page advertisement in the Booklet at a cost of two guineas. Resolved, That a two-page advertisement be inserted in the Booklet.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

#### **ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 13th February, 1913**—Present: Councillors Green, Haddock, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the choir).

1—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that the test of the gas on the 10th inst. showed 23 grains of sulphur per 100 Cubic feet.

2—Requisition for Materials Required—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted a list of materials, etc., which would probably be required during the ensuing month and the same was approved.

3—Applications for Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported 1. bat he had received applications for supply to three houses in Albert Place, Pittville. The cost of the necessary extension of main was £28. Resolved, That the extension be made.

4—Staff—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that owing to the increase in the work of his Department, further clerical assistance was required and he recommended that a Junior Clerk be appointed at a commencing salary of 10s per week. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved.

5—Extension of Public Lighting—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted a Scheme for substituting electric lamps for the present gas lamps in the following Streets, viz :—

Street	Existing Gas Lamps	Proposed Electric Lamps
King Street	3	3
Swindon Road	2	3
St. Paul's Lane ...	1	—
St. Paul's Street North	4	4
St. Paul's Road	1	1
Hanover Street	4	4
Marle Hill Road	4	4
Marle Hill Parade	5	6
St. Paul's Road	2	2
Clarence Square	6	6
Clarence Road	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
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The estimated cost of carrying out the work (including the extensions of main, providing the lamp standards, &c. would be £338 11s. 6d., and the annual cost would be £2 10s per lamp, including a return of 8 per cent. on the capital outlay, which would be paid for out of the Renewals Fund. Resolved, That the scheme be approved and adopted, and that the Borough Electrical Engineer be instructed to have the work carried out, and that three months' notice be given to the Gas Company for the removal of the existing gas lamps.

6—Annual Convention of Municipal Electrical Association—Read, a letter from the Hon. Secretary, Municipal Electrical Association inviting the Council to appoint Delegates to attend the Annual Convention of the Association to be held in London from the 17th to the 20th June inst. Resolved, That the Chairman and Borough Electrical Engineer be appointed to attend the Convention.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

#### WATER COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 20th February, 1913.**—Present: Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Baker, Green, Merrett and Wood (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Borough Engineer's Report—The monthly report of the Borough Engineer was read:

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 18th February, 1913	Average for corresponding period during last 3 years.
Hewletts	512,000 gallons	521,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	2,198,000 "	1,570,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	<u>128,000</u> "	<u>113,000</u> "
Total	2,838,000 "	2,204,000 "

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

	18th Feb., 1913.		18th Feb., 1912.	
	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
Hewletts		28,919,000 gallons		29,622,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	32ft. 0in.	100,000,000 "	32ft. 0in.	100,000,000 "
Leckhampton	12ft. 6in.	<u>1,823,000</u> "	12ft. 0in.	<u>1,621,000</u> "
Total Storage		130,742,000 "		131,243,000 "

2—Salts Farm—The Borough Engineer submitted a plan and estimate for providing 'a Stable and Corn Store, and also about 165 yards of fencing at Salts Farm. Resolved, That tenders be invited by advertisement for carrying out the work.

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3—Tenders for Cast iron Pipes—The Borough Engineer submitted the Tender (6) received for the supply of Cast Iron Pipe. Resolved, That the Tender of the Holwell Iron Co., Ltd., of Melton Mowbray (the lowest) for the supply Cast Iron Pipes in accordance with the Schedule be accepted for one year from the lot April next.

4—Tewkesbury Works—New Filter—The Borough Engineer submitted tenders for lining the new sand filter at Tewkesbury with bitumen sheeting. Resolved, That the tender of Messrs. G. H. Callender & Co., Ltd., of London, to provide and lay the sheeting at 2s 6d per square yard (estimated at £127 be accepted, subject to a contract being entered into to be prepared by the Town Clerk. Resolved also, That the Borough Engineer be instructed to have the floor of the filter covered with 4-inches of concrete and the walls brick lined at an estimated cost of £150, to protect the bitumen sheeting when laid.

5—Land at the Mythe, Tewkesbury—Read, a letter from the Town Clerk, Tewkesbury, with reference to the remarks made by the Chairman of this Committee at the last Meeting of the Council. The Town Clerk submitted draft reply. Resolved, That the Committee consider the observations of the Chairman were quite justified and that the draft letter be approved.

6—Norwood Arms Water Supply—The Town Clerk submitted draft agreement with Messrs. Flower & Sons, Ltd., the Lessees of the Norwood Arms, in respect of which a right to a free supply of water was claimed. The agreement provided that all water consumed over 120,000 gallons a year should be paid for by the Lessees at the ordinary rate and that the Agreement should not be taken as an

admission of the right claimed so as to prejudice the question as between the Corporation and the owner. Resolved, That the Agreement be approved and the Common Seal affixed thereto.

7—Appeals—The easements entered in the Appeals Book were considered and the rates settled and adjusted.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

#### **GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 19th February, 1913.** Present : Aldermen Rogers, Skillicorne, Waghorne and Winterbotham, Councillors Baker, Benda", Haddock, Merrett and Stewart (Councillor Baker in the chair).

1—Diseases of Animals Acts—Superintendent Hopkins reported that the Borough was entirely free from contagious disease amongst animals.

2—Tuberculosis Order, 1913—Read, a letter from the Board of Agriculture enclosing copy of the Tuberculosis Order, 1913, which would come into force on the first May next. The Order required all cases of Tuberculosis of the udder of cows and of Tuberculosis with emaciation amongst cattle to be notified to the Local Authority, and the inspection and examination by a Veterinary Inspector of the Local Authority of all animals reported to be so affected, and the slaughter of any animals found to be affected. The animals were to be valued before slaughter on the basis that the animal was suffering from Tuberculosis and also on the basis of its not being found to be so affected. If on examination after slaughter the animal is found to be suffering from Tuberculosis (not being advanced Tuberculosis), three-fourths of the value is to be paid less half-cost of valuation, but if found to be suffering from advanced Tuberculosis, one-fourth only of the value is to be paid or thirty shillings whichever is the greater, less half-cost of valuation. The board stated that for the first five years the Treasury had agreed to refund half the compensation paid. Resolved, That consideration of the Order be adjourned to the next Meeting.

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3—Transfer of Hackney Carriage Licences No. 20 and 82—Read, letters from Mr. E. Spiel's and Mr. F. Castle, of 18 Bloomsbury Street, applying for the transfer of Hackney Carriage Licences No. 20 and 82, from the former to the latter. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

4—Wheel Chair Licence—Read, an application from Mr. John Cawood, of 19 Paris Place, for a Wheelchair Licence. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, subject to the chair being approved by the Chairman of this Committee.

5—Motor Omnibus Licences—The Committee considered the report of the Sub-Committee appointed at the last Meeting with reference to the applications of the Bristol Tramways, &c. Co., and the Cheltenham & District Light Railway Co., for Licences for a Motor Omnibus to ply for hire between the Midland Railway Station and the end of Cemetery Road.

Messrs. E. W. Fear, W. H. Gibbs and E. Parker attended in support of the Memorial from the Lansdown, Tivoli and Montpellier Districts, asking that a Licence should be granted.

Resolved, That a Licence be granted to the Cheltenham and District Light Railway Co., for a Motor Omnibus to provide an hourly service between the Midland Railway Station and the Cemetery Road, at the following fares, viz:

Midland Station to Montpellier Gardens •..	1d.
Montpellier Gardens to Royal Hotel, High Street	1d.
High Street to Cemetery Road	1d.

subject to the Omnibus and also the stopping places being approved by the Committee, and also to the Company providing the Omnibus within 3 months.

6—Taxi-Cab Drivers' Licences—Read, an application from the Queen's Intel Co. for Licences for F. Worgan, of Queen's Lodge, R. D. Bishop, Linden Cottage, Mitre Street, A. W. Mitchell, 9 Ambrose Street, C. Elmes, 3 Bon Marche Place, and T. Wallis, 5 Bath Road. Resolved, That Licences be granted.

7—Cinematograph Act, 1909—New Hippodrome, Albion Street.—Read, an application from Messrs. Cecil Gill Smith and Neville Bennett, for a Cinematograph Licence in respect of the New Hippodrome to be erected in Albion Street. Read, letters from the Royal Cinema de Luxe Ltd., and Messrs. Poole and Sheraton, asking that no further Licences should be granted. Resolved, That subject to completion of the building in accordance with the plans approved by the Council, and compliance with the regulations of the Secretary of State, a licence be granted for the building for one year on the same conditions as contained in the other licences granted.

8—Education Committee—Read, a letter from the Hon. Secretary, Cheltenham Teachers Association, nominating Mr. T. Lyon, of 17 Pittville Villas, or Mr. S. Weaver, of Repton, Hewlett Road, to fill the vacancy caused by the expiration of Mr. Lyon's term of office. Resolved, That the Council be recommended to re-appoint Mr. Lyon.

9—Town Hall—Read, a letter from Mr. D. T. Woodward, calling attention to the exits in the Balconies at the Town Hall, only one of which was at present used Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to confer with Messrs. Dale Forty & Co., and other firms using the Town Hall, with a view to both exits being used.

10—Christ Church Clock—Read, a letter from the Churchwardens of Christ Church, asking for a grant towards the repair of the Church Clock. Resolved, That the Committee are unable to make any grant.

11—Contributions to Local Charities and Public Institutions—Resolved, That in pursuance of the provisions of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, and the Cheltenham Order, 1905, the following Subscriptions be made to the Institutions previously to 1906, excused payment of the General District Rate, viz –

General Hospital and Branch Dispensary...	£30 9 0
Female Refuge ...	3 10 0
Female Orphan Asylum	4 5 0
Blind Asylum	4 5 0

Nazareth House ...	£29 10 0
Coburg Society, Bath Street	3 19 0

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Victoria Home for Nurses	£12 0 0
Provident Dispensary	4 5 0
Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital	11 6 0
Boys' Orphan Asylum	2 16 0
Home for Sick Children	8 10 0
Association for Care of Friendless Girls	3 15 0
	£118 10 0

12—Licence to Store Carbide—Read, an application from H. G. Norton & Co., for a licence to store 5 cwts. of Carbide of Calcium at their Garage, in Regent Street. The Inspector reported that the place of storage was satisfactory, Resolved, That a licence be granted.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

#### MUNICIPAL OFFICES SITES COMMITTEE.

**Report of the Special Committee appointed by the Council on the 5th December, 1910**, to consider the question of Municipal Offices, consisting of The Deputy Mayor, Aldermen, Margrett, Norman and Skillicorne and Councillors Baker, Bendall, Earengy, Merrett, Rees Jones, Stewart, Silk and Smith.

#### IMPERIAL ROOMS SITE.

The Committee have received an offer from Mr. A. A. Dale, on behalf of the Imperial Rooms Syndicate, of the property known as the Imperial Rooms and Imperial Buildings, including No. 35 Promenade for £4,500. They have also considered plans prepared by Mr. L. W. Barnard, on behalf of the Syndicate showing how the site can be adapted for offices. The area of the site is not sufficient to provide the accommodation required. Mr. Barnard proposes to meet this by bringing forward the building to the fountain on an archway over the road. Even if this were considered satisfactory there would be no room for future extension. This end of St. George's Road is very narrow and when any new building is erected on the site it would be desirable to take the opportunity of widening the road which would further curtail the area available. The shape of the site is inconvenient and the comparatively extensive frontage would make the elevation of any suitable building expensive. Then again, as the Chelt runs under the site, the cost of foundations might be unusually large. The Borough Surveyor estimates that the cost of the building as shown on the plans prepared by Mr. Barnard would be at least £14,000, making with the cost of the site £18,500 without any allowance for the possible extra cost of foundations or for compensation to the present tenants. The Committee do not recommend the acceptance of the offer.

## PROMENADE SITE.

The Committee have also considered the purchase of Nos. 22-26 Promenade. These five houses form a distinct block of buildings, with a good facade, in the centre of the Promenade, having a good road at the front and back. They are substantially built houses in good condition and lend themselves for conversion into a convenient block of offices as will be seen by the plans prepared by the Borough Surveyor. These plans are not intended to be a final arrangement of the offices but will suffice to show that the houses will provide accommodation for all the Departments including the provision of a Council Chamber and allow room for future extension. Vacant possession of 4 of the houses can be obtained at an early date. No. 24 is in the occupation of the Promenade Club, on a lease with two years to run and an option to renew at an increased rent for a further term of seven years, but a letter has been received from the Hon. Secretary of the Club stating that the Committee of the Club are unwilling to stand in the way of the property being acquired by the Corporation, but intimating that they will require time to obtain other premises and reasonable compensation for giving up their tenancy.

The five houses can be purchased for £5,500 and the Borough Surveyor estimates that the cost of the alterations required will be £3,300, including lighting and heating and provision of a lift but not including furniture. Allowing for commission on the purchase, compensation to the Club and other contingencies, the Committee think that the cost will not exceed £9,500. A loan for this sum at  $3\frac{5}{8}$  per cent., repayable in 30 years would be £524 13s. 0d. The annual cost of the present offices taking the average of the last five years has been £488 10s. 6d. per annum.

The provision of additional accommodation is urgently needed. At the present time the only Committee Room at the Municipal Offices has to be given up for the use of the Auditor for several weeks at a time and the Mayor's Parlour has to be appropriated as a Committee Room. Several officers have no office accommodation and unless the question is settled at an early date, it will be necessary to obtain additional temporary accommodation which will add to the present cost.

The Borough Surveyor estimates that a new Building of the plainest elevation to provide the accommodation required cannot be built for less than £12,000 exclusive of the site. This estimate is fully borne out by the estimates made by the Quantity Surveyor (Mr. Vale) of the cost of the various designs in the recent competition for the Winter Garden site.

The Committee recommend that provisional Contracts be entered into for the purchase of the houses No. 22-26 Promenade and that application be made to the Local Government Board for their Sanction to a Loan for £9,500 for the purchase and conversion of the houses into Municipal Offices.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

## **ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 12th February, 1913—Present :** Alderman Winterbotham, Councillors Green, Rees Jones and Steel, (Alderman Winterbotham in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—The Curator reported that 1756 visits had been made to the Art Gallery and Museum since the 11th December last.

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A selection from the Sheepshanks Collection and other pictures had been hung in the Gallery.

A large number of bones, found at West Tump, had been received from the University Museum, Oxford. Those had been carefully examined and some of the most interesting had been set aside for exhibition.

Considerable progress had been made with the cleaning, arranging and classifying of the Prehistoric Flint Collections, and most of the pieces of Roman pottery and other objects from the Witts Collection had been similarly dealt with.

Dr. Wilson had presented several pre-historic Flints.

Mr. J. N. Dixon, of Mickleton, had presented several articles found on Neon Hill, including 2 Iron Currency-bars.

Mr. A. J. de Havilland Bushnell had presented a Nodule of Iron Pyrites.

Mr. A. C. Dunn had presented a Carte de Visite of C. Schreiber and a piece of pottery found at Dowdeswell.

Mr. H. Stroud had lent an oil painting by Tom Mostyn.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the donors and lender.

2 Show Cases—The Committee considered the tenders (3) sent in for supplying the Show Cases required. Resolved, That the tender of Messrs. Gilbert Boulton & Co. (the lowest) for providing 3 Table Show Cases at £21 2s., and 1 wall case at £10 6s., be accepted. .

JAS. B. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

#### **MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 14th February, 1913--Present:** The Mayor, Councillors Baker, Blakeney, Haddock, Merrett and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the Chair.)

1—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from 1st April, 1912, to 31st January, 1913, were as follows :—

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts ...	451 7 0	Expenses ... ..	579 12 2
		Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ..	<u>440 16 8</u>
	£451 7 0		£1040 8 10

Wiring—The Committee considered the tenders received (5) for wiring the Montpellier Baths. Resolved, That the tender of Messrs. H. G. Norton & Co., of £54 9s. 7d. (the lowest) be accepted.

Shop adjoining Baths--Read, a letter from Mr. J. C. Holyoake, of Imperial House, Bath Road, offering to take the shop and premises adjoining Montpellier Baths, on lease at a rent of £40, subject to the premises being put into proper repair. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned.

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2—Alstone Baths--The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from

1st April to 31st January, were as follows :—

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts ...	376 17 7	Expenses ... ..	424 15 3
		Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ...	<u>279 3 4</u>
	£376 17 7		£703 18 7

3—Mineral Water Sales—The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during January last was 665 as compared with 632 for the month of January, 1912. The number of bottles of Aperient Water sold during January was 228, as compared with 224 for the corresponding month last year.

4—Cricket at Recreation Grounds—Read, applications from the Hon. Secretaries, Baker Street Institute and Clarence United Cricket Clubs for permission to play at the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground during next season. Resolved, That the consideration of the applications be adjourned.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 26th February, 1913**—Present :  
Councillors Baker, Blakeney, Merrett, Silk and Stewart (Councillor Baker in the chair).

5—Alstone and Montpellier Swimming Baths—Read a letter from the Hon. Sec. Cheltenham United Girls' Swimming Club stating that they wished to use the Alstone Swimming Bath on Monday Evenings as last year and also asking for a reduction in the charge for admission of Members to the Montpellier Baths who were unable to attend at the Alstone Baths. Resolved, That Members of the Swimming Club be admitted to the Montpellier Baths on Monday and Thursday Evenings from 8 to 9 p.m. at a reduced Charge of 4d. each on production of their Membership Tickets.

6—Whaddon Lane Recreation Ground—Read a letter Mr. R. M. Mills increasing the rent of the piece of land in Whaddon Land used by the Superintendent of the Recreation Ground from £1 to £1 6s. per annum. Resolved, That this be agreed to.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

**PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 11th February, 1913**—Present: Alderman Rogers, Councillors Green, Mann, Merrett, Steel and Wilkins. Messrs. F. J. Caudle, J. R. Claridge, W. Cresswell, E. C. Rogers, and H. Stroud (Alderman Rogers in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts, £8 15s. 9d.

Presentations :—Miss Cockshott (21 vols), F. B. de Sausmarez (46 vols), Lady Lee (2 vols), Trustees of British Museum (3 vols), Secretary, Durham University (1 vol), Secretary, London University (1 vol), Secretary, University College of Wales (1 vol,)

The number of Volumes consulted in the Reference Library was 1470, a decrease of 80 as compared with the corresponding period of last year. The number of volumes issued from the Lending department was 10333, an increase of 286 as compared with last year ; 16 volumes for the blind had been issued during the month.

2—**Report of Sub-Committee**—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 6th instant, (present—Alderman Rogers (Chairman) Councillors Green and Merrett and Messrs. F. J. Caudle and J. R. Claridge. They recommended:

(1) That the books selected from the lists of worn-out books be replaced at a cost not exceeding £25.

(2) That the books now selected be purchased at a cost of £1 18s. 6d.

(3) That the Tender of Messrs. J. J. Banks & Son, for the supply of New Literature, &c., for the year ending the 31st March, 1914, be accepted.

Resolved, That the recommendations of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

RICHARD ROGERS,

Chairman.

**BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 21st February, 1913**—Present : Councillors Baker, Mann, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel, Smith, Stewart and Winterbotham (Councillor Stewart in the Chair.)

1—Superintendent's Report—On the application of the Superintendent, Resolved, That he be authorised to expend £1 for Flower Seeds.

2--Designs—Resolved, That the following designs be approved, viz :—Monument to grave of Dorothy Bradshaw, and Kerbing to grave of Edward and Rachel Preece.

J. STEWART,

Chairman.

**FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 25th February, 1913:** Present: Alderman Waghorne, Councillors Haddock, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel and Wilkins (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—General District rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant dated the 25<sup>th</sup> instant, on the collection of the second instalment of this Rate was read. Amount collected £21,967 3s 6d. Leaving outstanding £2507 19s. 2d.

2—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 25th instant, on the collection, of this Rate for the half-year ended the 25th March nett was read. Amount collected, £11040 11s. 9d. leaving outstanding, £2160 11s. 0d.

3—Loans—The Borough Accountant reported that he had arranged loans of £400 and £100 at 3 <sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub> %. Resolved, That Debentures be sealed and issued accordingly on account of Water Works Loans.

Resolved also that £50 and £379 part of the Leslie Young Benefaction to the Art Gallery and Museum be invested with the Corporation at 3 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> % in the names of the Mayor and the Deputy Mayor for the time being, and that Debentures be sealed and issued accordingly on account of loans for Electric Light and Sewers.

4—Investment of Sinking Funds—The Borough Accountant reported that the Monmouthshire County Council desired to borrow £3000 at £3 17s. 6d. per cent. interest, repayable by instalments within 30 years with a proviso enabling repayment of the balance remaining unpaid to be required at the end of 10 years or any subsequent period of 5 years by either party giving 6 months notice. Resolved, That subject to the security offered being approved by the Town Clerk the sums of £3000 be advanced to the Monmouthshire County Council on the terms mentioned.

5—Reciprocal Investment of Sinking Funds—The Borough Accountant reported that the Ealing Corporation were willing to lend £1035 if a similar amount were advanced to them, the loans to bear interest at 3 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> %, the period of loan and length of notice for repayment to be same in each case. Resolved, That subject to the security offered being approved by the Town Clerk, the sum of £1,035 be advanced to the Ealing Corporation out of the Education Sinking Funds, and that a Debenture be sealed and issued for a like amount to be advanced by the Ealing Corporation on account of the Loan sanctioned for Naunton Park and Gloucester Road Domestic Science Centres.

6—Cancellation of Corporation Stock.—The Borough Accountant reported that in pursuance of the instructions given him he had purchased £1000 Cheltenham Corporation Stock at 79 per cent. Resolved, That the sum of £1000 Cheltenham Corporation Stock purchased by means of the Loans Fund of the Cheltenham Town Council, and which now stands in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Cheltenham be extinguished, and that the National Provincial Bank of England Ltd., the Registrars of the said Stock be and they are hereby authorised and requested to ease and extinguish the same in the books kept by them relating to the said stock, and that the Common Seal be affixed to a duplicate of this Order, and that such duplicate be forwarded to the said Registrars.

7—Fairfield Estate. Private Improvement Expenses—Read is letter freest Mr. F. E. Jenkins offering to pay £25 in respect of the Private improvement Expenses due from him, on the 25th March and the balance by instalments of £50 on each Quarter Day. Resolved, That this he agreed to subject to 5% interest being paid for the balance from time to time outstanding.

8—Accounts—The Financial Statement of the Receipt, and Expenditure since the last meeting and the Bills and Accounts to be paid were examined, and the tatter ordered to be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

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The Treasurer's accounts at the Bank were examined and the balances found to be correct. The following was Statement :—

In hand on the 28th January last	£20,137 16 0
Received since that date (including Loan on Debenture, £120)	<u>24,290 16 1</u>
	£44,428 12 1
Paid since that date (including Purchase of Consols, £354 15s. 74. and Purchase of Cheltenham Corporation 3% Stock, £792 12s. 0d.)	<u>£12,927 4 8</u>
	In Hand £31,501 7 5
being General Accounts	£24,968 15 8
Sinking Fund Accounts	5,840 8 8
Leslie Young Benefaction " Accounts	<u>692 3 1</u>
	£31,501 7 5

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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### Borough of Cheltenham

**At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 3rd March, 1913, at 3 p.m. Present :**

THE MAYOR (JAMES TYNTE AGG-GARDNER, ESQ.) in the Chair.

THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen : CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT RICHARD ROGERS WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE JAMES BATTEN WINTERBOTHAM

Councillors : WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY WILLIAM GEORGE EARENGEY EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN PERCY HADDOCK JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT, THOMAS REES JONES WILLIAM SAWYER EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM WALTER JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

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1 -Minutes of Previous Meeting Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council on the 3rd February last having been printed and a copy sent to each Member of the Council, be taken as read, and that air, same be adopted and confirmed.

2-Appointment of Overseers—Resolved, That William Alfred Baker, of No. 60, Marle Hill Parade, Cheltenham, Charles Henry Margrett, of Sandford House, Old Bath Road, Cheltenham, Martin Benjamin Ricketts, of Wortley, Leckhampton Road, Cheltenham, and Robert Steel, of No 1 Oriel Terrace, Cheltenham, be appointed Overseers of the Poor for the Parish of Cheltenham for the ensuing year.

3—Public Health Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee at their Meetings of the 10th and 17th February last be approved and confirmed.

4—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 11th and 24th February last, be approved and confirmed.

5—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meeting of the 13th February last be approved and confirmed, and that the Resolution to Minute No. 7 (Summer Concerts) of this Committee's proceedings on the 27th November last be varied accordingly.

6—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meeting of the 13th February last, be approved and confirmed.

7--Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 20th February last, be approved and confirmed.

8—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meeting of the 18th February last, be approved and confirmed, subject to the following amendment, viz :—

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That the resolution to Minute No. 7 be amended to read as follows :—" That the applicants be informed that if the building is completed in accordance with the plans approved by the Council, and so as to comply with the regulations of the Secretary of State, this Council is of opinion that a Licence should be granted for the building under the Cinematograph Act, 1909, on similar conditions as are contained in the other Licences granted by the Council.

9-Vacancy on Education Committee- Resolved, That Mr. T. Lyon be re-appointed a Member of the Education Committee, his term of office to be three years from the 7th February, 1913.

10—National Hunt Races—Regulation of Traffic—Resolved, That the Deputy Mayor and Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne be empowered to grant such special or additional Licences as they may consider necessary for the convenience of the Public on the occasion of the National Hunt Meeting on the 12th and 13th March, and that the Traffic Regulations now submitted be approved.

11—Cinematograph Exhibitions on Good Friday—Resolved, That the applications of Messrs. Poole & Shenton, and Messrs. Somerald & Co., for permission to give Cinematograph Exhibitions on Good Friday, in the Victoria Rooms and Winter Garden respectively be acceded to.

12—Municipal Offices Sites Committee—It was Resolved, That the Report of the Municipal Offices Sites Committee be approved and adopted and that Provisional Contracts be entered into for the purchase of Nos. 22-26 Promenade and that Application be made to the Local Government Board for sanction to a loan of £9500 for the purchase and alteration of the property for Municipal Offices.

13--Art Gallery and Museum Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Art Gallery and Museum Committee, at their Meeting of the 12th February last, be approved and confirmed.

14—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meetings of the 14th and 26th February last, be approved and confirmed.

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15—Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of the 21st February last, be approved and confirmed.

16—Public Library Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Library Committee, at their Meeting of the 11th February last, be approved and confirmed.

17—Finance Committee Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 25th February last, be approved and confirmed. Resolved also, that an Order on the Borough Treasurer he signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

Mayor.

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### **Borough of Cheltenham**

**MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 7th April, 1913.**

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 10th March, 1913**—Present: Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Green, Hanson Powell, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood. (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz :-1, 5, 8, 9 and 12, Nailsworth Terrace, Hereford Cottage, 3, 4 and 14, Hereford Place. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring thesis in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such

size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Overcrowding at-5, Baker Street. The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875 be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

3—Cleansing and Limewashing at 8 & 10, Nailsworth Terrace. Hereford Cottage, 5, 6, 7, 13 and 14, Hereford Place. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

4—Nuisances from Drains, etc., Park Cottage, Lower Park Street, Roseville, Gloucester Road, and 6, St. James' Terrace. The inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

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5—Insanitary Property-1, 8, 12 and 14, Nailsworth Terrace, 4, Hereford Court, Hereford Cottage, 5, 6, 13 and 14, Hereford Place. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875 be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

6—Houses Unfit for Human Habitation—10, 11, 12 and 13, Hereford Place. With reference to the representation made by the Medical Officer of Health at the last Meeting, the Town Clerk reported that he had given notice to the Owners of 10, 11, 12 and 13, Hereford Place. Read a letter from Mr. H. O. Roberts, the owner of 12, Hereford Place agreeing to a Closing Order being made. Resolved, That it appearing to the Council that the above mentioned dwelling houses were in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, an Order be now made, pursuant to Sec. 17 (2) of the Housing, Town Planning, &c. Act, 1909, prohibiting the use of the said houses for human habitation until the same have been rendered fit for that purpose, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Order, and that Notice of such Order be given to the Owners.

7--Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction of diseased meat as follows :—On the 18th ultimo the carcass and offal of a tuberculous heifer and two pieces of beef, on the 21st ultimo the carcass and offal of a sheep, on the 26th ultimo two carcasses of pigs, on the 28th ultimo the forequarters and organs of heifer, and on the 7th instant the carcass and offal of 4 bacon pigs and 6 pieces of beef. (Total weight 1 ton 4 cwts. 2 qrs. 24 lbs )

8—Staff in Health Department—Read an application from Mr. F. R. Jefford, Clerk and Assistant Inspector in the Health Department for an increase of salary. Resolved, That his salary be increased from £52 to £65 per annum. Resolved also, That the wages of the Junior Clerk (L. Surman) be raised from 5s to 7s 6d per week.

9—Sewage Disposal Works--Tenders for Sewage Filter Media—Resolved, That Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne and Councillor Stewart be appointed a Sub-Committee to open the Tenders received for supply of Media required for the Sewage Filters.

Loan of £4000—Read a letter from the Local Government Board stating that they were not prepared to allow a longer period than 15 years for the repayment of the loan of £4000,

Payment of Standard Rate of Wages by Contractors—Read a letter from the Secretary of the Cheltenham Building Trades Joint Committee stating that the Contractors were not paying the standard rate of wages to the men employed at the new Sewage Works at Hayden, and were also sub-letting work to workmen and not allowing any walking time. The Town Clerk reported that he had forwarded a copy of the letter to the Contractors, who had replied that they were paying more than the standard rate of wages for the district in which the work was being carried out. Resolved, That the Secretary be so informed.

10—Garden at back of Portmore Lodge—Read a letter from Mr. F. Forty calling attention to the slipping of the ground at the back of his house. Resolved, That, the Council are unable to accept any liability in the matter.

11—Drainage of Hilcot, Battledown—Read a letter from Mrs. Dickie of Hillcot, Battledown, stating that she had had a new Sewer laid for the drainage of her house at a cost of £89, and asking that in the event of any houses in the Borough being connected therewith that some contribution should be made towards the cost of the sewer. Resolved, That Mrs. pickle be informed that the question will be considered when any connections are made.

12—**Report of Farms Sub-Committee**—The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 10th instant. Present—Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel and Wood (Councillor Wood in the chair).

Farms' Manager's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Farms' Manager. The number of stock on the Farms on the 10th instant was :-19 horses (not including 6 at depot), 115 head of cattle, 77 sheep and 21 pigs all doing well except 1 cow. Since the last Meeting 25 head of cattle had been sold for £280 15s. 5d. and 16 sheep for £34 0s. 4d. (Total Sales £314 15s. 9d.) 27 head of cattle had been purchased for £316 14s. 9 calves have been bred on the Farms and two young pigs had died.

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Resolved, That about 2 tons of wheat straw be purchased for thatching and that the manager be authorised to insure the mares in foal.

Stocktaking and Valuation—Resolved, That the Sub-Committee visit the Farms on the 2nd proximo for the annual Stocktaking and Valuation.

Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

Provisional Valuation of Farms—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee the provisional valuation made by the Inland Revenue Commissioners of the Farms under the Finance Act, 1910 by which the Assessable site value was put at £2150 and the value for agricultural purposes at £1570.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 26th March, 1913,** Present: Alderman Skillicorne, Councillors Hanson Powell, Steel, Stewart, and Winterbotham, (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

13—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz : 3, Denmark Place, Millbrook. Street, 18, Albion Parade, 8, Imperial Square, 1, 3, 4, 6 & 7, Carlton Place West. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

14—Overcrowding at 44, Brunswick Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

15—Cleansing and Limewashing at 9, Grosvenor Terrace, 9, Pittville Street, 4 & 13, Stoneville Street, 37, Hanover Street, 13, Marsh Lane, and 10, Lower Park Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

16—Nuisances from Drains, etc. at 11 & 36, Great Western Terrace, and Stables at rear of 1 & 2, Oxford Parade. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the Drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

17—Insanitary Property—9, Pittville Street, 7, 9, 10, 12, 13 & 15, Stoneville Street, 1 & 2, Cotswold View, Marsh Lane and Strathtay House, Lansdown Road. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

18—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—4, 5 & 6, Hereford Place. With reference to the Closing Order made in respect of No. 4, 5, & 6, Hereford Place, the Medical Officer of Health reported that Nos. 4 & 5, Hereford Place had been demolished and that No. 6 had been made fit for Human Habitation. Resolved, That an Order be made determining the Closing Order.

19--Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported that on the 13th instant, two sacks of unsound potatoes (1 cwt. 3 qr. 17 lbs.) were surrendered and destroyed as unfit for food.

20—Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health—The Medical Officer of Health presented his Report for the Year 1912 and asked for instructions to have this printed as usual. Resolved, That the consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting to give the members of the Committee an opportunity of perusing the report.

21—Extension of Sewer in Fairfield Walk--On the recommendation of the Plans Sub-Committee. Resolved, That the Sewer in Fairfield Walk be extended at an estimated cost of £40 for the drainage of the proposed new houses in Naunton Lane.

22 —Humane Killer at Abattoir—Read a letter from the Hon. Sec. of the Cheltenham Branch of the R.S.C.P.A. asking the Corporation to purchase the necessary Cartridges for the Humane Killer provided by the Society for the Abattoir. Resolved. That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to purchase from time to time the Cartridges required.

23 —Sewage Disposal Works—Tenders for Media—The Borough Surveyor submitted the Tenders received (14) for the supply of filtering material for the new Sewage Purification Works. Resolved, That the Tenders be referred to the Sub-Committee for consideration.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

#### **STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the nth March, 1913.** Present: Councillors Baker, Bendall, Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

1—Street Projections—Read an application from Messrs. R. E. & C. Marshall Ltd. for permission to place 4 lamps outside No. 118, High Street, and 1 lamp outside the Parish Church Room, St James' Square. Resolved, That the applications be acceded to subject to the usual conditions. Read an application from the Manager, Winter Gardens, for permission to use an Advertisement Barrow in the streets. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

2—Contract for Stoneware Pipes—Read a letter from Messrs. Powell, Gwinnell & Co. Ltd. asking to be allowed to supply stoneware pipes manufactured by Messrs. Mansfield of Burton-on-Trent, instead of pipes manufactured by Messrs. Wragg & Sens. The Borough Surveyor reported that the pipes manufactured by Messrs. Mansfield were satisfactory. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, and that the Resolution to Minute No. 10 of this Committee at the last Meeting be varied accordingly.

3—Lypiatt Street—The Borough Surveyor submitted an estimate of the work required to be done to the footpaths in Lypiatt Street at £133. Resolved, That provision be made in next year's estimate for carrying out the work.

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4—Telegraph Pole in Oxford Passage—Read an application from the Superintending Engineer, P.O. Telegraphs, for permission to place a telephone pole in Oxford Passage. Resolved, That the application be referred to the Borough Surveyor.

5—Baker Street Private Improvement Works—The Borough Surveyor submitted Specification, Plan and Estimate of Works, required to be done to the above Street. Resolved, That the same be approved ; and that Notice be given under Section 44 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, to the Owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said Street requiring to be drained, levelled, repaired, metalled, flagged, channelled or made good ; requiring them to do the specified Works within 28 days ; and that, if such Notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the Works mentioned or referred to therein ; and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act, and the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889.

6--Promenade—(From Imperial Circus to Royal Crescent). Read a Memorial from Mr. C. Williams and others, suggesting that the Carriage-way from Imperial Circus to Royal Crescent should be widened by reducing the footpath and removing the trees. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

7—National Insurance Act—Removal of Snow—Read a letter from the Association of Municipal Corporations stating that in response to a representation from the Association the National Health Insurance Commission had issued an order excluding from the compulsory provisions of Part I of the Act, employment by a local or other public authority in removing snow in or about any streets or other public places, where the person on employed is riot otherwise ordinarily employed by that authority.

8—Footpath near Pittville Gates—A complaint was received train the Rev. Percy Waller of the condition of the footpath near Pittville Gates. Resolved, That the complaint be referred to the Town Improvement Committee.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 31st March, 1913.** Present :—Alderman Margrett, Councillors Baker, Bendall, Hanson Purcell, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

9—Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 21st February to the 27th March, 1913 (both inclusive) had been as follows :—

Roads repaired—Arlo Road (proceeding), Knapp Road (1007 square yards), Lypiatt Street (1,919 square yards). Monson Avenue (1,218 square yards), NOW Street (1.540 square yards), Roads

patched—Clarence Parade, Clarence Street, Fairview Road, Glencairn Park Road, Gloucester Road, Gratton Road, Great Norwood Street, Grove Street, Market Street, Montpellier Walk, Norwood Road, St. George's Place, Shelburne Road, Swindon Road, The Park, and Thirlestaine Road.

Electricity Trenches Repaired—Bath Street, Cambray, Fairmount Road, Gloucester Road, Gratton Road, Hale's Road. Hatherley Road, High Street, Lansdown Place, Leckhampton Road, Naunton Lane, Ormond Terrace and Promenade. Gas Trenches repaired—Gloucester Road. it Trenches repaired—Bath Road.

Footpaths gravelled—Sydenham Road North (710 square yards), Sydenham Road South (748 square yards), Naunton Lane (329 square yards). New Slab Paving laid—North Place (420 square yards). Footpath Paving repaired-- Elmstone Street, Gloucester Road, Langdon Road, North Place, North Street and Queen's Parade.

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Footpaths asphalted—Gratton Road (359 square yards), Queen's Parade (50 square yards). New kerbing laid—North Place (160 lineal yards). Kerbing relaid—Queen Parade (50 lineal yards). Channelling repaired—Leamington Place and Queen's Parade. Gateway Crossings repaved-4 Gateway Crossings renewed-2. Street Crossings renewed-2. New Gulley Grates and Frames fixed-2 New Gullies. fixed-3.

Trees planted—Gloucester Road (1), Langdon Road (1). Trees pruned—All Saints' Road, Imperial Lane, Lansdown Place, Promenade, Rodney Road and Tewkesbury Road. Tree Guards-55 – [illegible]—Ambrose Street (1), Langdon Road (7), Prestbury Road (1), Tewkesbury Road (1). Name Plates Fixed-55

Ashes Collection and Disposal—During 5 weeks ended the 20th March, 1913-1095 loads collected, 1057 consumed and 38 tipped away. Weight consumed-1,383 tons, 4 cwts., 2 qrs. Steam generated—Hourly average 7,609 lbs.

Slab Factory—During 5 weeks ended the 20th March, 1913-4,462½ lineal feet of blocks made for sewage filters.

View Meeting—The following Members attended the View Meeting on Friday last : Councillors Baker, Bendall, Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins.

**10 - Report of Plans Sub Committee**—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 11th and 28th inst. Resolved, That the same be approved and adopted.

11--Temporary Buildings- Motor Houses—The Borough Surveyor submitted draft Regulations with respect to the erection of Motor Houses. Resolved, That the same as amended be approved.

12—Street Projections—Read, applications from Mr. T. Malvern, on behalf of Messrs. A. Miles & Co., Ltd., for permission to place two electric signs outside No. 117 High Street, and from Messrs. Chas. H. Margrett & Son, to place a sign outside No. 61 High Street. Resolved, That the applications be acceded to, subject to the usual conditions.

13—Corporation Workmen—A deputation from the Cheltenham Trades Joint Committee (Messrs. Betteridge, Hall and Williams) attended the Committee with reference to their complaint that plasterers work was being done by others than plasterers, and a lower wage paid in consequence. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed that where plasterers' work is required to be done, plasterers should be employed at the standard rate of wages.

14—Hoarding in Ambrose Street—Read, a further letter from the Local Government Board, enquiring as to the authority of the Corporation to retain the strip of land in Ambrose Street. Resolved, That application be made to the Board under Section 175 of the Public Health Act, 1875, for their direction to retain the strip of land and the undivided shares in St. George's Square.

15—Fairfield Avenue --Resolved, That Notice be given declaring Fairfield Avenue to be a Public Highway.

16—Widening of Naunton Lane---The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. John Lionel Bendall, was willing to give tip a strip of land (196 square yards) in Naunton Lane to widen the road to 36 feet, if the Corporation would agree to bear the cost of paving, kerbing, and channelling the footpath adjoining the property. Resolved, That the offer be accepted and the work carried out.

17—Temporary Building, Marle Hill Road—The Memorial from the owners and occupiers of houses in Marle Hill Road, &c., protesting against the erection of a shed which was intended to be used as a shelter for a traction engine was further considered. The Committee inspected the shed. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned, and that in the meantime a copy of the memorial be forwarded to Messrs. Mark Williams & Co., for their observations.

18—Crossing over Footway—The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. F. H. Collins had neglected to provide a proper crossing over the footway in Well Place, to give access to his Motor House. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings for the penalty and the damage to the footpath, unless a proper crossing is at once provided.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

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#### PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 11th March 1913.** Present : Councillors Baker, Bendall, Hanson Powell, Steel, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

1-- New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following notices and plans of intended new buildings, viz :—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1150	G. H. Roberts	Two houses, All Saints' Villas Road
1156	J. L. Bendall	Six Semi-detached houses, Naunton Lane (amended plans)
1164	C. Haward	New Bathrooms to Nos. 1 2, Saxham Villas
1165	T. Townsend	Detached house, Old Bath Road

1166	Committee of Dean Close School	Temporary Shooting Gallery in grounds of Dean Close School
1167	T. V. West	Extension of Garage, 88, High Street

Resolved, That plans No. 1150, 1156, and 1165 be approved, that plans No. 1164 and 1167 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Inspector of Nuisances, and that plans 1166 be approved as a temporary building subject to the usual undertaking being given to remove the building on three month's notice.

2—Extension of Sewer—Resolved, That the Public Health Committee be recommended to extend the Sewer to provide for drainage of the houses proposed to be erected in Naunton Lane.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, the 28th March, 1913.** Present: Councillors Baker, Bendall, Hanson Powell, Steel, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

3—New Buildings.—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended new Buildings, viz :—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1168	Dr. R. H. Bellairs	Temporary Motor House, Ferlys, Overton Park.
1169	Gloucester Co-operative Society Ltd.	New Shop, Swindon Street.

Resolved, That Plans No. 1168 be disapproved and that Plans No. 1169 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Inspector of Nuisances.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

#### TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 17th March, 1913.** Present: Councillors Baker, Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones and Steel (Councillor Baker in the chair).

1—Summer Concerts—Read a letter from Mr. A. W. Newton asking the Committee to enlarge the stage of the Proscenium at the Montpellier Gardens and stating that he was willing to pay 5 per cent. on the cost of the alterations. Resolved, That a Meeting be held at the Montpellier Gardens on Monday the 31st instant at 12.30 p.m. to consider the matter.

2—Notices in Pittville Gardens—Read a letter from the Hon. Sec. of the Cheltenham Branch of the R.S.P.C.A. asking for permission to place two Notice Boards in Pittville Gardens containing the bye-laws with respect to cruelty to birds, Fee. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

3—Town Band—Read a letter from the Bandmaster, Town Band, applying for a subsidy to enable the Band to augment its numbers. Resolved, That a grant of All be made to the Band, £6 payable at the end of 6 weeks and £6 at the end of twelve weeks, from the 1st proximo, the Band to play three weekdays each week during the twelve weeks in the Promenade from 12 noon to 1 p.m.

4—Advertisements in Medical Papers—Read a letter from Messrs. Wills Ltd. recommending the renewal of the advertisements in the " British Medical Journal " and " The Lancet " for a further period of one year. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 31st March, 1913.** Present—Alderman Rogers, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Sawyer, and Steel (Alderman Rogers in the Chair).

1—Summer Concerts—Proscenium--The Committee met at the Montpellier Gardens and considered the application from Mr. A. W. Newton for the enlargement of the stage of the Proscenium. Resolved, That the floor of the Proscenium be extended, &c., at an estimated cost of £20, subject to Mr. Newton agreeing to pay 10 per cent. on the cost of the same for 3 years.

RICHARD ROGERS,

Chairman.

#### **ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 19th March, 1913—**Present Councillors Green, Haddock, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he had tested the gas for illuminating power with the following result, viz. : 14.8 candles The test for purity on the 15th showed 26 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

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2--Requisition for Materials Required—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted a list of materials, etc., which would probably be required during the ensuing month and the same was approved.

3—Applications for Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received applications for a supply to two houses in Moorend Park Road. The cost of the extension of main would be £50. Resolved, That the extension be made.

The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received applications for supply to houses in Marle Hill Parade and St. Paul's Street North. The cost of laying a cable at the same time as the main for Public lighting would be £70 and £36 respectively. Resolved, That the mains be laid.

4—Condensing Plant--The Borough Electrical Engineer reported he had now prepared a Scheme and Estimates for providing additional Condensing Plant required at the works. Resolved, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be instructed to obtain Tenders for consideration at the next meeting.

5 —Tenders for Coal—Resolved, That Tenders be invited by advertisement for a twelve months' supply of coal -for the Electricity Works.

6—Tenders for Arc Lamp Carbons and Meters—Resolved, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be instructed to obtain Tenders for a twelve months' supply of Arc Lamp Carbons and Meters, for consideration at the next monthly Meeting.

7—Loan for Probable Extensions of Mains—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the loan of £1,500 sanctioned by the Local Government Board on the 30th May, 1910, for extensions of mains was nearly exhausted, and he recommended that application be made for sanction to a further £1,500. Resolved, That application be made to the Local Government Board accordingly.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

#### WATER COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 27th March, 1913.**—Present: Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Bendall, Green, Merrett and Wood (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Borough Engineer's Report—The monthly report of the Boroughs Engineer was read:

#### DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 20th March, 1913	Average for corresponding period during last 3 years.
Hewletts	514,000 gallons	428,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	2,110,000 “	1,982,000 “
Leckhampton Springs	<u>114,000</u> “	<u>71,000</u> “
	Total 2,738,000 “	2,481,000 “

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#### CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

20th March, 1913.			20 <sup>th</sup> March, 1912.	
	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
Hewletts		17,115,000 gallons		30,132,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	32ft. 0in.	100,000,000 “	32ft. 0in.	100,000,000 “
Leckhampton		<u>(empty)</u>	12ft. 0in.	<u>1,621,000</u> “
		Total Storage 117,115,000 “		131,753,000 “

The Leckhampton Reservoir had been thoroughly cleaned out.

2— No. 1, Bath Street--The Town Clerk reported that he had received an offer from the Union Club to purchase these premises for £450, or they were willing to take the two principal rooms at a rental

of £20 per annum. Resolved, That the offer of the Union Club to purchase the premises for £450 be accepted, subject to the conditions of a contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

3—Land at the Mythe—The Town Clerk reported that the Defence of the Tewkesbury Corporation had been delivered. By it they claimed a right to enter the land at all times with or without horses and carts, &c., for depositing, storing and breaking stone thereon. They claimed this right as a custom enjoyed since the time of Richard I. Alternatively they claimed to be entitled to such right by virtue of a grant from a former owner of the land, which grant had been lost or accidentally destroyed, and of which they could give no particulars. Alternatively they claimed under a grant from the Bridge Trustees, which grant had also been lost or destroyed by accident. They denied having carted broken bottles on to the land, and did not claim any right to do so, and had paid 1s into Court to meet the damage caused by their having done so. They also denied having smashed the fence and broken water pipes and removed sandwashers. But if they had done so, it was because the same obstructed a footpath which ran diagonally across the land.

A letter was also read from the Town Clerk of Tewkesbury that the Tewkesbury Corporation thought that the right to store and break stone on the land was capable of being exercised by arrangement so as not to cause serious inconvenience, assuming that ownership of the land by the Cheltenham Corporation was established. The matter was complicated by the alleged right of way, but they also thought that this claim was capable of being dealt with in some way which would prevent it constituting a bar to an understanding, and it was suggested that a meeting should be arranged to discuss these proposals.

The Town Clerk pointed out that since the dispute arose in 1909, no claim had ever been made to a footpath until delivery of the Defence, and this claim was inconsistent with the claim to store and break stone on the land. Resolved, That the draft letter of the Town Clerk in reply to the letter from Tewkesbury be approved.

4.—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeal Book were considered, and the Rates settled and adjusted.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

#### **GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 25th March, 1913.** Present : Aldermen Margrett, Rogers, and Skillicorne; Councillors Baker, Bendall, Merrett and Stewart (Alderman Rogers in the chair).

1—Chairmanship—Read, a letter from Mr. Alderman Norman, tendering his resignation as Chairman of the Committee, as he would not be able to attend to the work of the Committee for some time owing to ill-health. Resolved, That the Committee much regret the cause of the resignation, and that the question of appointing another Chairman be adjourned to the next meeting.

2—Diseases of Animals Acts—Superintendent Hopkins reported that the Borough was entirely free from contagious disease amongst animals.

Crown Animals—Read, a letter from the Board of Agriculture with reference to the steps to be taken in the case of Crown animals becoming affected with any of the diseases dealt with by Orders made under the Diseases of Animals Acts. The Board pointed out that the Acts and Orders were not binding on the Crown, but in view of the facilities which Local Authorities have for dealing with cases of disease, and the interest of Local Authorities in preventing the spread of disease, the Board thought it desirable that Local Authorities should, as far as possible, co-operate in these cases with the department concerned.

3—Hackney Carriage Driver's Licences—Read, an application from Mr. Alfred Stephens, of 36, Portland Square, for a Licence to drive a Hackney Carriage. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

Read, a letter from the Queen's Hotel Company applying for Licences to drive Taxi Cabs for Sydney Hunt, of the Burgage, Prestbury; Frank Goslaw, 14, Swindon Street ; and A. W. Mitchell, 9, Ambrose Street. Resolved, That Licences be granted.

4—Transfer of Hackney Carriage Licence No. 21—Read, a letter from Mr. W. Lewis, of 258, High Street, for the transfer of Hackney Carriage Licence No. 21, from Mr. Stroud, of 9, Chapel Street. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

5—Report of Fire Brigade Captain—The Captain of the Fire Brigade reported that the Brigade had not been called to any outbreak of fire since the last meeting.

6 —St. Mark's Sub-Post Office—Read, a letter from the Postmaster again enquiring whether the Council had any objection to the early closing of St. Mark's Post Office on Wednesdays, at 1 p.m. Resolved, That the Council adhere to their previous decision, namely, that they object to the proposed early closing, as they fear it would cause considerable inconvenience to the public.

7—Bye-Laws re Noisy Animals—Read, a letter from the Home Office with reference to the bye-laws proposed to be made by the Council with reference to Noisy Animals. Resolved, That the following bye-laws be now made:—

1. No person shall keep within any house, building or premises, in the Borough of Cheltenham, any noisy animal or bird which shall be or cause a serious nuisance to residents in the neighbourhood, PROVIDED that this bye-law shall not apply to a pack of hounds kept on premises used for that purpose at the date of the making of this bye-law ; PROVIDED ALSO that no proceedings shall be taken against any person for an offence against this bye-law unless the nuisance be continued after the expiration of fourteen days from the date of the service on such person of a notice alleging a nuisance, signed by not less than three householders residing within hearing of the animal or bird.

2. Any person offending against the foregoing bye law shall be liable to a penalty not exceeding £5. Resolved also that the Common Seal be affixed thereto, and that application be made to the Secretary of State for formal confirmation of the same.

8—Market Tolls—Read, a letter from Mrs. J. Studt, offering the sum of £55 for the tolls during the Mops and Fairs this year. Resolved, That the offer be accepted, subject to an agreement being entered into containing the same terms as last year.

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9—Cinematograph Act, 1909 —Read, a letter from Mr. Henry Ward, of Clarence Park, Weston-Super-Mare, stating that he and one or two others proposed to purchase the Imperial Rooms, and to build on the site a new hall fronting the Promenade, and also offices and shops fronting St. George's and Royal Well Roads, and asking whether, on comp], ties of the building, the Council would be prepared to grant a Cinematograph Licence in respect of the Hall. Resolved, That subject to the building being erected in accordance with plans to be approved by the Council, and to the necessary land being given up for widening St. George's Road, and also to the Regulations of the Secretary of State being complied with, the Council is of opinion that a Licence should be granted under the Cinematograph Act, 1909, on similar conditions as are contained in the other Licences granted by the Council.

RICHARD ROGERS,

Chairman.

**GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH AND MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS  
COMMITTEES (JOINT MEETING).**

**Report of a Joint Meeting of these Committees, held on the 19th March, 1913**—Present Aldermen Margrett and Waghorne, Councillors Baker, Blakeney, Bendall, Haddock, Merrett, Silk and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the Chair).

1—Mineral Waters—The Mineral Waters, &c. Committee have been in negotiation for some months with The United Chemists Association Ltd. with reference to an offer by the Company to take over the concentration, bottling and sale of the Mineral Waters. The proposal has also been considered at two Joint Meetings of the Committees. The terms now offered by the Company are as follows :-

1. To take a Lease of the Shop and premises adjoining the Montpellier Baths (subject to the premises being put in repair and made suitable for the purposes of the Company) for a term of 21 years together with the sole right to a supply of water for concentration and bottling from the wells near Fieldholme, Eldorado Road (which also draws a supply from the wells near Florence Villa and Fulshaw Lodge) and the right to use the Borough Arms in connection with the sale of the Waters and to represent themselves as solo concessionaires of the concentrated Mineral Waters supplied from the Corporation wells.

2. The Corporation to provide pumps, pipe line, storage tank, concentration plant, boiler, etc. (the cost of which is estimated by the Boroughs Engineer at £1,200), and to pump the water required no as to deliver the same to the said premises.

3. To pay a rent of £36 for the said premises, also rates and taxes and an annual payment not exceeding 7 ½ % on the capital outlay until the amount paid by the Corporation for instalments of principal and interest on the loan to be obtained for the same has been recouped.

The Company also to pay a Royalty for the first ten years of ¼ d. per bottle for the first 10,000 bottles, ½ d. for the next 10,000, and 1d. for all above 20,000 bottles per annum, but after the first ten years, the Royalty to be 1d. per bottle throughout provided no Royalty is to be payable for bottles distributed as free samples to Medical Men and Medical Institutions, but such free samples are not to exceed 50% of the bottles said the first year, 40% the second year, 25% the third year, and 10% thereafter.

4. The Company to keep the inside of the promises in repair and to maintain and renew the plant thereon, and the Corporation to keep the outside of the premises in repair and also to maintain the pumps and pipe line.

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5. In case of the supply from the wells mentioned failing, the Company to be entitled to have a supply from the wells in Lansdown Terrace and Lansdown Crescent or some other wells as may be mutually agreed upon, the Corporation providing the necessary pumps and pipe.

6. The Company to send out with each bottle, if required by the Corporation, a booklet or pamphlet advertising the Town and its Mineral Waters, such booklets, &c. being supplied by the Corporation.

7. The Corporation to have the right to provide and maintain a pipe conveying any surplus steam not required by the Company for use in connection with the Baths.

8. The Company to have an option to renew the Lease on the same terms provided that in such Lease the Royalty shall be 1d. per bottle throughout the term with an allowance of not exceeding 10 per cent. for free samples, and that the Corporation shall not be under obligation to provide any new plant except so far as may be necessary in regard to the pumps and pipe line maintainable by the Corporation.

The Joint Committee recommend the acceptance of these terms except that agreement as to the amount of the rent to be paid for the premises adjoining the Baths should be deferred until the cost of the alterations required by the Company is ascertained and subject to agreement as to this, they recommend that a Lease to be prepared by the Town Clerk be granted to the Company embodying the terms arranged with usual and other necessary provisions for the protections of the Corporation.

They also recommend that application be made to the Local Government Board for their sanction to a loan of £1200 for the cost of providing pumps, pipe line, storage tank, concentrated plant and boiler, &c.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

## ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 12th March, 1913**—Present The Mayor, Alderman Winterbotham, Councillors Green, Rees Jones and Steel, Dr. Wilson and Mr. H. Stroud (Alderman Winterbotham in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—The Curator reported that there had been 759 visits made to the Art Gallery and Museum since the 12th February last.

17 pictures had been obtained on loan from several artists for a period of three months.

Mr. T. Elmes had presented a silver-gilt medal, which was struck to commemorate the visit of the Prince of Wales to Cheltenham in 1897.

Mrs. Griffiths, Oakfield, had presented six shoots of pressed flowers.

The objects in the four cases on loan from the Victoria and Albert Museum had been changed for examples of (a) M work, Electrotypes, &c.; (b) English Porcelain; (c) Woodcarving; (d) Electrotypes of Arms and Armour and twelve Oil Paintings.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the donors and lenders.

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2 -Collection of Ancient Bronzes—The Curator reported that Sir. A. J. de Havilland Bushnell had offered to sell a portion of his collection of Ancient Bronzes (76 pieces) for £115, and that the Victoria and Albert Museum, were willing to make a grant in aid of £38 6s. 8d. Resolved, That the Collection be purchased out of the Leslie Young Bequest.

3.- Attendant—Road, an application from Mr. W. Addis, the attendant at the Art Gallery, for an increase of wages. Resolved, That his wages be increased from 13s. 6d. to 15s. 6d.

JAS. B. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

## MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 19th March, 1913**—Present Councillors Baker, Blakeney,

Bendall, Haddock, Merrett, Stewart and Silk (Councillor Haddock in the Chair.)

1—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from 1st April, 1912 to 28th February, 1913, were as follows :—

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts ... .	471 17 6	Expenses ... ..	655 0 0
		Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ..	<u>484 18 4</u>
	£471 17 6		£1139 18 4

2—Use of Swimming Bath by School Children—Read a letter from the Correspondent, Naunton Park Council Schools, asking for permission for the boys attending that School to use the Montpellier Swimming Bath on Wednesdays from 3.45 to 4.30 p.m. Resolved, That the application be acceded to on payment of 1d. per scholar, subject to not less than 30 tickets being taken.

3 —Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that :the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from 1st April, 1912 to 28th February, 1913, were as follows :—

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts ...	380 7 11	Expenses ... ..	476 4 8
		Interest & Redemption • (Proportion) ...	<u>307 1 8</u>
	£380 7 11		£783 6 4

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4—Salary of Superintendents of Alstone Baths—Read an application from the Superintendents of the Alstone Baths for an increase of Salary. Resolved, That the Salary be increased from £90 to per annum.

5—Grazing at Recreation Grounds—Read letters from Messrs. Holliday & Page, A. H. & D. D. Downham and G. Willis stating that they were willing to continue the grazing at the Agg Gardner, Naunton Park and Whaddon Lane Recreation Grounds at rents of £8, £7, and £3 respectively, for one year from the 25th instant. Resolved, That the offers be accepted on the same terms as last year.

6—Cricket at Recreation Grounds—Read applications from the Hon. Secs. Baker Street Institute and Clarence United Cricket Clubs for permission to play on the Agg Gardener Recreation Ground during the coming Season, and from the Whaddon United Cricket Club to play at the Whaddon Lane Ground, Resolved, That permission be granted subject to the same conditions as last year.

7—Mineral Water Sales —The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during February last was 126 as compared with 149 for the month of February, 1912. The number of bottles of Concentrated Water sold during February was 42, as compared with 33 for the corresponding month last year.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

#### **BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 28th March, 1913**—Present Councillors Baker, Steel, Stewart and Winterbotham (Councillor Stewart in the Chair.)

1—Advance to Superintendent—Resolved, That the amount advanced to the Superintendent for the payment of wages and ministers' fees be increased from £40 to £45, and that the Resolution to Minute No. 3 of this Committee of the 23rd November, 1906, be varied accordingly.

2—Burial Grounds in the Borough—Resolved, That in pursuance of the provisions of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, the following amended Regulations be made, and that the Resolution to Minute No. 4 of this Committee on the 26th June, 1896, be varied accordingly :—

(1) That interments in existing vaults (not being under any Place of Worship) of members of the same family as those previously interred only be allowed, and that such vaults shall after any such interment be immediately hermetically sealed to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor for the time being, and shall have a covering stone of good forest stone, at least three inches in thickness, and also a covering of soil on the top of such stone, having a depth of at least one foot between such stone and the ordinary surface level of the ground.

(2) That one clear day's notice at least be given to the Borough Surveyor of any intended interment.

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3—Designs—Resolved, That the following designs be approved, viz. :—Headstones and kerbing to graves of Henry Pearce and William Best, Walter and Rhoda Hannah MacVitie, George and Ernest Edwin Bennett, Henry Merry ; Memorial Crosses and kerbing to graves of Mary Charlotte Oakey, Harriet Agnes Shuttleworth and Nora Bott ; Headstone to grave of Grace G. Probyn ; Kerbing to grave of William Jardine.

J. STEWART,

Chairman

#### **PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 13th March, 1913**—Present: Alderman Rogers, Councillors Earengy, Green, Mann, Merrett, Sawyer, Steel and Wilkins. Messrs. F. J. Caudle, and W. Cresswell, (Alderman Rogers in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian- Receipts, 16s. 11d.

Presentations:—Mrs. M. Griffiths (1 Vol.), Rev. J. Lockhead (1 Vol.), Alderman Col. Rogers (45 Vols.), E. E. White (5 Vols.), The Consul for the Argentine Republic (3 Vols.), High Commissioner for Australia (1 Vol.) —

The number of Volumes consulted in the Reference Library was 1798, an increase of 381 as compared with the corresponding period of last year. The number of volumes issued from the Lending Department was 13252, an increase of 16 per day as compared with the corresponding period of last year ; 19 volumes for the blind had been issued during the month.

2—**Report of Sub-Committee**—The Sub-Committee reported that they used on the 13th instant, (present—Alderman Rogers (Chairman) Councillor Merrett and Messrs. F. J. Caudle and J. R. Claridge.

The Sub-Committee interviewed 6 Candidates for the post of Junior Assistant and appointed A. Dodwell at 6s per week in the place of H. A. Evans resigned. They recommended that the course of Lectures offered by the Victoria League be not accepted. Resolved, That the recommendation of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

3--Books for School Children—Resolved, That the Librarian be instructed to consult with the Head Teachers of the Elementary Schools and to bring up a list of Books suitable for School children for purchase out of the Leslie Young Bequest.

RICHARD ROGERS,

Chairman.

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#### FINANCE COMMITTEE.

**At in Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 1st April, 1913.** Present : Alderman Waghorne, Councillors Haddock, Rees Jones, Wilkins and Winterbotham (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant dated the 1st instant, on the collection of the ' second instalment of the General District Rate, made on the 7th May last, was read. Amount collected, £22,653 5s. 1d. Voids, legally excused, allowances, &c., £1845 7s. 10d. Leaving outstanding, £50 4s. 7d.

2—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 1st instant., on the collection of this Rate for the half-year ended the 25th ultimo, was read. Amount collected £11612 0s. 9d. Leaving outstanding, £2587 16s. 7d.

3—Loans—The Borough Accountant reported that since the last Meeting he had received the following sums on loan, viz: £120 and £150, at 3 <sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub> per cent., and £300, £417, £250, £380 and £320, at 3 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>4</sub> per cent. Resolved, That Debentures on account of Education, Water and Tivoli Sewers Loans, be scaled and issued accordingly. —

4—Cancellation of Corporation Stock—The Borough Accountant reported that in pursuance of the instructions given him he had purchased £1160 Cheltenham Corporation Stock at 78 per cent. Resolved, That the sum of £1160 Cheltenham Corporation Stock purchased by means of the Loans Fund of the Cheltenham Town Council, and which now stands in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Cheltenham be extinguished, and that the National Provincial Bank of England, Ltd., the Registrars of the said Stock be and they are hereby authorised and requested to cancel and extinguish the same in the books kept by them relating to the said stock, and that the Common Seal be affixed to a duplicate of this Order, and that such duplicate be forwarded to the said Registrars.

5—Investment of Sinking Funds ----The Borough Accountant reported that the Monmouth County Council had applied for the loan proposed to be advanced by the Cheltenham Corporation to be increased from £3000 to £3200. Resolved, That the application be acceded to and that the Resolution to Minute No. 5 of this Committee's proceedings at its last Meeting be varied accordingly.

6—Accounts—The Financial Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure since the last meeting and the Bills and Accounts to be paid were examined, and the latter ordered to be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

The Treasurer's accounts at the Bank were examined, and the balances found to be correct, The following was the General Statement :—

In hand on the 25th February last	£31,501 7 5
Received since that date (including Loans on Debenture, £2,446)	<u>18,870 11 2</u>
	£44,371 18 7
Paid since that date (including Loan repaid, £700, and Purchase of Stock, £904 16s. 0d.).	<u>£20,389 8 3</u>
	In Hand £23,982 10 4
being General Accounts	£17,252 7 11
Sinking Funds	6,460 0 8
" Leslie Young Benefaction " Accounts	<u>270 1 9</u>
	£23,982 10 4

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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#### **Borough of Cheltenham.**

**At a Monthly Meeting of the Town. Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 7th April, 1913, at 3 p.m. Present :**

THE MAYOR (JAMES TYNTE AGG-GARDNER, ESQ.) in the chair.

THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen : CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT RICHARD ROGERS WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE.

Councillors : WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY WILLIAM GEORGE EARENGEY EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN PERCY HADDOCK JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT, THOMAS REES JONES WILLIAM SAWYER EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM WALTER JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

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1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council on the 3rd March last having been printed and a copy sent to each Member of the Council, be taken as read, and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

2—Employees Outing Committee—Resolved, That the following members of the Council be appointed the Employees Outing Committee for the ensuing year, viz :—The Mayor, The Deputy Mayor, Aldermen Margrett and Rogers, Councillors Baker and Bendall.

3—Public Health Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee at their Meetings of the 10th and 26th March last be approved and confirmed.

4—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 11th and 31st March last, be approved and confirmed, subject to the following Amendment, viz :—

That the Resolutions to Minutes Nos. 2 and 16 (Contract for Stoneware Pipes and Widening of Naunton Lane) be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

5—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meetings of the 17th and 31st March last be approved and confirmed, subject to the following amendment, viz :—That the following Resolution be substituted for the Resolution to Minute No. 5, viz :—That the alterations to the Proscenium as shown on the plan be carried out at an estimated cost of not exceeding £80, subject to Mr. Newton agreeing to pay 7 ½ per cent. on the cost, and that the Tender of Messrs. Collins & Godfrey be accepted for carrying out the work.

6—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meeting of the 19th March last, be approved and confirmed.

7—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 27th March last, be approved and confirmed.

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8—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, their Meeting of the 25th March last, be approved and confirmed.

9—General Purposes and Watch and Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committees—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch and Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committees at their Joint Meeting of the 19th March last be approved and confirmed.

10—Art Gallery and Museum Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Art Gallery and Museum Committee, at their Meeting of the 12th March last, be approved and confirmed.

11—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meeting of the 19th March last, be approved and confirmed.

12—Public Library Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Library Committee, at their Meeting of the 18th March last, be approved and confirmed.

13—Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of the 28th March last, be approved and confirmed, and that the Resolution to Minute No. 4 of this Committee's proceedings on the 26th June, 1896, re Burial Grounds in the Borough be varied accordingly.

14—Finance Committee — Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 1st April last, be approved and confirmed.

Resolved also, that an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

Mayor.

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**Borough of Cheltenham.**

**MINUTES of the Finance Committee of the Town Council submitted for approval at a Special Meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, the 30th April, 1913.**

**FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 22nd April, 1913.** Present: Aldermen Skillicorne and Waghorne, Councillors Haddock, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel, Wilkins and Winterbotham (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1--Estimates for Rates—The Estimates for the Borough and District Rates were considered. Resolved, That the same as now settled be approved and submitted to the Council at a Meeting on the 80th instant and if the same are then approved that a Meeting of the Council be held on the 8th proximo to make the General District Rate and order for the Borough Rate accordingly.

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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**Borough of Cheltenham**

**At a Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Wednesday, the 30th April, 1913, at 3 p.m.** Present :

THE MAYOR (JAMES TYNTE AGG-GARDNER, ESQ.) in the chair.

THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN J. WAGHORNE).

Aldermen : CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT GEORGE NORMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE JAMES BATTEN WINTERBOTHAM

Councillors : WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY WILLIAM GEORGE EARENGEY EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN PERCY HADDOCK JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL ALFRED MANN, WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES EDWIN CHARLES SILK ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM

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1—Finance Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 22nd April last be approved and confirmed, that the Estimates be approved and made accordingly, that a statement of the General District Rate be prepared, that the Owners instead of the occupiers be rated in cases where the rateable value of any premises does not exceed £8 10s. and that such Owners be assessed in respect of tenements whether occupied or unoccupied, at a reduced estimate of one half.

Mayor.

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### **Borough of Cheltenham.**

**MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the next Quarterly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 5th May, 1913.**

#### **COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of the Council in Committee held on Monday, the 7th day of April, 1913,** Present : The Mayor (in the Chair), Aldermen Margrett, Rogers, Skillicorne and Waghorne, Councillors Baker, Bendall, Blakeney, Green, Haddock, Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Sawyer, Silk, Smith, Steel, Stewart, Wilkins, Winterbotham and Wood.

1—Borough Engineer—An application from the Borough Engineer for an increase of salary was considered. The Committee also considered the following **Report made by a Sub-Committee of the General Purposes Committee** with regard to the Engineering Staff of the Borough Engineer :—

The Sub-Committee met on the 11th March, 1913. Present—Aldermen Skillicorne, Councillors Baker, Bendall, and Merrett (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

The Engineering Staff of the Borough Engineer is as follows :—

Chief Assistant (Mr. White)	£250
Second Assistant (Mr. Murray Smith)	£120
Draughtsman (Mr. Nation)	£115
Junior Assistant (Vacant)	<u>£52</u>
	£517

Mr. Earp is not included in the above as his appointment is a temporary one as Assistant Engineer for the New Sewage, Disposal Works.

The Sub-Committee understand from Mr. Pickering that if a revision is made in his staff as opportunity occurs in accordance with any of the following proposals it will be sufficient for the ordinary work of the Department.

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No. 1.

Assistant	£180 increasing to	£200
Draughtsman...	£115 “	£130
Junior	<u>£50</u> “	<u>£80</u>
	£345	£410 Saving £127

No. 2.

Present Chief Assistant	£250
Draughtsman	£130
Junior...	<u>£52</u>
	£432 Saving £105.

No. 3.

Present Chief Assistant ...	£250
Second Assistant	£120
Draughtsman ...	<u>£115</u>
	£485 Saving £52.

The Sub-Committee recommend that proposal No. 2 should be adopted and that as soon as Mr. Murray Smith has obtained another appointment a Junior Assistant at £52 be engaged in his place.

The Sub-Committee believe that a saving in the cost of book-keeping in the Engineer's Department can be effected when the new Offices are available so as to enable this work to be carried out under the supervision of the Borough Accountant.

The Sub-Committee point out that Mr. Pickering's application for additional remuneration was made in November last and they think his application should be dealt with by the Committee without further delay. Resolved, That this Report be approved and adopted.

Resolved, also, That the Council be recommended to increase his Salary as Water Engineer from £225 to £325, the increase to commence on the 1st January next, it being understood that if this increase is granted no additional remuneration will be asked for by the Borough Engineer in respect of the extra work in connection with the completion of the Sewage Disposal Works, or in respect of the preparation of the plans and supervision of the alterations of the Promenade houses for converting them into Municipal Offices.

J. T. AGG GARDNER,

Mayor.

## **PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 14th April, 1913**-Present: Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Hanson Powell, Rees Junes, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood. (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

1-Houses without proper Ash Receptacles-The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz :-31 and 32, Rose and Crown Passage, 8, Union Street, 43, Burton Street, 2 and 54, Rutland Street, 7, Orchard Place and 13, Hill View Terrace. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

2-Cleansing and Limewashing at 6, 10, and 12, Columbia Street, 10, Union Street, 39, Russell Street, 18, Burton Street, 49, Rutland Street, and 7, Orchard Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

3-Nuisances from Drains, etc. at 37, Sun Sheet and 5, St. Margaret's Terrace. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

4-Insanitary Property-6, 10 and 12, Columbia Street, 43 and 52, Burton Street, 8, 10 and 22, Union Street, Fairview, St. Luke's School and 1 and 2, Eaton Cottages, 39 and 41, Russell Street and 7 and 54, Rutland Street. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875 be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

5-Houses unfit for Human Habitation-47, 49 and 51, Duke Street and Nos. 1 to 4, Teale's Court, Duke Street. The Medical Officer of Health made a representation that these dwelling houses were in a state so dangerous or injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation and he recommended that the houses be closed. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting and that in the meantime notice be given to the Owners of the premises of the intention of the Council to make a Closing Order.

6-Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health-Resolved, That the Medical Officer of Health be authorised to obtain and accept a satisfactory tender for printing 250 copies of his annual Report.

7-Destruction of Diseased Meat--The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction of diseased meat as follows :-On the 31st ulto the carcase and offal of a pork pig, on the

1st instant the carcase and offal of a sheep, and on the 2nd instant the carcase and offal of a pork pig. (Total is-eight destroyed 134 lbs )

8-Sewage Disposal Works-Tenders for Sewage Filter Media-The Sub-Committee reported that they suet on the 28th ulto and considered the tenders received (14) for the supply of Filtering Material required at the Sewage Disposal Works. They recommended that the tenders of the Tytherington Stone Co. for supplying 3 in. to 2 in. filtering material at 6s 6d per ton, and the Pyx Granite Co. Ltd. for 1 in. to ¼ in. material at 5s 9d per ton be accepted subject to Contracts prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

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9—Hayden Sewage Works—" Fair Wages Clause" —Messrs. Bettridge and Bushell attended on behalf of the Cheltenham Building Trades Joint Committee and complained that Labourers were only being paid 5d. an hour whereas they contended the standard rate was 5 ½ d. They also contended that "walking time " allowance should be paid. The Contractor also attended and stated he was paying his bricklayers more than the standard rate, and he contended that 5d. an hour was the standard rate paid in the District for ordinary Labourers engaged in the chase of work in respect of which the complaint was made, but he ultimately agreed to pay 5 ½ d. per hour. He refused to recognise the claim for "walking time" as he contended his work was engineering work and not builders work within the scope of the rules of the Building Trades Joint Committee. He also contended that his place of business where the men were engaged and employed was at Hayden, within the neighbourhood of which many of the men employed lived and that the claim for walking time from the Town Clock was unreasonable and could not be required. Resolved, That Mr. Betteridge be informed that the Contractor had agreed to pay the Labourers at the rate of 5 1d. per hour and that on the facts before the Committee they were not satisfied that they were entitled to require the Contractor to allow walking time.

10—Ladies' College Playground, Lansdown Crescent—Read a letter from the Secretary of the Ladies' College asking for permission to connect the surface water drain of the playground in Lansdown Crescent with the Public Sewer. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to an undertaking being given by the College to discontinue the drain at any time if required by the Corporation.

11—Gardens at back of Portmore Lodge and Yorkleigh--Read a further letter from Mr. F. Forty and a letter from Mr. C. Champney with reference to the slipping of the land at the back of Portmore Lodge and Yorkleigh, St. George's Road. Resolved, That the Committee inspect the land at their next Meeting.

12—**Report of Farms Sub-Committee**--The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 2nd instant. Present—Councillors Rees Jones, Steel and Wood (Councillor Wood in the chair) and visited the Farms for the Annual Stocktaking and Valuation. They submitted the following summary :—

	£ s. d.
Live Stock	2,750 7 0
Hay, Straw, Mangolds, Manure, etc.	322 11 9
Acts of Husbandry ...	46 16 4

Implements, Harness, &c.	£465 3 7
Shedding, &c.	<u>215 3 6</u>
	£3,800 2 2

The Sub-Committee also met on the 4th instant. Present—Alderman Skillicorne, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel and Wood (Councillor Wood in the chair).

Farms' Manager's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Farms' Manager. Since the last Meeting 3 head of Cattle (including 1 Calf) had been purchased for £32 2s. and 109 Sheep (including 40 lambs) for £183 12s. Total purchases, £215 14s. 9 Calves and 32 Lambs had been born on the Farms. 32 head of Cattle including 9 Calves had been sold for £233 18s. 5d., 17 Pigs for £22 10s. 2d., 1 Cart Horse for £30 and 1 sheep skin for 4s Total Sales £286 13s. 7d. Resolved, That the Manager be authorised to obtain tenders for (a) the fencing required at the Cottages (b) new set of trace harness for cart horses and (c) a new wagon for Barn Farm.

Orchard—Read a letter from Mr. T. Hewlett of Elmstone Hardwick offering to sell to the Corporation the Orchard belonging to him adjoining Barn Farm for £100. Resolved, That the offer be not entertained.

Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 21st April, 1913,** Present Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

13-Houses without proper Ash Receptacles-The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz : 16, Grove Street, 11, Columbia Street, 17, Duke Street, 9, York Street Cottages, 11, York Street, 2, 3 and 5 St. James' Place, Painswick Road. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

14-Overcrowding at 5, Cakebridge Terrace-The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

15-Cleansing and Limewashing at 2, York Street Cottages, York Street, 11, York Street, 9, 3, 4, 5 and 6, St. James' Place, Painswick, Road. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby.

Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

16-Nuisances from Drains, etc. at 1, 2 and 3, Ambrose Street, and 3, Lamb's Cottages, Commercial Street. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the Drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

17-Insanitary Property-11, Columbia Street, 13 and 11, Marsh Lane, 1, Queen's Retreat, 2, York Street Cottages, 11, York Street, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6, \*St. James Place, Painswick Road, The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

18-Houses unfit for Human Habitation-47, 49 and 51, Duke Street and 1 to 4 Teale's Court-With reference to the representation made by the Medical Officer of Health at the last Meeting, the Town Clerk reported that he had given notice to the owners of Nos. 47, 49 and 51, Duke Street, and 1 to 4 Teale's Court. Mr. W. G. Gurney, Solicitor, attended on behalf of the Owners of the premises and informed the Committee that negotiations were in progress for the sale of the property and asked that the question of making a Closing Order should be adjourned for two months. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

1 and 2, York Place, Swindon Road-Mr. E. L. Baylis the Owner of Nos. 1 and 2, York Place attended the Meeting and asked for a further adjournment of the question of making a Demolition Order for two months. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

1 and 2, Higg's Cottages-The Medical Officer of Health made a representation that these dwelling houses were in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation and he recommended that the houses be closed. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting and that in the meantime notice be given to the Owners of the premises of the intention of the Council to make a Closing Order.

Two Cottages at Arle (formerly known as the Old Schoolhouse)-With reference to the Closing Order made in respect of the Two Cottages at Arle (formerly known as the Old Schoolhouse), the Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises had been made fit for human habitation. Resolved, That an Order be made determining the Closing Order.

10—Offensive Trade—Read a letter from the Butchers' Hide, Skin and Wool Co. asking if the Corporation would provide accommodation at the abattoir for carrying on their business of Dealers in Raw Bides and Skins. The goods would be collected each day and despatched the same night and they were willing to pay a rent of 10% on the cost of the Building. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to bring up a plan and estimate of the cost of providing suitable

accommodation at the abattoir. Resolved also that the Town Clerk be instructed to enquire whether Messrs. A. H. Taylor Ltd. would be prepared to rent accommodation at the abattoir on similar terms.

20—Conference of Sanitary Inspectors' Association—Read a letter from the Secretary, Sanitary Inspectors' Association inviting delegates to attend the Annual Conference to be held at Llandudno from 8th to 13th September next. Resolved. That delegates be not appointed.

21—Contravention of Byelaws as to Pig Keeping—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that 5 pigs were being kept on land in Charlton Lane within 150 feet of a dwelling house, contrary to Byelaws in force in the Borough. Resolved, That if the Owner does not at once reduce the number of pigs to comply with the byelaws and undertake not to contravene the byelaws in future, the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings for the penalties incurred.

22—Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer submitted a list of notices requiring the abatement of nuisances arising from dangerous condition of walls, doors, defective paving, &c. and the provision of an Asia Receptacle which had been served but not complied with. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to compliance.

23—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction on the 17th instant of 84 lbs. of beef as unfit for human food.

24—Montpellier Retreat—Resolved, That the Borough Engineer be instructed to bring up a plan and estimate of the cost of reconstructing the Sewer in Montpellier Retreat.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

#### **STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 12th April 1913.** Present; Councillors Baker, Hanson Powell, Mann, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Baker in the Chair).

1--Chairman—An apology was received for the absence of the Chairman owing to a serious accident to his son at Northampton. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to Mr. Bendall expressing the sympathy of the Committee and the hope that his son will soon be completely recovered from the accident.

2—Street Projections—Read an application from Mr. C. E. Rainger for permission to place a streamer across the High Street from Messrs. George's premises from the 22nd to 26th April. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, subject to the streamer being placed at a height of not less than 30 feet from the ground.

3-15, Ambrose Street—Read a letter from Mrs. Brown, the tenant of 15, Ambrose Street asking the Corporation to provide a Sun blind for the premises. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

4—Accident in Winchcomb Street—Read a further letter from Messrs. Earengy & Preen on behalf of Mrs. Robinson claiming compensation in respect of an accident sustained by her in Winchcomb Street, and stating that they were instructed to take proceedings if the Corporation could not make a satisfactory offer in settlement. Resolved, That no offer be made.

5—Moorend Road—Read a letter from Mr. J. N. Hobbs calling attention to the bad condition of the footpath in Moorend Road from Leckhampton Library to Moorend Park Road. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for the Committee to view.

6—Temporary Building, Marle Hill Road—Mr. H. Towell (Mark Williams & Co.) attended the Meeting with reference to the Memorial received from owners and occupiers of houses in Marle Hill Road protesting against the shed erected by him in Made Hill Road. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be further adjourned.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 28th April, 1913.** Present:—Alderman Margrett, Councillors Baker, Bendall, Mann, Merrett and Stewart (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

7—Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 28th March to the 25th April, 1913 (both inclusive) had been as follows :—

Roads repaired—Arlo Road (7,211 square yards), Montpellier Walk (2,438 square yards). Roads patched—Christ Church Road, Glencairn Park Road, Hatherley Road, Lansdown Place, Market Street, Montpellier Wide Opening, Old Bath Road, St. George's Place, St. James' Square and Townsend Street.

Electricity Trenches repaired—Albert Place, Fairmount Road, Greville Terrace, Hewlett Road, Priory Place, St. George's Place, Shurdington Road. Footpaths gravelled—Pittville Lawn (proceeding), Lane between Hatherley Street and Tivoli Street (450 square yards).

Footpath paved with Slabs—Suffolk Road (Improvement) 396 square yards, Paved Footpaths repaired—Albert Street, St. Peter's, Bays Hill Road, Elm Street, Elmstone Street, Grosvenor Place S., High Street, Lansdown Parade, Moorend Road, Queen's Road and Suffolk Parade.

New Kerbing fixed—Suffolk Parade (279 lineal yards). New Channelling fixed—Suffolk Parade 1120 lineal yards). Channelling repaired—Elm Street and Fairview Road. Street Crossings renewed-2. Nett' Gateway Crossings-2. New Gullies-9. Trees pruned—Andover Road, St. George's Road and Tewkesbury Road.

Tree felled—Upper High Street 1 Plano (dead). Tree guards fixed—Gloucester Road, 10 ; Gratton Road, 22 ; Leckhampton Road, 18. Ashes collection and disposal—During 4 weeks ended the 17th April, 1913-838 loads collected, 791 consumed and 47 tipped away. Weight consumed-1,016 tons, 4 cwt., 2 qrs. Steam generated—Hourly average 7,963 lbs.

Slab Factory—During 4 weeks ended the 17th April, 1913-525 lineal feet of sewage filter blocks and 555 ½ square yards of slabs made.

View Meeting—The following Members attended the View Meeting on Friday last : Councillors Baker, Bendall, Mann, Merrett and Stewart.

8--Report of Plans Sub Committee—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the **Plans Sub-Committee** at their Meetings on the 15th and 25th inst. Resolved, That the same be approved and adopted.

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9—Street Projections—Read an application from the Cheltenham Gas Company for permission to place a projecting lamp outside Westal House, Bath Road. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the usual conditions.

10—Casino Place Private Improvement Expenses—The Borough Surveyor reported that the private improvement works ordered in Casino Place had been carried out by the Corporation at a cost including supervision of £83 11s. 1d. and in compliance with the instructions of the Committee he submitted an apportionment of this sum according to the degree of benefit to be derived from the works. Resolved, That regard be had to the greater or less degree of benefit to be derived from the works, that the apportionment as now settled on this basis be approved and that notices thereof and of demand for repayment be served upon the owners of premises mentioned in the apportionment.

11—Scarifier for Patching Roller—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to purchase a scarifier for attaching to the small Steam Roller at a cost of £45.

12—Slab Factory—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Balance Sheet of the working of the Slab Factory for the half year ending the 27th March last.

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Surplus brought forward from 26th Sept. 1912	£364 8 8
Sale of Slabs and Kerbs for half year ended 27th March, 1913 ...	
Blocks for Sewage Filters	£ 378 15 9
Corporation Departments	297 15 6
Private Customers ...	119 13 7
Private Improvement Works	<u>41 0 7</u>
	£837 5 5
Value of Consent, etc. transferred to other Departments ... ..	3 18 11
Slabs in stock 27th March, 1913, at under Cost Price	£1200 7 2
Kerbs, etc. in stock 27th March, 1913, at under Cost Price, including Blocks for Sewage Filters ...	£1038 12 3

Value of Cement and other materials in stock	
27th March, 1913 ...	<u>61 3 4</u>
Total ...	£3,525 14 9

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Slabs in stock 26th September, 1912, at under Cost Price...	£1449 8 9
Kerbs, etc. in stock 26th December, 1912, at under Cost Price, including Blocks for Sewage Filters ...	945 5 9
Value of Cement and other Materials in stock 26th September, 1912 ...	59 8 1
Wages and materials for half year ended 27th March, 1913 ...	626 11 0
Rates, Taxes and Insurance for half year ended 27th March, 1913 (estimated) ...	12 3 9
Interest and Sinking Fund for half year ended 27th March, 1913 (estimated) ...	120 17 6
Surplus ..	<u>311 19 11</u>
Total ...	£3525 14 9

13—Contract for Stoneware Pipes—The Town Clerk reported that Messrs. Powell Gwinnell A Co. Ltd. had now entered into a Contract for the supply of Wragg's pipes in accordance with their tender.

14--Improvement of Corner of College Road and Balls Parade—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had approached the trustees of the late Major Harford, and that they were willing to give up a small strip of land for rounding off the corner of College Road and Bath Parade, subject to the Corporation setting back the fence and paving the land given up. Resolved, That the offer be accepted and the improvement carried out.

15—Stanhope Street—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the footpaths in Stanhope Street paved with slabs where required.

16—Leckhampton Road—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to continue the kerbing and channelling and remaking of the footpath in Leckhampton Road from Fairfield Avenue to Croft Street.

17—Moorend Road—The Committee inspected the footpath in Moorend Road from the Leckhampton Library to Moorend Park Road, in respect of which a complaint had been received from. Mr. J. N. Hobbs. Resolved, That the matter stand over for the present.

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18—Telegraph Pole in Oxford Passage—With reference to the application received from the Superintending Engineer P.O. Telegraphs, for permission to place a telegraph pole in Oxford Passage, the Borough Surveyor reported that the passage was narrow and the pole might cause inconvenience to the traffic. Resolved, That permission be not given.

19—Queen's Road—(Footpath from Lansdown Road to Christ Church Road). Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to bring up a plan and estimate of the work required to be done by the abutting owners.

20—Widening of Naunton Lane—The Minute of this Committee recommending the acceptance of the offer of Mr. S. L. Bendall to give up a strip of land for widening this road to 36 feet was further considered. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

#### PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 15th April, 1913.** Present : Councillors Baker, Hanson Powell, Steel, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Baker in the chair).

1—New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following notices and plans of intended new buildings, viz :—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1170	H, S. Hamilton	Detached house, Leckhampton Road (amended plans)
1171	W. Boyd	Additions to Benton House, The Park.

Resolved, That Plans No. 1170 be approved and that Plans No. 1171 be approved, subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Inspector of Nuisances.

WILLIAM A. BAKER, Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, the 25th April, 1913.** Present: Councillors Baker, Bendall, Steel, and Stewart (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

2—New Buildings.—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended new Buildings, viz :—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1172	Winterbotham, Gurney & Co.	New Greenhouse, Fortfield, Lansdown Road.
1173	Mrs. Harrison	Motor House, Elston, Gloucester Road.
1174	H. J. Gaskins	Temporary Workshop at rear of 4, Belle Vue place
1175	F. E. Marsh	Temporary Van Shelter, Clarence Cottage, Wellesley Road

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Resolved, That Plans No 1173 be approved, that Plans No. 1172 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector, and that Plans No. 1174 and 1175 be approved as temporary buildings subject to an undertaking being given to remove the same on three months notice.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

## TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 17th April, 1913.** Present: Councillors Baker, Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones and Steel (Councillor Becker in the chair).

1—Montpellier Gardens—Read letters from Miss. M. Long and the Crosby and Montpellier Tennis Clubs asking that a net should be placed between the Tennis Courts and the Archery Ground to prevent the balls going on to the latter ground. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

2—Esperanto Leaflet—Read a letter from the President, Cheltenham Esperanto Society asking the Corporation to make a grant towards the cost (35s) of a guide leaflet to Cheltenham, which had been prepared and issued through the Universal Esperanto Association. Resolved, That the Committee are unable to make any contribution.

3—Illustrated Guide—Read a letter from Messrs. E. J. Burrow & Co. Ltd. offering to print another issue of the Corporation Guide and to supply 5000 copies to the Corporation free of charge, subject to their being allowed the same number of pages of advertisements as in the previous issue. The Town Clerk reported that the supply of Guides was nearly exhausted. Resolved, That the offer be accepted.

4—British Chess Congress Programme and Handbook—Resolved, That an advertisement of Cheltenham be inserted in the British Chess Federation Congress Programme and Handbook at a cost of two guineas.

5—Midland Evening News—Read a letter from the Midland Press Ltd., stating that they proposed to publish another special page containing an article on Cheltenham. Resolved, That an advertisement be inserted at a cost of 36s.

6—Footpath near Pittville Gates—A complaint was received from the Rev. Percy Waller of the condition of the footpath near Pittville Gates. Resolved, That the Committee view the footpath at their next Meeting.

Resolved also that the next Meeting of the Committee be held at the Pittville Gardens on the 15th proximo, at 4.30.

7—Band on Whit Monday—Resolved, That the Cheltenham Rifle Band be engaged to play in the Promenade from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on Whit Monday at a charge of £3.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

## ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 17th April, 1913—**Present: Councillors Green, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Smith and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he had tested the gas on the 17th instant for illuminating power with the following result, viz. : 14.3 candles. The test on the 11th instant for purity showed 25 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

2—Requisition for Materials Required—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted a list of materials, etc., which would probably be required during the ensuing month and the same was approved.

3—Condensing Plant—Resolved, That the Committee meet at the Works on Thursday, the 24th instant, at 4.30, to consider the Tenders for the Condensing Plant.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 24th April, 1913.** Present—Councillors Green, Haddock, Merrett, Rees Jones, Smith and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the Chair).

4—Condensing Plant—The Committee considered the Tenders received (9) for the new Condensing Plant required at the Electricity Works. Resolved, That the Tender of the British 'Westinghouse Co. of 1000 be accepted subject to the Borough Electrical Engineer being satisfied as to the satisfactory working of the Plant and to a Contract being entered into to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

5—Lamp near Holy Apostles' Church—Read a letter from the Manager of the Cheltenham and District Light Railway Co. stating that they were unable to continue to provide a lamp near Holy Apostles' Church and giving three months notice to remove the same. Resolved, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be instructed to provide another lamp near the Church.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

#### **WATER COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 24th April, 1913.**—Present: Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Baker, Bendall, Green, Merrett and Wood (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Borough Engineer's Report—The monthly report of the Borough Engineer was read:

#### DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 21 <sup>st</sup> April, 1913	Average for corresponding period during last 3 years.
Hewletts	492,000 gallons	354,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	1,473,000 “	965,000 “
Leckhampton Springs	<u>125,000</u> “	<u>107,000</u> “
Total	2,090,000 “	1,426,000 “

## CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

21 <sup>st</sup> April, 1913.			21 <sup>st</sup> April, 1912.		
	Depth	Contents		Depth	Contents
Hewletts		14,478,000 gallons			29,094,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	31ft. 11in.	100,000,000 "		31ft. 11in.	100,000,000 "
Leckhampton	10ft. 4in.	<u>1,360,000</u> "		12ft. 4in.	<u>1,630,000</u> "
		Total Storage 115,838,000 "			130,724,000 "

An application was received from Messrs. Webb Bros., Ltd., for an extension of the Water Main along Mill Street, Prestbury. The Borough Engineer reported that the estimated cost of extending the main and coupling up the same with the main in Burgage Street was £100. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the cost of extending the main being deposited by Messrs. Webb Bros. until the charges received in respect of the extension amount to 10% per annum on the outlay.

2—Hewletts Reservoir—The Committee inspected the Hewletts Reservoir. Resolved. That tenders be invited for lining No. 4 Reservoir with cement of lin. thickness.

3—Salts' Farm—The Borough Engineer submitted the following tenders received for providing a Stable and Corn Store at Salts' Furies. W. Drew, Gloucester Road, £174 2s. 8d. W. Cresswell, Selkirk Street, £110 0s. 0d. Resolved, That the tender of Mr. Cresswell be accepted subject to a contract being entered into to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

4—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeal Book were considered, and the Rates settled and adjusted.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

### GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 22nd April, 1913.** Present : Aldermen Skillicorne, Waghorne, and Winterbotham; Councillors Baker, Haddock, Merrett and Stewart (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

1—Vice-Chairman—Resolved, That the Deputy-Mayor be appointed Vice-Chairman of this Committee for the remainder of the present year.

2—Diseases amongst Animals—Superintendent Hopkins reported an outbreak of Swine Fever on the 12th instant, at Holliday's Allotments, Old Bath Road, in the occupation of Mr. Arnold Hathaway. 3 pigs had died and 17 had been killed by order of the Board of Agriculture. The outbreak could not be accounted for. With this exception the Borough was free from contagious disease amongst Animals.

Gloucestershire, Warwickshire, and Worcestershire (Swine Fever) Order, 1913. Read a letter from the Board of Agriculture stating that they had made an order combining the three counties of Gloucester, Warwick and Worcester, for the purposes of the Swine Fever (Regulation of Movement) Order, 1908. The effect of this Order which came into force on the 16th inst. is to admit of the free movement of swine within the three counties (excluding a small portion of Gloucestershire specified in the schedule) except in the case of (1) swine moved from markets which were subject to the restrictions of art. 3 of the order, (2) Swine in the existing Swine Fever infected area in the Stroud District and (3) Swine on certain premises in the Borough of Leamington which were at present subject to special restrictions. The Town Clerk reported that he had published the Order as directed by the Board.

Tuberculosis Order, 1913. Resolved, That Mr. F. W. Taylor be appointed Veterinary Inspector for the Borough under the above order. Resolved, also That the Town Clerk be instructed to see Mr. Taylor with a view to arranging a scale of fees for examinations and reports under the Order.

3—Report of Fire Brigade Captain—The Captain reported that the Brigade was called to an outbreak of fire on the 9th instant at No. 400 High Street, caused by a leakage of gas, damage about £1, Brigade expenses £1 12s. Also on the 19th instant to an outbreak at premises at the rear of No. 5 Promenade in the occupation of Mr. E. Walkley, damage £5, Brigade expenses £2 13s. 6d., cause, gas leakage.

4—Petroleum Licence—Read an application from the Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co. for a licence to store 600 gallons of petroleum at their garage in Spa Place. The Inspector reported that the place of storage was satisfactory. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

5—Contributions to Local Charities--Read an application from the Hon. Treasurer of the Leslie Young Day Nursery making application for a contribution equal to the amount of the General District Rate payable in respect of the Institution. Resolved, That a subscription of £1 14s. be made to the Association under the powers conferred on the Council by the Cheltenham Improvement Act 1889, and the Cheltenham Order 1905.

6—Annual Inspection and Licensing of Hackney Carriages—Resolved, That the Annual Inspection of Hackney Carriages be held at the Central Depot on Friday, the 30th May next at 9.30 a.m. and the Annual Licensing Meeting of the Council at the Depot on the 3rd June next at 10.30 a.m.

7—Alexandra Day—An application was received from the Alexandra Day Committee stating that it was proposed to decorate the town on the 26th June next and asking for the use of the bunting, shields, &c. belonging to the Corporation. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to any damage done to the materials being made good by the Committee.

8—Associations of Municipal Corporations—Resolved, That the Mayor and Deputy-Mayor be appointed to attend the Annual Meeting of the Association of Municipal Corporations to be held at London on the 28th May next.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

## **ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 16th April, 1913**—Present Alderman Blaggett, Councillors Green, Rees Jones and Steel, and Messrs. G. Dimmer and H. Stroud (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—The Curator reported that 1490 visits had been made to the Art Gallery and Museum since March 12th, and 193 catalogues had been sold.

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The new table-cases and wall-case had been placed in the Local Room, and the several collections of Pre-historic Flints were being arranged in them.

Mr. Sydney Herbert had presented an architectural drawing by himself, entitled " An artist's suggestion for a new symbolical style of architecture for the Empire."

Mrs. Griffiths, Oakfield, had presented 12 sheets of pressed flowers.

Dr. E. T. Wilson had presented a number of Pre-historic Flints.

Mr. L. Richardson had presented a number of Fossils.

Dr. George Moore, of Bourton-on-the-Water, had presented several Pre-historic Flints (9).

Mr. Wild, Applegarth, had presented a Paddle, Bow, Drum, and Headdress from Dutch Guiana, and a small vase dredged from the sea at Eleusis.

Mr. A. J. de Havilland Bushnell had presented the following articles from the Rocky Mountains :— Shaped pumice-stone used for scraping meat and fat off buffalo and deer hides, Implement of malpaiz used for beating bides, Apache spear head, Apache spear head half made, Flint Arrow head mounted, also Cut Rock Crystal and piece of Amber, Specimens of Minerals, Clavis trabalis or Roman Beam Nail probably used in Crucifixion.

Mr. Wild had also very carefully classified and named the collection of minerals.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the donors and also to Mr. Wild for his services in classifying the collection of minerals.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

## **MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 18th April, 1913**—Present Councillors Blakeney, Merrett, Stewart and Silk (Councillor Merrett in the Chair.)

1-Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from 1st 1912 31st April, to March, 1913, were as follows

Receipts s. ...	£499 8 8	Expenses ... ..	£765 10 11
		Interest & Redemption	<u>527 5 3</u>
	£499 8 d. 8		£1292 16 2

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Use of Baths for Meetings, &c.—Read an application from the Superintendent of the Montpellier Baths for remuneration for his extra services in connection with the letting of the Baths for Concerts, ex. during the past winter. The Borough Surveyor reported that the receipts (exclusive of payments for the Musical Afternoon Concerts transferred from the Town Hall) amounted to £81 13s. 4d. Resolved, That grant of R4 be made to the Superintendent.

2—Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from 1st April, 1912 to 31st March, 1913, were as follows :—

Receipts	£420 16 8	Expenses ... ..	£498 9 5
		New Floor (on account)	152 3 3
		Interest & Redemption	<u>334 13 8</u>
	£420 16 8		£985 6 4

3—Mineral Water Sales—The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during March last was 827 as compared with 1105 for the month of March, 1912. The number of bottles of Concentrated Water sold during March was 216, as compared with 240 for the corresponding month last year.

Resolved, That a ticket course be issued free of charge to the delegates attending the Chess Congress in Cheltenham in August next, such tickets to be supplied on application through Colonel Ashburner.

4—Cricket at Recreation Grounds—Read applications from the Secretary, St. Philips' (Wednesday) Cricket Club for permission to play at Naunton Park during the coming Season, and from the Secretary, Martyn's Athletic Club to play at the Agg Gardner Recreation Ground. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the usual conditions.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

#### BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 25th April, 1913**—Present : Councillors Baker, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Winterbotham (Councillor Stewart in the Chair).

1—Notice Board—Resolved, That the Superintendent be authorised to have a Notice Board placed at the entrance to the Cemetery, announcing the time at which the Cemetery is closed to the public each day.

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2—Designs—Resolved, That the following Designs be approved, viz.:—Headstones and kerbing to graves of Jane Mullins, Hester and John Hastings, and John Pleydell Wilton ; Memorial Crosses and kerbing to graves of Emma Short, Robert Potter Gilmore, John Tonson and Maud Eva Lewis, Emily Hodgkinson and Annie Whitehead ; Kerbing to grave of Eliza Ann Sawyer.

JAS. STEWART,

Chairman

#### **PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 15th April, 1913**—Present : Councillors Earengy, Green, Mann, Steel and Wilkins. Messrs. A. Beckingsale, F. J. Caudle, J. R. Claridge, W. Cresswell, W. J. Moore, E. C. Rogers, and H. Stroud (Councillor Green in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report — Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts, £3 5s. 11d. Presentations:—Mr. M. E. Daubeny (9 vols.) and the Macdonald Directory Co. (2 vols).

The number of Volumes consulted in the Reference Library, from the 17th March to the 12th April instant (20 days), was 1487, as compared with 1763 for the 26 days ended the 12th April last year.

The number of volumes issued from the Lending Department from the 17th March to the 12th April instant (20 days) was 9710, as compared with 12474 for the 26 days ended the 12th April, 1912. 10 Volumes of books for the blind had been issued during the past month.

2—**Sub-Committee's Report**—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 10th instant, (present—Alderman Col. Rogers (Chairman) Councillors Green, Merrett, Dr. R. Davies, and Messrs. F. J. Caudle and J. R. Claridge). The Sub-Committee recommended:

That an estimate be obtained from Messrs. A. C. Billings and Sons Limited for the Repairs, &c., to the springs of Entrance Doors.

That the Tender of the Looker-On Printing Co., Ltd., for the printing of 500 copies of the Annual Report (being the lowest) be accepted.

That the list of looks proposed to be withdrawn from circulation be approved.

That the wages of 11, A. Richards, Junior Assistant, be increased from 6s, to 7s. per week.

That a selection from the list of books submitted be purchased at a cost of about £4.

Resolved, That the recommendations be approved and adopted.

3—Entrance Doors—The Librarian submitted the estimate from Messrs. Billings and Sons, Ltd., for providing new springs, &c., to the Entrance Doors, at £11 5s. Resolved, That the same be accepted and the work carried out.

4—Burlington Magazine—Resolved, That the Burlington (Act) Magazine be provided for the Reference Library, at a cost of 2s 6d per month.

5—Leckhampton Library—An application was received from the Hon. Treasurer of the Leckhampton Library for a grant in aid of their work. Resolved, That a grant of £4 be made.

E. C. GREEN,

Chairman.

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#### FINANCE COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 29th April, 1913.** Present: Aldermen Skillicorne and Waghorne, Councillors Haddock, Rees Jones, Silk and Steel (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant dated the 29th instant, on the collection of this Rate was read. Amount received £15 15s. 8d.

2—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 29th instant, on the collection of this Rate for the half-year ended the 29th September, next, was read. Amount received £354 2s. 9d.

3—Pittville Rent Charges—Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to distrain if necessary to obtain payment of the outstanding arrears due in respect of the Pittville rent charges.

4—Accounts—The Financial Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure since the last meeting and the Bills and Accounts to be paid were examined, and the latter ordered to be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

The Treasurer's accounts at the Bank were examined, and the balances found to be correct. The following was the General Statement :—

In hand on the 1st April last	£23,982 10 4
Received since that date	<u>4,500 7 7</u>
	28,482 17 11
Paid since that date (including Loans repaid, £905)	<u>11,623 17 7</u>
	In Hand £16,854 0 4
being General Accounts	£10,222 0 1
Sinking Funds	6,479 13 6
" Leslie Young Benefaction " Accounts	<u>152 6 9</u>
	£16,854 0 4

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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## Borough of Cheltenham

At a Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 5th May, 1913, at 3 p.m. Present :

THE MAYOR (JAMES TYNTE AGG-GARDNER, ESQ.) in the chair.

Aldermen : CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT RICHARD ROGERS GEORGE NORMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE JAMES BATTEN WINTERBOTHAM.

Councillors : WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY WILLIAM GEORGE EARENGEY EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN PERCY HADDOCK JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL ALFRED MANN, WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES WILLIAM SAWYER EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM

Apology—An apology for non-attendance was received from the Deputy Mayor.

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1- Minutes of Previous Meetings— Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meetings of the Council on the 7th and 30th April last having been printed and a copy sent to each Member of the Council, be taken as read, and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

2—Council in Committee—The Mayor proposed, and Alderman Skillicorne seconded, That the proceedings of the Council in Committee, at their Meeting of the 7th April last, be approved and confirmed.

To this the following Amendments were moved:—

By Councillor Green, seconded by Councillor Mann, " That the second Resolution to the Minutes of the proceedings of the Council in Committee (Salary of Borough Engineer) be not approved."

By Councillor Stewart, seconded by Councillor Hanson Powell :— " That the first Resolution be amended by providing that the reduction in the staff be brought into effect before the 1st January next."

The latter Amendment, on being put to the Meeting, was not carried.

On the former Amendment being put to the Meeting, the names of those voting for or against were recorded, as follows :—

For : Alderman Margrett, Councillors Baker, Bendall, Blakeney, Earengy, Green, Mann, Merrett, Sawyer, Silk, Smith, Steel, and Wilkins (13).

Against : The Mayor, Aldermen Norman, Rogers, Skillicorne and Winterbotham, Councillors Haddock, Hanson Powell, Rees Jones, Stewart and Winterbotham (10).

The Mayor thereupon declared the Amendment carried, and the Proposition, subject to the Amendment, was also carried.

3—Public Health Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee, at their Meetings of the 14th and 21st April last, be approved and confirmed, subject to the following Amendment, viz. :—" That Minute No. 19 (Offensive Trade) be referred back for further consideration."

4 ---Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 15th and 28th April last, be approved and confirmed.

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5—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meeting of the 17th April last be approved and confirmed.

6—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meetings of the 17th and 24th April last, be approved and confirmed. (At this stage the Mayor vacated the chair, and Alderman Margrett was elected Chairman of the Meeting).

7—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 24th April last, be approved and confirmed.

8--General Purposes and Watch Committee-- Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meeting of the 22nd April last, be approved and confirmed.

9—Art Gallery and Museum Committee--Resolved, That the proceedings of the Art Gallery and Museum Committee, at their Meeting of the 16th April last, be approved and confirmed.

10—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee--Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meeting of the 18th April last, be approved and confirmed.

11—Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of the 25th April last, be approved and confirmed.

12—Public Library Committee— Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Library Committee, at their Meeting of the 15th April last, be approved and confirmed.

13—Finance Committee — Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 29th April last, be approved and confirmed. Resolved, also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

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14 –Memorials, Complaints, &c.—Resolved, That the following be referred to the undermentioned Committees, viz. :—

Memorials from A. Smith and others and G. W. Restall and others, and letters from C. Castle and A. H. Taylor, re Offensive Trade at the Abattoir.

To the Public Health Committee.

Memorial from J. McCarthy and others, re Nuisance caused by the shouting of newspaper boys, &c., in High Street.

To the General Purposes and Watch Committee.

Mayor.

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### **Borough of Cheltenham**

**At a Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Thursday, the 8th May, 1913, at 3 p.m. Present :**

THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN J. WAGHORNE) in the chair.

Aldermen : CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT RICHARD ROGERS JAMES BATTEN WINTERBOTHAM

Councillors: WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY WILLIAM GEORGE EARENCEY EDWIN SON CHARLES GREEN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES, WILLIAM SAWYER EDWIN CHARLES SILK ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM

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1-Order for Borough Rate—Resolved, That it appearing to the Council that the Borough Fund of the Borough is insufficient for the several purposes to which the same is applicable under the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882, or other-wise by law, and it having been by the said Council estimated, as correctly as may be, that the sum of £30,000 will, in addition to the Borough Fund, be sufficient for those purposes, including therein the expenses of carrying into execution the Public Libraries Act, for the period ending the 31st March next, IT IS ORDERED by the Council that a Borough Rate be now made upon all the property rateable to the poor within the said Borough for the purpose of raising the said sum, and for that purpose there shall be assessed, and the Council do hereby assess upon the Parish of Cheltenham, which is co-extensive with the said Borough, and the rateable value of the property lying therein, the said sum of £30,000, AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED by the said Council in pursuance of the said Statute that the Overseers of the Poor of the said Parish of Cheltenham do and they are hereby required to pay the said sum of money assessed upon the said Parish out of the Poor Rates made and collected, or to be made and collected, within the said Parish, AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the said Overseers shall pay the said sum assessed upon the said Parish in manner following, that is to say, by eight instalments, viz. :—£5,000 forthwith, £4,000 on or before the 20th day of June next, £3,000 on or before the 20th day of July next, £3,000 on or before the 20th day of August next, £5,000 on or before the 20th day of October next, £4,000 on or before the 20th day of November next, £3,000 on or before the 20th day of December next, and £3,000 on or before the 20th day of January next, to the Treasurer of the said Borough, at Lloyds Bank, Cheltenham. AND IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that if such Overseers shall neglect or refuse to pay the said sum then the said Treasurer shall forthwith take or cause to be taken such further proceedings as the law directs.

2-General District Rate—Resolved, That a General District Rate under the Public Health Act, 1875, and the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, of three shillings and fourpence in the pound on the property assessable thereto be now made, and ordered to commence and be payable at the times following, that is to say, one moiety or half part thereof forthwith, and the other moiety or half part thereto, to commence and be payable on the first day of October next, and that the same be collected accordingly, and that the Town Clerk do publish such rate according to law.

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3—Cheltenham Corporation v. Tewkesbury Corporation —Land at the Mythe, Tewkesbury—The Chairman of the Water Committee reported that the Action with the Tewkesbury Corporation had been settled on the following terms

1. The Defendants withdraw all claim to right to deposit and break stone on the land and to a public footpath thereon.
2. The Defendants to pay £100 towards the Plaintiffs' costs and £25 towards the damage done.
3. The Plaintiffs to convey the land next the Toll House and extending 75ft. up the Wharf Road (average length)—as marked on plan—at the price of £10.
4. The Defendants to accept the title of the Corporation commencing with the Conveyance to the Corporation dated 1892.
5. The Defendants to withdraw any claim to have a bridge put across the canal cut at the Water Works Pumping Station.
6. All proceedings in the action to be stayed. Resolved, That the terms be approved.

Chairman.

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#### **Borough of Cheltenham.**

**MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the next Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 2nd June, 1913.**

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 9th May, 1913**—Present : Alderman Skillicorne, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Stewart and Winterbotham (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz :-38 York Street, and Cottage at rear, 6 Belmore Place, 15 Vernon Place, 28 Sherborne Street, and 2 and 3 Douro Cottages. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

2--Overcrowding at 2 Montpellier Retreat and 3 Ambrose Place—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 04 of the Public Health Act, 1870, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

3—Cleansing and Limewashing at 22 York Street, 5 Hawarden Parade, 28 Sherborne Street, 2, 3, 4 and 5 Pear Tree Cottages, Sherborne Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

4—Nuisances from Drains, etc. at 2 Lower Park Street, 49 Burton Street, 17 New Street, Parish Church Girls and Infants School. The Inspector of Nuisances leaving made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the groused, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

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5 St. Margaret's Terrace—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that he had examined the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above premises and found the same to be defective and to require amendment and alteration. He submitted specification of the works required to be done. Resolved, That the same be approved and that notice be given under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises requiring them to do the specified works within 21 days.

5—Insanitary Property—1 and 2 Cotswold View, Marsh Lane, 1 Marsh Lane, 35 York Street, 5 and 6 Belmore Place, 15 Vernon Place, The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1675 be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

6—Houses unfit for Human Habitation 1, 2, 3 and 4 Barnes Yard and Cottage at rear of 7, Grove Street—Demolition Order. The Medical Officer of Health reported that no steps had been taken to render these premises in respect of which a Closing Order was made by the Council, fit for human habitation, and he recommended that an Order be made for the demolition of the premises. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owner of the premises of the intention to consider on the 23rd June next, the question of making an Order for the demolition of the premises.

7—Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops Order—Read, an application from Miss Mary Hannah Butler, of 33 Upper Bath Road, to be registered as a Purveyor of Milk. Resolved, That the applicant be registered.

8—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction of diseased meat as follows :—On the 23rd ultimo, two forequarters of beef, and on the 29th ultimo, a flank and buttock of beef (Total weight, 316 lbs )

9—Sewage Disposal Works--Read, a letter from the Clem to the Tewkesbury Rural District Council, calling attention to the condition of the road near the Sewage Farm in the Parish of Boddington, which the Corporation had agreed to keep in repair. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to repair the road.

10—Offensive Trade—The Resolution of this Committee with reference to providing accommodation at the Abattoir for carrying on the business of Dealers in Hides and Skins, was further considered.

Read, Memorials from A. Smith and others, and C. C. Castle and others protesting against the erection of a building at the Abattoir.

A letter was also received from Messrs, A. H. Taylor Ltd., in reply to a letter from the Town Clerk, stating that they were not prepared to transfer any part of their business to the Abattoir.

Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned.

11—**Report of Farms Sub-Committee**—The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 9th instant. Present: Alderman Skillicorne, Councillors Green, Rees Jones and Steel (Councillor Steel in the chair).

Farms Manager's Report—Read the Monthly Report of the Farms Manager. Since the last Meeting, 29 head of Cattle including 4 calves had been purchased for £330 4s, and 1 Cart Horse for £50. (Total purchases £380 4s). 2 Foals, 4 Calves and 11 Pigs had been bred on the Farms. 9 head of Cattle (including 6 Calves) had been sold for £72 6s. 33 Sheep for £73 10s. 6d., and 8 Skins for £1 4s. 6d. (Total Sales, £147 1s. 0d.) 1 Ewe had died from Tuberculosis and 8 Lambs after castration. The number of livestock on the farms on the 9th instant, was 22 horses (not including 6 at the Depot), 127 head of cattle, 173 sheep and 16 pigs, all doing fairly well except one cow.

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Resolved, That the Tender of Mr. J. Parry of £3 7s. 6d. for the fencing required at the Cottages, and the tender of Mr. Wensley, of Highbridge, for supplying a new wagon with harvest ladders at £34 10s., less 5 per cent. discount for cash be accepted.

Resolved, also, That the Manager be authorised to obtain tenders for a saw-bench. Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 19th May, 1913.** Present Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Blakeney, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

12—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz 8, 16 and 20, Grosvenor Terrace, 9, Lower Park Street, 8 and 26, Great Western Terrace, and 4, Alstone Place, Gloucester Road. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

13—Cleansing and Disinfecting at 8, 11, 13 and 20, Grosvenor Terrace, 61, Queen Street, 4 and 5, Alstone Place, Gloucester Road. The Medical Officer of Health having certified that the cleansing, disinfecting and purifying of these houses or parts thereof would tend to prevent or check infectious disease. Resolved, That the Council being of this opinion, Notice be served on the owners and occupiers to cleanse and disinfect the houses or parts thereof within the time specified in such Notice.

14—Nuisances from Drains, etc. at 11, Great Western Terrace, and 1, 2 and 3, Ambrose Street. The Inspector of Nuisances reported that he had examined the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above premises and found the same to be defective and to require amendment and alteration. He submitted specification of the works required to be done. Resolved. That the same be approved and that notice be given under Section 11 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises requiring them to do the specified works within 21 days.

15—Insanitary Property-8, 12, 13 and 20, Grosvenor Terrace, 18, 23 and 31 Lower Park Street, 26, Great Western Terrace, 5, Alstone Place, Gloucester Road, four Cottages in Kingsditch Lane, and Grove Villa, Albany Road. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

16—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—1 and 2, Higg's Cottages, Alstone--With reference to the representation made by the Medical Officer of Health, the Town Clerk reported that he had given notice to the owners of Nos. 1 and 2, High's Cottages. Resolved, That it appearing to the Council that the above-mentioned dwelling-houses were in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, an order be now made, pursuant to Sec. 17 (2) of the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909, prohibiting the use of the said houses for human habitation until the same have been rendered fit for that purpose, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Order, and that notice of such Order be given to the owners.

17-12, Brunswick Terrace—Demolition Order—The Medical Officer of Health reported that no steps had been taken to render 12, Brunswick Terrace, in respect of which a Closing Order was made by the Council on the 9th November last, fit for human habitation, and he recommended that an Order be made for the demolition of the premises. Resolved, That notice be given to the owner of the

premises of the intentions to consider, on the 14th July next, the question of snaking an Order for the demolition of the premises.

18—Dairies, Cowsheds, and Milkshops Order—Read, an application from Mr. Albert V. Boosters, of 12, Norwood Terrace, Bath Road, to be registered as a Purveyor of Milk. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

19—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of health reported that on the 11th instant the carcasses and offal of two ports pigs (weight, 308lbs) affected with Tuberculosis were surrendered and destroyed as unfit for human food.

20—Gardens at back of "Rainow." Portmore Lodge, and Gresham Villa—Mr. Overbury attended on behalf of the owners of these premises, and called attention to the slipping of the bank of the Chelt. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to inspect and report thereon.

21—Notice not, complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of Notices requiring the abatement of nuisances caused by dirty walls and ceilings, defective floors and ventilation, which had been served but not complied with. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to compel compliance.

22—Drainage of St. Paul's College Field—Read, a letter from the Rev. H. A. Bren, applying for permission to drain a portion of the St. Paul's College Playground into the sewer. Resolved, That the application be referred to the Borough Engineer for consideration and report.

23--Land in Douro Road—Read, an application from Messrs. Winterbotham, Gurney, and Co., for permission to drain the land at the corner of Douro Road and Lansdown Parade into the public sewer. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to payment of an annual acknowledgment of 5s for the privilege.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman

#### **STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 13th May, 1913.** Present: Councillors Baler, Bendall, Mann, Merrett and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

1—Lamp Letter Box—Read, an applications from the Postmaster for permission to place a lamp letter box at the junction of Old Bath Road and Leckhampton Road. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, subject to the exact position being approved by the Borough Surveyor.

2—Telegraph Pole, Oxford Passage—Read, a letter from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs, renewing his applications for permission to place a telegraph pole in Oxford Passage. The Borough Surveyor reported that he had now arranged with the Engineer a suitable position for the pole. Resolved, That the applications be acceded to, subject to painted lagging six feet high being placed round the pole.

3—Trees in Promenade—Read, a letter from the Secretary of the New Club asking that the tree opposite the west bay window should be removed, and that other trees should be lopped. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the **Trees Sub-Committee**, and that in the meantime the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the trees lopped if necessary.

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4—Trees opposite 2 Oriel Terrace—Read, a letter from Miss Humphris, asking that the branches of trees opposite No. 2, Oriel Terrace should be cut. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Trees Sub-Committee.

5--Baker Street private Improvement Works—Read, a letter from Mr. Chas. Moulder, asking that the works required to be done by the abutting owners in Baker Street should be charged according to benefit derived, and not according to frontage. Resolved, That the matter be considered when the apportionment of the expenses is made.

6—Bayshill Road—Read, a letter from Mr. T. Curtis codling attention to the footpath opposite his premises. Resolved, That the Committee view the footpath.

7—Queen's Road Private improvement Works—(South aids front Christ Church Road to Lansdown Road). The Borough Surveyor submitted Plan and Estimate of the Works required to be done to the above Street. Resolved, That the same be approved, and that notice be given under Section 44 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1852, to the owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said Street requiring to be drained, levelled, repaired, metalled, flagged, channelled or made good, requiring then, to do the specified works within 28 days, and that if such notice is not complied with the Surveyor do proceed to execute the works mentioned or referred to therein, and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act, and the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889.

Resolved, That the new Kerbing required in Queen's Road front Christ Church Road to the Lansdown Road, be provided out of the Slab Factory Surplus, at a cost of £120.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 26th May, 1913.** Present :—Alderman Margrett, Councillors Baker, Bendall, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

8—Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 20th April to the 22nd May, 1913 (both inclusive), had been as follows:—

Roads repaired--Leckhampton Road (1,843 sq. yards), Pittville Circus (1,320 sq. yards), Suffolk Parade (1,352 sq. yards).

Roads patched—Albion Street, Gloucester Road, Great Norwood Street, Hewlett Street, Leamington Place, Montpellier Drive, North Place, "Norwood Road, Oriel Road, Rodney Road, St. George's Place, Swindon Road and Tewkesbury Road.

Electricity Trenches repaired—All Saints' Road, Andover Road, Bath Road, Bayshill Road, Cambray, Grafton Road, Hewlett Road, High Street, Keynsham Road, Lansdown Place, Lansdown Road, Gloucester Road, London Road, Malvern Road, Park Place, Promenade, Queen's Road, St. George's Road and Wellington Square.

Gas Trenches repaired—Naunton Lane. Water Trench repaired—Hewlett Street.

Private Improvement Works—Asquith Road (proceeding).

Roads tar Fainted—Clarence Parade (792 sq. yards), Crescent Terrace (852 sq. yards), Crescent Place (700 sq. yards), Imperial Square (6,003 sq. yards), Montpellier Drive (1,230 sq. yards), Montpellier Parade (1,120 sq. yards), . Montpellier Spa Road (1,836 sq. yards), Montpellier Terrace (4,000 sq. yards), Oriel Road (1,750 sq. yards), Rodney Road (3,094 sq. yards) Royal Well Lane (948 sq. yards), Royal Well Place (1,888 sq. yards), St. George's Road (900 sq. yards), Trafalgar Street (2,688 sq. yards), Vittoria Walk (2,333 sq. yards).

Footpaths re-gravelled—Pittville Lawn (2,158 sq. yards), Wellington Square (700 sq. yards).

Channelling repaired—Fairview Road and Portland Square.

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Paving repair Croft, Bayshill Road, High Street, Leamington Place and road at rear, Manchester Street, Milsom Street, Queen Street, St. George's Place, St. George's Street and Western Road. Grassing renewed-1.

Trees felled—Alstone Avenue (1 dead maple), Eldorado Crescent (1 dead poplar). Hedge pruned—Cemetery Road.

Ashes Collection and Disposal--During 4 weeks ended 15th May, 1913, 860 loads collected, 829 consumed and 31 tipped away. Weight consumed-985 tons, 15 cwts., 2 qrs. Steam generated—Hourly average, 7,891 lbs.

Slab Factory---During 4 weeks ended 15th May, 1913-755 ½ sq. yards of slabs made.

9--View Meeting--The following members attended the. View Meeting on Friday last :—Councillors Baker, Bendall, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins.

10--**Report of Plans Sub-Committee**—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 13th and 23rd inst. Resolved, That the same be approved and adopted. 11—Street Projections—Read, an application from the Gloucester Direct Coal Supply Co. to place a projecting sign outside No. 2, College Place. Resolved, That the application be adjourned to the next meeting for a sketch of the proposed sign to be furnished.

12—Ambrose Place Private Improvement Expenses--The Borough Surveyor reported that the private improvement works ordered to be done in this street had been carried out by the Corporation at a

cost, including supervision, of £57 3s. 9d., and submitted his apportionment of this sum between the abutting owners. Resolved, That the apportionment be approved, and that notice of the same, and of demand of repayment, be served upon the abutting owners.

13—Leckhampton Road—Read, a letter from Mr. A. Cheesman, of Brymore, Leckhampton Road, asking that a paved crossing and stops should be placed across the grass verge opposite his house. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

14—Scrap Metal--The Borough Surveyor reported that the Agreement with Mr. Barrett to take the scrap metal from the Destructor had been determined, and that the London Electron Co. Ltd. were willing to take this (except tins whirls had been burnt) at 14s a ton if sent in 4-ton lots, or 9s 6d a ton if sent in 2-ton lots. Resolved, That the offer be accepted, subject to a Contract being entered into, to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

15---Alstone Wharf—On the recommendation of the Borough Surveyor, Resolved, That the tenancy of the space at the Alstone Wharf (300 sq. yards) be continued on the same terms as last year, viz., a rent of £25 per annum, including the use of the weighing machine and machine house.

16—Trees in Albion Street—Read a letter front Gillsmiths' Ltd. asking that trees should be planted in Albion Street opposite the new Hippodrome and offering to pay the cost of the same. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the **Trees Sub-Committee**.

17—Corporation Works—Read a letter from the Secretary, Cheltenham Master Builders' Association complaining that extensive works of painting, decorating, &c. were being carried out by the Corporation for which they considered tenders should be invited. The Town Clerk reported that he had written to the Association asking for specific information as to the particular works referred to. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting.

18—National Housing and Town Planning Conference—Read a letter from the Secretary of the National Housing and Town Planning Council asking the Council to appoint delegates to attend the International Town Planning Conference to be held front the 30th August to the 13th September next. Resolved, That no delegate be appointed.

19—Annual Conference of Municipal and County Engineers—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to attend the Annual Conference of the Municipal and County Engineers to be held at Great Yarmouth from the 16th to the 19th July next.

20—Bayshill Road—With reference to the complaint received from Mr. T. Curtis of the condition of the footpath opposite his premises. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the footpath repaired.

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21—Lypiatt Terrace—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the footpath margins on the South East side of Lypiatt Terrace, gravelled where necessary.

22—Maintenance of Highways—Read a circular letter from the Town Clerk of Colchester, enclosing copy Resolution passed by the Colchester Town Council with reference to the cost of maintenance and upkeep of Highways and asking that a similar Resolution should be passed. Resolved, That the

Council be recommended to pass the following Resolution and that Copies be sent to the Prime Minister, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, and the Leader of the Opposition, viz. :—

"That this Council is of opinion that having regard to the heavy and growing cost of maintenance and upkeep of Highways, consequent upon the ever increasing use thereof for purposes of through traffic by motor cars and heavy and light locomotives it is imperative that a larger and more adequate contribution should be made from the Imperial Exchequer towards the cost of this national service."

23—Chairman—Councillor Bendall having vacated the Chair and left the Meeting. Resolved, That Councillor Baker be appointed Chairman.

24—Widening of Naunton Lane—Read a letter from Mr. J. L. Bendall withdrawing his offer to give up a strip of land in Naunton Lane for widening the road.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairmen.

#### PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 13th May, 1913.** Present : Councillors Baker, Bendall, Steel, and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

1—New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following notices and plans of intended new buildings, viz :—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1176	Council of Ladies' College	Alterations to Ladies' College.
1177	D. Coghlan	Additions to Glendale, King's Road.
1178	S. W. Strange	Additions to Gaisford, Gloucester Road.
1179	W. Hastie	New Bathroom, Carr's Hotel, Clarence St.
1180	H. H. Martin & Co.	Extensions to Sunningend Works, St. Mark's

Resolved, That plan-, No. 1176, 1178, 1179, 1180 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Inspector of Nuisances, and that Plans No 1177 be disapproved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, the 23rd May, 1913.** Present: Councillors Baker, Bendall, Steel, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

2-New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following Notices and Plans of intended new buildings, viz. :—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1177	D. Coghlan	Additions to Glendale, King's Road.
1181	J. H. Hands	Additions to 11, St. James' Place, Painswick Road

Resolved, That Plans No. 1177 be approved, subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the of Nuisances, and that Plans No. 1181 be approved.

JOHN D. BENDALL, Chairman.

#### **TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 15th May, 1913.** Present: Alderman Winterbotham, Councillors Baker, Green, Rees Jones and Steel (Councillor Baker in the chair).

1—Footpath at Pittville Gates—A Complaint from the Rev. Percy Waller with regard to the condition of the pavement inside Pittville Gates was considered, and the Committee inspected the pavement. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have this repaired where necessary.

2—Advertisement Boards—Read, a letter from Lieut. Col. Clarke complaining of the Advertisement Boards, placed near the Pittville Chalet and at Pittville Gates. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to inform Mr. Newton of the complaint and to ask that a single board should be substituted for the present double board and that this should be placed at the west side of the Chalet.

3—Pittville Gardens—An application was received from Mr. Forbes Clarke, Headmaster of the School of Art asking for free admission for the students to Pittville Gardens for Sketching parties. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

Read, a letter from Mr. R. J. Purnell on behalf of the Trustees of the Estate of the late Mr. P. G. Adams applying for permission to lay a drain from the garden of St. Aryans to connect with the surface water straits in the Pittville Gardens. Resolved, That permission be granted subject to an agreement being entered into providing for payment of an annual acknowledgment of 1s for the privilege.

Read, an application from Colonel Sturges for permission to hold a Church Parade of National Reserves and Boy Scouts, in front of the Pittville Pump Room on Coronation Day, the 22nd June next. The Parade would be held at 3.30 p.m., and would last about an hour, and it would be necessary to restrict the admission of the public. Resolved, That permission be granted, but that Colonel Sturges be informed that the Committee do not see their way to arrange for excluding the Public.

4—Montpellier Gardens—Read, an application from Mr. Newton to have the side Awnings at Montpellier put in good repair and for sufficient Canvas to be added to allow the auditorium to be closed each side, and for some cocoanut matting to be provided for the gangway. He also asked that the hanging baskets of plants should be provided as in previous years. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to arrange for the repair and extension of the side awnings, and for the hanging baskets of flowers to be provided on the understanding that Mr. Newton will provide for the renewal of any plants which may from time to time be required, but that the cocoanut matting be not provided.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

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### **ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 15th May, 1913**—Present : Councillors Green, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that on the 1Cth instant he tested the gas for purity, the number of grains of sulphur being 20 per 100 cubic feet. The test for illuminating power on the 15th instant showed 14.3 Candles.

2--Requisition for Materials Required—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted a list of materials, etc., which would probably be required during the ensuing month and the same was approved.

3—Condensing Plant—Tenders for Pipework. The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted the Tenders received (4) for the cast iron water pipes required in connection with the new Condensing Plant. Resolved, That the Tender of Messrs. E. Le Bas and Co., of £65 10s. (the lowest) be accepted.

4—Applications for Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received applications for supply to houses in St. Paul's Road and Albert Street. The cost of laying a cable at the same time as the main for Public Lighting would be £48. Resolved, That the main be laid.

5—Tenders for Meters—The Committee considered the Tenders (7) for a twelve months' supply of meters. Resolved. That the Tenders of Messrs. Ferranti Ltd., and the British Westinghouse and Electric Co., at 27s each be accepted.

6—Tenders for Coal—The Tenders (10) received for a twelve months' supply of Slack Coal were opened by the Committee. Resolved, That the Tenders be referred to the Borough Electrical Engineer for consideration and report.

7—Tenders for Arc Lamp Carbons—The Tenders (7) received for a year's supply of Arc Lamp Carbons were opened by the Committee. Resolved, That the same be referred to the Borough Electrical Engineer for consideration and report.

8—Lighting of Albion Street—Read, a letter from Mr. F. J. Chambers complaining of the lighting of Albion Street. Resolved, That the Committee inspect the locality at their next view Meeting.

Read, a letter from the Correspondent, St. John's Schools, complaining of a nuisance in the lane leading to the Swan Hotel, and asking that a lamp should be placed near the Schools. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Public Health Committee.

W. J. MERRETT, Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 27th May, 1913.** Present—Councillors Haddock, Mann, Merrett and Rees Jones (Councillor Merrett in the Chair).

9—Tenders for Carbons—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported the result of his examination of the tenders received for a twelve months supply of Carbons. Resolved, That the tender of Messrs. Geipel for open type Arc Lamp Carbons, and the tender of Messrs. C. W. Webster & Co. for the supply of Flame Carbons be accepted.

10—Tenders for Coal—Resolved, That consideration of the tenders received for the supply of Slack Coal be further adjourned to the next Meeting, and that the Committee be authorised to accept a tender.

11—Loan for Probable Extensions of Mains—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that it was necessary to apply for a further loan for probable extensions of mains. Resolved, That application be made to the Local Government Board for a loan of £1000.

12—Committee Meeting—Resolved, That the next Meeting be held on Thursday the 12th proximo instead of the 19th.

W. J. MERRETT, Chairman.

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#### WATER COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 22nd May, 1913.**—Present: Aldermen Margrett and Councillors Baker, Bendall, Merrett and Wood (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Borough Engineer's Report—The monthly report of the Borough Engineer was read:

##### DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 20 <sup>th</sup> May, 1913	Average for corresponding period during last 3 years.
Hewletts	232,000 gallons	256,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	633,000 "	901,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	<u>68,000</u> "	<u>62,000</u> "
Total	933,000 "	1,219,000 "

##### CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

	20 <sup>th</sup> May, 1913.		20 <sup>th</sup> May,, 1912.	
	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
Hewletts		13,683,000 gallons		22,572,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	32ft. 0in.	100,000,000 "	29ft. 0in.	84,590,000 "
Leckhampton	12ft. 0in.	<u>1,621,000</u> "	12ft. 0in.	<u>1,621,000</u> "
Total Storage		115,304,000 "		108,783,000 "

The 3 inch main in Birchley Road, Battledown, had been extended for a distance of 55 yards to supply a new house. A 12 inch reflux valve had been placed in Hewlett Street for improving the supply when pumping from Tewkesbury.

2—Salts Farm—Read, a letter from Mr. W. Cresswell, asking to be allowed to amend his Tender for erecting a Stable and Corn Store at Salts Farm by increasing the some from £110 to £132. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next meeting.

3—Annual Meeting of Water Engineers—Resolved, That the Borough Engineer be authorised to attend the Annual Conference of Water Engineers to be held at Wakefield on the 5th, 6th and 7th June next.

4—Hewletts Reservoir—The Borough Engineer submitted the following Tenders received for cement rendering, &c., No. 4 Hewletts Reservoir:—

	£ s. d.
P. P. Gallagher and Son, Northampton	3,000 0 0
A. and S. Hyslop, Bettws-y-coed	2,911 9 2
J. J. Shardlow, Leicester	2,052 1 8
W. Higgins, Northampton	2,000 0 0
W. Drew, Cheltenham ...	1,311 9 2
M. Williams and Co., Cheltenham ...	1,651 0 10
T. Farley, Stourbridge	1,433 10 10
Williams and Co., Kidderminster ...	1,455 14 7
S. B. Dix, Cheltenham ...	1,354 3 4
J. C. Pearce, Cheltenham	1,327 1
W. Cresswell, Cheltenham	1,103 6
Collins and Godfrey, Cheltenham...	1,078 18 2
Emery and Co., Aston ...	921 17 6

Resolved, That the Tender of Messrs, Collins and Godfrey be accepted, subject to a Contract being entered into, to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

5—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeal Book were considered, and the Rates settled and adjusted.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,  
Chairman

#### GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 16th May, 1913.** Present :— Aldermen Rogers, Skillicorne Waghorne and Winterbotham, Councillors Baker, Haddock and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the chair). The Chairman of the Standing Joint Committee (Mr. Colchester Wemyss) with the Clerk of the Peace (Mr. E. T. Gardom) and the Chief Constable (Major Chester-Master) attended the Committee.

1—Tewkesbury Road Police Sub-Station--The Committee discussed the question of the rent to be paid in respect of the Tewkesbury Road Sub-Station. Mr. Gardom stated that the cost of the premises (Vestal House) was as follows:-

	£ s. d.
Purchase money	500 0 0
Alterations	<u>313 17 4</u>
	£813 17 4

Resolved, That the Committee agree to a rent of £32.

2--Police (Weekly Rest Day) Act, 1910—The Committee considered the increase in the Police Force which would be necessary to provide for the working of the above Act, which would come into force next year. Resolved, That an increase of one Sergeant and five Constables be agreed to.

3—Application of Sergeants for Increased Pay—Mr. Colchester Wemyss stated that the Standing Joint Committee had received an application from the Sergeants for increased pay, and that the Committee had decided to increase the pay of the Sergeants in Cheltenham and Gloucester by 1s 2d per week, subject to the increase being agreed to by Cheltenham and Gloucester. Resolved, That the Committee agree to the pay of the four Station Sergeants being increased by 1s 2d per week, provided that the increase shall not apply in cases of the Sergeants receiving the maximum pay.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 20th May, 1913.** Present Aldermen Margrett, Norman, Rogers, Skillicorne, Waghorne and Winterbotham; Councillors Baker, Haddock, and Stewart. (Alderman Norman in the chair).

4—Diseases amongst Animals—Supt. Hopkins reported that with the exception of the premises at Holliday's Allotments, Old Bath Road, in the occupation of Mr. A. Hathaway, which were still under quarantine, the borough was free from Contagious Disease amongst Animals.

5—Fire Brigade—The Captain of the Fire Brigade reported that the Brigade had not been called to any outbreak of fire during the past month.

6—Hackney Carriage Drivers' Licences—Read, a letter from the Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co. Limited, applying for Licences to drive taxi-cabs for the following ;—William R. J. Eden, 2, St. Anne's Terrace ; James H. Flynn, 36, Portland Street ; Arthur Holyeake, 4, Providence Terrace, Great Norwood Street ; George Edward Turner, 33, Lypiatt Street ; and Francis H. Weyman, St. James' Terrace, Suffolk Parade. Resolved, That Licences be granted.

7—Taxi-Cab and Motor Omnibus Licences—The Town Clerk reported that the Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co. had now taken up three Taxi-Cab Licences, and had given up two Hackney Carriage Licences for conic licence fenced.

Read, an application from the Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co. for 12 additional Taxi-Cab Licences, and a Motor Omnibus Licence to run between the Midland Station and the Cheltenham Hotels. Resolved, That the application be adjourned until the Annual Licensing Meeting.

8—Poison's and Pharmacy Act, 1908—Read, applications from Messrs. Vales and Sons, Cypher and Sons, Hopwood and Sons, and Mr. G. E. Pates, for renewal of licences granted to them under the above Act. Resolved, That the licences be renewed for one year from the 7th proximo.

9—Pawnbroker's Certificate—Read, an application from Mr. Harry Higgins for renewal of his Pawnbroker's Certificate, which expired on the 9th November last. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

10—Licence to store Petroleum—Read, an application from Mr. T. V. West, of 86, High Street, for a licence to store 500 gallons of petroleum. The Inspector reported that the premises were satisfactory. Resolved, That a licence be granted.

11—Folly Lane Allotments—Read, a letter from Mr. E. L. Baylis, calling attention to the condition of the fence between his land and the Folly Lane Allotments. Resolved. That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the fence repaired.

10—Shouting in High Street—Read, a memorial signed by Mr. G. McCarthy, of the Plough Hotel, and other tradesmen in High Street, calling attention to the nuisance caused by the shouting of newspaper boys, &c., in High Street. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be requested to call the attention of the Memorialists to the bye-law in force in the Borough. Resolved, also, That the attention of the Proprietors of the Newspapers be called to the nuisance complained of.

13—Clerk in the Town Clerk's Department—Read, an application from Mr. F. H. Davey, Clerk in the Town Clerk's Department, for an increase of salary. Resolved, That his salary be increased from £75 to £80 per annum.

GEO. NORMAN,

Chairman.

#### **ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 14th May, 1913**—Present: Alderman Winterbotham, Councillors Green, Rees Jones and Steel, Dr. E. T. Wilson and Mr. H. Stroud (Alderman Winterbotham in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—The Curator reported that 976 visits had been made to the Art Gallery and Museum. since April 16th, and 296 catalogues had been sold.

The pictures on loan from Modern Artists would be returned to Messrs. Bourlet at the end of this month.

Mrs. Griffiths, Oakfield, had presented 12 Sheets of Pressed Flowers.

Mr. R. P. Wild had presented a Cocoa Pod,

Mrs. Daubeney had presented a red embroidered Oriental Jacket, said to have belonged to Lady Sale at the time of the Mutiny.

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Rev. E. J. M. Thomas, Dawley, had presented a number of Jumby Beads from Trinidad.

Alderman Winterbotham had presented a bust of himself.

Lady Baker had offered to lend on Loan for a long period a number of Indian objects.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the donors and lenders.

Resolved, also, That the curator be instructed to obtain Tenders for supplying another Show Case.

Resolved, also, That the Curator be authorised to go to London to visit the Academy to select pictures for exhibition in the Art Gallery.

2—Museums Association—Resolved, That the Curator be authorised to attend the Annual Meeting of the Museums Association to be held at Hull from the 14th to the 13th July next.

3—Leslie Young Bequest—Resolved, That the picture entitled "Enid and the Robber's Horses," by Mr. Rowland Wheelwright, be purchased out of the Leslie Young Bequest for the sum of 75 guineas.

JAS. B. WINTERBOTHAM

Chairman.

#### **MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 16<sup>th</sup> May, 1913**—Present : Councillors Baker, Blakeney, Haddock, Silk and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the Chair.)

1—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths during April, 1913, were as follows

	£	s.	d.		£	s.	d.
Receipts ...	59	4	5	Expenses ... ..	52	13	1
				Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ...	<u>43</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>8</u>
	£59	4	5		£96	9	9

2—Use of Swimming Bath by School Children, &c.—Read, applications from Mr. Horace Edwards and Col. King Harman for permission for the boys attending Charlton Kings and St. James' Schools to use the Montpellier Swimming Bath instead of the Alstone Baths. Resolved, That the applications be not acceded to.

Read, a letter from Mr. E. Cole, asking for a reduction in the charge for admission of 16 scouts to the Swimming Baths. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

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3—Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths during April, 1913, were as follows :—

Receipts ...	£42 14 1	Expenses	£38 12 6
		Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ...	<u>27 16 8</u>
	£42 14 1		£66 9 2

4—Swimming Bath—Read, an application from the Secretary of the Cheltenham Swimming and Water Polo Club for the use of the Alstone Swimming Bath on Monday and Friday evenings, for Galas and Practice, on the same terms as last year. Resolved, That the application be granted.

A letter was also received from the Secretary of the Club asking if the Council would offer a trophy for competition by the various Swimming Clubs in the town. Resolved, That the suggestion be not entertained.

Read, a letter from Mr. F. H. Lane, of Northampton House, asking that the half-season tickets taken by the scholars may be marked to expire in July instead of June. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

Read, a letter from the Head Master of the Grammar School, asking that the boys at the Grammar School who have season tickets for the Montpellier Baths should be allowed admission to the Alstone Baths without extra charge when attending with a class from the school. Resolved, That the application be not granted.

5—Mineral Water Sales—The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during April last was 1,125 as compared with 1,191 for the month of April, 1912. The number of bottles of Concentrated Water sold during April last was 246, as compared with 234 for the corresponding period of last year.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

#### **BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 23rd May, 1913**—Present Councillors Baker, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel, and Stewart (Councillor Stewart in the Chair).

1—Designs—Resolved, That the following designs be approved, viz. :—Headstone to grave of John and Edith Ann Hopton ; Headstone and Kerbing to grave of Jane Gardner ; Memorial Cross to grave of Farquhar Forbes Robertson ; Kerbing to grave of R. H. Holloway ; Memorial to Major-General Sir Frederick Carrington.

J. STEWART,

Chairman.

## PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 13th May, 1913**—Present: Councillors Green, Mann, Merrett, Steel and Wilkins. Messrs. F. J. Caudle, W. Cresswell, E. Gridley A. Miles and E. C. Rogers (Councillor Green in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report — Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts, £3 0s. 3d.  
Presentations:—Miss Heming (1 vol.), Town Clerk of London (1 vol.)

The number of Volumes consulted in the Reference Library, was 1285, a decrease of 47 as compared with the corresponding period of last year. The number of volumes issued from the Lending Library was 9068 a decrease of 49 as compared with last year.

2—**Sub-Committee's Report**—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 8th instant. (Present—Alderman Col. Rogers (Chairman) Councillors Green and Merrett, Dr. R. Davies, and Mr. J. R. Claridge).

The Sub-Committee recommended :

- (1) That the list of books (Class D) proposed to be withdrawn be approved.
- (2) That the book, " Timber and Tools " by J. Wallace, entered in the proposition book be purchased at a cost of 3s 6.
- (3) That the Librarian be authorised to go to London to select New Books to the amount of £25.

Resolved, That the recommendations be approved and adopted.

E. C. GREEN,

Chairman.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 27th May, 1913.** Present : Aldermen Skillicorne and Waghorne, Councillors Haddock, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel and Winterbotham (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant dated the 27th instant, on the collection of the first instalment of this Rate was read. Amount collected £2553 4s. 2d. Leaving outstanding £21872 0s. 8d.

2—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 27th instant, on the collection of this Rate for the half-year ending the 29th September, next, was read. Amount collected £2610 7s. 8d. Leaving outstanding £10030 8s. 3d.

2—Loans—The Borough Accountant reported that since the last Meeting he had received £1000 on loan at 3 <sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>%. That a debenture be sealed and issued accordingly on account of the Promenade Wood Paving Loan.

4—Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants—Read a letter from the Secretary of the Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants asking the Council to appoint delegates to attend the Annual Meeting to be held at Tunbridge Wells: on the 3rd and 4<sup>th</sup> July next. Resolved, That the Chairman and the Borough Accountant be appointed to attend.

Resolved,

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5—Accounts—The Financial Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure since the last meeting and the Bills and Accounts to be paid were examined, and the latter ordered to be paid by the Borough Treasurer. The Treasurer's accounts at the Bank were examined, and the balances found to be correct. The following was the General Statement :—

In hand on the 29th April last	£16,854 0 4
Received since that date (including Loan on Debenture, £1,000)	<u>9,007 2 11</u>
	26,721 3 3
Paid since that date (including Sinking Funds invested, £3,200)	<u>12,741 9 0</u>
	£13,979 14 3
being General Accounts	£9,449 9 1
Sinking Funds	4,339 10 1
" Leslie Young Benefaction " Accounts	<u>190 15 1</u>
	£13,979 14 3

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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### Borough of Cheltenham

**At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 2nd June, 1913, at 3 p.m. Present :**

THE MAYOR (JAMES TYNTE AGG-GARDNER, ESQ.) in the chair.

THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen : CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE JAMES BATTEN WINTERBOTHAM.

Councillors : WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY WILLIAM GEORGE EARENGEY EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN PERCY HADDOCK JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT, THOMAS REES JONES WILLIAM SAWYER EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM WALTER JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

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Apologies—Apologies for non-attendance were received from Aldermen Norman and Rogers.

- 1—National Reserves and Church Parade.—Read, a letter from Col. Sturges inviting the Council to attend the Church Parade of National Reserves and Boy Scouts on Sunday, the 22nd June instant.
- 2—Royal Sanitary Institute—Sessional Meeting—Read, a letter from the Secretary of the Royal Sanitary Institute, thanking the Council for granting the use of the Town Hall for the Sessional Meeting of the Institute on the 16th and 17th May last.
- 3—Minutes of Previous Meetings—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meetings of the Council on the 5th and 8th May last having been printed and a copy sent to each Member of the Council, be taken as read, and that the same be adopted and confirmed.
- 4—Public Health Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee, at their Meetings of the 9th and 19th May last, be approved and confirmed.
- 5—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 13th and 26th May last, be approved and confirmed.
- 6—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meeting of the 15th May last, be approved and confirmed.
- 7—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meetings of the 15th and 27th May last, be approved and confirmed.
- 8—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 22nd May last, be approved and confirmed.
- 9—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meetings of the 16th and 20th May last, be approved and confirmed.
- 10—Cinematograph Act, 1909—Resolved, That the applications of The Roy Cinema de Luxe Limited and Messrs. Poole and Shenton for renewal of the Cinematograph Licences for the Albert Hall, Winter Garden and Victoria Rooms respectively for one year be granted.

- 11—Art Gallery and Museum Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Art Gallery and Museum Committee, at their Meeting of the 14th May last, be approved and confirmed.
- 12—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meeting of the 16th May last, be approved and confirmed.
- 13—Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of the 23rd May last, be approved and confirmed.
- 14—Public Library Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Library Committee, at their Meeting of the 13th May last, be approved and confirmed.

15—Finance Committee — Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 27th May last, be approved and confirmed and, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

Mayor.

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### **Borough of Cheltenham**

**At a Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held at the Central Depot, St. James' Square, in the said Borough, on Tuesday, the 3rd June, 1913, at 3 p.m. Present :**

Alderman : CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT

Councillors : WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN PERCY HADDOCK ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT, THOMAS REES JONES WILLIAM SAWYER. EDWIN CHARLES SILK ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM

1—Chairman—In the absence of the Mayor, Resolved, That Alderman Margrett be appointed Chairman at this Meeting.

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2—Annual Licensing of Hackney Carriages and Drivers—The Council granted the renewal of 65 one-horse Fly Licences, 5 Taxi-Cab Licences, 12 Pony Carriage Licences, 18 Wheelchair Licences, and 121 Drivers' Licences. The fees amounted to £28 16s. 0d.

Chairman.

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### **Borough of Cheltenham**

**MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the next Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 7th July, 1913.**

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 29th May, 1913—Present Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Blakeney, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood. Alderman Skillicorne in the chair.**

1—Sewage Disposal Works—The Committee suct at the Hayden Farm and inspected the new Sewage Purification Works in course of construction.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE, Chairman

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 9th June, 1913**—Present: Alderman Margrett, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Junes, Steel, Winterbotham and Wood (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz :-57, Rutland Street, 32, Hanover Street, 7, Orchard Place, Swindon Road, 7, All Saints' Terrace, 7, Nailsworth Terrace and 12, Burton Street. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

3—Cleansing and Limewashing at 5 Gloucester Cottages, 32 Hanover Street, 11 Marsh Lane, 7 Orchard Place and 9 Burton Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

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4—Nuisances from Drains, etc. at 141 and 142 High Street, 2 Rose and Crown Passage, Tyrol, Malvern Place, and Drake House, Malvern Road, The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved. That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

5—Insanitary Property—4 and 5 Gloucester Cottages, Gloucester Road, 20 and 21 Queen's Retreat, 11 Marsh Lane, 55 Worcester Street, 9 Burton Street and 7 Orchard Place. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875 be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

6--Houses unfit for Human Habitation—1, 2, 3 and 4 Hereford Court and 9 Hereford Place. The Medical Officer of Health made a representation that these dwelling-houses were in a state so dangerous to health as to be unfit for human habitation, and he recommended that the houses be closed. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next meeting, and that in the meantime notice be given to the Owners of the premises of the intention of the Council to make a Closing Order.

7—Land in Naunton Park Road—Resolved, That Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne and Councillor Steel be appointed a Sub-Committee to inspect the land at the rear of Naunton Park Road, in respect of which complaint has been received of flooding by surface water.

8—Nuisance in Lane off Albion Street—The letter received from the correspondent of St. John's School complaining of the nuisance committed in the lane near the Swan Tap, referred to this Committee, was considered. Resolved, That the matter be referred to the Medical Officer of Health.

9—**Report of Farms Sub-Committee**—The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 9th instant. Present Councillors Rees Jones, Steel and Wood (Councillor Wood in the Chair).

Farms Manager's Report—Read, the monthly Report of the Farms Manager. Since the last Meeting 87 head of cattle (including 1 calf) had been purchased for £1,008 2s. 6d., and 97 sheep for £221 10s. Total purchases, £1,229 12s. 6d. 1 foal and 5 calves had been bred on the farms. 12 head of cattle (including 7 calves) had been sold for £104 19s 6d., 43 sheep for £101 11s., and 1 mare and foal for £26 15s. (Total sales, £233 5s, 6d.), He recommended that a cottage at Barn Farm should be pointed, that some wheat straw should be purchased for thatching Mason's Cottage, and that 3 new field gates should be purchased. Resolved, That he be authorised accordingly.

Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 23rd June, 1913.** Present : Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Blakeney, Rees Jones, Steel, Winterbotham and Wood (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

10—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz 28, Hanover Street, 9, York Street Cottages, 38, York Street and Cottage at rear, and 11, York Street. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

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11—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 13, Marsh Lane, 55, Worcester Street, 2, York Street Cottages and 11, York Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Sec. 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the Health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

12—Nuisances from Drains, etc. at 21a, Winchcomb Street, 16, Upper Norwood Street and 10, 11 and 12 Burton Cottages. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to Health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

11, Regent Street—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that he had examined the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above premises and found the same to be defective and to require amendment and alteration. He submitted specification of the works required to be done. Resolved, That the same be approved and that notice be given under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises requiring them to do the specified works within 21 days.

13—Insanitary Property-1, Durham Cottages, Folly Lane, 1 and 13, Marsh Lane, 5, 11 and 38, York Street. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into as healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

14—Houses unfit for Human Habitation-9, Hereford Place—With reference to the representation made by the Medical Officer of Health, the Town Clerk reported that he had given notice to the owners of 9, Hereford Place. Resolved, That it appearing to the Council that the above-mentioned swelling-house was in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, an order be now made, pursuant to Sec. 17 (2) of the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909, prohibiting the use of the said house for human habitation until the same has been rendered fit for that purpose, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Order, and that notice of such Order be given to the owners.

1, 2, 3, and 4, Hereford Court—Read, a letter from Messrs. G. H. Bayley and Sons, agents, for Nos. 1, 2, 3 and 4, Hereford Court, asking that the question of making a Closing Order in respect of these premises should be adjourned to the next meeting to enable them to ascertain the views of the owners. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned to the next meeting.

1, 2, 3, and 4, Barnes Yard and Cottage at rear of 7, Grove Street.—Demolition Order. The Town Clerk reported that he had given Notice to the owner of the above premises of the intention of the Committee to consider the question of rucking a Demolition Order. Read, a letter from Mr. E. W. Alcock, the owner, asking that the matter be adjourned for six months, to give him an opportunity of disposing of the property. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for three months.

9 St. Paul's Street, South—The Medical Officer of Health made a Representation that this dwelling-house was in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation. and he recommended that the house be closed. Resolved, That the further consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting, and that in the meantime Notice be given to the owner of the premises of the intention of the Council to make a Closing Order.

15—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported that on the 12th instant the carcase and offal of a Tuberculosis pig, and on the 17th instant 251bs. of beef in a decomposing state were surrendered and destroyed.

16—Manure Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that stables in Tewkesbury Road and Townsend Street were without proper Manure Receptacles. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be

instructed to write to the occupiers calling attention to the provisions of the Bye-Laws, and to take proceedings to compel compliance therewith if necessary.

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17—Drainage of St. Paul's College Field—The application from the Rev. H. A. Bren for permission to drain a portion of the St. Paul's College Playground in Swindon Road was further considered. The Borough Surveyor reported that the area to be drained was about a tenth of an acre. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, subject to payment of an annual acknowledgment of 5s for the privilege.

18—Sewer in Montpellier Retreat—Read, a letter from the Local Government Board authorising the cost of constructing a new sewer in Montpellier Retreat to be charged to the loan of £18,450, sanctioned for the South Eastern and Tivoli District. Resolved, That the Borough Engineer be instructed to have the work carried out.

19—Nuisance in Lane near St. John's Schools.—With reference to the complaint received of the nuisance in this lane, the Medical Officer of Health reported that he had inspected the premises. Resolved, that the Police be asked to keep the lane under observation.

20 —8, Dagmar Terrace.—Read a letter from Mr. G. H. Bayley complaining that the excavation for the new sewer laid by the Corporation had disturbed the foundations at the back of this house. Resolved, that Mr. Bayley be informed that the Borough Engineer had inspected the premises and reported that the settlement was not due to the construction of the sewer.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

#### **STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 10th June, 1913.** Present, Councillors Baker, Bendall, Hanson Powell and Merrett (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

1—Ashes Collection—Read, a letter from Miss Woodard, of Aberfoyle, Keynsham Road, with reference to the ashes collection. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Borough Surveyor.

2—Fairfield Avenue—The Town Clerk reported that Notices declaring Fairfield Avenue for a length of 180 yards had been duly posted and advertised, and that no objection had been received to such declaration. Resolved, That the notice be recorded on the Minutes.

3—Fountain —Resolved, That the Committee consider the question of a site for the fountain to be presented by Mr. and Mrs. Drew, at their next View Meeting.

4—Coal — Resolved, That a meeting of the **Stores Sub-Committee** be held on Friday, the 27th instant, at 3 p.m., at the Depot, to consider the Tenders for the supply of Coal.

5—Ambrose Place Private Improvement Works—Resolved, That in apportioning the cost of the Private Improvement Works ordered to be done in this street amounting to £57 3s 9d, including supervision, regard be had to the greater or less degree of benefit to be derived thereby and that

the apportionment submitted by the Borough Surveyor as now settled on this basis be approved and that notices thereof and of demand of repayment be served upon the adjoining owners of premises mentioned therein.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

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**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 30th June, 1913:** Present : Councillors Baker, Bendall, Merrett Stewart and Wilkins, (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

6—Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor, reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 23rd May to the 26th June 1913 (both inclusive), had been as follows :—

Roads Repaired—High Street. (Upper) proceeding, Winchcomb Street (9,296 square yards.) Roads patched—Carlton Street, Gloucester Road, London Road, Naunton Lent, and Ormond Place, Roads tarpainted—All Saints' Road. (4930 square yards), Clarence Street (2352 square yards), Evesham Road (7170 square yards), Gloucester Road (26769 square yards), Hewlett Road (8913 square yards), Hewlett Street (3780 square yards), Lansdown Place (9429 square yards), Pittville Circus Road (7286 square yards), Portland Street (3540 square yards).

Electricity Trenches Repaired—Albert Place, Albert Road, Albion Street, Clarence Square, Hanover Street, High Street, Kensington Avenue. King Street, Marle Hill Parade, Marle Hill Road, Moorend Park Road. Oxford Passage, Portland Street, Promenade, Prestbury Road, St. Paul's Read, and Winchcomb Street,

Footpaths re-gravelled—Lypiatt Road (60 square yards), Footpaths Paving repaired—Bayshill Road, Berkeley Place, Croft Street, Hanover Street, High Street, Lansdown Road, Oriel Road, Parabola Road, Queen Street, St. Paul's Street South and Tewkesbury Road. Footpath paved with Slabs—Leckhampton Road (176 square yards).

Footpaths asphalted—Leckhampton Road (298 square yards), Stanhope Street (proceeding).

New Kerb and Channel fixed—Leckhampton Road (94 lineal yards). Channeling repaired—Winchcombe Street. String Edging fixed round Trees—Leckhampton Road (30 lineal yards). Gateway Crossings laid-3. Trees pruned—Albion Street, All Saints' Road, Alstone Lane, Bays Hill Lane, Berkeley Street, Clarence Square, Douro Road, Gloucester Road, Hewlett Road Lansdown Crescent, Lansdown Parade, Malvern Road, Montpellier Parade, Moorend Park Road, North Place, Overton Park, Overton Road, Painswick Road, Pittville Circus Road, Prestbury Road, Priory Street, St. George's Place, St. George's Road, St. Margaret's Road, Sandford Road. Selkirk Street, Shurdington Road, Suffolk Road. Thirlestaine Road, Western Road and Winstonian Road.

Hedges pruned—All Saints' Passage and Cemetery Road.

Ashes Collection and Disposal—During 5 weeks ended 10th June, 1913, 1076 leads collected, 1047 consumed and 29 tipped away. Weight consumed-1033 tons, 17 cwts. Steam generated—Hourly average, 7386 lbs.

Slab Factory—During 5 weeks ended 19th June, 1913-1088  $\frac{3}{4}$  sq. yards of slabs made.

7—View Meeting—The following members attended the View Meeting on Friday last :—Councillors Baker, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins.

8—**Report of Plans Sub-Committee**—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub - Committee at their Meetings on the 10th and 27th inst. Resolved, That the same be approved and adopted.

9—Street Projections—Read, an application from Messrs. Miles Ltd. for permission to place a Royal Automobile Club Sign outside their premises in High Street, and Winchcomb Street. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, subject to the usual conditions.

10—Private Improvement Works—Queen's Road. Read, letters from Miss H. Lane the owner of Fernleigh, Hazel Lea. Eltham Lawn and Lanesfield, The Cheltenham and Gloucestershire Benefit Building Society. in respect of Osborne House, and Messrs. Young and Gilling, on behalf of the owner of Walden House and Laxton Villa, asking that the notices requiring the paving of the footpath in Queen's Road from Christ Church Road to Lansdown Road, should be withdrawn. Resolved. That the request be not acceded to.

11.—Apportionment of Private Improvement Expenses, Arle Road—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement Works ordered in Arle Road had been carried out by the Corporation at a cost including supervision of £82 7s. 2d., and in compliance with the instructions of the Committee he submitted an apportionment in accordance with the degree of benefit to be derived from the work. Resolved, That regard be had to the greater or less degree of benefit to be derived from the works, that the apportionment as now settled upon this basis be approved, and that notices thereof, and of demand of repayment be served upon the abutting owners.

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12—**Report of Stores Sub-Committee.**--The Stores Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 27th instant (Present Councillors Baker, Stewart, and Wilkins. Councillor Baker in the Chair), and considered the Tenders received for the supply of Coal for the year ending the 30th June, 1914. Resolved, To recommend acceptance of the following, viz. :—

Powell, Gwinnell, & Co., Ltd., for Cannock Rough Slack at 12s per ton (subject to test being satisfactory) for Alstone and Montpellier Baths, Pittville Greenhouses, Sandford Pumping Station and Town Hall. Smiths' coal for forge at 22s per ton.

Henry Jordan & Co. Birch Coppice House Coal at 19s 9d per ton for Alstone and Montpellier Baths, Electric Light Offices, Municipal Offices, Central Depot, Destructor, Fire Station, Pittville Pump Room and Sandford Pumping Station ; Sewage Farms (delivered at station) 18s 9d per ton ; Cemetery, 20s 9d ; Dowdeswell Reservoir, 22s 3d: and Abattoir (Bakers' Nuts), 20s Pates & Co. Smokeless Steam Coal, for steam fire engine, at 28s 6d per ton.

Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and adopted, subject to contracts being entered into, to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

13—National Housing and Town Planning Conference.—Read a letter from the Secretary of the National Housing and Town Planning Council asking the Council to appoint delegates to attend a Conference in England and Scotland from the 23rd to the 30th August next,

11—Removal of Shop Refuse in High Street.—The Committee considered a recommendation from the Public Health Committee that the shop refuse in High Street should be collected before 9 a.m. The Borough Surveyor reported that he had considered the matter, and had arranged for this to be done without incurring any additional expense.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

#### PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 10th June, 1913.** Present : Councillors Baker, Bendall, Hanson Powell and Steel (Councillor Baker in the chair).

1—New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following notices and plans of intended new buildings, viz

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1182	Dr. R. H. Bellairs	Temporary Motor House, Ferlys House, Overton Park.
1183	G. H. Pratley	Motor House, Keystone, All Saints' Road.

Resolved, That plans No. 1183 be approved, and that plans No. 1182 be approved as a temporary building, subject to the usual undertaking being given to remove the same on three months' notice.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

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**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, 27th June, 1913.** Present : Councillors Baker, Steel; Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Baker in the chair).

2—New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following Notices and Plans of intended new buildings, viz.:—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1184	Mrs. Glare	New W.C. at 19, Winchcomb Street.
1185	Committee of St. Pauls Mission Hall	Additions to St. Paul's Mission Hall.
1186	C. Austin	New Bathroom at The Cedars, Fairmount Road.

Resolved, That Plan No. 1185 be approved, and that Plans No. 1184 and 1186 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary inspector.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

#### TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 12th June, 1913.** Present .Alderman Rogers, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Ames and Sawyer (Councillor Baker in the chair).

1—Musical Afternoons—Resolved, That offers be invited by advertisement to undertake the provision of a Municipal Orchestra, to give Afternoon Concerts during the Winter Session (October to March) similar to the Concerts hitherto provided by the Corporation, the undertaker to be entitled to all receipts for the Concerts, and to be responsible for all expenses.

2—Montpellier Gardens—Read, a Memorial from the tenants of the Tennis Courts at the Montpellier Gardens, asking for a retaining net to be placed between the Tennis Courts and the Archery Ground to avoid any risk of during Archery practice. Resolved, That the application be acceded to, and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to provide a net at an estimated cost of £6

3—Pittville Gardens—Read, a letter from the Secretary of the Education Committee applying for permission for the boys from the Practising Schools to be admitted to the Pittville Gardens for Nature Study Classes. Resolved. be suggested that the classes should be taken to the Marle Hill Annexe, which is free to the public.

The Borough Surveyor report, ' that a Shell-Duck had been killed by a dog belonging to Mr. H. E. Billings. Read, a letter from Mr. Billings, expressing his willingness to pay for this. Resolved, That he be asked to pay 10s.

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4—Advertising—The Town Clerk reported that he had communicated with Messrs, Wills Ltd. with a view to arranging for Messrs. E. J. Burrow Ltd. to take over the agency for the Corporation Advertising. Read, a letter from Messrs. Wills Ltd., stating that although they appreciated acting as advertising agents for the Corporation, they were willing to give up the agency in favour of Messrs. Burrow Ltd. Resolved, That Messrs. E. J. Burrow Ltd. be appointed Advertising Agents for the Corporation, to take over the arrangement of the Corporation advertisements as the current Contracts expire, except that the advertisements with the Great Western Railway be arranged direct with Messrs. Wills Ltd.; the appointment of Messrs. Burrow Ltd. to be on the understanding that no charge will be made against the Corporation for their services in advising as to, and arranging, advertisements, but that they be remunerated by the commission allowed by the papers, and also that the appointment be determinable by one month's notice at any time by either party.

WILLIAM A. BAKER.,

Chairman.

## ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 12th June, 1913**—Present: Councillors Green, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he tested the gas on the 12th instant for illuminating power, with the following result, viz., 15 candles. The test for purity, on the 9th instant, showed 23 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

2—Requisition for Materials Required—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted a list of materials, etc., which would probably be required during the ensuing month and the same was approved.

3—Extension of Mains—The Borough Electrical Engineer recommended that a new high pressure feeder be laid from Manchester Street to the corner of St. George's Place and St. George's Road, in order to improve the supply in the Lansdown District, in which there had been a large increase in the number of consumers. The estimated cost of this extension, including the switch pillar, was £205. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and the work carried out.

4—Tenders for Coal—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported the result of his tests of the various coals for which tenders had been received, and recommended the acceptance of the offer of Messrs. Wm. Cory and Son Ltd. for the supply of Cannop coal at 12s 11d per ton. Resolved, That this offer be accepted subject to a Contract being entered. into to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

5—Lamp in Albion Street—Read, a letter from Mr. C. G. Smith asking that the lamp at the corner of Albion Place should be removed, as this would interfere with the use of the side exits from the new Hippodrome, and suggesting that the lamp should be fixed to the wall of the building. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for the Committee to view. .

W. J. MERRETT, Chairman.

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## WATER COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 26th June, 1913.**—Present Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Baker, Bendall Green and Merrett (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Borough Engineer's Report—The monthly report of the Borough Engineer was read:

### DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 24 <sup>th</sup> June, 1913	Average for corresponding period during last 3 years.
Hewletts	194,000 gallons	211,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	446,000 “	638,000 “
Leckhampton Springs	<u>83,000</u> “	<u>78,000</u> “
Total	723,000 “	927,000 “

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24 <sup>th</sup> June, 1913.			24 <sup>th</sup> June, 1912.	
	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
Hewletts		13,890,000 gallons		22,673,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	29ft. 0in.	84,588,000 "	27ft. 8in.	77,290,000 "
Leckhampton	10ft. 0in.	<u>1,351,000</u> "	11ft. 0in.	<u>1,486,000</u> "
	Total Storage	99,829,000 "		101,449,000 "

2—Salts Farm—Resolved, That the Borough Engineer be instructed to carry out the work of building a Stable and Corn Store at Salts Farm in accordance with the plan approved by this Committee.

3—Prestbury Valuation List—Resolved, That a copy of the new Valuation List for the Parish of Prestbury be obtained at a cost of £2 2s.

4—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeal Book were considered and the Rates settled and adjusted.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

### GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 24th June, 1913.** Present :—Aldermen Margrett, Norman, Rogers, and Winterbotham, Councillors Baker, Merrett and Stewart (Alderman Norman in the chair).

1—Diseases amongst Animals—Superintendent Hopkins reported that the Borough was entirely free from Contagious Diseases amongst animals.

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2—Tuberculosis Order, 1913—The Town Clerk reported that a Sub-Committee of the County Executive Committee had now settled a scale of fees to Veterinary Inspectors, after a conference with representatives of the Veterinary Inspectors, and that Mr. F. W. Taylor was willing to accept payment for Borough cases on a similar scale, as follows :—

1—Attendance and Examination in a case of suspected Tuberculosis,	
for the first or only animal	£0 10 6
And for each additional animal ...	£0 1 0
But in no case to exceed...	£3 3 0

N.B.—The Inspector not in any case to make more than one visit unless directed by the Superintendent of the police.

2—Microscopical examination for Tubercle Bacilli of milk or other discharge from any one bovine animal (including repeated examinations if such should be necessary)	£0 10 6
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3—Application of mallein test or of tuberculin test (when such test has been ordered) including all subsequent attendances and examinations in connection with the test, and including travelling expenses, for any number of animals not exceeding 4	£2 12 6
And for each additional animal beyond the first 4, the further sum of	£0 5 0
4—Post-mortem examination of animal including Microscopical examination (in addition to fee for attendance and examination)	£0 10 6
5—Travelling expenses (except for work done under Clause 3) if more than 2 miles from home, per mile one way	£0 1 0
6—Carriage of sample to Royal Veterinary College for analysis and the like .	
Amount actually paid	

Resolved, That this scale be approved.

3—American Gooseberry Mildew (Fruit) Order, 1912--On the recommendation of Superintendent Hopkins, Resolved, That Sergeant Charles Robinson be appointed an additional Inspector under the Order.

4—Fire Brigade—Report of Captain. The Captain reported that the Brigade was called to an outbreak of fire on the 1st instant at premises in Prestbury Road in the occupation of Mr. A. Wiggett. Damage £25. Brigade Expenses £10 5s. 6d. Building, etc. insured.

Drill Competition.—The Captain reported that some of the members of the Brigade were taking part in the Annual Drill Competition of the West Midland District, of the National Fire Brigades Union, to be held at Gloucester on the 17th proximo, and asked permission to take the Steam Engine. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

5—Hackney Carriage Driver's Licence—Read an application from the Cheltenham and District Light Railway Co. for a licence to drive a Motor Omnibus for Mr. W. G. Rich, of 121, Ashbury Road, Lavender Hill, S.W. Resolved, That a Licence be granted.

6—Taxi-Cab, etc. Licences—Read a letter from the Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co., Ltd., applying for 12 Taxi-Cab Licences. Resolved, That the Committee adhere to their previous resolution, namely, that Licences (not exceeding 12) be granted to the Company subject to their arranging to give up two existing Hackney Carriage Licences for each Taxi-Cab Licence issued and subject to the Taxi-Cabs being approved by the Sub-Committee. An application was also received from the Bristol Tramways, &c. Co. for a Motor Omnibus Licence to run between the Midland Railway Station and the Cheltenham Hotels. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

7—Shops Act, 1912—Tobacconists Shops Closing Order. The Town Clerk reported that the Order fixing Wednesday, at 1.30 p.m. to be the early closing day for all Tobacconists' Shops in the Borough had been confirmed by the Home Office.

8—Game Licences—Read applications from Messrs. Oliva & Olive, Chas. Barnett & Sons, William Wilks, W. Hall & Sons, Ltd., Henry Frederick Barnett, James Maxwell, and Edwin Powell, and Miss Marian Fanny Woodard for renewal of their Licenses to deal in game for one year, from the first proximo. Resolved, That the applications be granted.

9—Byelaws re Noisy Animals—The Town Clerk reported that the statutory period of 40 days since the Byelaws were sent to the Secretary of State had now expired, that the Byelaws had not been disallowed by the King in Council, and that the some were now in force in the Borough.

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10—Corporation Accounts, &c.—Read a letter from the Publisher of "The New Statesman" asking to be placed on the list of Newspapers to receive the Statement of Accounts and Reports of the Corporation. Resolved, That the application be seceded to.

GEO. NORMAN,

Chairman.

#### **ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 11th June, 1913**—Present Alderman Norman, Councillors Rees Jones and Steel, Dr. E. T. Wilson and Mr. G. Dimmer (Councillor Steel in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—The Curator reported that there had been 864 visits made to the Art Gallery and Museum since May 14th.

A further gift of Cotswold prehistoric flints and 17 from Tilgate Forest, Sussex, and two photographs of Swell Barrow had been made by Dr. E. T. Wilson.

Mr. A. J. de Havilland. Bushnell had also given several Cotswold prehistoric flints.

The collection of silver cylinders and other objects, presented to the Hon. Sir Edward Norman Baker, Lieutenant Governor of India, had been received on loan from Lady Baker.

Mrs. Welch had lent four of her water-colour sketches.

He had visited the Royal Academy Exhibition, and had sent 152 invitations to exhibitors for the loan of their pictures to this gallery for the Autumn Exhibition.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors and Lenders.

2—Show Case—The Curator submitted the following Tenders received for providing an addition mahogany show case :—

Martyn and Co. Ltd....	£26 0 0
Gilbert Boulton and Co. ...	£19 9 0
Cavendish House Co. Ltd. ...	£17 18 6

Resolved, That the Tender of Cavendish House Co. Ltd. be accepted.

3—Closing of Gallery—Resolved, That the Art Gallery and Museum be closed on Saturday, the 21st June inst., the date of the Corporation Employees' Outing,

ROBT. STEEL, Chairman.

**MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 3rd June, 1913**—Present Councillors Baker, Blakeney, Haddock, Merrett, Silk and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the Chair).

1—Mineral Waters. Concentrating Pan—The Borough Surveyor reported that the pan used for concentrating the Mineral Waters at the Alstone Baths was unsafe, owing to the reduced thickness of the copper lining. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the pan relined. 2—Shop adjoining Montpellier Baths—The Town Clerk reported that Mr. Holyoake, of Imperial House, Bath Road, had offered to take the shop adjoining the Montpellier Baths on lease, at £40 per annum, subject to the premises being put into a proper state of repair. Resolved, That the consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next meeting, and that in the meantime the Borough Surveyor be instructed to inspect the premises with Mr. Holyoake to ascertain what repairs are required.

3—Alstone Baths—Read, an application from the Rev. F. W. Dwelly, asking for reduced terms for the use of the Alstone Swimming Baths by about 40 Boy Scouts for a life-saving class. Resolved, That a charge of 1d. each be made, subject to not less than 40 tickets being taken.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held at the Montpellier Baths on Friday, the 20th June, 1913.**

Present: Councillors Baker, Blakeney, Bendall, Haddock, Sawyer, Silk and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the chair).

4—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths during April and May, were as follows :—

Receipts	£128 1 6		Expenses	£95 14 0
		Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ...		<u>£87 13 4</u>
	£128 1 6			£183 7 4

Shop adjoining Montpellier Baths.—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had inspected those premises with Mr. Holyoake. Resolved, That the question of putting the premises in repair be adjourned to the next meeting.

5—Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths during April and May, were as follows

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts	130 8 11	Expenses	62 5 0
		Interest & Redemption (Proportion)	<u>55 13 4</u>
	£130 8 11		£117 18 4

6—Mineral Water—The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during May last was 1,705 compared with 1,650 for the month of May, 1912. The number of bottles of Concentrated Water sold during May last, was 222, as compared with 294 for the corresponding month of May year.

Concentrating Pan, -The Borough Surveyor reported that the cost of re-lining the concentrating pan would be about £27 after allowing for the old copper. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the work carried out.

Read, a letter from Mr. J. A. Thomas with reference to the sale of Concentrated Water. Resolved, That a meeting of the Committee he held on the 2nd proximo, at 4 p.m., and that Mr. Thomas be unable to attend.

7—Whaddon Lane Recreation Ground—Read, an application from the Superintendent of the Whaddon Lane Recreation Ground for a see-saw and horizontal bars to be provided on the Ground. Resolved, That the Visitors of the Ground be willed to report upon the matter at the next meeting.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

#### **BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 27th June, 1913**—Present Councillors Baker, Steel, Stewart, and Winterbotham (Councillor Stewart in the Chair).

1—Designs—Resolved, That the following designs be approved, viz. —Memorial Crows and Kerbing to graves of Emily Louise Smith, William Yates, Arthur Cockshott, Muriel Mary Knox. and George Carleton ; Memorial Crosses to graves of Charlotte Dyball, Henry Elliott, Frank Nicholson. And Frederick George Adams ; Headstones and Kerbing to graves of Benjamin Jeffries, George Charles Pratley, James Edwin Hawker ; Headstone to grave of Thomas Sage ; Memorials and Kerbing to graves of Amelia Jones, Mary, Thomas and Julia Emma Mills ; Kerbing to Graves of Ann Hughes, James Loader Lamport, and William and Rebecca Musgrave.

J. STEWART,

Chairman.

#### **PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 17th June, 1913**—Present: Alderman Rogers, Councillors Green, Mann and Steel. Messrs. A. Beckingsale, F. J. Caudle, J. R. Claridge, W. Cresswell, E. Gridley, A. Miles, E. C. Rogers and H. Stroud (Alderman Rogers in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report — Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts, £3 14s. 6d. Presentations:—Lady Lee (1 vol.). Miss M. Wright (1 vol.), Marconi Wireless Telegraph Co. Ltd. (1 vol.), the Argentine Consul (1 vol.), J. M. Phibbs (1 vol.).

The number of Volumes consulted in the Reference Library from the 12th May to the 14th June (26 days) was 1782, as compared with 1346 for the 21 days ended the 14th June last year. 44 Volumes for the Blind had been issued during the last 2 months.

The number of volumes issued from the Lending Library from the 12th May to the 14th June (26 days) was 11,195, as compared with 8,735 for the 21 days ended the 14th June last year.

**2—Sub-Committee's Report**—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 12th instant. Present : Alderman Col. Rogers (chairman), Councillors Green and Merrett, Dr. Davies, Messrs. F. J. Caudle and J. R. Claridge. They recommended—

That Messrs. R. E. and C. Marshall Ltd. be instructed to examine, clean and repair the heating boiler as usual.

That the periodical "Votes for Women," offered by the Society for use in the Newsroom, be accepted.

That the list of books (Classes A, B, C and F) proposed to be withdrawn, be approved.

That the Lending and Reference Departments be closed on June 21st, the date of the Corporation Employees' Outing.

That a selection of books made by the Librarian in London be purchased at a cost of £24 16s. 10d.

Resolved, That the recommendations be approved and adopted.

RICHARD ROGERS, Chairman.

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 1st July, 1913.** Present: -Aldermen Skillicorne and Waghorne, Councillors Rees Jones, Steel, Wilkins and Winterbotham (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant dated the 1st instant, on the collection of the first instalment of this Rate was read. Amount collected £7396 18s. 0d. Leaving outstanding £17328 6s. 10d.

2—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant, dated the 1st instant, on the collection of this Rate for the half-year ending the 29th September, next, was read. Amount collected £4934 6s. 3d. Leaving outstanding £8059 3s. 3d.

3.—Cancellation of Corporation Stock.—The Borough Accountant reported that in pursuance of the instructions given him he had purchased £1200 Cheltenham Corporation Stock at 77 per cent. Resolved, That the sum of £1200 Cheltenham Corporation Stock purchased by means of the Loans Fund of the Cheltenham Town Council and which now stands in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Cheltenham be extinguished, and that the National Provincial Bank of England, Limited, the Registrars of the said Stock be and they are hereby authorised and requested to cancel and extinguish the same in the books kept by them relating to the said Stock

and that the Common Seal be affixed to a duplicate of this Order and that such duplicate be forwarded to the said Registrars.

4.—Loans.—Read a letter from the County Treasurer, Monmouthshire County Council, stating that they had an unexpended balance of £217 1s. 6d. of the loan of £3240 advanced to them by the Cheltenham Corporation and asking the Corporation to accept repayment of this. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

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5—Accounts—The Financial Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure since the last meeting and the Bills and Accounts to be paid were examined, and the latter ordered to be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

The Treasurer's accounts at the Bank were examined, and the balances found to be correct. The following Was the General Statement :—

In hand on the 27th May last	£13,979 14 3
Received since that date	<u>14,775 18 7</u>
	£28,755 12 10
Paid since that date (including Purchase of Stock, £924)	<u>11,128 7 7</u>
	£17,627 5 3
being General Accounts	£10,872 11 8
Sinking Fund Accounts	6,669 15 3
" Leslie Young Benefaction " Accounts	<u>84 18 4</u>
	£17,627 5 3

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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### **Borough of Cheltenham**

**At a Monthly Meeting of the Town. Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 7th July, 1913, at 3 p.m. Present :**

THE MAYOR (JAMES TYNTE AGG-GARDNER, ESQ.) in the chair.

Aldermen : GEORGE NORMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE RICHARD ROGERS JAMES BATTEN WINTERBOTHAM.

Councillors : JOHN DAVID BENDALL JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY WILLIAM GEORGE EARENGEY JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS HERS JONES WILLIAM SAWYER, EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM WALTER JAMES FREDERICK

Apologies—Apologies for non-attendance were received from the Deputy Mayor, Alderman Margrett, and Councillor Baker,

1—Minutes of Previous Meetings—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meetings of the Council on the 2nd and 3rd June last having been printed and a copy sent to each Member of the Council, be taken as read, and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

2 --Loan for Municipal Offices—The Town Clerk reported that the Local Government Board had fixed Thursday, the 17th instant, at 10 a.m., for holding the Inquiry with reference to the application for a loan for Municipal Offices.

3—Public Health Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee, at their Meetings of the 29th May and 9th and 23rd June last, be approved and confirmed.

4—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 10th and 30th June last, be approved and confirmed, subject to the following Amendments, viz. :—

(1) That the Resolution to Minute No. 10 (Queen's Road Private Improvement Works) of the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

(2) That the portion of the Minute No. 12 recommending the acceptance of the Tender for Cannock Rough Slack Coal at 12s per ton be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

5—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meeting of the 12th June last, be approved and confirmed.

6—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meeting of the 12th June last, be approved and confirmed.

7—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 26th June last, be approved and confirmed.

8—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meeting of the 24th June last, be approved and confirmed, and that Licences to deal in Game be granted accordingly.

9—Art Gallery and Museum Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Art Gallery and Museum Committee, at their Meeting of the 11th June last, be approved and confirmed.

10—Gift to Art Gallery and Museum—Alderman Winterbotham reported that Mrs. Maslin, of Lauriston, Stratford-on-Avon, had offered a collection of china, pictures, and antique furniture, &c., for the Art Gallery and Museum. Resolved, That this be accepted, and that the best thanks of the Council be given Mrs. Maslin for her kind and generous gift.

11—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee--Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meetings of the 3rd and 20th June last, be approved and confirmed.

12—Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of the 27th June last, be approved and confirmed.

13—Public Library Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Library Committee, at their Meeting of the 17th June last, be approved and confirmed.

14—Finance Committee Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 1st July instant, be approved and confirmed ; Resolved also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

Mayor.

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#### **Borough of Cheltenham.**

**MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the next Quarterly Meeting of the Council to be held on Friday, the 1st August, 1913.**

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 14th July, 1913**—Present: Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Blakeney, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz :-7, Orchard Place, Swindon Road, 6 Edmore Place, Bath Road, 13, 23 and 47a Sherborne Street, and The Gladstone Arms, Sherborne Street. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1389, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Overcrowding at 2 and 3 Orchard Place—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so over-crowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

3--Cleaving and Limewashing at 4 Orchard Cottages, Swindon Road, 7 Orchard Place, Vine Cottage, Sherborne Street, 17, 19, 21 & 47a Sherborne Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered

thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

4—Nuisances front Drains, etc. at 57 Winchcombe Street (Female Refuge and Home), and IS Selkirk Street. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

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5—Insanitary Property-4 and 7 Orchard Colleges, Swindon Road, 2 Britannia Cottages, Columbia Street, 32 York Street, 9 Belmore Place, Bath Road, 17, 21 and 47 Sherburne Street and 5 Clarence Parade. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875 be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

6—Houses unfit for Human Habitation-47, 49 & 51 Duke Street and 1 to 4 Teal's Court. With reference to the representation made by the Medical Officer of Health in April last, Messrs. Winterbotham, Gurney & Co., applied, on behalf of the owners of these premises, for a further adjournment of the question of making a Closing Order. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for two mouths.

1 and 2 York Place, Swindon Road—Mr. E. L. Baylis the Owner of Nos. 1 and 2 York Place, attended the Meeting and asked for a further adjournment of the question of making a Demolition Order in respect of this property, Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for two months.

1, 2, 3 and 4 Hereford Court.—With reference to the representation of the Medical Officer of Health that these houses should be closed, a letter was read from Messrs. Bayley & Sons, stating that the owners were obtaining estimates for having the houses put into repair, Resolved, That it appearing to the Council that the above-mentioned dwelling-houses were in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, an Order be now made, pursuant to Section 17 (2) of the Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909, prohibiting the use of the said houses for human habitation until the same have been rendered fit for that purpose, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Order, and that Notice of such Order be given to the Owners.

9, St. Paul's Street South—The Town Clerk reported that he had not been able to ascertain the name and address of the owner of these premises. Resolved, That the question of making a Closing Order be adjourned.

12, Brunswick Terrace—The Medical Officer of Health reported that Messrs. Young & Gilling had informed him that it was intended to have this property made safe and put into proper repair. Resolved, That the question of making a Demolition Order be adjourned for two months to give the Owner an opportunity of having the work carried out.

7—Garden at Back of " Rainow "—Read, a letter from Messrs. Griffiths & Waghorne, with reference to the subsidence which had taken place in the garden at the rear of these premises. The Town Clerk submitted draft letter in reply. Resolved, That this be approved.

8—Elmstone Hardwick Inclosure—Read, a letter from the Board of Agriculture notifying that they had made a Provisional Order for the enclosure of the Common Fields in the Parish of Elmstone Hardwick which had been submitted to Parliament for confirmation. The question whether the land belonging to the Corporation was subject to rights of common was one to be decided when the preparation of an Award under Part II. of the Provisional Order was dealt with.

9—Theft from Slot Meter, Montpellier Gardens—Read, a letter from Mr. A. W. Painter stating that he had been instrumental in securing the conviction of a person for theft of money from the Slot Meter at the Montpellier Gardens at the last Quarter Sessions and applying for the reward of £1 offered by the Corporation. Resolved, That this be paid.

10—Hayden Sewage Works—Fair Wages Clause—Read, a letter from Mr. J. W. Betteridge complaining that the labourers employed by the Contractor at these Works were not being paid 5 ½ d. per hour. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the Contractor with reference thereto.

11—Lansdown Hotel—Read, a letter from the Misses Darby asking that a public urinal should be provided at the back of Lansdown Crescent or Lansdown Place, as the urinal at the Hotel Vaults was constantly being used by the public. Resolved, That the consideration of the application be adjourned.

12—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction on the 2nd instant, of a sirloin of beef.

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13—**Report of Farms Sub-Committee**—The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 14th instant. Present Alderman Skillicorne, Councillors Rees Jones, Steel and Wood (Councillor Wood in the chair).

Farms Manager's Report—Read, the monthly Report of the Farms Manager. Since the last Meet Meeting 6 head of cattle had been purchased for £79 10s. 0d. 8 Calves had been bred on the Farms. 24 head of cattle (including 9 calves) had been sold for £284 0s. 0d. 46 Sheep (including 20 lambs) for £81 3s. 9d., 11 Pigs for £13 13s. 6d., and 1,035 lbs. of wool for £60 7s. 6d. (Total Sales, £439 4s. 9d.)

The number of livestock on the farms on the 14th instant, was 22 horses (not including 6 at the Depot) 193 head of cattle, 181 sheep and 5 pigs, all doing fairly well. He recommended that some straw should be purchased for thatching Hayricks, that the wagons should be repaired and painted, and that some cake and meal be purchased for the cattle, etc. Resolved, That he be authorised accordingly.

Visit to Farms—Resolved, That the Sub-Committee inspect the Farms on Tuesday, the 29th instant.

Fruit on Farms—Resolved, That Messrs. Castle & Bloss be instructed to sell the Fruit at the Farms by public auction as last year.

Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 21st July, 1913.** Present : Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Hanson Powell, Rees Jones, Stewart and Wood (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

14—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz : 9 Rutland Street, 31 Russell Street, Ashurst, Christ Church Road, and 14, 17 and 28, Sun Street. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

15—Overcrowding at 47 Stanhope Street and 7 Carlton Place. The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

16—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 11 Marsh Lane, 9 Burton Street, 20 Upper Park Street, 37 Hanover Street, 9 Sun Street, and 3 Sun Street Retreat. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Sec. 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the Health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

17—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 1 Harborne Cottages, Moorend Crescent, and 3 Brunswick Place. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

11, Regent Street—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that he had examined the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above premises and found the same to be defective and to require amendment and alteration. He submitted specification of the works required to be done. Resolved, That the same be approved' and that notice be given under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises requiring them to do the specified works within 21 days.

18—Insanitary Property—11 Marsh Lane, 9 Rutland Street, 31 and 57 Russell Street, 9 Burton Street, 20 Upper Park Street, 24, Queen's Retreat, and Westville, Wellington Square. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

19—Dairies, Cowsheds, and Milkshops Order—Read, an application from Mr. G. Lloyd, of 14 Princes Road, Tivoli, to be registered as a Purveyor of Milk. Resolved, That the applicant be informed that the Medical Officer of Health considers the premises unsuitable for the sale of milk.

20—Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of Notices requiring the abatement of nuisances caused by dirty walls and ceilings, defective floors, ventilation, windows, &c., and the provision of ash receptacles, which had been served but not complied with. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to compel compliance.

21—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction of diseased meat as follows : On the 18th instant the carcase and offal of a tuberculous heifer, six fore-quarters and part of hind-quarter of beef and four sirloins of beef in a putrefying state (Total weight destroyed : 18 cwts. 2 qrs. and 14 lbs.).

22—Royal Sanitary Institute Congress—The Chief Inspector of Nuisances presented a detailed report of the Royal Sanitary Institute Congress, held at Exeter from the 7th to the 12th July, 1913.

23—Drainage of St. Paul's College Field—With reference to minute 17 of the meeting of this Committee on the 23rd June last, a letter from the Rev. H. A. Bren was read, stating that it was not proposed at present to proceed with the drainage of the St. Paul's College Field.

24—Wells at Hester's Way—Resolved, That the Medical Officer of Health be asked to examine and report upon the condition of the water in the wells supplying the cottages at Hester's Way.

25--Telephone at Abattoir—Read, a letter from Mr. C. C. Castle, suggesting that a telephone should be provided for the Abattoir and Fruit Market, and offering to pay half the rent of the same. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to ask the Post Office to provide a Public Call Office at the Market.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

#### **STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 25th July, 1913.** Present: Alderman, Margrett, Councillors Baker, Bendall, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

1—Street Projections—Read, an application from Messrs. A. J. Barrett and Sons for permission to erect two posts at the edge of the pavement adjoining 386 High Street as a stand for cycles. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

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The Building Inspector reported that Messrs. H. Higgins and Co. persisted in placing goods outside their premises in Lower High Street, causing an obstruction. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings if there is further cause of complaint

2—Coal—Read, a letter from Messrs. Gwinnell and Co. Ltd., withdrawing their tender for slack coal. Resolved, That the following tenders be accepted:-

Messrs. John Williams and Co., for the supply of Forest of Dean rough small steam coal from the Eastern United Colliery at 15s 8d per ton for the "Montpellier Baths.

Mr. Chas. Cooke for supply of rough Mika from the Cannop Colliery at 15s 6d per ton for the Sandford Pumping Station, and 15s 3d for the Alston Baths, Pittville Greenhouses and the Town Hall.

3—Trees in Promenade—Read, a letter from Messrs. J. J. Banks and Son asking that the trees outside their premises might be thinned. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Trees Sub-Committee.

4—Corporation Employee—Read, an application from the treeman (Mr. W. C. Stevens), asking permission to reside outside the Borough, as he owned a house in Prestbury which he was unable to sell or let. Resolved, That permission be granted until the house is disposed of.

5—Private Improvement Works, Queen's Road—Minute No. 10 of this Committee's proceedings at their last meeting, referred back by the Council, was again considered, Resolved, That the Council be again recommended not to accede to the request made on behalf of the owners that the notices requiring the paving of the footpath in Queen's Road, from Christ Church Road to Lansdown Road, should be withdrawn.

6—Telegraph Pole, Old Bath Road—Read, a letter from the Superintending Engineer Post Office Telegraphs, applying for permission to place a telegraph pole and stay in Old Bath Road. Resolved, That the application be referred to the Borough Engineer to report thereon.

7—Damage to Pavement—A report was received from Supt. Hopkins of damage to pavement at the corner of Hewlett Street and Albion Street, caused by a traction engine belonging to Messrs. H. Packer and Co. Resolved, That application be made to Messrs. H. Packer & Co. to pay the cost of making good the footpath.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 20th Jetty, 1913,** Present: Councillors Baker, Bendall, Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins. (Councillor Bendall in t7ze chair).

8—Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 27th June to the 25th July, 1913 (both inclusive), had been as follows :—

Roads repaired—High Street (proceeding), London Road (2,200 sq. yds.), Naunton Lane (60sq. yds.), Norwood Road (proceeding).

Roads patched—Carlton Street, Henrietta Street, Hewlett, Road, High Street, Lansdown Place (rear), Lansdown Road, London Road, Malvern Road, Shelburne Road, and Sydenham Road N.

Electricity trenches repaired—Albert Street (St. Paul's), Albion Street, Bath Road, Beaufort Place, Fairfield Park Road, Henrietta Street, High Street, Leamington Place, Post Office Lane, St. Paul's Road, St. Paul's Street N., St. Philips' Terrace, Suffolk Square, Wellington Square, and Winchcomb Street.

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Gas Trenches repaired—Leckhampton Road and Old Bath Road. Roads tarpainted—Bath Road (945 sq. yds.), Cemetery Road (5,950 sq. yds.), College Road (5,650 sq. yds.), Hale's Road (6,950 sq. yds.), Leckhampton Road (14,084 sq. yds.), Park Place (3,320 sq. yds.), Shurdington Road (5,550 sq. yds.), Suffolk Road (4,480 sq. yds.), Suffolk Square, (3,200 sq. yds.), Thirlestaine Road (6,800 sq. yds.)

Private Improvement Works—Asquith Road and Churchill Road completed. Asphalt Footpaths renewed—Stanhope Street (520 sq. yds.). Footpath paving repaired--Hewlett Street, Marle Hill Parade, Montpellier Street, Montpellier Walk, Naunton Lane and Suffolk Street.

Kerbing repaired—Marle Hill Parade and Naunton Lane. Channelling repaired—Mario Hill Parade—Trees pruned—Albion Street, All Saints' Road, College Road, Cranham Road, Eldorado Road, Gloucester Road, Hewlett Road, Hewlett Street, Leckhampton Road, Monson Avenue, Naunton Lane, Naunton Park Road, Pittville Circus Road, and Sydenham Road, N. Trees felled—Gloucester Road, 1 dead, Moorend Park Road, 1 dead.

Ashes Collection and Disposal—During 4 weeks ended 17th July, 1913, 824 loads collected, 799 consumed and 25 tipped away. Weight consumed-757 tons, 3 cwts. 3 qrs. Steam generated—Hourly average, 7243 lbs.

Slab Factory—During 4 weeks ended 17th July, 1913-1003  $\frac{1}{3}$  sq. yards of slabs made.

9—**Report of Plans Sub-Committee**—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 15th and 25th inst. Resolved, That Plans No. 1195 be disapproved and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to communicate with Mr. Sims with a view to arranging an improved line of frontage and that with this exception the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

10—Street Projections—The Street Inspector reported that materials were being stored beyond the frontage line in Naunton Park Road between Tithby and Merlin Villa. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to report upon the matter at the next Meeting.

11—Swindon Place East, Private Improvement Expenses—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement works ordered in Swindon Place East had been carried out by the Corporation at a cost including supervision of £37 13s. 11d. and in compliance with the instructions of the Committee he submitted an apportionment of this sum according to the degree of benefit to be derived from the Works. Resolved, That regard be had to the greater or less degree of benefit to be derived from the Works, that the apportionment as now settled on this basis be approved and that notices thereof and of demand for repayment be served upon the Owners of the premises mentioned in the apportionment.

12—Traction Engine Traffic—Read a letter from Lt.-Gen. Morton complaining of the traction engine traffic in Upper High Street. Resolved, That the attention of the police be called to the matter with a view to proceedings being taken in any case where the limit of speed or weight carried is exceeded.

13—Telegraph Pole, Old Bath Road—The application from the Superintending Engineer, P.O. Telegraphs, for permission to erect a pole and stay in Old Bath Road was further considered. Resolved, That permission be granted subject to an ornamental steel pole being provided and to the exact position of the pole being approved by the Borough Surveyor.

14—Footpath Troughs—The Borough Surveyor submitted a list of properties, the owners of which had failed to make proper provision to prevent the roof seater flowing over the footpath. Resolved, That an Order under Section 71 of The Town Improvement Clauses Act 1847, as amended by Section 160 of the Public Health Act 1875, be made requiring the owners of the properties within 7 days after the service of the Order to make provision in accordance with the requirements of the said Section to prevent the roof seater falling upon persons passing along the street or flowing over the footpaths and that failing compliance with such Order the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings for the penalties incurred.

15—Gift of Drinking Fountain—Read an application from Messrs. R. L. Boulton & Sons on behalf of Miss C. Eaton of Lansdown Crescent for permission to place a small grey marble drinking fountain near the Lansdown Castle, in memory of her late sister. Resolved, That permission be given and that the Water Committee be recommended to give a free water supply to the fountain.

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16—Trees in Keynsham Road—Read a letter from Miss M. Woodard asking the Trees Sub Committee. the removal of two trees opposite "Aberfoyle," Keynsham Road. Resolved, That the letter be referred to Resolved, That a Meeting of the Trees Sub Committee be held on Friday the 8th prox at 3 p.m.

17—Colonnade Wood Paving—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to arrange with the Contractors for the Promenade wood paving, for the taking up and relaying of the wood block paving in the Colonnade a an estimated cost of £35, if on examination of the blocks, they are found worth relaying in the same position.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

## PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 15th July, 1913.** Present : Councillors Baker, Bendall, Steel, Stewart, and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

1—New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following notices and plans of intended new buildings, viz :—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1187	V. L. Delves-Broughton	New kitchen at " Inver," Wellington Square
1188	Major Ferguson	New cloak room and bathroom at " Edenholm," Evesham Road.
1189	W. Potts	New bay windows in front of 96 Albion Street.
1190	F. Edwards	New bay window on first floor at " Whitley," Leckhampton Road.
1191	F. Vanderplank	Alterations to 381 High Street.
1192	Gloucestershire Dairy Co.	Alterations to 15 Suffolk Parade.
1193	C. H. James	Temporary Workshop at rear of 1 Melrose Villas, 39 Marle Hill Road.

Resolved, That Plans No. 1189 and 1190 be approved, that Plans No. 1191 and 1192 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector, that Plans No. 1187 be approved subject to the same being passed by the Town Improvement Committee and to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector, that Plans No. 1193 be approved as a temporary building, and subject to the usual undertaking being given to remove it on three months' notice, and that Plans No. 1188 be disapproved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

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**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, the 25th July, 1913.** Present Councillors Baker, Bendall, Hanson Powell, Steel, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

2—New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following Notices and Plans of intended new buildings, viz. :—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1188	Major Ferguson	Additions to " Edenholme," Evesham Road.
1194	W. Smith	Two semi-detached houses, Gordon Road.
1195	F. Sims	Conversion of Stables into Shops, Suffolk Parade.
1196	W. J. Price	New Shop Front at 73 Upper Bath Road.
1197	E. J. Knight	Additions to " Wendover," Christ Church Road.

Resolved, That Plans 1188 and 1196 be approved, that Plans 1195 and 1197 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector, and that Plans No. 1194 be disapproved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

#### **TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 11th July, 1913.** Present: Councillors Baker, Blakeney, Rees Jones and Steel (Councillor Baker in the chair).

1—Musical Afternoons—An offer was received from Mr. H. Teague to provide a Municipal Orchestra for the forthcoming Winter Season in accordance with the conditions made, on receiving a subsidy of £300. An offer was also received from Mr. E. Dutson Williams to provide an Orchestra on being allowed 50 % of any surplus proceeds conditionally, or 10 % of the gross receipts conditionally, Resolved, That neither of these offers be accepted.

An alternative offer was received from Mr. Teague to provide an Orchestra of 12 performers, to be augmented to 17 on Fridays (including in each case himself as Conductor), on the following terms :—

(1) Mr. Teague to have the entire management of the Concerts, under the direction and supervision of the Committee.

(2) All the Concerts to be held at the Town Hall, and to be cancelled on any days it is not available (except Friday Concerts, which might be transferred to the Winter Gardens if available), provided that the subscribers be guaranteed not less than 100 Concerts during the season.

(3) The season to be for 26 weeks, beginning 1st October, but the Corporation only to pay for 22 weeks at the rate of £20 per week. This would allow for 20 Concerts to be cancelled without loss to the Corporation.

(4) Mr. Teague to be allowed the use of the Town Hall free of charge on one day during the season for a Benefit Concert.

(5) The Corporation to pay for printing, piano hire, advertising and the other expenses in connection with the Concerts hitherto paid by them, and to take all receipts, including programme and refreshment rights. (6) If the loss on the Concerts is more than £150 for the season, Mr. Teague to pay or allow to the Corporation 20% of any loss above this sum.

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(7) The services of Mr. Teague to be retained as Conductor and Manager for three seasons, provided the Corporation shall decide to continue the Concerts for such period. Resolved, That this offer be accepted.

WILLIAM A. BAKER, Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 17th July, 1913,** at the Pittville Gardens.  
Present Councillor Baker, Blakeney, Green and Steel (Councillor Baker in the chair).

2—Pittville Estate—Plans were submitted for a new kitchen at "Inver," Wellington Square, from Mr. Delves Broughton. Resolved, That the plans be approved so far as regards matters concerning the Pittville Estate.

3—Summer Entertainments—Read, a letter from Mr. Newton, asking that a temporary Dramatic Licence should be obtained for the Town Hall for the week commencing July 28th, to enable Pastoral Plays engaged by him to be performed at the Town Hall in the event of the weather being unsuitable for the performances to take place at the Montpellier Gardens. Resolved, That the General Purposes Committee be recommended to accede to the application.

4—Pittville Gardens—Read, a letter from the Secretary of the Education Committee, applying for permission for classes from the Boys' Practising Schools to be admitted to the Pittville Gardens free of charge for Nature Study Classes, as this was more suitable than the Earle Hill Annexe. Resolved, That permission be granted for admission free of charge once a week on Tuesdays, Thursdays or Fridays.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

#### **ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 8th July, 1913—**Present : Alderman Norman, Councillors Merrett and Rees Jones (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he had tested the gas on the 28th ultimo for purity, which showed 22 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

2—Requisition for Materials Required—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted a list of materials, etc., which would probably be required during the ensuing month and the same was approved.

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3—Applications for Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received an application for a supply to the Borough Laundry, Swindon Road. The cost of the extension of main would be £40, and as the return on the outlay would be considerably more than 20%, he had put the work in hand. Resolved, That this be approved.

4—Annual Convention of Municipal Electrical Association—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted a report of the Conference of the Municipal Electrical Association held in London from the 17th to the 21st June last. Resolved, That the same be considered at the next meeting.

5—Loan for probable Extensions of Mains—Read, a letter from the Local Government Board enclosing sanction to is loan of £2,000 for future extensions of mains, the period of repayment being 20 years.

6—Lighting of Waterloo Street—A complaint was received from Dr. Blakeney of the insufficient lighting of the entrance at the back of St. Peter's Institute, Waterloo Street. Resolved, That the Committee view the locality at their next inspection.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

#### WATER COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 16th July, 1913.**—Present Alderman Skillicorne, Councillors Merrett and Wood (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

1—Borough Engineer's Report—The monthly report of the Borough Engineer was read:

##### DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 14 <sup>th</sup> July, 1913	Average for corresponding period during last 3 years.
Hewletts	184,000 gallons	209,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	437,000 “	370,000 “
Leckhampton Springs	<u>64,000</u> “	<u>52,000</u> “
Total	685,000 “	631,000 “

##### CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

14 <sup>th</sup> July, 1913.			14 <sup>th</sup> July, 1912.	
	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
Hewletts		5,800,000 gallons		21,790,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	28ft. 0in.	79,685,000 “	29ft. 0in.	84,589,000 “
Leckhampton	11ft. 4in.	<u>1,526,000</u> “	12ft. 0in.	<u>1,621,000</u> “
	Total Storage	87,011,000 “		108,000,000 “

Pumping had been started at Tewkesbury on the 15th instant.

2—Salts Farm—The Borough Engineer reported that some of the old iron fencing removed from the Cattle Market could be utilized for the fencing required at Salts Farm at an estimated cost of £8 3s. 0d. Resolved, That this be approved.

3—Land at The Mythe---Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the land belonging to the Corporation fenced.

4—Sandford Pumping Station—The Borough Surveyor recommended that a continuous ringing bell should be installed in connection with the telephone at the Sandford Pumping Station which would be provided by the Post Office at an annual cost of 17s 6d. Resolved, That this recommendation be approved and an agreement entered into with the Post Office accordingly.

5—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeal Book were considered and the Rates settled and adjusted.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

#### GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 22nd July, 1913.** Present:—Aldermen Norman, Rogers, and Skillicorne, Councillors Haddock, Merrett and Stewart (Alderman Norman in the chair).

1—Diseases amongst Animals—Supt. Hopkins reported that the Borough was entirely free from contagious disease amongst animals.

2—Fire Brigade—The Captain of the Fire Brigade reported that on the 10th instant the Brigade was called to an outbreak of fire at the Reddings Farm, Badgeworth. Damage about £50. Brigade expenses, £15 1s. 6d, Buildings and contents insured.

3—Hackney Carriage Drivers' Licences—Read, letters from the Queen's Hotel applying for a Licence to drive a taxi cab for Albert Barrett, of 39 St. Philip's Street ; also from the Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co., for Licences for F. Lapworth, 34 Moorend Street ; C. E. King, 31 Keynsham Street ; F. Birt, 4 Gratton Street ; W. J. Bellamy, 4 Naunton Parade ; C. Webb, Swindon ; F. A. Marshall, 8 Naunton Parade ; S. Butt, 3 Crophorne Cottages, Leckhampton ; H. White, St. Clair, Cirencester Road ; A. N. Wiggett, 15 Duke Street ; F. J. Lewis, 4 Naunton Parade ; H. Hussey, 4 Hewlett Road ; W. H. Freeman, 9 Keynsham Street ; G. T. Launchbury, 4 St. Anne's Terrace ; W. T. Harrison, 3 Chariton Place, Leckhampton ; E. R. D. Woodcock, 29 Sandford Street ; J. Birt, 4 Mitre Street ; W. H. Norris, 26 Lypiatt Street ; P. Wood, 7 Granley Road, St. Marks ; W. Perry, Chosen View, Arle Road ; F. Davies, 8 Keynsham Street; and J. H. Turner, 5 Tivoli Terrace. Resolved, That Licences be granted.

Read, a letter from the Cheltenham and District Light Railway Co. for Licences to drive a motor omnibus for J. H. Spawton, Granley Road ; H. J. Curtis, Amberley House, Clarence Square ; H. B. Turner, Coronation Villas, Roman Road; A. H. Walker, 0 Roman Road ; and F. Drinkwater, 25 Millbrook Street. Resolved, That Licences be granted.

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4—Tewkesbury Road Sub-Station—Read, a letter from Mr. E. T. Gardom, stating that if the County agreed to accept a rent of £32, they considered the Corporation should undertake the repair of the building. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to inform Mr. Gardom that the Corporation will agree to undertake internal repairs, but that the County should undertake external and structural repairs.

5—Cinematograph Act, 1909—New Hippodrome. An application was received from Mr. Cecil Gill Smith for a Licence under the Cinematograph Act, 1909, for the Hippodrome, Albion Street. Resolved, that a Licence be granted for a period of twelve months, subject to the Borough Surveyor reporting that the conditions contained in the Regulations made by the Secretary of State are complied with, and that the exits from the building are satisfactory. The Licence to be revocable by

the Corporation if any alteration is made in the building or the Cinematograph enclosure without the sanction of the Corporation.

6—Shops Act, 1912—Tobacconists' Shops Closing Order. Messrs. W. Pearce, E. Wright and E. Y. Leacey attended the Committee and asked that the Order should be revoked. The Deputation were informed that the Order can only be revoked on an application being made in accordance with the provisions of Section 8 of the Act. Fruiterers and Greengrocers' Shops Closing Order—The Shops Inspector reported that on the 2nd instant Mrs. S. A. Lewis, of 57 Tewkesbury Road, had infringed the Order by hawking vegetables on the half-holiday. Read, a letter from Mrs. Lewis, expressing regret that this had been done in ignorance of the provisions of the Order. Resolved, That this explanation be accepted.

7—Lord's Day Observance Act—Read, a letter from the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce complaining that a considerable number of shops were opened on Sunday, especially in one portion of the High Street, and asking the Corporation to take action in the matter. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to point out that the Chamber of Commerce can themselves take action if they think fit, as anyone can take proceedings subject to the consent in writing of the Chief Constable or of two Justices being obtained as provided by Section 1 of The Sunday Observation Act, 1871.

8—Town Hall—Read, an application from the Cheltenham and District Band of Hope Union for the use of the Town Hall for the Annual Convention of Western Temperance League, to be held in Cheltenham next year. The building would be required from Saturday until Tuesday, including Sunday. Resolved, That the building be let at a charge of £40, plus lighting. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be authorised to apply for a Dramatic Licence for the week commencing July 28th, to enable the Pastoral Plays engaged by Mr. Newton to be held in the Town Hall, instead of the 'Montpellier Gardens, in the event of the weather being unfavourable.

GEO. NORMAN,

Chairman.

#### **ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 10th July, 1913**—Present: Alderman Norman, Councillors Rees Jones, and Steel, Mr. H. Stroud and Dr. E. T. Wilson (Alderman Norman in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—The Curator reported that there had been 819 visits made to the Art Gallery and Museum since June 11th.

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Mrs. S. D. Vale had lent 5 guns (4 from Burma and 1 from Bombay, India) and 1 sword found at Bombay.

Four more Water-Colours had been received on loan from Mrs. Welch, making 8 in all.

Mr. R. P. Wild had presented several mineral specimens.

Dr. E. T. Wilson had presented 4 Preserved Shrews, 1 Preserved Mole, several Minerals, Skulls of Badger and Mole, Jaw Bone of Sheep, for the commencement of a Collection of Local Fauna and Flora.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors and Lenders.

2—Picture, "Enid and the Robber's Horses". Resolved, That Tenders be invited for supplying a large gilt frame for this picture.

GEO. NORMAN,

Chairman.

#### **MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 18th July, 1913**—Present: Councillors Blakeney, Merrett, Sawyer and Stewart (Councillor Merrett in the Chair).

1—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from 1st April to 30th June, 1913, were as follows

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts	207 7 6	Expenses ... ..	187 12 4
		Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ...	<u>131 10 0</u>
	£207 7 6		£319 2 4

Road, an application from Mr. A. S. Treasure, Hon. Sec. Cheltenham Cage Bird Society, for the use of the Montpellier Baths for a Cage Bird Show on the 4th, 5th and 6th of November next. Resolved, That the Building be let on the usual conditions at a charge of £2 2s. 0d. per day.

2--Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from lot April to 30th June, 1913, were as follows

Receipts ...	£203 0 8	Expenses ... ..	£118 12 3
		Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ...	<u>83 10 0</u>
	£203 0 8		£202 2 3

3—Mineral Waters—The Borough Surveyor reported the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during June last was 1261, as compared with 1366 for the month of June, 1912. The number of bottles of Concentrated Water sold during June last was 187 as compared with 198 for the corresponding month last year.

4—Naunton Park—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have a Board erected so as to enable the actual closing time to be indicated each day.

5—Land at back of Naunton Park—Read, a letter from Mrs. E. Smith, offering the land adjoining the Recreation Ground in Naunton Park Road for sale at the price of £600 for the whole piece, including the frontage not yet built upon. Resolved, That the offer be not entertained.

6—Football at Recreation Ground—Read, an application from the St. Paul's Rugby Football Club and from the Cheltenham (Wednesday) Association Football Club to play at the Agg Gardner Recreation Ground. Resolved, That the applications be granted subject to the usual conditions.

7—Whaddon Lane—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have a Giant Stride and See-Saw provided at this ground at an estimated cost of £3 2s. 6d.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

#### **BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.**

**At in Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 23rd July, 1913**—Present Councillors Baker, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, and Winterbotham (Councillor Stewart in the Chair).

1—Designs—Resolved, That the following Designs be approved, viz. :—Memorial Crosses to graves of Walter Hailstone, George William Keeling and Lancelot Charles Rogers Harrison ; Headstones to graves of Nellie Sellick and Priscilla Dunn ; and Kerbing to grave of Mary A. Peprall.

2—Inspection of Cemetery—Resolved, To inspect the Cemetery on the 26th September, at 11.30 a.m.

J. STEWART,

Chairman.

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#### **PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**

At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 15th July, 1913—Present: Councillors Earengy, Mann, Merrett, Steel and Wilkins, Messrs. F. J. Caudle, J. R. Claridge and E. C. Rogers (Councillor Earengy in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts, £2 14s. 6d.  
Presentations :—The Trustees of the British Museum (7 vols. and 2 pamphlets), Mrs. L. M. McCraith Blakeney (1 vol.), J. M. Phibbs (1 vol.), Marconi Press Agency Co., Ltd. (1 vol.) and Working Men's Club and Institute Union Ltd. (1 vol.)

The number of volumes consulted in the Reference Library from the 16th June to the 12th July (21 days) was 1480 as compared with 1694 for the 26 ½ days ended the 12th July last year. 17 volumes for the blind had been issued during the past month.

The number of volumes issued from the Lending Library from the 16th June to the 12th July (21 days) was 8,045, as compared with 10,192 for the 26½ days ended the 12th July last year.

2—Tenders for Bookbinding—Resolved, That the tenders of Messrs. Cedric Chivers, Ltd., of Bath, for binding Fiction and Juvenile Books, and Messrs. Riley & Co., Ltd., of Huddersfield, for Miscellaneous Books for the ensuing year, be accepted.

3—Withdrawal of Books—The Librarian submitted a list of obsolete and worn-out Books, Classes B, C, and H (350 vols.) Resolved. That the same be withdrawn from circulation.

W. G. EARENGEY,

Chairman.

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 25th July, 1913.** Present: Alderman Waghorne, Councillors Rees Jones, Silk, Steel, Wilkins and Winterbotham (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant dated the 25th instant on the collection of the first instalment of this rate was read. Amount collected £12735 17s. 2d. Leaving outstanding £11989 7s 8d.

2—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant dated the 25th instant on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending the 29th September next was read. Amount collected £7158 is. 11s. Leaving outstanding £5835 7s. 5s.

3—Cancellation of Corporation Stock.—The Borough Accountant reported that in pursuance of the instructions given him he had purchased £1000 Cheltenham Corporation Stock at 77%. Resolved, That this sum of £1000 Cheltenham Corporation Stock purchased by means of the Loans Fund of the Cheltenham Town Council and which not stands in the name of the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Cheltenham be extinguished and that the National Provincial Bank of England Ltd. the Registrars of the said Stock we and they are hereby authorised and requested to cancel and extinguish the same in the books kept by them relating to the said Stock and that the Common Seal be affixed to a duplicate of the Order and that such duplicate be forwarded to the said Registrars.

4—Loans—The Borough Accountant reported that he had arranged a loan of £1000 at 3 <sup>5</sup>/<sub>8</sub>%. Resolved, That a Debenture be scaled and issued accordingly.

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The Borough Accountant reported that he had arranged for a loan of £300 (part of Destructor loan for £6,400) and a loan of £250 (part of 1929 Arle Sewer loan) to be continued for a further period of 3 years at 39% and also for loans of 5000 (part of £10000 Water loan) and £1500 (part of £3936 Electric Lighting loan) to be continued at 39% subject to 6 months' notice. Resolved, That the loans be continued on the terms mentioned and that the Debentures be endorsed accordingly.

5—Investment of Sinking Fund—The Borough Accountant reported that the Monmouthshire County Council desired to borrow £3745 at 4 per cent interest payable by instalments within 30 years with a proviso enabling repayment of the balance unpaid to be required at the end of 10 years or any

subsequent period of 5 years by either party giving 6 months notice. Resolved, That subject to the security offered being approved by the Town Clerk, the sum of £3745 be advanced to the Monmouthshire County Council on the terms mentioned.

6—Accounts—The Financial Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure since the last meeting and the Bills and Accounts to be paid were examined, and the latter ordered to be paid by the Borough Treasurer. The Treasurer's accounts at the Bank were examined, and the balances found to be correct. The following was the General Statement :—

In hand on the 1st July last	£17,627 5 3
Received since that date	<u>18,218 19 1</u>
	£35,846 4 4
Paid since that date	<u>22,161 16 10</u>
	In Hand £13,684 7 6
being General Accounts	£4,739 13 2
Sinking Funds	8,854 18 8
" Leslie Young Benefaction " Accounts	<u>89 15 8</u>
	£13,684 7 6

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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#### **Borough of Cheltenham.**

**At a Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Friday, the 1st August, 1913, at 3 p.m. Present :**

THE MAYOR (JAMES TYNTE AGG-GARDNER, ESQ.) in the chair.

THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen : CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT RICHARD ROGERS GEORGE NORMAN WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE

Councillors: WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES, EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART THOMAS WILKINS WALTER JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

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Apologies—Apologies for non-attendance were received froth Earengy and Haddock.

1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council on the 7th July last having been printed and a copy sent to each Member of the Council, he taken as read, and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

2—Public Health Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee, at their Meetings of the 14th and 21st July last, be approved and confirmed.

3—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 15th and 25th July last, be approved and confirmed, subject to the following Amendments, viz. :—

That the portion of the Resolution to Minute No. 2 of the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, resupply of Coal to Montpellier Baths, be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

That the Resolution to Minute No. 5 (Queen's Road Private Improvement Works) be not approved, and that the Resolution to Minute No. 7 of the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee at their Meeting on the 13th May last be rescinded.

4—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meetings of the 11th and 17th July last, be approved and confirmed.

5—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meeting of the 8th July last, be approved and confirmed.

6—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 16th July last, be approved and confirmed.

7—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meeting of the 22nd July last, be approved and confirmed, and that a Cinematograph Licence be granted to Mr. Cecil Gill-Smith accordingly.

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8—Art Gallery and Museum Committee— Resolved, That the proceedings of the Art Gallery and Museum Committee, at their Meeting of the 10th July last, be approved and confirmed.

9—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee— Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meeting of the 18th July last, be approved and confirmed, subject to the following Amendment, viz. :—

That the Resolution to Minute No. 4 (Notice Board at Naunton Park) be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

10—Burial Board Committee--Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of the 23rd July last, be approved and confirmed.

11—Public Library Committee— Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Library Committee, at their Meeting of the 15th July last, be approved and confirmed.

12—Finance Committee Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 25th July last, be approved and confirmed; Resolved also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

Mayor.

**Borough of Cheltenham.**

**MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the next Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 1st September, 1913.**

**PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 11th August, 1913**—Present: Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Wood (Councillor Rees Jones in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz :-8 and 9 Rutland Street, 7 Orchard Place, 31 Russell Street, 1, 2 and 3 Tanner's Cottages, 38 York Street and Cottage at rear, 14 King Street Gardens, 8 Russell Street, 7 Bloomsbury Street, and 11 York Street. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Overcrowding at 5 Exmouth Court—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, he served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

3—Cleansing and Limewashing at 11 Marsh Lane, 7 Orchard Place, 9 Pittville Street, 10 Elm Street, 8 St. George's Avenue, 11 York Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

4—Nuisances from Drains, etc. at 3 Christ Church Terrace and 69 Regent Street. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

5—Insanitary Property—1 Durbin Cottages and Craven Cottage, Folly Lane, 1, 11, 13 and 14 Marsh Lane, 9 Rutland Street, 7, Orchard Place, and 31, Russell Street, 11 and 38 York Street, and 44 Townsend Street. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health

Act, 1875 be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

6—Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops Order—Read, an application from Mr. C. E. Harris, of Imperial House, Bath Road, to be registered as a Purveyor of Milk. Resolved, That the application be adjourned.

7—Epidemic Diarrhoea—Read a circular-letter from the Local Government Board, calling attention to the mortality among children arising from epidemic diarrhoea and other infectious diseases of infants, and reminding Local Authorities of the importance of taking all practicable measures for the prevention of such diseases and of promoting hygienic conditions in the feeding of infants. The Board also suggested that all Local Authorities, not already having done so, should adopt the Notification of Births Act, 1907. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Medical Officer of Health, and that the question of the adoption of the Notification of Births Act, 1907, be considered at the meeting of the Committee on the 13th October.

8—**Report of Farms Sub-Committee**—The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 11th instant. Present Councillors Rees Jones, Steel and Wood (Councillor Wood in the chair).

Farms Manager's Report—Since the last Meeting 60 lambs had been purchased for £73 10, Two calves and 21 pigs had been bred on the Farms. Twenty-five head of cattle (including six calves) had been sold for £349 9s. 9d., and 47 sheep (including 20 lambs) for £94 19s. 1d. (Total sales, £444 8s. 10d.).

The number of livestock on the farms on the 11th instant was 20 horses (not including six at the Dep6t), 172 head of cattle, 194 sheep, and 26 pigs, all doing very well.

Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

T. Rees JONES,

Chairman

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 18th August, 1913.** Present : The Mayor, Alderman Skillicorne, Councillors Green, Hanson Powell, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

9—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz : 13, 23, 47 and 47a Sherborne Street and 16 Grosvenor Terrace. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Sections 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

10—Overcrowding at 10 Nailsworth Terrace. The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so over-crowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

11—Cleansing and Limewashing at 39 end 41 Union, Street, Hereford Cottage, Hereford Place, 11 Columbia Street, 1, 3 and 4 St. Paul's Terrace, Vine Cottage, and 17, 19, 21, 32, and 57 Sherburne Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Sec. 46 of the Public Health Act 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the Hai(' Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

12—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at Langattock, Langdon Road, Carfax, Hewlett Street, and Roseville, Gloucester Road. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

13—Insanitary Property—Vine Cottage, Sherburne Street, 13, 17, 21 and 32 Sherborne Street, and 16 Grosvenor Terrace. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be is nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

14—Dairies, Cowsheds, and Milkshops Order—Read, an application from Mr. Arthur John Lloyd, of 14 Princes Terrace, to be registered as a Purveyor of Milk. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

15—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender and destruction of diseased meat as follows :—On the 12th instant the carcase and offal of a bacon pig, and on the 13th instant the carcase of a sheep (Total weight destroyed, 280 lbs).

16—Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of Notices requiring the abatement of nuisances caused by dirty walls and ceilings, defective guttering, pitching, ventilation, &c., which had been served but not complied with. Resolved. That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to compel compliance.

17—Factory and Workshop Act, 1901—The Inspector of Nuisances reported the names of certain tradesmen who had neglected to comply with the provisions of the Factory and Workshop Act, 1901, as to supplying periodically lists of outworkers employed by them, although their attention had been called to such provisions. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings for the penalties incurred.

18—Proposed Common Lodging-House—Read, a letter from the Cheltenham Original Brewery Company Limited, stating that they proposed to convert the premises known as the Nelson Inn, Lower High Street, which were now closed, into a Common Lodging-House, in accordance with the plans now laid before the Committee, and asking whether the Council would be willing to register the same as a Common Lodging-House when completed. Resolved, That the applicants be informed

that the Council will register the premises if altered to their satisfaction in accordance with the plans now submitted.

Read, an application from Mrs. Alice Ada Evans, to be registered as the Keeper of the proposed Common Lodging-House. Resolved; that the application be adjourned until the premises are completed.

19—Delancey Hospital—Read, a letter from Dr. E. T. Wilson, the Hon. Secretary of the Delancey Hospital, stating that the Trustees of the Hospital, after careful consideration, had decided that, owing to changing conditions, it was no longer possible for them to carry on the Hospital in the manner originally intended by the Founders, and that they had approached the Charity Commissioners, who had expressed their willingness to prepare and sanction a scheme for vesting the management in a Board of Representatives of the Public Bodies in Cheltenham and the neighbourhood, who were under an obligation to provide accommodation for the treatment of infectious diseases, and who would be prepared to contribute to the cost of the maintenance of the Hospital ; and asking the Corporation to appoint three representatives to attend a preliminary Conference to be held in October. Resolved, That the Chairman of this Committee and Councillors Stewart and Winterbotham be appointed to attend the Conference, with the Town Clerk and Medical Officer of Health.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE.

Chairman.

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#### **STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 12th August, 1913.** Present: Councillors Baker, Bendall, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

1—Street Projections—Read, an application from The Gloucester Direct Coal Supply Ltd., for permission to place a V shaped projecting sign outside No. 2, College Place. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

2—Telegraph Pole, Old Bath Road—Read a letter from the Superintending Engineer, P.O. Telegraphs, stating that he was unable to agree to the condition requiring an ornamental steel pole to be erected in Old Bath Road, and asking the Committee to reconsider the matter with a view to giving permission for a creosoted pole with painted battens being used. Resolved, That a creosoted pole with 8 ft. painted battens be allowed, and that the Resolution to Minute No. 13 of this Committees proceedings on the 25st ultimo be rescinded.

3—Traction Engine Traffic—Read letters from Mr. F. W. Strange, Col. Hay, and Mr. C. E. Champney, complaining of the traction engine traffic in Old Bath Road, Montpellier Terrace and St. George's Road respectively. The Town Clerk reported that he had communicated with Supt. Hopkins and also the owners of Traction Engines in Cheltenham and district with a view to the weight and speed limits being strictly adhered to.

4—Queen's Road—Read a letter from Mr. W. Pullar calling attention to the condition of the footpath, etc. opposite Nos. 1 and 2, Queen's Villas. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned for the Committee to view.

5—Coal—With reference to Minute No. 2 of this Committee at their Meeting on the 15th ultimo, the Borough Surveyor reported the result of the tests made of the slack coal required for the Montpellier Baths. Resolved, That the Tender of Messrs. Pates & Co. for the supply of Slack Coal from the Cannop Colliery at 14s 9d per ton be accepted subject to a Contract being entered into, to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

6—**Report of Trees Sub-Committee**—The Trees Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 8th instant, present :—Councillors Bendall, Mann and Stewart (Councillor Bendall in the chair). After inspecting the trees, etc., in respect of which complaints had been received, they recommended as follows :—

Gloucester Road—That the tree opposite No. 4, Severnhill, be removed and a lime tree planted in its place. That lime trees be planted on both sides of the Road from Lansdown Castle to the end of the houses.

Arle Road—That lime trees be planted on both sides of Arle Road from Gloucester Road to the M.R. Bridge.

Malvern Road—That the owners of " Downside " and Western Lodge be required to lop the trees which overhang the footpath.

Cemetery Road (near Whaddon Farm)—That the trees overhanging the footpath be required to be lopped.

Promenade—That the two trees opposite No. 10, Promenade Villas be slightly lopped. That the trees opposite Messrs. Banks & Sons premises be topped. That the two trees opposite the windows of the new Club be topped.

Oriel Terrace—That the tree opposite No. 2 be pruned.

Keynsham Road—That no trees in this road be removed but that the owner of Glendouran House be required to cut back the trees overhanging the footpath.

Albion Street, opposite Hippodrome—That four acacia trees be planted opposite the new Hippodrome subject to the cost of the trees and also the planting of the same being paid by Messrs. Gillsmith, and that one acacia tree be planted opposite the almshouses.

Resolved, That the recommendations of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 25th August, 1913.** Present : Councillors Baker, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins. (Councillor Baker in the chair).

7—Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 24th July to the 22nd August, 1913 (both inclusive) had been as follows :—

Roads repaired—High Street (3,694 square yards), Norwood Road (2,261 square yard), Great Norwood Street (1,454 square yards), Bath Road (proceeding). Roads patched—Tewkesbury Road, Douro Road, Lansdown Parade, Lansdown Crescent, Christ Church Road, County Court Road, and Witcomb Place.

Electricity Trenches repaired—Albion Street, Belmore Place, Clarence Square, Great Western Road, 317 High Street, Leamington Place, Millbrook Street, Portland Street, St. Paul's Street N., Swindon Road, Sydenham Road N., Wellington Square and Winchcomb Street.

Roads Tar painted—Old Bath Road (18,415 square yards), Charlton Lane (4,530 square yards), Pilley Lane (1,822 square yards), Moorend Park Road (7,001 square yards), Hatherley Road (10,000 square yards), Christ Church Road (9,747 square yards), Douro Road (3,229 square yards), Western Road (2,567 square yards), Arle Road (12,534 square yards).

Private Improvement Works—Naunton Parade (proceeding). Footpaths gravelled—Wellington Road. Footpath paving repaired—Marle Hill Parade, Stanhope Street, Queen's Road, Carlton Street and Bath Road. Kerbing repaired—Marle Hill Parade, Promenade, Queen's Road and Winchcomb Street.

Channelling repaired—Marle Hill Parade. Crossings repaired—High Street, Park Place and Promenade. Tramway Margin repaired—High Street. New Sewer laid—Fairfield Walk and Naunton Lane (80 lineal yards). New Gullies fixed—Albion Street (2), Promenade (5), Winchcomb Street (4).

Alterations to Chelt Arch—Promenade. Trees pruned—Sydenham Villas Road, Clarence Street, College Road and St. George's Road. Private Trees pruned—Andover Road, Park Place, The Park, St. Stephen's Road and Tivoli Road. Broken branches removed from trees—Battledown Approach, Cemetery Road, College Road, Hale's Road, Keynsham Road, Oriel Road, Tewkesbury Road, The Park and Wellington Square.

Pruning Trees of Summer growth—Albany Road, Bayshill Road, Christ Church Road, Eldorado Crescent, Eldorado Road, Fauconberg Road, Glencairn Park Road, Gloucester Road, Lansdown Place, Malvern Street, Montpellier Street, Overton Road, Parabola Road, Queen's Road, St. George's Road and The Park.

Ashes Collection and Disposal—During 4 weeks ended the 14th August, 1913 :-787 loads collected, 779 loads consumed and 8 tipped away. Weight consumed, 729 tons, 13 cwts. Steam generated :—Hourly average, 8217 lbs.

Slab Factory—During 4 weeks ended 14th August, 1913-993  $\frac{1}{3}$  square yards of slabs made.

8—View Meeting—The following members attended the View Meeting on Friday last :—Councillors Baker, Bendall, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins.

9—**Report of Plans Sub-Committee**—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 12th and 22nd inst. Resolved, That the same be approved and adopted.

10—Street Projections—Read, an application from Mr. F. Vanderplank, of 381 High Street for permission to place two moveable iron standards at the edge of the footpath outside his premises to be used as cycle stands. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to.

11—Queen's Road—With reference to the complaint received from Mr. W. Pullar of the condition of the road and footpath opposite Nos. 1 and 2 Queen's Villas. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the necessary repairs carried out.

12—Fountain—Resolved, That the fountain presented by Mrs. Drew and the late Mr. J. W. Drew be placed in the Promenade, near the Queen's Hotel, in line with the two cannons.

13—Footpath opposite New Hippodrome, Albion Street—Read, a letter from Mr. C. Gillsmith, as footpath that the footpath opposite the New Hippodrome, should be repaved. The estimated cost of repaving and kerbing would be 15f-and Mr. Smith was willing to pay half the cost. Resolved. That the footpath be repaved subject to Mr. Smith paying half the cost.

WILLIAM A. BAKER, Chairman.

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#### PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 12th August, 1913.** Present Councillors Baker, Bendall, Steel, Stewart, and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

1—New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following notices and plans of intended new buildings, viz

No. of Plan.	Name	Description
1194	W. Smith	Two semi-detached houses, Gordon Road
1195	F. Sims	Conversion of Stables into Shops, Suffolk Parade
1198	T. Sewell	Mission Hall, Naunton Lane
1199	Committee of St. Hilda's College	Extension of Cycle House, St. Hilda's College
1200	Committee of Dean Close School	New Scullery and Larders, Dean Close School
1201	Mrs. Silk	Alterations at rear of 432 High Street
1202	F. W. Hands	Additions at rear of 3 Imperial Square
1203	A. G. W. Hailing	New Window, Bradwell Lodge, Sandford Mill Road
1204	W. H. R. Ryves	Bathroom at Chime Lea, Eldon Road
1205	G. Straw	Bathroom at 20 Montpellier Terrace
1206	T. W. Smith	Six Houses, Fairfield Avenue

Resolved, That Plans No. 1199, 1202, 1203 and 1206 be approved, that Plans No. 1200, 1201, 1204 and 1205 be approved, subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary

Inspector, that Plan No. 1198 be approved subject to Public Health Committee agreeing to extend the sewer, and that Plans No. 1194 and 1195 be disapproved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, the 22nd August, 1913.** Present: Councillors Dater, Bendall, Steel, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

2--New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following Notices and Plans of intended new buildings, viz. :—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1194	W. Smith	Two semi-detached houses, Gordon Road (amended plans)
1195	F. Sims	Conversion of Stables into Shops, Suffolk Parade.
1207	F. E. Higgins	New Bathroom at 1 St. Anne's Villas, Hewlett Street.

Resolved, That Plans No. 1195 be approved subject to the strip of land (3 feet) between the existing and proposed new frontage line being given up to form part of the footpath and to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector, that Plans 1207 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector and that Plans No. 1194 be disapproved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

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#### TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 14th August, 1913.** Present: Alderman Rogers, Councillors Baker, Green, Rees Jones, Sawyer and Steel (Councillor Baker in the chair).

1—Musical Afternoons, 1912-13—The Borough Accountant presented the following Statement of the Income and Expenditure in connection with the Musical Afternoons for the Season, 1912-13.

21ST OCTOBER, 1912, TO 4TH APRIL, 1913

INCOME, 1911-12.	INCOME, 1912-13.	
Subscriptions-		
£122 6 6	183 at 10s 6d	£96 1 6
33 1 6	20 at 31s 6d	31 10 0
<u>0 5 0 ..</u>	1 at 5s	0 5 0
£155 13 0		£127 16 6
£5 8 0	Books of Tickets	4 10 0
£232 4 0	Admissions at Doors	188 18 0
0 10 6 ..	Balcony Hire	0 2 6

£15 15 0	Refreshment Rights	£21 0 0
15 0 0	Programme Rights	£15 0 0
4 0 0	re Benefit Concert ...	4 0 0
<u>6 0 0</u>	re Winter Garden.	_____
£434 10 6		£361 7 0
<u>148 18 2</u>	Balance (Loss) ,.	<u>284 17 10</u>
£583 8 8		£646 4 10

	EXPENDITURE, 1912-13.		EXPENDITURE, 1911-12.
	£ s. d.	£ s. d.	£ s. d.
Orchestra	437 7 6		418 0 0
Vocalists •..	42 7 0		34 2 0
Attendants	22 7 0		21 16 0
Advertising, Printing and Stationery	40 9 4		33 8 2
Piano Hire and Removals _..	15 5 3		8 16 6
Manager ... ..	16 4 0		19 18 9
Winter Garden—Rent, Light & Heat	9 19 5		6 18 9
Electric Energy	26 19 0		20 2 0
Flowers and Plants	10 0 0		3 0 0
Fee for use of French Music ...	5 5 0		3 3 0
Insurance of Band (proportion)	4 5 6		2 9 6
Labour moving chairs, &c.	9 15 10		11 19 0
Decorations	<u>6 0 0</u>		_____
	<u>646 4 10</u>		_____
	£646 4 10		£583 8 8

Resolved, That the arrangements to be made for the coming Season be considered at a special Meeting on Wednesday next, at 11 a.m.

2--Alterations to Edenholm, Pittville—The plans submitted by Major Fergusson for alterations, to Edenholm, Evesham Road, were considered. Resolved, That the same be approved.

3—Pittville Gardens---The Borough Surveyor reported that a dog, belonging to Mr. Mills, of 14 Selkirk Street, had entered the Marle Hill Annexe and killed one of the Egyptian Geese. Resolved, That application be made to Mr. Mills to pay the sum of 10s 6d.

4—Advertising—Mr. E. J. Burrow attended the Committee, and discussed with the Committee the question of advertising the town. He recommended that the following advertisements should be inserted for one year, commencing the 1st January next

" Times of India " (two inches fortnightly) ...	£13 0 0
"Daily Telegraph " (one line weekly, at 7s 6d) ...	19 10 0
" Times of Ceylon " (two inches weekly, at 2s 6d)	6 10 0
Automobile Club Year Book (half page)	5 5 0
Alpine Sports Year Book (half page) ...	5 5 0
" Daily Mail," Continental Edition (two inches daily) ...	18 0 0
" Leader Column ½ inch twice weekly for six months) ...	32 10 0

“ Greater London Edition (two lines under Spas of Great Britain,  
every Wednesday, 6 months)

13 0 0

£113 0 0

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This would be in addition to the following Advertisements arranged through Messrs. Wills Limited,  
&c.—

Views in Great Western Railway Carriages, &c. ...	£60 0 0
Great Western Railway Quad Royal Posters ... .. — —	20 10 0
Views supplied for Midland and Midland and South Western Junction Railway Carriages	<u>5 0 0</u>
	£85 10 0

Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 20th August, 1913.** Present: The Mayor, Alderman, Rogers, Councillors Baker, Rees Jones and Steel (Councillor Baker in the chair).

5—Musical Afternoons—Mr. Teague attended the meeting and the Committee considered the arrangements to be made for the ensuing season.

Subscriptions—Resolved, That the terms of subscription and admission be the same as last season, viz :

Family Subscription Ticket, limited to 4 persons	£1 11 6
Single Season Ticket ...	0 10 6
“ “ for Children under 16	0 5 0
Single Admission	0 0 6
Book of 13 Tickets	0 6 0

Refreshment Rights—Resolved, That the tender of Messrs. George's Ltd., of £15 15s. 0d. for the sole right to supply refreshments at the Concerts be accepted.

Programme Bights—Resolved, That the offer of Messrs. Norman Bros. of £15 for the right to produce and sell programmes at the Concerts be accepted.

Printing—Resolved, That the tender of Mr. G. F. Poole (the lowest) for the printing required during the Season se accepted :-

100, 3-sheet quad crown posters	£1 5 0
50, Insets for above, each week ...	0 5 0

French Copyright Music—Resolved, That a fee of three guineas be paid to the Society of French Authors and Composers for the right to use French Copyright Music.

Cash-Taker, etc.—Resolved, That Mr. Teague be authorised to engage a Cash-Taker and Checker for the Concerts.

Notice Board—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the Notice Board outside the Town Hall repainted and lettered and placed on the lamp standard at the junction of the Promenade with Oriel Road.

6—Summer Concerts—Read, a letter from Mr. A. W. Newton stating that he proposed to engage the Band of the 4th Dragoon Guards, to play at the Montpellier Gardens during the week commencing the 22nd September next, and was willing for the Band to play in the Promenade for one hour each morning during that week for a payment of £10 10s 0d. Resolved, That the offer be accepted, the Band to play from 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

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#### **ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 14th August, 1913**--Present: Councillors Green, Haddock, Merrett, and Rees Jones (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Gas Examiner's Report--The Gas Examiner reported that he had tested the gas on the 13th inst. for illuminating power with the following result, viz:-14.8 candles, The test for purity showed 25 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

2--Requisition for Materials Required—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted a list of materials, etc., which would probably be required during the ensuing month and the same was approved.

3—Applications for Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received an application for supply to Charlton Lodge, London Road. The cost of extending the main was £8, and the owner was willing to give the -usual guarantee for three years and also pay the cost of the service cable. Resolved, That the extension be made.

4—Condensing Plant—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that it was necessary to provide some switchgear and a transformer in connection with the new condensing plant at a cost of about £160. Resolved, That the switch-gear and transformer be provided accordingly.

5—Lane near Swan Tap, Albion Street—Read a further letter from Mr. F. W. Wilkins, the Correspondent of St. John's School, with reference to the lighting of the road. Resolved, That the Committee inspect the road at their next View Meeting.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

## WATER COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Saturday, the 9th August, 1913.**—Present Alderman Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Baker, Green, and Merrett (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Tewkesbury Works—The Borough Engineer reported that a fracture had occurred in the floor and wall of the old precipitation tank which had been utilized in connection with the mechanical filters and also that two of the old sand filters leaked very sadly. He recommended that both the precipitation tank and the sand filters should be lined with bitumen sheeting cased with brick work. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and that the tender of Messrs. Callender and Co., Ltd., to provide and lay the sheeting at 2s 6d per yard (estimated at £150) accepted subject to a contract being entered into to be prepared by the Town Clerk and that the Borough Engineer be instructed to have the walls lined with brickwork at an estimated cost of £250. Resolved, also that the Borough Engineer be authorised to have the work put in hand forthwith.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

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**At a Meeting of this Committee hold on Thursday, the 21st August, 1913.**—Present: Alderman Skillicorne, Councillors Baker, Green, Merrett and Wood (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

2—Borough Engineer's Report—The monthly report of the Borough Engineer was read:

### DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 17 <sup>th</sup> August, 1913	Average for corresponding period during last 3 years.
Hewletts	180,000 gallons	210,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	253,000 “	549,000 “
Leckhampton Springs	<u>60,000</u> “	<u>57,000</u> “
Total	493,000 “	816,000 “

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	17 <sup>th</sup> August, 1913.		17 <sup>th</sup> August, 1912.	
	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
Hewletts		5,547,000 gallons		24,148,000
		gallons		
Dowdeswell	24ft. 0in.	61,265,000 “	32ft. 0in.	100,000,000 “
Leckhampton	8ft. 0in.	<u>1,081,000</u> “	12ft. 6in.	<u>1,690,000</u> “
Total Storage		67,893,000 “		125,838,000 “

3--Water Supply to Leckhampton District—The Borough Engineer reported that it was necessary to improve the pressure of the water supply in the Leckhampton District and he recommended that a

new 9-inch main should be laid from the present 12-inch main at the junction of College Road and Sandford Road and along Sandford Road to College Lawn, and an 5-inch main from College Lawn along Naunton Lane to be connected to the 6-inch main in Leckhampton Road, at an estimated cost of about £1000. He also recommended that the dead-ends of the mains in the streets adjoining the Minnow Ditch Footpath should be coupled up. Resolved, That a new 9-inch main be laid along the whole of the suggested route at an estimated cost of £1240, and that the other mains be coupled up at an estimated cost of £54.

4—Loan for Extensions—Resolved, That application be made to the Local Government Board for sanction to a loan of £3000 to cover the cost of probable future extensions of main.

5—Drinking Fountain near Lansdown Castle—Resolved, That a free supply of water be provided for the drinking fountain proposed to be erected near the Lansdown Castle by Miss Eaton, subject to her undertaking to keep the fittings &c. in repair.

6—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeals Book were considered and the rates settled and adjusted.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE, Chairman.

#### **GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 1911s August, 1913.** Present :—The Mayor, Aldermen Rogers, and Waghorne, Councillors Baker, Randall, Merrett and Stewart (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Diseases of Animals Acts—Supt. Hopkins reported that the Borough was entirely free from Contagious Disease amongst Animals.

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2—Fire Brigade—The Captain of the Fire Brigade reported that on the 30th ult. the Brigade was called to extinguish an outbreak of fire at Harrow Farm, Elmstone Hardwick. Damage, £30 to £40. Brigade expenses, £16 10s. Cause of outbreak unknown.

3—Taxi-Cab Licence—The Town Clerk reported that the Bristol Tramway and Carriage Company had taken up another Taxi-Cab Licence (making four licences taken up), and had given up two Hackney Carriage Licences for the licence issued.

4—Tewkesbury Road Police Sub-Station—Read, a letter from Mr. E. T. Gardens, stating that the County had now agreed to undertake any external and structural repairs at the Tewkesbury Road Police Sub-Station, the Corporation to undertake any internal repairs.

5—Licence to store Carbide of Calcium—Read, an application from Messrs. H. E. Steel Limited, for a Licence to store at their premises at the Plough Hotel Yard, 60 lbs. of Carbide of Calcium. The Inspector reported that the premises were satisfactory. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

6—Victoria Rooms—Exits—The Borough Surveyor submitted a plan shewing the reconstruction of the Balcony and the lowering of the Ground Floor of the Victoria Rooms. The Sub-Committee (Councillors Baker, Bendall and Merrett) appointed to deal with the exits from the building, reported that they had had three meetings to consider the proposed alterations, and recommended that the plan as now submitted be approved. Resolved, That the recommendation of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

J. T. AGG-GARDNER,

Chairman.

#### **MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Wednesday, the 13th August, 1913**—Present Councillors Baker, Bendall, Haddock, Merrett, Sawyer and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the Chair).

1—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from 1st April to 31st July, 1913, were as follows :—

Receipt. ... £272 19 2	Expenses ... ... £262 2 8
	Interest & Redemption (Proportion) <u>175 6 8</u>
£272 19 2	£437 9 4

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Shop adjoining Baths—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to bring up an estimate of the cost of putting these premises into proper repair, for consideration at the next Meeting of the Committee.

2—Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from 1st April to 31st July, 1913, were as follows

	£ s. d. ...
Receipts            273 19 10	Expenses ... ... 187 8 4
	Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ... <u>112 6 8</u>
£273 19 10	£299 15 0

3—Mineral Waters—The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during July last was 1,533, as compared with 1,532 for the month of July, 1912. The number of bottles of Concentrated Water sold during July last was 252, as compared with 247 for the corresponding month last year.

4—Recreation Grounds—Swings, etc.—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the Swings, Giant-Strides, See-Saws, &c., at each of the Recreation Grounds examined, and to report thereon at the next Meeting. Resolved, also, That instructions be given to the Superintendents of the Recreation Grounds to examine the Swings, &c., each week.

Notice Boards—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have a Board erected at each of the Recreation Grounds to enable the actual closing time to be indicated each day.

Football at Recreation Grounds—Read, applications from The United Companies (Wednesday), Baker Street Institute, and Martyn's Athletic Football Clubs, to play at the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground during the coming season ; Also from the Y. M. C.A. (Wednesday) and Whaddon United Association Football Clubs, to play at the Whaddon Lane Recreation Ground, and from Naunton Park Rugby and Emmanuel and St. Philip's Institute (Wednesday) Association Football Clubs to play at Naunton Park Recreation Ground. Resolved, That the application of Martyn's Athletic Football Club be not granted, and that the other applications be granted subject to the usual conditions.

5—Gifts to Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground—The Superintendent of the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground reported the receipt from the Ladies' College of a number of tennis bats, &c. Resolved, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the donors.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

#### **BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 22nd August, 1913**—Present : Councillors Baker, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel, Stewart, and Winterbotham (Councillor Stewart in the Chair).

1—Designs—Resolved, That the following Designs be approved, viz. :—

Memorial to grave of John Callender Gooding. Memorial Crosses and Kerbing to graves of Margaretta Alice Wheeler and Maude Croker King. Headstones to grave of Alicia Dorothea Kough.

J. STEWART,

Chairman.

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#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 26th August, 1913.** Present: Councillors Haddock, Rees Wilkins and Winterbotham (Councillor Rees Jones in the chair).

1—General District Rate—Tho Report of the Borough Accountant dated the 26th inst., on the collection of the first instalment of this rate was read. Amount collected, £20,597 6s. 9d. Leaving outstanding £4,127 18s. 1d.

2--Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant dated the 26th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half-year ending the 29th September next, was read. Amount collected, £10,613 0s. 6d. Leaving outstanding £2,659 17s. 6d.

3—Audit of Corporation Stock Accounts—The Borough Accountant reported that on the 7th and 8th instant he had audited the 3 per cent. Stock Accounts at the National Provincial Bank, London, and found the same in order and that he had made the necessary half-yearly return to the Inland Revenue Authorities as to stamp duty.

4—Accounts—The Financial Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure since the last meeting and the Bills and Accounts to be paid were examined, and the latter ordered to be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

The Treasurer's accounts at the Bank were examined, and the balances found to be correct. The following was the General Statement :—

In hand on the 25th July last	£13,684 7 6
Received since that date (including Loan on Debenture, £1,000)	<u>20,548 12 10</u>
	£34,233 0 4
Paid since that date (including Sinking Funds invested, £3,745, and Purchase of Stock, £772 12s)	<u>£15,101 13 11</u>
	In Hand £19,131 6 5
being General Accounts	£14,194 4 11
Sinking Funds Accounts	4,847 5 10
" Leslie Young Benefaction " Accounts	<u>89 15 8</u>
	£19,131 6 5

T. REES JONES,

Chairman.

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### **Borough of Cheltenham**

**At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 1st September, 1913, at 3 p.m. Present :**

ALDERMAN MARGRETT in the chair.

Aldermen : RICHARD ROGERS WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE JAMES BATTEN WINTERBOTHAM

Councillors: WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER WILLIAM GEORGE EARENGEY PERCY HADDOCK ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS FEES JONES WALTER, WILLIAM SAWYER THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM JAMES FREDERICK WOOD

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Apologies—Apologies for non-attendance were received from The Mayor, The Deputy Mayor, and Councillors Green and Silk.

1 -Chairman--In the absence of the Mayor, Resolved, That Alderman Margrett be appointed Chairman at this Meeting.

2-Death of Alderman Norman---It was Resolved, That the Council record their very deep regret at the death of Alderman George Norman, J.P. who was a Member of the Council for nearly 26 years, and was Mayor for three successive years, and Chairman of the Education Committee since its first

appointment, and this Council also desire to express their high appreciation' of the conspicuous and devoted services rendered by Mr. Norman to his native Town for many years, not only as a Member of the Council but in many other directions and tender their sincere sympathy to his Widow and family in their bereavement.

3—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council on the 1st August last having been printed and a copy sent to each Member of the Council, be taken as read, and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

4--Report of District Auditor The Town Clerk laid before the Council the Report of the District Auditor on his examination of the Accounts for the year ending the 31st March, 1913. Resolved, That the Report be referred to the Finance Committee for consideration.

5—Public Health Committee--Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee, at their Meetings of the 11th and 18th August last, be approved and confirmed.

6—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee. at their Meetings of the 12th and 25th August last, be approved and confirmed, subject to the following Amendment, viz.:— That the portion of Minute No. 6 of the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee relating to trees outside the New Hippodrome, Albion Street, be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

7—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee. at their. Meetings of the 1.1th and 20th August last, be approved and confirmed.

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8—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meeting of the 14th August last, be approved and confirmed.

9—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meetings of the 9th and 21st August last, be approved and confirmed.

10—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meeting of the 19th August last, be approved and confirmed.

11—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meeting of the 13th August last, be approved and confirmed.

12.—Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of the 22nd August last, be approved and confirmed.

13—Finance Committee — Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 26th August last, be approved and confirmed Resolved also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

Mayor.

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**Borough of Cheltenham**

**MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the next Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 6th October, 1913.**

**PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 8th September, 1913**—Present : The Mayor, Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Green, Stewart and Winterbotham (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz Bank Cottages, Arle, 1 & 2 Melville Cottages, Cleaveland Street, Alleyne Lodge, Knapp Road, 8 Victoria Street, 54 Tivoli Street, 4 Hawarden Parade, 63 & 65 Brunswick Street, 9 York Street Cottages, 7, 9 & Hope Cottage, Lower Park Street, 26 Great Western Terrace, and 17 & 39 Sun Street. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Overcrowding at 13 Hanover Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

3—Cleansing and Limewashing at 9 Pittville Street, 2 York Street Cottages, 3, 4 and Hope Cottage, Lower Park Street, 19 Tivoli Street, 1, 2, 12, 16, 17, 25 and 26 Sun Street and 3 Sun Street Retreat. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

4—Nuisances from Drains, etc. at 36 Great Western Terrace, 56 & 60 Grosvenor Street and Cottage at rear of 60 Grosvenor Street. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

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5—Insanitary Property-7, 34 and Hope Cottage, Lower Park Street, 22 & 26 Great Western Terrace, 19 Tivoli Street, 1, 2, 12, 16, 25 and 26 Sun Street. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the

above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, snails, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

6—Destruction of Disease Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported that on the 23rd ulto, 3 hindquarters and 2 loins of beef and on the 29th ulto, the carcase and offal of a tuberculous pig were surrendered and destroyed as unfit for human food.

7—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—231 High Street and 1, and 3 Swindon Passage—Demolition Order—The Medical Officer of Health reported that no steps had been taken to render these premises, in respect of which a Closing Order was made by the Council on the 2nd September, 1912, fit for human habitation and recommended that an Order be made for the demolition of the premises. Resolved, That notice be given to the Owners of the premises of the intention to consider on the 20th October the question of making an Order for the demolition of the premises.

8—Manure Receptacle—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that Mr. H. Surman of the Brewers' Arms, St. Paul's Street, N. had failed to comply with the Bye-law requiring the weekly removal of manure from his premises. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings for the penalties incurred.

9—**Report of Farms Sub-Committee**—The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 8th instant. Present Alderman Skillicorne (in the chair) and Councillors Greets and Steel.

Farms Manager', Report—The Farms Manager reported that the number of livestock on the Farms on the 8th instant was 21 horses (not including 6 at the Depot) 225 head of Cattle (including 3 calves) 134 sheep and 26 pigs all doing very well. 5 calves had been bred on the Farms.

Since the last Meeting 57 head of Cattle (including 1 calf) have been purchased for £719 17s 6d, 60 sheep (including 50 lambs) have been sold for £130 17s. 10d. and 8 head of Cattle (including 3 calves) for £89 18s. 0d. Total Sales £220 15s. 10d.

The fruit on the farms had been sold by Public Auction for £55 8s. 6d. The Council recommended that sense tie rods should be placed in the walls of the Hovel Milking Pens, that 18 Apple Trees be purchased for planting and that 3 Elm Trees which had been blown down should be sold. Resolved, That the Farms Manager be authorised accordingly.

Shooting—Resolved, That the Shooting at the Barn Farm be let to Mr. Bingham, and the Shooting at the Hayden and Hayden Knoll Farms to Mr. G. McIlquham, for the Season ending the 31st Starch next, at the same rents as last year, viz:- £7 and £5 respectively. Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 22nd September, 1913.** Present Aldermen Margret and Skillicorne, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Winterbotham and Wood (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

10—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz : 16 and 20 Grosvenor Terrace, The Fancier's Arms, Worcester Street, and Garden, Cottage, Vernon, Place. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section

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36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

11—Overcrowding at 2 Orchard Place. The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

12—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 61 Sherborne Street, 3 and 20 Grosvenor Terrace, 27, 33, 35, 39 and 41, Bath Terrace, 6 Clare Cottages, and The Farmer's Arms, Worcester Street, The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Sec. 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

13—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 2 and 3 Wolseley Terrace, Glendale, King's Road, and 6 Swindon Road North. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

14—Insanitary Property-57 Sherborne Street, 3, 16 and 20 Grosvenor Terrace, 21, 25, 27, 33, 35 and 41 Bath Terrace, 14, 15 and 16 Clare Place, and 4, 5 and 6 Clare Cottages. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

15—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported that on the 13th and 18th instant three boxes of unsound fish (weight, 433 lbs.), and on the 17th instant the carcase and offal of a yearling beast (weight, 308 lbs.) were surrendered and destroyed as unfit for food.

16—Humane Slaughtering at Abattoir—Read, a letter from Mrs. Daubeny, Hon. Secretary of the Cheltenham Branch of the R.S.P.C.A., asking for permission for a demonstration of humane methods of slaughter, to be given for a week in October, at the Abattoir, and inviting the members of the Council to attend a demonstration. Resolved, That permission be given, and that the Town Clerk be instructed to inform the members of this Committee the dates of the demonstration.

17—Delancey Hospital—Resolved, That the Mayor be appointed a representative of the Council to attend the Conference to be held on the 7th proximo.

18—Sewer in Fairfield Avenue—The Borough Surveyor reported that the sewer in Fairfield Avenue was defective and required renewing, at a cost of about £10. Resolved, That the work be carried out.

19—Sewer in St. Margaret's Road—The Borough Surveyor recommended that an old brick sewer in St. Margaret's Road, between Dunalley Street and Monson Avenue, should be replaced by a new 9-inch pipe sewer, at an estimated cost of £50. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and the work carried out.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

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#### STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 9th September, 1913.** Present: Alderman Margrett, Councillors Baker, Bendall, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

1—Street Projections—Read an application from Miss Matthews for permission to place a canopy and lamp outside the entrance to Pierreville Room, in the lane at the back of Rotunda Terrace. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the canopy and lamp not projecting more than 2 feet and being not less than 8 feet above the pavement.

Read an application from Messrs. Beaven & Sons of Westgate Street, Gloucester, for permission to place an electric sign outside Messrs. Miles' Garage, High Street. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the usual conditions.

2—Suffolk Parade—Read a letter from Mr. L. W. Barnard, Architect, asking the Corporation to pave the strip of land (3 ft.) to be given up to form part of the footpath opposite the new shops proposed to be erected in Suffolk Parade. Resolved, That the applications be acceded to.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 29th September, 1913.** Present Councillors Baker, Bendall, Mann, Merrett and Wilkins. (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

4—Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 23rd August to the 25th September, 1913 (both inclusive) had been as follows:—

Roads repaired—Ashford Road (2,643 sq. yds.), Bath Road (5,746 sq. yds.), Leamington Place (1,044 sq. yds.), Queen's Road (proceeding). Roads patched—Bath Road, Clarence Road, Naunton Lane, Overton Road, St. Paul's Road, Swindon Road.

Electricity Trenches repaired—All Saints' Villas Road, Bath Parade, Christ Church Road, Clarence Square, Holland Road, Gloucester Road, High Street, Montpellier Terrace, Moorend Park Road, Naunton Lane, Pittville Street, Portland Place, Regent Street, Swindon Road, Tivoli Place, and Winchcomb Street.

Gas Trenches repaired—Rear of Pittville Parade, Old Bath Road, Rose A Crown Passage, Vittoria Walk. Water Trenches repaired Gloucester Road and Oriel Road.

Private Improvement Works—Naunton Parade (completed). Paving repaired—Albion Street, Dunalley Parade, High Street, Promenade, St. George's Place, St. James' Terrace, and Winchcomb Street. New slab paving laid—Albion Street (64 sq. yds.), and Brandon Terrace (proceeding).

Asphalt Footpath repaired—Exmouth Street. New kerbing laid—Albion Street (20 lin. yds.), Brandon Terrace and Queen's Road (proceeding). Kerbing repaired—Albion Street, Exmouth Street, Promenade and Winchcomb Street.

Channelling repaired—Albion Street and Grosvenor Place, 8. Crossings repaired-4. Manhole covers and frames renewed-3. New gullies fixed-9. New pulley grates and frames fixed-2.

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Trees pruned—Albert Road, Albion Street, Ambrose Street, All Saints' Road, Andover Road, Battledown Approach, Cemetery Road, Clarence Road, Clarence Square, College Road, Cranham Road, Douro Road, Evesham Road, Grafton Street, Hale's Road, Hewlett Street, High Street, Imperial Square, Keynsham Road, King's Road, Lansdown Crescent and Parade, Langdon Road, Leckhampton Road, London Road, Lypiatt Terrace, Malvern Place and Road, Montpellier Drive, Grove, Parade and Spa Road, Monson Avenue, Moorend Park Road, Montpellier Street, Oriel Road, Parabola Road, Park Place, Pittville Circus Road, Pittville Crescent and Lawn, Portland Street, Prestbury Road, Priory Street, Promenade, Rodney Road, St. George's Road, St. Luke's Road, Sydenham Road, S., Sydenham Villas Road, Tewkesbury Road, Vittoria Walk, Wellington Road, Square and Street.

Ashes Collection and Disposal—During 5 weeks ended the 18th September, 1913 :-976 loads collected, 962 loads consumed, and 14 tipped away. Weight consumed 914 tons, 3 cwts. 2 qrs. Steam generated :—Hourly average, 7148 lbs.

Slab Factory—During 5 weeks ended 18th September, 1913-1,281 ½ square yards of slabs made.

4—View Meeting—The following members attended the View Meeting on Friday last :—Councillors Baker, Bendall, Mann, Merrett and Wilkins.

5—**Report of Plans Sub-Committee**—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 9th and 26th inst. Resolved, That Plan No. 1209 as now amended be approved and that with this exception the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

6—Street Projections—Read an application from the Cheltenham Gas Co. for permission to place projecting lamps outside Nos. 186 and 205 High Street and 79 Upper Bath Road. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the usual conditions.

7—Inspection of Horses—Resolved, That the Committee meet at the Central Depot on the 3rd October at 12 noon to inspect the Corporation Horses.

8—Overhead Telegraph Wire, Tewkesbury Road—Read an application from the Superintendent Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs for permission to erect an overhead telegraph line along the Tewkesbury Road between the Moors and the Borough Boundary. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the exact positions of the poles being approved by the Borough Surveyor, and to painted lagging 6 feet in height being placed round each pole.

9—Traction Engine Traffic, Suffolk Road—Read a Memorial from Captain Savile and others complaining of the traction engine traffic along Suffolk Road. The Town Clerk submitted copy letter sent in reply and the same was approved.

10—Trees in Hewlett Road—Read a letter from Mr. J. Pilley asking that a tree opposite Trediden, Hewlett Road should be removed and that the beech trees opposite Beechhurst should be lopped. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Trees Sub-Committee.

11—Chelt Fence—Complaint having been received of the danger to persons using the footpath from College Road to Sandford Road, owing to the defective condition of the fence along the Chelt. Resolved, That notice be served upon the abutting owners under Section 30 of the Public Health Acts Amendment Act 1937 requiring them to protect or enclose the stream so as to prevent any danger therefrom.

12—Footpath in Lower High Street—Read a letter from Mr. A. Beckingsale stating that the footpath at the junction of Queen Street and High Street was dangerous owing to the high kerb. Resolved, that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the footpath lowered about six inches.

13—Footpaths opposite Sandford Terrace, and Bunwell House, Suffolk Square—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have these footpaths repaired.

14—Trafalgar Street and Grafton Road—Dangerous Corners—Resolved, That notices be placed in Oriel Road near Trafalgar Street, and in Grafton Road near the Grafton Brewery, warning Motors, &c. of the dangerous corners,

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

## PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 9th September, 1913.** Present :  
Councillors Baker, Bendall, Steel, Stewart, and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

1—New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following notice and plans of intended new buildings, viz :—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1208.	A. N. Cole.	Additions to 350 and 351 High Street.

Resolved, That the plans be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held On Friday, the 26th September, 1913.** Present :  
Councillors Baker, Bendall, Steel, and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

2—New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following Notices and Plans of intended new buildings, viz. :—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1209	The Trustees of the Strickland Cottage Homes.	Five Cottage-Homes, Hale's Road.
1210	G. Boulton & Co.	New Workshops, Grosvenor Place S.

Resolved, That the plans be disapproved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

## TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 18th September, 1913.** Present Alderman Rogers, Councillors Baker, Blakeney, Green, and Steel (Councillor Baker in the chair).

1—Plan of Cheltenham—Read, a letter from Messrs. E. J. Burrow Limited, stating that they proposed to issue a plan of Cheltenham, showing the main roads, railway stations, public buildings, &c., for the use of visitors, and offering to supply, free of charge, 500 copies for distribution with the local guide. Resolved. That the offer be accepted.

2—Tree in Wellington Square—Read, a letter from Miss I. D. Sharpe, asking for the removal of a tree opposite Edenham, Wellington Square. Resolved, That the Committee view the tree at their next View Meeting.

3—Pittville Estate—Rent charge—The Town Clerk reported that when the houses known as Pittendynie and Glengarriff were built upon part of Lot 21 on the Pittville Estate, an increase of the rent charge from £2 to £4 4s. became payable. Resolved, That application be made to the Executors of the late A. Matthews, deceased, for payment of arrears due.

WILLIAM A. BAKER, Chairman.

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#### **ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 18th September, 1913**—Present: Councillors Green, Haddock, Mann and Merrett (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he had tested the gas on the 20th inst. for illuminating power with the following result, viz :-16.8 candles, The test for purity showed 22 grains per 100 cubic feet.

2—Requisition for Materials Required—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted a list of materials, etc., which would probably be required during the ensuing month and the same was approved.

3—Canvasser—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that Mr. Jackson, the canvasser, who also assisted the Mains Superintendent when not engaged in canvassing, had resigned, having obtained another appointment. Resolved, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to invite applications by advertisement to fill Mr. Jackson's place, at a salary of 35s per week and commission, and that the Engineer be instructed to select two applicants for interview by the Committee.

4—Steam-Flow Meter—Resolved, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to obtain and install a steam-flow meter, with non-return valve, to measure the flow of steam and prevent the return of same back to the Destructor, at an estimated cost of £28.

5—Cooling Pond—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the increased load on the works made it desirable to increase the capacity of the Cooling Pond, and he submitted a scheme which he had prepared, in conjunction with the Borough Surveyor, for extending No. 1 Cooling Pond and adding two rows of jets, the estimated cost of which was £180. Resolved, That the scheme be approved, and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to carry out, the work.

6—Traction Motor Generator—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that on the 13th August the main circuit breaker on the traction switch board at the Works was burnt out, and that this was due to the heavy demand on the Works by the Light Railway Company and to two of the Company's circuit breakers at the Manchester Street sub-station being out of order. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to apply to the Light Railway Company for payment of £9 19s., the cost of the new circuit breaker.

7—Electricity Accounts, 1912-1913—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the accounts as audited showed that the amount standing to the Revenue Account on the 31st March last, after payment of the financial charges and the instalment in respect of the Deficit loan, was £1,196, which included £464 carried forward from last year. Resolved, That £896 be transferred to the Renewals Fund, and that £300 be carried forward.

8--Additional Storage Accommodation—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that additional storage accommodation was required, and that the tenant of the premises at 50 St. George's Place, adjoining the sub-station, was willing to sub-let to the Corporation an additional part of the yard and building, subject to the payment of an increased rent of £7 per annum. Resolved, That a Sub-Lease of this additional accommodation be taken on the terms offered.

9—View Meeting—Resolved, That a View Meeting of the Committee be held on the 15th instant, at 7 p.m.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

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### WATER COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 25th September, 1913.**—Present Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Bendall, Green, Merrett and Wood (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Borough Engineer's Report—The monthly report of the Borough Engineer was read:

#### DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept., 1913	Average for corresponding period during last 3 years.
Hewletts	135,000 gallons	129,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	243,000 “	224,000 “
Leckhampton Springs	<u>48,000</u> “	<u>46,000</u> “
Total	426,000 “	399,000 “

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	22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept., 1913.		22 <sup>nd</sup> Sept., 1912.	
	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
Hewletts		5,531,000 gallons		25,995,000
Dowdeswell	21ft. 6in.	50,715,000 “	31ft. 9in.	98,706,000 “
Leckhampton	7ft. 6in.	<u>1,013,000</u> “	12ft. 6in.	<u>1,688,000</u> “
Total Storage		57,259,000 “		126,389,000 “

Pumping had been continued daily at Sandford and Tewkesbury during the month.

2—Tewkesbury Works—Tenders for Coal—The Borough Engineer submitted the Tenders received (17) for the supply of Slack Coal to the Tewkesbury Works. Resolved. That the same be referred to the Borough Engineer for consideration, and report to the next Meeting.

3—Water Supply to Aston, Pamington and Fiddington—Read, a letter from the Clerk of the Tewkesbury Rural District Council, asking that the scheme might be extended, as recommended by the Local Government Board, by laying a branch pipe, two inches in diameter, from Fiddington to Claydon Farm. Resolved, That this be agreed to.

4—Salts Farm—The Borough Engineer reported that the building of the Stable and Corn Store on Salts Farm had been completed at a cost of £103 1s. 0d.

5—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeals Book were considered and the rates settled and adjusted.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

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#### GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 23rd September, 1913.** Present: Aldermen Rogers, Skillicorne and Waghorne, Councillors Baker, Bendall, Haddock and Merrett (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—Diseases of Animals Acts—Supt. Hopkins reported that the Borough was entirely free from Contagious Disease amongst Animals.

2—Fire Brigade—The Captain of the Fire Brigade reported that the Brigade was called to an outbreak of fire at Walton Hill Farm, Tewkesbury Road, occupied by Mr. Harry Webb. Damage, about £500. Brigade expenses, £21. Buildings and contents insured.

3—Hackney Carriage Drivers' Licences—Applications were received from the Bristol Tramways and Carriage Company for licences to drive Taxi-Cabs for Charles Elms, of 20 Great Norwood Street ; Albany Macaulay Dyer, of 16 Tivoli Street, and Elijah Loud, of 45 Francis Street and item the Queen's Hotel Company for a licence for Lewis John Pearce, of Cedar Cottage, Moorend Crescent. Resolved, That licences be granted.

4—Licences to store Petroleum, etc.-On the report of the Inspector that the premises were satisfactory. Resolved, That the following applications for the renewal of Licences to store petroleum and carbide of calcium be granted for one year from the 5th prox.:

Name	Place of Storage	Quantity Petroleum	Quantity Carbide
Messrs. Haines & Strange	19 Albion Street	230 gallons	112 lbs.
Powell, Gwinnell & Co.	31 Promenade	250 "	5 cwt.
A. Hughes & Co.	21 Pittville Street	50 "	-
The Halford Cycle Co.	North Street	-	112 lbs.
H. E. Steel, Ltd.	103 High Street	400 "	200 "
H. G. Norton & Co.	416 High Street	200 "	280 "
H. G. Norton & Co.	Regent Street	1000 "	-

J. Smith & Co.	104a High Street	50 "	-
D. Davies	149 High Street	50 "	-
T. W. Harvey	180 High Street	100 "	-
L. E. Lusty	196 High Street	50 "	-
Mrs. Bellamy	251 High Street	40 "	-
S. A. Sperry	264 High Street	40 "	-
J. Fisher & Sons	34 Winchcombe Street	100 "	-
C. J. Bullock	50 Winchcombe Street	500 "	-
R. E. & C. Marshall	5 Clarence Street	450 "	-
E. S. Holloway	3 St. Mark's Emporium	100 "	-
C. H. Reason	25 Lansdown Crescent	150 "	-
Major P. Shewell	" Cotswold "	500 "	-
J. Gapper	St. Bernard's Villa, Cleaveland St.	80 "	-
J. Brown	Early Dawn Inn, Tewkesbury Rd.	130 "	-
A. Miles	75 and 76 Winchcombe Street	200 "	-
W. Mills & Sons, Ltd.	88 Winchcombe Street	350	112 lbs.
W. T. Smith	Montpellier Mews	100 "	-
S. C. H. Dix & Co.	1 Northwick Terrace	20 "	-
W. T. Baggs	4 St. Luke's Road	20 "	-
Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co., Ltd.	Spa Road	600 "	-
H. E. Steel, Ltd.	Plough Yard	1000 "	60 lbs.

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Applications were received from William George Tibbles for is Licence to store 100 gallons of Petroleum at his Work-shop at the rear of 28 St. George's Place, and from T. V. West for a Licence to store 1000 gallons, instead of 500 - gallons, at No. 88 High Street. The Inspector reported that the places of storage were satisfactory. Resolved, That the applications be acceded to.

5—Education Committee—Resolved, That the Council be recommended to appoint Councillor Bendall a Member of the Education Committee, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Alderman Norman.

6—Cleeve Common Conservators--Resolved, That the Council be recommended to appoint Alderman Margrett a representative of the Council on the Board of Conservators, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Alderman Norman, Mr. Margrett's term of office to expire in March, 1915.

7—Association of Municipal Corporation—Resolved, That the Mayor and the Deputy-Mayor be appointed representatives of the Council to attend the Autumn General Meeting of the Association of Municipal Corporations, to be held in London on the 24th October next.

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

**MUNICIPAL OFFICES SITES COMMITTEE.**

**REPORT of the Special Committee appointed by the Council on the 8th December, 1910, to consider the Question of Municipal Offices.**

**At a Meeting of the Committee held on the 30th September, 1913**, Present, Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Baker, Earengy, Merrett, Rees Jones, and Silk (Alderman Margrett in the chair)—it was resolved to make the following Report and recommendations to the Council.

1—The Local Government Board have by sanction dated the 2nd September instant, authorised the raising of a loan of £5,500 for the purchase of Nos. 22-26, Promenade, repayable in 30 years from the date of borrowing.

The Local Government Board in forwarding the Sanction have intimated that the plans for adapting the houses for Offices are regarded as satisfactory, subject to the modification of the planning of the Council Chamber and the ground floor approach to the secondary staircase, as shown in the amended plans prepared by the Borough Surveyor, dated the 25th and 30th July last, and subject to the provision of an external iron staircase at the rear of No. 26, but before issuing their Sanction to a Loan for the cost of the alterations the Board ask to be furnished with a revised estimate, based on the lowest satisfactory tender and also to be informed as to the arrangements proposed to be made for supervising the works.

2—The Committee of the Promenade Club have agreed (subject to the confirmation by a General Meeting of the Club) to accept £200 as compensation for disturbance of their Lease of No. 24 Promenade, including the cost and expenses incidental to removing to new premises and are willing to give up possession of No. 24 Promenade as soon as other suitable premises in the Promenade can be obtained. They have inspected No. 21 Promenade and are willing to take this house subject to its being altered and enlarged to provide the accommodation required by the Club. This Committee have obtained an options for the Corporation to take No. 21 Promenade on Lease for a term of 11 years at a rent of £85 with an option to purchase at any time during the first five and a half years of the term at the price of £1,200, and plans have been prepared by the Borough Surveyor and approved by the Club Committee for altering the premises for the Club at an estimated cost of £550. If the option to take the lease is exercised before the 20th October, the Owner is willing to give possession on the 11th November next, but otherwise he could not give possession until the 25th March next.

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The Committee recommend :-

1—That a Lease of 21 Promenade be taken for a term of 11 years at a rent of £85 such Lease to contain an option for the Corporation to purchase the premises at any time during the first five and a half years of the term at the price of £1,200

2—That tenders be invited for altering No. 21 Promenade in accordance with the plans prepared by the £81 Borough Surveyor and that a Sub-Lease of the premises as altered be granted to the Club for 10 years at a rent of up to the March 1915 and £85 for the remainder of the term.

3—That tenders be invited for carrying out the alterations to No. 22-26 Promenade.

4—That Mr. Walcroft be allowed to continue as tenant of No. 26 Promenade as a weekly tenant at a rent equivalent to £81 per annum until vacant possession of the premises is required.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Chairman.

#### **ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 10th September, 1913**—Present : The Mayor, Aldermen Waghorne and Winterbotham, Councillors Green and Steel and Mr. G. Dimmer (Alderman Winterbotham in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—The Curator reported that there had been 2,273 visits made to the Art Gallery and Museum since July 10<sup>th</sup>.

Mr. A. J. de Havilland Bushnell had lent a fine Nantkin Ginger Jar, also several additional specimens of Greek and Roman Pottery, a Byzantine Coin Scale and a Byzantine Coin Weigher.

Mrs. Griffiths of Oakfield, Charlton Kings, had presented 16 additional sheets of pressed Flowers.

Mr. T. C. Tweedie, Spa Place, had lent 3 Cabinets of British and Foreign Birds' Eggs.

Mr. R. P. Wild had presented several mineral specimens.

94 Pictures had been received for the Autumn Exhibition, in response to Invitations sent to Artists, 37 of which were hung in this year's Royal Academy Exhibition. These were now being arranged and hung in the large Gallery.

The Silver Objects on loan from Lady Baker were being arranged in the show case in the Decorative Art Room.

Mrs. Maslin's Gift of China, &c. had been temporarily placed in cases in the Decorative Art Room.

Mrs. Wilson had offered to lend a number of pictures by the late Dr. E. A. Wilson for exhibition in January. Resolved, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors and Lenders.

2—Picture " Enid and the Robber's Horses "—The Committee considered the tenders (4) received for supplying a gilt frame for this picture. Resolved, That the Tender of Mr. E. Parker of £7 5s. be accepted.

3—Picture of Gloucestershire Historical Pageant—Read a letter from Messrs. Debenham, Longman & Co. Ltd. offering to sell a large painted photograph of the Gloucestershire Historical Pageant. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting.

JAS. B. WINTERBOTHAM. Chairman.

#### **MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 19th September, 1913**--Present : Councillors Baker, Blakeney, Haddock, Merrett, Sawyer, Silk and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the Chair).

1—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from 1st April to 31st August, were as follows

Receipts ... .	£326 17 4	Expenses ... ..	£334 0 0
		Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ...	<u>212 3 4</u>
	£326 17 4		£553 3 4

2—Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from 1st April to 31st August, 1913, were as follows :—

Receipts ...	£316 17 0	Expenses ... ..	£239 10 1
		Interest A Redemption (Proportion) ...	<u>139 3 4</u>
	£316 17 0		£378 13 5

3- -Mineral Waters—The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during August last was 1281, as compared with 1031 for the month of August last year. The number of bottles of concentrated water sold during August last was 228, as compared with 192 for the corresponding month last year.

4—Football at Recreation Grounds—Read, a letter from the Hon. Secretary, Martyn's Athletic Club, stating that they had been unable to obtain a ground, and renewing their application for permission to play at the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground. Applications were also received from the Y.M.C.A. and the Cheltenham Boot and Shoe Trade Football Clubs to play at the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground. Resolved, That the applications be acceded to subject to the usual conditions. An application was received from the Christ Church Boys' School for permission to play football at the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground for one hour on Thursday afternoons. Resolved, That the application be acceded to.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

#### **BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 26th September, 1913**—Present : Councillors Baker, Mann, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel and Winterbotham (Councillor Baker in the Chair).

1—Illness of superintendent—The Town Clerk reported that the Superintendent of the Cemetery had been admitted to the General Hospital to undergo an operation. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to Mr. Amery, expressing the sympathy of the Committee with him in his illness, and the hope that he may have a speedy recovery.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces —Resolved, That the Common Seal be affixed to grants (numbered 4558 to 4564, both inclusive) of the exclusive right of burial in the graves referred to therein, which had been purchased.

3—Designs—Resolved, That the following Designs be approved, viz. :—Headstones and Kerbing to graves of Alice Clara West, Emily Rosina Dunford, Anne Baker, William Ecockes ; Memorial Crosses and Kerbing to graves of George Wilks, Jessie Cooper, Joseph Barton, Mary Anne Stayt and Bessie Hunt, and Louisa and William Hulbert ; Kerbing to graves of Joseph Paul Hatton, Isabella Wright and Mary Noott.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

#### **PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 16th September, 1913**—Present: Alderman Rogers ; Councillors Eareney, Green, Mann, Merrett, Sawyer, Steel and Wilkins, Messrs. A. Beckingsale, F. J. Caudle, J. R. Claridge, E. Gridley and E. C. Rogers (Alderman Rogers in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts, £5 17s. 2d. Presentations :—The Principal of the Bristol Merchant Venturers' Technical College (2 vols.), H. E. Norris (1 pamphlet), L. Richardson (3 vols.), H. J. Swallow (1 vol.). Dr. E. T. Wilson (5 vols.).

The number of volumes consulted in the Reference Library from the 14th July to the 13th September was 3222, an increase of 39 as compared with the corresponding period last year.

The issue from the Lending Department numbered 17,758, a decrease of 804 as compared with last year.

2—Report of Sub-Committee—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 11th instant. Present Alderman Rogers (chairman), Councillors Green, Messrs. F. J. Caudle and J. R. Claridge, They recommended :

That the new books on the lists submitted be purchased at a cost of about £5.

That the following periodicals and magazines be added to the list already taken :—" The Sketch," " Chamber's Journal," " English Review," " Pall Mall Magazine," " Hibbert Journal."

That the Borough Surveyor be asked to prepare a specification and invite Tenders for the Outside Painting of the Library and Art Gallery.

That the offer of the " Plumbing Trade Journal," to supply the same on payment of 1s 6d for the postage for one year, be accepted.

Resolved, That the recommendations be approved and adopted.

RICHARD ROGERS,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 30th September 1913.** Present: Aldermen Skillicorne and Waghorne, Councillors Haddock, Rees Jones, Silk and Steel. (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant dated the 30th inst., on the collection of the first instalment of this rate was read. Amount collected, £22,797 0s. 2d. Leaving outstanding £1,920 4s. 3d.

2—Water Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant dated the 30th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half-year ended the 29th September instant, was read. Amount collected, £12,024 17s. 11d. Leaving outstanding £1,790 1s. 7d.

4—Accounts—The Financial Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure since the last meeting and the Bills and Accounts to be paid were examined, and the latter ordered to be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

The Treasurer's accounts at the Bank were examined, and the balances found to be correct. The following was the General Statement :—

In hand on the 26th August last	£19,131 6 5
Received since that date (including Loan on Debenture, £400)	<u>9,969 9 2</u>
	£29,100 15 7
Paid since that date (including Loans repaid, £2,000)	<u>23,936 0 11</u>
	In Hand £5,161 14 8
being Sinking Funds Accounts	£6,620 2 0
" Leslie Young Benefaction " Accounts	<u>97 13 6</u>
	£6,717 15 6
less General Accounts—Overdrawn	<u>1,553 0 10</u>
	£5,164 14 8

J. WAGHORNE, Chairman.

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### Borough of Cheltenham

**At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 6th October, 1913,** at 3 p.m. Present :

THE MAYOR (JAMES TYNTE AGG GARDNER, ESQ.) in the Chair.

THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen : CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT RICHARD ROGERS WILLIAM NASH SKILLICORNE JAMES BATTEN WINTERBOTHAM

Councillors : WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER JOHN DAVID BENDALL JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY WILLIAM GEORGE EARENGEY EDWINSON CHARLES GREEN PERCY HADDOCK JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL ALFRED MANN, WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES WILLIAM SAWYER EDWIN CHARLES

1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council on the 1st September last having been printed and a copy sent to each Member of the Council, be taken as read, and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

2---Election of Alderman—The Members of the Council present entitled to vote and voting delivered to the Mayor papers signed by them and the same having been openly read it appeared that there were 16 votes for William Alfred Baker, Esq., J.P. The Mayor accordingly declared the said William Alfred Baker to be unanimously elected Alderman to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Alderman Norman.

The newly elected Alderman then made his declaration of acceptance of office.

3—Public Health Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee, at their Meetings of the 8th and 22nd September last, be approved and confirmed.

4—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 9th and 29th September last, be approved and confirmed.

5—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meeting of the 18th September last, be approved and confirmed.

6—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meeting of the 18th September last, be approved and confirmed.

7—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 25th September last, be approved and confirmed.

8—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meeting of the 23rd September last, be approved and confirmed.

9—Education Committee—Resolved, That Mr. Councillor Bendall be appointed a Member of the Education Committee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Alderman Norman.

10—Cleeve Common Conservators—Resolved, That Alderman Margrett be appointed a representative of the Council on the Board of Conservators, to fill the vacancy caused by the death of the late Alderman Norman, Mr. Margrett's term of office to expire in March, 1915.

11—Town Hall—Dramatic Licence—Resolved, That the Town Clerk be authorised to apply to the Justices for a temporary dramatic licence for the Town Hall for stage plays to be performed in connection with the Cheltenham Philharmonic Society's Bazaar on the 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> October, 1913.

12—Municipal Offices Sites Committee —It was Resolved, That the Report of the Municipal Offices Sites Committee, at their Meeting of the 30<sup>th</sup> September last, be approved and confirmed.

13—Art Gallery and Museum Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Art Gallery and Museum Committee, at their Meeting of the 10<sup>th</sup>, September last, be approved and confirmed.

14—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meeting of the 19<sup>th</sup> September last, be approved and confirmed.

15—Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of the 26<sup>th</sup> September last, be approved and confirmed.

16—Public Library Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Library Committee, at their Meeting of the 16<sup>th</sup> September last, be approved and confirmed.

17—Finance Committee — Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 30<sup>th</sup> September last, be approved and confirmed; Resolved also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies

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and persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

18—Memorials, Applications, &c.—Resolved, That a Memorial signed by Mr. H. M. Simmons and others re shouting by newspaper boys and others in High Street, be referred to the General Purposes and Watch Committee.

Mayor.

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## Borough of Cheltenham

**MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 10th November, 1913.**

### **PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 13th October, 1913**—Present: The Mayor, Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz :-63 and 65 Brunswick Street, 18, 36, 68 and 70 Fairview Street, 1 and 2 at rear of 18 Fairview Street, and 1 Prospect Terrace. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

2 — Overcrowding at 2 Princes Place, Duke Street—The Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises were so overcrowded as to be dangerous or injurious to the health of the inmates. Resolved, That the Committee being satisfied of the existence of a nuisance on the said premises, notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served on the occupiers thereof, requiring them to abate the same.

3 —Cleansing and Limewashing at 12, 45, 47 and 49a Fairview Street, 20 Glenfall Street and 1, 6 and 8 Prospect Terrace. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

4—Nuisances from Drains, etc. at 1 and 2 Brunswick Place and 15 Grosvenor Street. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

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6 Swindon Road North.—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that he had examined the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above premises and found the same to be defective and to require amendment and alteration. He submitted specification of the works required to be done. Resolved, That the same be approved and that notice be given under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises requiring them to do the specified works within 21 days.

5—Insanitary Property-10, 15, 37, 47, 51, and 68 Fairview Street, 20 Glenfall Street, and 1, 2 and 3 Prospect Terrace. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs,

walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

6—Dairies, Cowsheds, and Milkshops Order—Read an application from Mr. Albert Edward Cull, of 245 High Street, to be registered as a purveyor of milk. Resolved, That the applicant be informed that the Medical Officer of Health considers the premises are unsuitable for the sale of milk.

7—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported that on the 3rd instant, 30 lbs. of mutton, in a state of putrefaction, were surrendered and destroyed.

8—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—47, 49 and 51 Duke Street and 1 to 4 Teale's Court. The representation of the Medical Officer of Health that these houses should be closed was further considered. Resolved, That it appearing to the Council that the above-named dwelling houses were in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, orders be now made pursuant to Section 17 (2) under the Housing, Town Planning etc. Act, 1909, prohibiting the use of the said houses for human habitation until the same have been rendered fit for that purpose, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the said Orders and that notice of such orders be given to the Owners.

1 and 9 York Place.—Demolition Order. Mr. E. H. Baylis, the owner of Nos. 1 and 2 York Place, Swindon Road, attended the Committee and asked that the question of making an order for the demolition of the premises be allowed to stand over for the present as he was endeavouring to dispose of the property. Resolved, That the matter be further adjourned for three months.

1, 2, 3 and 4 Barnes Yard and Cottage at rear of 7 Grove Street. Read a letter from Mr. E. Alcock, the owner, protesting against an order being made requiring the demolition of these premises. Resolved, That the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting to enable the members of the Committee to inspect the property.

9—Notification of Births Act, 1907—The letter from the Local Government Board urging local authorities, who had not already having done so, to adopt the Notification of Births Act, 1907 was again considered. Resolved, That the matter be further adjourned.

10—Delancey Hospital—The Chairman reported the result of the Preliminary Conference held on the 7th instant with reference to the future management of the Delancey Hospital and the Town Clerk submitted draft proposals for a scheme. Resolved, That the draft proposals be considered at the next Meeting and that in the meantime a copy be sent to each member of the Committee,

11—Sewage Disposal Works—Read a letter from the Clerk to the Tewkesbury Assessment Committee enclosing a copy of the valuation of the now Sewage Filter Beds &c., which would be considered on the 5th November. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to attend the Assessment Committee.

11—**Report of Farms Sub-Committee**—The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 13th instant. Present : Alderman Skillicorne, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel and Wood (Councillor Wood in the chair). Farms Manager's Report—The Farms Manager reported that the

number of livestock on the Farms at this date was 20 horses (not including 5 at the Depot) 213 head of cattle, 175 sheep and 23 pigs all doing fairly well.

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Since the last Meeting 11 head of cattle had been purchased for £123 15s 0d., and 52 sheep for £117. (Total purchases £240 15s). 3 calves and 12 pigs had been bred on the farms. 28 head of cattle (including 8 calves) had been sold for £357 10s, 2d., 11 sheep for £28 12s. 6d., and 15 pigs for £16 8s. 10d. (Total sales £432 11s. 7d). Resolved, That the Massager be authorised to have the fence at Sandfields, Barn Farm, repaired, and that a sum of be allowed to the Street and Highways Committee for the 3 old horses not now required by the Highways Department. Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 20th October, 1913.** Present: The Mayor, Aldermen Margret and Skillicorne, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (Alderman Skillicorne in the chair).

13—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz : 7 Lower Park Street, 20 and 26 Great Western Terrace, 17, 36 and 38 Sun Street, and 9 Waterloo Street. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

14—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 9 Pitville Street, 1, 3 and 4 St. Paul's Terrace, 9, 12, 15, 25, 26, 37 and 58 Sun Street 3 Sun Street Retreat and 8 and 9 Waterloo Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

15—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at Carfax, Hewlett Road. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

1 Brunswick Place—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that he had examined the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above premises and found the some to be defective and to require amendment and alteration. He submitted specification of the works required to be done. Resolved, That the same be approved and that notice to given under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the owners of the premises requiring them to do the specified works within 21 days.

16—Insanitary Property—1 to 4 St. Paul's Terrace, 7 and 25 Lower Park Street, 18 and 26 Great Western Terrace, 8 and 9 Waterloo Street, 9, 10, 12, 15, 16, 17, 25, 26, 37, 38 and 58 Son Street, 9, Pittville Street, and 26 Hatherley Street. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

17—Dairies, Cowsheds, and Milkshops Order—Read an application from Mrs. Norah Press, of the Calcutta Stores, St. George's. Road, to be registered a purveyor of milk. Resolved, That the applicant be registered.

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18—Common Lodging House—An application was received from the Cheltenham Original -Brewery for the registration of the premises formerly known as the Nelson Inn, Lower High Street, as a Common Lodging House. The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the premises had been altered in accordance with the plans submitted to the Committee. Resolved, That the premises be registered as a Common Lodging House.

Read an application from Mrs. Alice A. Evans to be registered as the keeper of the above Common Lodging House. Resolved, That the application be acceded to for one year from the 10th proximo.

Read applications from Mr. F. T. Agass of 20 and 21 Stanhope Street, and Mrs. Jackson of Rowton House for renewal of their registration as keepers of Common Lodging Houses. Resolved, That the application be acceded to for one year from the 10th proximo.

19—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—No. 2 Eaton Cottages, Bath Road. With reference to Order made in respect of No. 2 Eaton Cottages, the Medical Officer of Health reported that these premises had been made fit for human habitation. Resolved, That an Order under the Common Seal be made determining the Closing Order.

1, 2, and 3 Swindon Passage, and Cottage at No. 231 High Street. The Town Clerk reported that he had given notice to the owners of Nos. 1, 2 and 3 Swindon Passage, and the Cottage at No. 231 High Street, of the intention of the Committee to consider at this Meeting the question of making a Demolition Order. Received, That the Council are of opinion that these dwelling houses have not been rendered fit for human habitat: and that the necessary steps are not being taken with all due diligence to render them so fit and that Orders be now made in pursuance of Sub-Section (2) of Section 18 of the Housing Town Planning Act, 1909, requiring the demolition of the premises. Resolved, also, That the Common Seal be affixed to the said Orders and that notice be given to the owners of such Orders.

1, 2, 3 and 4 Barnes Yard and Cottage at rear of No. 7 Grove Street. The Chairman and Councillor Steel reported that they had inspected these premises. Resolved, That the Council are of opinion that these been rendered fit for human habitation and that the necessary steps are not being taken render them so fit and that an Orders be now made in pursuance of Sub-Section (2) of the Housing,

Town Planning etc. Act, 1909, requiring the demolition of the premises. Resolved, also be affixed to the said Orders and that notice of such Orders be given to the owners.

20—Delancey Hospital—The draft proposals for the new scheme for the future management of the - were further considered. Resolved, That the same be approved and that the Town Clerk be arrange conference between representatives of the Corporation, the Charlton Kings Urban and the Cheltenham Rural District Council to consider the proposals.

Resolved, That the Mayor, Alderman Skillicorne, Councillors Rees Jones, Stewart and Winterbotham be appointed representatives to attend the Conference.

21—Humane Slaughtering—Read a letter from the Hon. Sec. of the Cheltenham Butchers' Association enclosing copy of a resolution passed by the Association, stating that they were prepared to accept the humane methods of slaughtering animals provided that such methods were practical, and asking the Committee to Association before any Byelaws on the subject were made. Resolved, That the report-submitted, be approved.

22—Leckhampton Sewerage—Read a letter from the Cheltenham Rural District Council asking, that the payments in respect of new houses in their district connected with the Borough sewers should be calculated from the date of the occupation of the premises instead of from the date of the connection with the sewers as provided by the Agreement. Resolved, That the Committee see no reason to depart from the terms of the Agreement.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE.

Chairman.

#### **STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 14th October, 1913.** Present: Alderman Margrett, Councillors Bendall, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

1—Street Projections—Read, an application from the Cheltenham Gas Co. for permission to place a projecting lamp outside No. 125 High Street. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the usual conditions.

2—Horses—The Committee met on the 3rd instant. Present : Councillors Baker, Bendall, Mann, Merrett and Stewart (Councillor Bendall in the chair). The horses at the Central Depot were inspected. Resolved. That three young horses be purchased for use by the Highway's Department. Resolved also, That the offer of the Farms Sub-Committee to take three old horses " Dargen," "Captain," and " Polly" for £15 be accepted.

3—Asquith and Churchill Roads—Private Improvement Expenses—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Private Improvement Works ordered in Asquith and Churchill Roads had been carried out by the Corporation at a cost including supervision of £343 12s. 7d. and £233 16s. 2d. respectively, and in compliance with the instructions of the Committee he submitted apportionments in accordance with the degree of benefit to be derived from the Works. Resolved, That regard be had to the

greater or less degree of benefit to be derived from the Works, that the apportionments as now settled upon this basis be approved and that Notices thereof and of demand of repayment be served upon the Owners of premises mentioned therein.

4—Suffolk Parade—Read, a letter from Mr. L. W. Barnard, Architect, asking the Corporation to pave the whole of the footpath in front of the new shops to be erected in Suffolk Parade. Resolved, That the application be not acceded to, and that the Committee adhere to their previous decision, namely, to pave the strip of land, 3 ft. wide, given up to form part of the footpath.

5—Telegraph Pole, St. George's Road—Read, an application from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs, for permission to place a telegraph pole in St. George's Road. Resolved, That permission be given subject to an ornamental steel pole wing provided, and to the exact position of the same being approved by the Borough Surveyor.

6—Pillar Letter Box, Tivoli Place—Read, an application from the Postmaster, for permission to place a Pillar Letter Box opposite the Tivoli Sub-Post Office. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the exact position of the Box being approved by the Borough Surveyor.

7—Swindon Place East—Private Improvement Expenses—Read, a letter from Mr. W. Huggins, asking the Committee to waive the amount of the Private Improvement expenses £2 13s. 10d.) apportioned in respect of Nos. 1-4 Cleeve Cottages and land adjoining, in which he had only a life interest. Resolved, That the request be not acceded to.

8—Slab Factory—The Committee considered the observations made by the District Auditor with reference to the Slabs in stock, &c. Resolved, That the Slab Factory be closed down for the present.

9—Trees in Gloucester Road—Read a letter from Mrs. Mitchell, asking that the trees opposite Clanfield, Gloucester Road, should be lopped. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the Trees Sub-Committee.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 27th October, 1913.** Present : Alderman Margrett, Councillors Bendall, Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett, Stewart, and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

10—Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 26th September to the 23rd October, 1913 (both inclusive) had been as follows:—

Roads repaired—Andover Street (992 sq.-yds.), Bath Parade (357 sq. yds.), Hatherley Lane (proceeding), Prestbury Road (725 sq. yds.), Queen's Road (proceeding), Upper Bath Street (768 sq. yds.). Roads patched—Andover Road, Bayshill Road, Brandon Terrace, Naunton Park Road, and Pitville Street.

Electricity Trenches repaired—Bath Road, High Street, Lypiatt Lawn, Montpellier Spa Road, The Park, St. George's Place, Shurdington Road, Suffolk Square, and Sydenham Road. New Kerbing and Slab Paving—Queen's Road (proceeding). Paving repaired—Christ Church Road, Ewlyn Road, and Queen's Road. Kerbing and Channelling repaired—Christ Church Road.

Trees pruned—Albert Lane, Albert Road, Alstone Avenue, Andover Road, Cemetery Road, Evesham Road, Ewlyn Road, Glenfall Street, Gloucester Road, Hatherley Road, Imperial Square, Lansdown Place, Montpellier Drive, Montpellier Terrace, Old Bath Road, Oriel Road, Prestbury Road, Promenade, St. George's Road, St. Stephen's Road, Suffolk Square, Tewkesbury Road, and Trafalgar Street.

11—Ashes Collection and Disposal—During 4 weeks ended 16th October, 1913:-822 loads collected, 811 consumed, and 11 tipped away. Weight consumed, 830 tons 141 cwts. Steam Generated—Hourly average, 7,103 lbs.

12—Slab Factory—During 4 weeks ended the 16th October, 1913 :- 1,005 ½ square yards of channel made.

13—**Report of Plans Sub-Committee**—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 14th and 24th inst. Resolved, That the same be approved and adopted.

14—Street Projections—Read applications from the Cheltenham Gas Co. for permission to place lamps outside Nos. 191 and 322 High Street, and from the Cheltenham Creamery, Ltd. to place two electric lamps outside No. 4 Pittville Street. Resolved, That the applications be acceded to subject to the usual conditions. Read an application Mr. F. W. Golesworthy for permission to erect a small sign outside No. 413 High Street. Resolved. That the application be acceded to subject to the usual conditions.

15—Slab Factory—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following balance sheet of the working of the Slab Factory for the half year ending the 25th September, 1913, viz:

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Surplus brought forward from 27th March, 1913		£311 19 11
Sale of Slabs and Kerbs for half year ended		
25th September, 1913 For Sewage Filters ...	£414 4 6	
“Corporation Department ...	398 8 8	
“ Private Customers -	59 3 5	
“ Private Improvement Works	<u>151 9 9</u>	
	£1023 6 4	
Less Herbs and Slabs used in Queen's Road		
for which no charge is made ... ..	<u>£131 0 0</u>	£892 6 4
Value of Cement, etc. transferred		
to other Departments		£12 3 9
Slabs in Stock, 25th September, 1913,		
at under cost price ...		£1474 9 3
Kerbs, etc. do. do. do.		

including blocks for Sewage Filters		£522 5 3
Value of cement and other materials in stock 25th September, 1913		<u>58 11 5</u>
	TOTAL	£3271 15 11

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Slabs in stock 27th March, 1913, at under cost price	£1200 7 2
Kerbs, etc. do. do. do. including blocks for Sewage Filters	1058 12 3
Value of cement and other materials in stock 27th March, 1913	61 2 4
Wages and materials for half year ended 25th September, 1913 ...	581 8 7
Rates, Taxes and Insurance for half year (estimated) ...	12 3 9
Interest and Sinking Fund for half year (estimated) ...	120 17 6
Surplus after giving further slabs during the current half year to the value of £131 to Street Improvements ...	237 4 4
	TOTAL £3271 15 11

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NOTE—Value of Slabs, etc. for Street Improvements, etc., previously supplied free of charge (including those used at the New Destructor in September 1910, £111 13s. 7d., and in Promenade, March 1910, £8 7s. 8d.) ••• ... £1287 13 8  
Do. in above statement of account ... 131 0 0  
£1418 13 8

Resolved, That a copy of the Borough Surveyor's report relating to the Slab Factory be sent to each Member of the Council.

16—School of Art—Notice Board—Read a letter from the Director of the Schools of Arts and Crafts asking to be allowed to place a Notice Board in the vicinity of the Montpellier Gardens. Resolved, That the Committee allow a hoard to be placed on the land belonging to the Corporation in Manchester Street at the corner of St. George's Place.

17—Motor Signs—Read a letter from the Secretary of the Education Committee asking that warning notices to motorists and others should be placed in New Street, near the Parish Church Girls' and Infants' Schools, and in Hail Road near Leckhampton Schools. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the notices put up as suggested.

18 —Whaddon Lane—Water-Course—Read a memorial from Mr. P. Rimell and other residents in Cleeve View Road and Whaddon Lane, calling attention to the dangerous condition of the water-course in Whaddon Lane. Resolved. That notice be served upon the abutting owner under Section 30

of the Public Health Acts Amendment Act, 1907, requiring bins to protect or enclose the stream so as to prevent any danger therefrom.

19—Fountain—The Committee further considered the question of the site for the fountain presented by Mrs. Drew and the late Mr. J. W. Dress. Resolved, That the fountain be placed opposite the Montpellier Rotunda facing the Promenade, and that the resolution to Minute No. 12 of this Committee's proceedings at its Meeting on the 13th August last be rescinded.

10 — Surface Water Drain—Shurdington Road—The Borough Surveyor recommended that a new Surface Water Drain should be laid in Shurdington Road and Moorend Street for a distance of 191 yards, at an estimated cost of £55, the old drain having silted up. Resolved, That the recommendation be approved and adopted, and that the cost to be charged to the South Eastern and Tivoli District Sewers Loan.

21—Sandfield Road Bridge—Read letters from the Midland Railway Co. stating that they desired to rebuild the Sandfield Road Bridge, were willing to widen the same from 17 foot 10 inches to 24 feet if the Corporation would agree to the roadway over the bridge being raised 12 inches in the centre, the gradient to be not more than 1 in 30. Resolved, That the proposal be agreed to on the following conditions, viz :—

(1) The Company to pay the cost of the necessary alteration in the level of the approach road to the Cori. (the gradient not to be steeper than 1 in 30) including, if necessary, the building of a new retaining wall. (2) The Company to provide a temporary bridge to carry the traffic while the new bridge is being built, a plan of such temporary bridge to be submitted for the approval of the Borough Surveyor, and (3) the Company at their own cost to remove and reinstate the high pressure feeder mains to the satisfaction of the Borough Electrical Engineer.

John D. Bendall,

Chairman.

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#### PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Tuesday, the 14<sup>th</sup> October, 1913.** Present : Councillors Bendall, Steel, Stewart, and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

1-New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following notices and plans of intended new buildings, viz :—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1211	C. W. Greville	One detached house, Gordon Road,
1212	E. Eager	Additions to No. 119 Fairview Road.
1213	W. C. Freeman	Temporary Shed at 50 St. George's Place.
1214	E. F. Tanner	Additions to Fern Lawn, Pittville Crescent.
1215	C. W. Greville	Four Semi-detached houses in Albion Street.
1216	G. Boulton & Co.	New Workshops, Grosvenor Place South.

Resolved, That Plans No. 1211, 1212 and 1215 be approved, that Plans No. 1213 be approved as a temporary building, subject to the usual undertaking to remove the same on three months notice being given, and that Plans No. 1214 and 1216 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Inspector of Nuisances.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, the 24th October, 1913.** Present Councillors Bendall, Steel, Stewart, and Wilkins, (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

2—New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following Notices and Plans of intended new buildings, viz.:—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1217	E. F. Tanner	Motor House, Fern Lawn, Pittville.
1218	C. Ballinger	Additions to Cottesholme, Old Bath Road.
1219	H. W. Webley	New Washhouse to 10, St. Paul's Street North.

Resolved, That Plans No. 1217 be approved subject to the same being submitted for the approval of the Town Improvement Committee, that Plans No. 1218 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector, and that Plans No. 1219 be approved.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

#### TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 16th, October, 1913.** Present: The Mayor, Aldermen Baker and Winterbotham, Councillors Blakeney, Green and Rees Jones (Alderman Baker in the chair).

1—Alterations to Fern Lawn, Pittville—The Committee considered the Plans submitted by Mr. E. F. Tanner for alterations, &c. to Fern Lawn, Pittville. Resolved, That the same be approved.

2—Agents Notice Boards—Read a letter from the Hon. Secs. of the Visitors' Information Bureau asking the Council to endeavour to arrange with the Owners of Property and House Agents to reduce the number of boards placed out-side vacant property. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to communicate with the House Agents with a view to some arrangements being made to reduce the number of boards.

3—Games at Montpellier Gardens, &c.—As instructed at the last Meeting, the Town Clerk submitted draft Bye-laws for regulating the playing of games at the Montpellier Gardens, Pittville Gardens and the Garden surrounding the Winter Garden. Resolved, That the draft be submitted to the Local Government Board for approval (a print of the draft Bye Laws accompanies the Minutes).

4—Pittville Estate—Malvern Hill Road and Road at rear---A complaint was received from Mr. Bagnall Oakeley of the condition of Malvern Hill Road and the Road at the rear. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the necessary repairs carried out.

Roads in Pittville Pump Room Gardens—Read a letter from Col. Graham calling attention to the condition of the roads in the Pittville Gardens. Resolved, That the matter be referred to the Borough Surveyor.

Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have a new lock put on the gate leading to the Gardens from Malvern Hill Road.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

### **ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 16th October, 1913.**—Present : Councillors Green, Haddock, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Smith and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he had tested the gas for illuminating power with the following result, viz:-14.8 candles. The test for purity showed 23 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

2--Requisition for Materials Required—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted a list of materials, etc., which would probably be required during the ensuing month and the same was approved.

3—View Meeting re Public Lighting--The Chairman reported that the Committee met on the 25th ulto., (Present Councillors Green, Mann, Rees Jones, Smith, Wood and himself). After visiting the localities in respect of which complaints had been made, they recommended as follows

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Lane at back of St. Peter's Institute—That no alteration be made.

St. Paul's Lane—That no addition be made to the lighting, but that the Borough Surveyor be Asked to have the trees lopped.

Near Liberal Club—That the present Are Lamp be replaced with a Jandus Lamp.

Hewlett Place and Naunton Lane—That the attention of the Gas Co. be called to the defective mantles.

Albion Street—That the Borough Electrical Engineer be instructed to make a report thereon.

Lane near St. John's Schools—That no lamp be placed in this road.

Vittoria Walk and North Ward Lighting—The Committee inspected the Metal Filament Lamps in Vittoria Walk and the electric lighting in the North and Central Wards recently carried out.

Resolved, That an additional lamp be placed in St. Paul's Lane, and that with this exception the recommendations be approved and adopted.

Resolved, That three months' notice be given to the Gas Co. for the removal of a gas lamp in Brunswick Street North, not now required.

4—Canvasser—Mr. O. N. Jackson, of Bradford, Sir. J. E. Thompson, of Birmingham, and Mr. F. Nicklin, of Ilkeston, the three selected applicants for the post of Canvasser, were interviewed by the Committee. Resolved, That Mr. O. N. Jackson be appointed Canvasser, at a salary of 35s per week and commission, the appointment to be determinable by one month's notice on either side.

5—Lighting of Albion Street—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted a scheme for substituting 12 electric lamps in Albion Street for the 11 existing gas lamps, and also substituting three 100-Watt Metal Filament lamps for the present Arc lamp at the corner of Winchcomb Street, The estimated cost of carrying out the work, including the alteration of the Arc lamp, would be £144. Resolved, That the scheme be approved and adopted, and that the Borough Electrical Engineer be instructed to have the work carried out, the cost of the alterations to be charged to the Renewals Fund. Resolved, Also that three months' notice be given to the Gas Co. for the removal of the existing gas lamps.

Lighting of Regent Street, &c.—Read Letters from Mr. H. Barton and Sir. F. J. Jenkins, Sir. E. Frampton and Sir. H. J. Brown with reference to the lighting of Regent Street. Christ Church Road and the road at the back of Montpellier Terrace. A letter was also received Mr. W. Watts, calling attention to the lighting of the road from Montpellier Terrace to Suffolk Square and suggesting the earlier lighting of the Public lamps in the Promenade and Montpellier. Resolved, That the Council view the localities at their next View Meeting.

Lighting of Street Lamps—Resolved, that the Borough Electrical Engineer be instructed to have the public electric lamps lighted ten minutes earlier than the time stated in the Lighting-up Table.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

#### WATER COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 23rd October, 1913.**—Present : Aldermen Baker and Margrett, Councillors Bendall, Green, Merrett and Wood (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

1—Borough Engineer's Report—The monthly report of the Borough Engineer was read:

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 20 <sup>th</sup> Oct., 1913	Average for corresponding period during last 3 years.
Hewletts	112,000 gallons	198,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	250,000 "	489,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	<u>43,000</u> "	<u>52,000</u> "
Total	405,000 "	739,000 "

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

	20 <sup>th</sup> Oct., 1913.		20 <sup>th</sup> Oct., 1912.	
	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
Hewletts		4,288,000 gallons		24,135,000
gallons				
Dowdeswell	19ft. 0in.	40,873,000 "	30ft. 0in.	89,612,000 "
Leckhampton	6ft. 0in.	<u>810,000</u> "	6ft. 6in.	<u>827,000</u> "
Total Storage		45,971,000 "		114,574,000 "

2--Water Supply to Oakbank—The Borough Engineer reported that an application had been received for a supply to Oakbank, Pittville Circus Road. The owner was willing to pay the cost of the extension of main, and he suggested that the connection should be made from the main in Whaddon Lane, across the Recreation Ground. Resolved, That a supply be given subject to the cost of the extension being paid by the owner, and to permission being given by the Recreation Grounds Committee for the pipe to be laid across the Whaddon Lane Recreation Ground.

3—Tewkesbury Works—Tenders for Coal—The Borough Engineer reported the result of the tests of the various Coals for which tenders had been received, for supply to the Pumping Station for the period ending 28th February, 1914. Resolved, That the tender of the Princess Royal Colliery Co., Ltd. at 14s 11d per ton be accepted subject to a contract being entered into to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

4—Chlorometer—On the recommendation of the Borough Engineer. Resolved, That a Chlorometer be purchased at a cost of £22 for use in connection with the new filters.

5—Inspection—The Committee met on the 2nd instant (Present : Alderman Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Baker, Bendall, Green and Merrett. Alderman Margrett in the chair) and inspected the new lining of the No. 4 Reservoir at Hewletts, and also the Stable and Corn Store at Salts Farm.

6—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeals Book were considered and the Rates settled and adjusted.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Chairman.

**GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 21st October, 1913.** Present :— The Mayor, Aldermen Baker, Margrett, Rogers, Skillicorne, Waghorne and Winterbotham, Councillors Haddock Merrett and Stewart (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Diseases amongst Animals—Supt. Hopkins reported that the Borough was entirely free from contagious disease amongst Animals.

2—Report of Fire Brigade Captain—The Captain of the Fire Brigade reported that on the 27th ulto. the Brigade was called to extinguish an outbreak of fire at the Montpellier Gardens. Brigade expenses £2 3s.

3—Hackney Carriage Driver's Licences—An application from the Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co. Ltd. for Licences to drive Taxi Cabs for Francis F. Manning of 5 Tivoli Street, O. Archer, 31 Imperial Square, V. Oakhill, 16 Tivoli, Street, G. D. Hawker, St. Aryans, Leckhampton, A. Harding, Lonsdale, Bath Parade, and William Meek, 1 Carlton Place, Hewlett Street. Resolved, That Licences be granted.

4—Sunday Trading—Read a letter from the Secretary of the Federation of Grocers' Associations forwarding copies of Resolutions passed at a Conference held in London on the 22nd September last calling attention to the increase of Sunday Trading and asking the Home Office to consider the practicability, either by regulations or by fresh legislation, of limiting the hours of Sunday Trading where in the opinion of the Local Authority, such trading is necessary ; and asking the Corporation to pass similar Resolutions to be forwarded to the Prime Minister, the Home Secretary and the President of the Local Government Board. Letters were also received from the Secretaries of Cheltenham and District Grocers' Association and the Cheltenham Trade Protection Society supporting the application.

5—Sunday Concerts—Read a letter from the President and Secretary of the Cheltenham Free Church Council asking that they should have an opportunity of placing their views before the Council in the event of any application being made to withdraw the restriction against Cinematograph Performances on Sunday. Resolved, That the Free Church Council be informed that their letter will be considered when any such application is made.

6—British Chess Congress—Read a letter from the Secretary of the British Chess Federation thanking the Council for the use of the Town Hall for the recent Congress held at Cheltenham and also thanking the Mayor for his hospitality.

7—Shouting in High Street—Read a Memorial from Mr. H. M. Simmons and others calling attention to the nuisance caused by the constant shouting of newspaper boys and street vendors in the High Street and asking that a Bye-law should be made prohibiting shouting in the streets. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to call the attention of the Memorialists to the Bye Laws in force in the Borough under which any person aggrieved can take proceedings, and also to again call the attention of the newspaper proprietors to the nuisance complained of.

J. T. AGG GARDNER, Chairman.

**MUNICIPAL OFFICES SITES COMMITTEE.**

**REPORT of the Special Committee appointed on the 5th day of December, 1910, to consider the question of Municipal Offices.**

**At a Meeting of the Committee held on Wednesday, the 15th October, 1913,** present Aldermen Baker, Margrett and Waghorne, Councillors Bendall, Earengy, Merrett, Rees Jones, Silk and Stewart (Alderman Margrett in the chair).

It was Resolved to make the following report and recommendation to the Council.

1—Tho terms arranged between the Corporation and the Committee of the Promenade Club for removing the Club to No. 21 Promenade have now been confirmed by a General Meeting of the members of the Club, and notice has been given to the owner of No. 21 Promenade, exercising the option given to the Corporation to take a lease of the premises. Under the terms of the agreement giving the option, possession of No. 21 will be obtained on the 11th November next.

2—The Committee have received a letter from the Borough Surveyor intimating that he does not desire to undertake the supervision of the work of carrying out the alterations of Nos. 22-26 Promenade and No. 21 Promenade, as he under-stands it is not the unanimous wish of the members of the Council that he should do so. Messrs Healing and Overbury have agreed to undertake the work on the usual terms, namely, a commission of 5% on the cost for plans and supervision, plus 2 ½ % for preparing Bills of Quantities, out of which they have agreed to pay the Borough Surveyor for the work- already done by him in preparing the plans and taking out quantities.

As it is important that no time should be lost, Messrs Healing and Overbury have been requested to proceed at once with the work.

The Committee recommend that Messrs Healing and Overbury be appointed Architects for carrying out the said works on the terms arranged and that the Common Seal be affixed to such appointment.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

**ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 15th October, 1913—**Present Aldermen Waghorne and Winterbotham, Councillors Green, Rees Jones and Steel and Dr. E. T. Wilson and Mr. H. Stroud (Alderman Winterbotham in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—Tho Curator reported that 1,248 visits had been made to the Art Gallery and Museum since September 10th.

The Autumn Exhibition of Pictures was opened to the public on September 22nd. A Catalogue of the Exhibition had been printed and 148 had been sold.

Col. J. R. Burlton Bennet had offered several objects chiefly from India.

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Mrs. Watts had presented a Tradesman's Token—A Bristol Farthing dated 1652.

Mrs. Griffiths of Oakfield, had presented 16 additional sheets of pressed flowers.

12 Specimens of Rocks from the Antarctic brought by the " Terra Nova " had been presented by Mr. Raymond Priestly through Dr. E. T. Wilson. These had been classified by Mr. R. P. Wild and arranged in a case in the Geological Room.

The collection of Rocks from various sources, had also been arranged by Mr. Wild and were now on Exhibition in the Geological Room.

Mr. Willoughby had lent a Show Bill relating to J. Edwards, the Boxer.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors and Lenders.

2—Collection of Minerals—The Curator reported that Dr. Carter had a collection of Minerals which he was willing to sell for £7 10s. Resolved, That the Chairman and Dr. Wilson be asked to inspect the Collection and if approved by them, the same be purchased.

3—Chairs—Resolved, That the Curator be authorised to purchase 6 chairs for use in the Museum at a cost of 4s 6d each.

JAS. B. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

#### **MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 17th October, 1913**—Present : Councillors Blakeney, Haddock, Merrett, Silk and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the Chair).

1—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths for the half year ended 30th September, were as follows :—

	£ s. d.		£ s. d.
Receipts ...	360 10 10	Expenses ... ..	390 19 10
		Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ...	<u>263 0 0</u>
	£360 10 10		£653 19 10

2—Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths for the half year ended 30th September, were as follows :—

Receipts ...	£349 18 11	Expenses ... ..	£ 273 14 1
		Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ...	<u>167 0 0</u>
	£349 18 11		£440 14 1

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3—Mineral Waters -The through Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during September last was 3131, as compared with 994 for the month of September last year. The number of bottles of concentrated water sold during September last was 180, as compared with 132 for the corresponding month last year.

4—Shop adjoining Montpellier Baths—The Borough Surveyor submitted a plan and estimate of the cost of the repairs required to be done to the shop adjoining the Montpellier Baths. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned.

5—Swings in Recreation Grounds—The Borough Surveyor submitted a report of an examination of the Swings, etc. at the Recreation Grounds. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the chains, etc. of the swings put into proper condition and to bring up an estimate for providing new poles for the giant strides, for consideration at the next Meeting.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 29<sup>th</sup> October, 1913.** Present : Councillor Bendall, Haddock, Merrett, Sawyer, Silk and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the chair).

6—Whaddon Lane Recreation Ground—An application was received for permission to lay a water main from Whaddon Lane across the Whaddon Lane Recreation Ground to supply Oakbank, off Pittville Circus Road. Resolved, That permission be granted for the pipe to be laid across the Recreation Ground subject to any damage done to the turf &c. being made good, and to an annual acknowledgement of one shilling being paid for the privilege.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

#### **BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 24<sup>th</sup> October, 1913—**Present Councillors Mann, Silk, Steel, Stewart and Winterbotham (Councillor Stewart in the Chair).

1—Tree Overhanging Grave—Read, a letter from Mrs. Lillingston calling attention to the damage done to the monument on her late husband's grave by an overhanging tree, and asking that the same should be removed. Resolved, That the Committee inspect the tree at their next Meeting.

2—Land adjoining Cemetery—The Town Clerk reported that Mr. T. Donley, of Cleeve Hill, was willing to continue his tenancy of the land adjoining the Cemetery for another year from the 31<sup>st</sup> October instant, and also to take the grass cut at the Cemetery for the same period on the same terms and conditions as in previous years. Resolved, That the offer be accepted.

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3-Grave Spaces—Resolved, That the Common Seal In affixed to grants (No. 4565 to 4584 both inclusive) of the exclusive right of burial in the graves referred to therein, which had been purchased.

4—Designs unsolved, That the following Designs be approved, viz ; Headstone to graves of Emma and Alan Frank Merrett and Elizabeth Tee, Memorial Crosses and Kerbing to graves of John Ashton Coombs, Helen C. Sanderson and Frederick Gibbs, Kerbing to grave of Elizabeth Messenger, and Memorial to grave of John Charles Tayler.

J. STEWART,

Chairman.

#### **PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 15<sup>th</sup>, October, 1913**—Present: Councillors Earengy, Mann, Merrett, Steel and Wilkins, Messrs. F. J. Caudle, W. Cresswell. W. J. Moore, E. C. Rogers and H. Stroud (Councillor Steel in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts, £3 1s. 11d. Mr. A. A. Hunter had presented a large frame containing photographs of distinguished men born in Gloucestershire.

The number of volumes consulted in the Reference Library from the 18th September to the 11th October was 1504, an increase of 68 as compared with the corresponding period last year. The issues from the Lending Department numbered 9101 a decrease of 261 as compared with last year.

2—**Report of Sub-Committee**—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 14th instant. Present : Councillors Green and Merrett, Messrs. P. J. Caudle and J. R. Claridge (Councillor Green in the chair). They recommended—

That the list of new books suitable for young persons, proposed to be purchased out of the Leslie Young Bequest for the sum of £8 4s. 1d. be approved,

That the offers of Miss Wilkins to present weekly as published, the " Christian Commonwealth " for use in the newsroom, and Mr. F. W. Sceats to present monthly, " Words of Life," be accepted.

That the book " The Under Dog," offered by the Committee of the Cheltenham Branch of the British Union for Abolition of Vivisection, be accepted.

That the salary of the Senior Assistant, A. C. Dunn, be increased from 30s to 32s per week. Resolved, That the recommendations be approved and adopted.

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3—Leckhampton Reading Room—Read a letter from the Honorary Secretary of the Leckhampton Reading Room stating that owing to the death of an annual subscriber of £10, their funds would this year be reduced by that amount, and asking the Council to increase their contribution. Resolved, That the Committee regret that they are unable to accede to the request.

ROBERT STEEL,

Chairman.

## FINANCE COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 28th October, 1913.** Present: Aldermen Skillicorne and Waghorne, Councillors Rees Jones, Silk, Steel Wilkins, and Winterbotham. (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

1—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant dated the 28th inst., on the collection of the first instalment of this rate was read. Amount collected, £22,885 1s. 10d. Voids, Abatements, &c., £1,819 17s. 2d. Arrears carried forward £47 17s. 3d.

2—Water Rate—Read the Report of the Borough Accountant dated the 28th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half-year ended the 29th September last. Amount collected, £12,047 8s. 9d. Voids, Abatements, &c. £24 9s. 5d. Leaving outstanding £2,538 11s. 1d.

3—Loans—The Borough Accountant reported that he had received £400 on loan at 3  $\frac{5}{8}$  %. Resolved, That a Debenture be issued and sealed accordingly on amount of the Winter Garden £9,650 loan. The Borough Accountant reported that he had arranged with the Tynemouth and Middlesbrough Corporations for the interest on the loans of £10,000 and £9,000 respectively advanced to them by the Cheltenham Corporation, to be increased from 3  $\frac{5}{8}$ % to 3  $\frac{3}{4}$  %.

Resolved, That the loans of £8,120 from Messrs. Kitching & Richardson, be continued on the terms arranged by the Borough Accountant.

4—Reciprocal Investment of Sinking Funds—The Borough Accountant reported that the Reading Corporation were willing to lend £8,500, if a similar amount were advanced to them, the loans to bear interest at 3  $\frac{1}{2}$  %, the period of loan and length of notice of repayment to be the same in each case. Resolved, That subject to the security offered being approved by the Town Clerk, the sums of £8,500 be advanced to the Reading Corporation out of the Sinking Funds, and that a Debenture be issued for a like amount to be advanced by the Reading Corporation.

4—Cancellation of Corporation Stock—The Borough Accountant reported that in pursuance of the instructions given him he had purchased £500 Cheltenham Corporation Stock at 75% Resolved, That the sum of £500 Cheltenham Corporations Stock purchased by means of the Loans Fund of the Cheltenham Town Council, and which now stands in the name of the Mayor, Alderman and Burgesses of the Borough of Cheltenham, be extinguished, and that the National Provincial Bank of England, Ltd., the Registrars of the said Stock he, and they are hereby authorised and requested to cancel and extinguish the same in the books kept by them relating to the said stock, and that the Common Seal be affixed to a duplicate of the Order and that such duplicate be forwarded to the said Registrars.

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6—Accounts—The Financial list nit of the Receipts and Expenditure since the last meeting and the Bills and Accounts to be paid were examined, and the latter ordered to be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

The Treasurer's accounts at the Kink were examined, and the balances found to be correct. The following was the General Statement :—

In hand on the 30 <sup>th</sup> September last ..	£5,164 14 8
Received since that date,	<u>6,703 17 9</u>
	£11,868 12 5
Paid since that date.. (including Loans temporarily repaid, £2,900)	<u>20,737 10 6</u>
	Overdraw: £8,868 18 1
being General Accounts	£15,585 5 7
less Sinking Fund Accounts—in hand	£6,618 14 0
"Leslie Young Benefaction" Accounts do.	<u>97 13 6</u>
	<u>£6,716 7 6</u>
	£8,868 18 1

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

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### Borough of Cheltenham

**At a Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held in the Town Hall, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 10th November, 1913, at 12 noon. Present :**

THE MAYOR (JAMES TYNTE AGG GARDNER, ESQ.) in the chair.

THE DEPUTY MAYOR (ALDERMAN JOHN WAGHORNE).

Aldermen : WILLIAM ALFRED BAKER CHARLES HENRY MARGRETT JAMES BATTEN WINTERBOTHAM.

Councillors : JOHN DAVID BENDALL JOHN HENRY BLAKENEY FRANK CHARLES DODWELL PERCY HADDOCK JOSEPH HARRY HANSON POWELL ALFRED MANN WILLIE JOHN MERRETT THOMAS REES JONES WALTER JAMES, WILLIAM SAWYER EDWIN CHARLES SILK THOMAS WILLIAM SMITH ROBERT STEEL JAMES STEWART PETER PHILIP TAYLOR THOMAS WILKINS JAMES PERCIVAL WINTERBOTHAM FREDERICK WOOD

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1—Central Ward Election—The Town Clerk reported the Election on the 17th October last of Peter Philip Taylor as a Councillor for the Central Ward to fill the vacancy caused by the election of William Alfred Baker to be an Alderman, and laid before the Council his declaration of acceptance of office.

2—Election of Councillors —The Town Clerk reported the Election on the 1st instant of the following gentlemen as Councillors, viz :

John Henry Blakeney for the North Ward.

Frank Charles Dodwell for the Central Ward.

Willie John Merrett for the East Ward.

John David Bendall for the South Ward.

Edwinson Charles Green for the Middle Ward.

Thomas Rees Jones for the West Ward.

and that they had all made the declaration of acceptance of office.

3—Election of Mayor—Resolved, unanimously, That William Nash Skillicorne, Esquire, J.P. be and he is hereby elected Mayor of this Borough for the ensuing year. The newly elected Mayor then made the declaration of acceptance of office and took the oath of Allegiance and Judicial Oath. The Mayor thereupon took the chair.

4—Deputy Mayor—The Mayor signified in writing that he had appointed Alderman John Waghorne to be his Deputy and it was Resolved that such appointment be recorded upon the Minutes of the Council.

5—Vote of Thanks to Retiring Mayor—Resolved, That the heartiest thanks of the Council be given to J. T. Agg-Gardner, Esquire, M.P. for the indefatigable, impartial and hospitable manner in which he had carried out the duties of Mayor during the past year.

6—Assignment of Aldermen to Wards—Resolved, That the following Aldermen be assigned for the purposes of Ward Elections for the ensuing year to the several Wards opposite which their names are respectively set :—

Alderman Waghorne	North Ward.
“ Skillicorne	Central Ward.
“ Winterbotham	East Ward.
“ Baker	South Ward.
“ Rogers	Middle Ward.
“ Margrett	West Ward.

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7—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Meeting of the Council on the 6th October last, having been printed and a copy sent to each member of the Council be taken as read and that the same be adopted and confirmed.

8—Appointment and Duties of Committees—Public Health Committee—Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Public Health Committee for the ensuing year :— Aldermen Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Hanson Powell, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart; Winterbotham and Wood, and that their powers and duties be as follows—To regulate and manage all matters relating to the public health or concerning the duties of the Medical Officer of Health and Inspector of Nuisances, and to carry into effect the powers of the Council under the following Acts and Orders : Public Health Acts, The Cheltenham Improvement Acts and Provisional Orders (Sanitary Provisions), Factory and Workshops Acts, Infectious Diseases (Notification) Act, 1889, Infectious Diseases (Prevention) Act, 1890,. The Housing Acts, 1890 to 1909. and the Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops Orders.

To have delegated to it the Powers of the Council under the following sections of the Public Health Act, 1875, namely :-23, 24, 25, 35, 36, 37, 38, 40, 41, 46, 47, 49 and 50, the sections relating to nuisances and unsound meat, also sections 62, 70, 120, 121, 123, 124, 126, 127, 128 and 129.

To examine and report upon all plans for new streets and buildings, including the enforcement of the byelaws made by the Council with regard thereto, so far only as drainage and other sanitary matters are concerned.

To deal with the repair and reconstruction of all sewers in the Borough and with the outfall sewers and sewage tanks and the control and treatment of the sewage and to have the management and control of the Sewage Farms of the Corporation, and the purchase and sale of stock, farming implements, etc.

To deal with the cleansing of watercourses and the enforcement of the provisions of the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts, and that Standing Order No. 20 be suspended for the purposes of this resolution.

Street and Highway Committee—

Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Street and Highway Committee for the ensuing year : —Aldermen Baker and Margrett, Councillors Bendall, Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins,

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and that their powers and duties be as follows :—To regulate and manage all matters relating to the repair of the streets, including public and private streets and main and contribution roads, to examine and report upon all plans for new streets and buildings, including the enforcement of the byelaws made by the Council with regard thereto (with the exception of drainage and other sanitary matters) and to consider all proposed public street improvements. To consider and report upon any matters arising in connection with the Cheltenham and District Light Railway within the Borough or in connection with the byelaws made by the Council with reference thereto.

To have the management of the Central Depot and the horses, materials and carts, etc., and any matters in connection with the Borough Surveyor's Department, and of any properties acquired by the Corporation in respect of street improvements. To deal with matters in connection with Street Projections. To enforce the provisions of the following Acts as far as regards new streets and buildings :—The Public Health Acts, The Public Health (Buildings in Streets) Act, 1888, The Cheltenham Improvement Acts, 1852 and 1889, and the Cheltenham Order of 1896 (with the exception of drainage and other sanitary matters), Part II. Housing, Town Planning, &c., Act, 1909.

Town Improvement Committee—

Resolved, That the following, members of the Council do form the Town Improvement Committee for the ensuing year :—Aldermen Baker, Rogers and Winterbotham, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Sawyer, Steel and Taylor, and that their powers and duties be as follows :—To have the control and management of the Montpellier Gardens, Pittville Park and Estate, the Promenade Long Garden and Winter Garden, and of any building in connection with such properties, and to enforce the provisions of the byelaws made by the Council with reference to them. To manage and control any entertainments decided upon by the Council, and to consider and report upon all matters in connection with the advertising of the Town and the provision of a band.

#### Electricity and Lighting Committee—

Resolved, That the following Members of the Council do form the Electricity and Lighting Committee for the ensuing year :—Councillors Green, Haddock, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Smith, Taylor and Wood, and that their powers

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and duties be as follows :—To regulate and manage all matters relating to the Electricity Undertaking of the Corporation, the public lighting whether by electricity or gas, and to carry out the provisions of the Electric Lighting Acts and the Cheltenham Electric Lighting Orders, 1890, 1899, 1900 and 1912, and the regulations of the Board of Trade made thereunder.

#### Water Committee—

Resolved, That the following Members of the Council do form the Water Committee for the ensuing year:—Aldermen Baker, Margrett and Skillicorne, Councillors Bendall, Green, Merrett, Sawyer and Wood, and that their powers and duties be as follows :—To regulate and manage all matters relating to the Water Undertaking of the Corporation and to manage all properties acquired by the Corporation in connection with their Water Undertaking. To carry into effect the provisions of the Cheltenham Water Acts, 1878 and 1881, and the Provisional Orders amending the same.

#### General Purposes and Watch Committee—

Resolved, That the powers and duties of the General Purposes and Watch Committee be as follows :—To regulate and manage the Town Hall and any properties of the Corporation and other matters not specifically referred to any other Committee. To discharge the duties of the Watch Committee under the Municipal Corporations Act, 1882, and to consider and report upon all matters arising in connection with the Petroleum Acts, and with reference to matters of the Police. To regulate and manage all matters relating to the licensing of Hackney Carriages, Drivers and Conductors, and to Markets and Fairs. To be an Executive Committee of the Council under the Diseases of Animals Acts, with all the powers and authority conferred upon the Council (except the power to make a rate), and to carry into effect the Orders of the Board of Agriculture in relation thereto. To regulate and manage the allotments of the Corporation under the Allotments Act. To consider and report to the Council upon the re-numbering of houses in, and the naming and renaming of, streets in the Borough. To regulate and manage all matters in connection with the Fire Brigade and Fire Extinguishing Appliances.

#### Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee—

Resolved, That the following Members of the Council do form the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee for the ensuing year :—Alderman Baker, Councillors Bendall, Blakeney, Dodwell, Haddock, Merrett,

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Silk and Stewart, and that their powers and duties be as follows :— To regulate and manage the Alstone and Montpellier Baths, and any matters in connection with the Mineral Waters, and the

Recreation Grounds and the Public Walks and Pleasure Grounds (except those specifically referred to other Committees).

Burial Board Committee—

Resolved, That the following Members of the Council do form the Burial Board Committee for the ensuing year :—Alderman Baker, Councillors Dodwell, Mann, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel, Stewart and Winterbotham, and -that their powers and duties be as follows :—To regulate and manage the Cheltenham Cemetery and all matters relating thereto.

Finance Committee—

Resolved, That the following Members of the Council do form the Finance Committee for the ensuing year :—Aldermen Skillicorne and Waghorne, Councillors Haddock, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel, Wilkins and Winterbotham, and that their powers and duties be as follows :—To regulate and manage all matters of Finance, including the checking, as far as possible, of the expenditure of the different Committees of the Council, the appointment and dismissal of the Officers and Staff in the Borough Accountant's and Rates Departments, the preparation of Estimates for Rates, Collection of Rates, and raising of Loans. To consider and report upon all matters arising upon the report of the District Auditor.

Public Library Committee—

Resolved, That the following Members of the Council do form the Public Library Committee for the ensuing year :—Alderman Rogers, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Mann, Merrett, Sawyer, Steel and Wilkins ; together with Dr. Davies, Messrs. A. Beckingsale, F. J. Caudle, J. R. Claridge, W. Cresswell, E. Gridley, A. Miles, W. J. Moore, E. C. Rogers and H. Stroud, and that their duties be as follows:—To regulate and manage the Cheltenham Public Library and all matters relating thereto, subject to the proceedings of the Committee being submitted from time to time for confirmation by the Council.

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Art Gallery and Museum Committee—

Resolved, That the following Members of the Council do form the Art Gallery and Museum Committee for the ensuing year :--Aldermen Margrett, Rogers, W:Olorne ;Ind Winterbotham, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel and Taylor ; with Messrs. J. T. Agg-Gardner, G. Dimmer and H. Stroud and Dr. T. Wilson as Consulting Members, and that their powers and duties be as follows :— To regulate and manage the Alt Gallery and Museum and all matters relating thereto.

Education Committee-

Resolved, That the following Members of the Council be appointed Members of the Education Committee for the ensuing year :—Aldermen Margrett, Rogers Skillicorne, Councillors Bendall, Blakeney, Dodwell, Haddock, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Wilkins, Winterbotham and Wood. Resolved also, That Mr. J. W. Betteridge be re-appointed a Member of the Education Committee, his term of office to expire on the 9th November, 1919.

Local Pension Committee---

Resolved, That the Local Pension Committee for the Borough consist of all the Members of the Council, that their term of office as Members of such Committee expire on the 9th November, 1914, and that eight be a quorum of the Committee.

Vacancies on Distress Committee—

Resolved, That the Mayor, Councillors Bendall, Blakeney, Green, Merrett, Rees Jones and Stewart be appointed Members of the Distress Committee.

Municipal Offices Sites Committee.

Resolved; That Councillors Dodwell and Taylor be appointed Members of the Municipal Offices Sites Committee.

9—Public Health Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Health Committee, at their Meetings of the 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> October last, be approved and confirmed.

10—Delancey Hospital—Resolved, That The Mayor, Councillors Blakeney, Green, Rees Jones, Stewart and Winterbotham be appointed representatives of the Council on the Management Committee of the Delancey Hospital for the ensuing year,

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11—Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Street and Highway Committee, at their Meetings of the 14<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> October last, be approved and confirmed subject to the following amendment, viz :—That so much of minute No. 19 as provides that the fountain be placed opposite the Montpellier Rotunda facing the Promenade be referred back for further consideration.

12—Town Improvement Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Town Improvement Committee, at their Meeting of the 16<sup>th</sup> October last, be approved and confirmed.

13—Electricity and Lighting Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Electricity and Lighting Committee, at their Meeting of the 16<sup>th</sup> October last, be approved and confirmed.

14—Water Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Water Committee, at their Meeting of the 23<sup>rd</sup> October last, be approved and confirmed.

15—General Purposes and Watch Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the General Purposes and Watch Committee, at their Meeting of the 21<sup>st</sup> October last, be approved and confirmed.

16—Municipal Offices Sites Committee—Resolved, That the Report of the Municipal Offices Sites Committee, at their Meeting of the 15<sup>th</sup> October last, be approved and confirmed.

17—Art Gallery and Museum Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Art Gallery and Museum Committee, at their Meeting of the 15<sup>th</sup> October last, be approved and confirmed.

18—Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds Committee, at their Meetings of the 17<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> October last, be approved and confirmed.

19—Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Burial Board Committee, at their Meeting of the 24<sup>th</sup> October last, be approved and confirmed.

20—Public Library Committee—Resolved, That the proceedings of the Public Library Committee, at their Meeting of the 14<sup>th</sup> October last, be approved and confirmed.

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21—Finance Committee — Resolved, That the proceedings of the Finance Committee, at their Meeting of the 28<sup>th</sup> October last, be approved and confirmed, and that an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed accordingly for payment to the several Corporations, Companies and persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts the sum of money set opposite their respective names upon production of a cheque signed by the Borough Accountant.

22—Education (Choice of Employment) Act, 1910—Read, a letter from the Secretary of the Education Committee asking for a grant of £12 to provide for the salary of officer and other incidental expenses under the Education (Choice of Employment) Act, 1910. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next meeting.

23—Memorials, Applications, etc.—Resolved, That the letter from Lord Kingsale and the Memorial forwarded therewith re Humane Slaughtering of Animals, be referred to the Public Health Committee.

Mayor.

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### **Borough of Cheltenham**

**MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Monday, the 1st December, 1913.**

#### **PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 11th November, 1913**—Present : The Mayor, Councillors Blakeney, Hanson Powell, Rees Jones, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (Councillor Rees Jones in the chair).

1—Chairman—Resolved, That the Mayor be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

2—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz :-8, 10, 11 and 12 St. Paul's Parade, 1 and 38 Hungerford Street, 5 Great Norwood Street, and 8 Courtenay Street. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 36 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a

moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

3—Cleansing and Limewashing at 8, 10, 11, 12 & 13 St. Paul's Parade, 1, 18 & 41 Hungerford Street, and 8 Courtenay Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

4—Nuisances from Drains, etc. at 28 Grosvenor Place South and New Joinery Works, Grosvenor Place South. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

5—Insanitary Property—8, 10, 11 and 12 St. Paul's Parade, 1 and 41 Hungerford Street, and 5 Great Norwood Street. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, That the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to ha a nuisance or injurious to health, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

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6—Houses let in Lodgings—The Medical Officer of Health recommended that the landlords of the following houses let in lodgings, viz ; -10, 20, 22 and 46 St. George's Street, 1 Regent Place, Swindon Road, and 22 Sherborne Place be required to give the necessary information for registration. Resolved, That the landlords of the houses above-mentioned be served with notices requiring them to supply the information necessary for the registration of the houses as lodging houses by the Council as specified in No. 7 of the Byelaws with respect to houses let in lodgings, except as to the age and sex and names of the occupants.

7—Destruction of Diseased Meat—The Medical Officer of Health reported that on the 4th instant, 1 tin of prawns was surrendered as unsound (weight 10 lbs.)

8—Humane Slaughtering—Read, a letter from Lord Kingsale, forwarding a Memorial signed by 5,558 residents in Cheltenham, asking that Byelaws should be made requiring the humane slaughter of animals. Resolved, That the Medical Officer of Health be asked to report upon the matter.

9—**Farms Sub-Committee**—Resolved, That the Chairman, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Wood be appointed the Farms Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

10—**Plans Sub-Committee**—Resolved, That Councillors Hanson Powell, Steel and Stewart be appointed representatives of this Committee on the Plans Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

T. REES JONES,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 17th November, 1913.** Present The Mayor, Alderman Margrett, Councillors Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart, Winterbotham and Wood (The Mayor in the chair).

11—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Inspector of Nuisances reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz : 13 Sherborne Street, 3 and 5 St. James' Place, 16 Hereford Place, 8 Victoria Street, 9, 15, 32, 62 & 67 Queen Street. Resolved, That the necessary Notices be given to the respective owners under Section 3G of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 27 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, requiring them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern, and construction as may be approved by the Inspector of Nuisances on behalf of the Corporation.

12—Cleansing and Whitewashing at 17, 19, 21, 23 and 59 Sherborne Street, and Vine Cottage, Sherborne Street, 2, 5 and 6 St. James' Place, 8, 15, 23, 31 and 65 Queen Street. The Medical Officer of Health having certified under Section 46 of the Public Health Act, 1875, that the above-named dwelling-houses were in such a filthy and unwholesome condition that the health of the inmates was affected or endangered thereby. Resolved, That Notice be given to the owners under the said Section requiring the houses to be cleansed and limewashed.

13—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 32, 34 and 40, and Shoeing Forge, St. James' Street. The Inspector of Nuisances having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, &c., on or belonging to the above-named houses were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. Resolved, That authority be given to the Inspector of Nuisances to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

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1:—Insanitary Property—13, 17 and 21, and Vine Cottage, Sherborne Street, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 St. James' Place, 32 and 33 Cleveland Street, 9, 12, 15 and 25 Queen Street and 3 Christ Church Terrace. The Medical Officer of Health reported that the above-mentioned premises were in such a state as to be a nuisance, or injurious to the health of the inmates owing to defective roofs, walls, ceilings, floors, etc. Resolved, hat the Council being satisfied that the said premises are in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health, Notice under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be served upon the owners requiring them to put the same into a healthy condition, and for that purpose to carry out the works specified therein.

15—Houses let in Lodgings—The Medical Officer of Health recommended that the landlords of the following houses let in lodgings, viz : 4 Henrietta Street, Walcot, Sherborne Place, 29 Montpellier Terrace, and Glenrose, Cambray, be required to give the necessary information for registration. Resolved,. That the landlords of the houses above-mentioned be served with notices requiring them to supply the informs) ion necessary for the registration of the houses as lodging houses by the Council as specified in No. 7 of the Byelaws with respect to houses let in lodgings, except as to the age and sex and names of the occupants.

16—Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted a list of notices requiring the abatement of nuisances caused by dirty walls and ceilings, defective pitching, &c. and

overcrowding of dwelling house which had been served but not complied with. Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to compel compliance.

17—Dairies, Cowsheds and Milkshops Order—Read, an application from Mr. Edward John Dean of All Saints' Dairy, to be registered as a Purveyor of Milk. Resolved, That the applicant be registered.

18--Humane Slaughtering—Read, a letter from Mr. R. O. Paddison, of Stroud, urging the Council to adopt the model form of Byelaws with reference to the slaughtering of animals, The Medical Officer of Health submitted a report on the matter. Resolved, That a copy of the report be forwarded to the Cheltenham Butchers Association for their observations.

19—Notification of Births Act, 1907—Read, a letter from the Clerk of the County Council forwarding a copy of a circular letter sent to the Urban and Rural District Councils in the County with reference to the adoption of the above Act. Resolved, That the letter be considered at the next meeting.

20—Royal Institute of Public Health—Read, a letter from the Royal Institute of Public Health, asking the Council to appoint delegates to attend the Congress to be held in Edinburgh, from the 8th to the 13th July, 1914. Resolved. That no delegates be appointed.

21—**Report of Farms Sub-Committee**—The Farms Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 17th instant. Present Councillors Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Wood.

Chairman—Resolved, That Councillor Wood be appointed Chairman of this Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

Farms Manager's Report—Read, the monthly report of the Farms Manager. Since the last meeting, 43 sheep had been purchased for £98 18s., 1 heifer for £10 10s., 1 stock bull for £18, and 3 horses (old) from the Street and Highway Committee for £15. (Total purchases, £242 8s.) 3 calves had been bred on the farms. 65 head of cattle (including 4 calves) had been sold for £1013 8s. 3d., 42 sheep (including 5 lambs) for £108 11s. 10d. 6 pigs for £6 0s. 4d., and 2 cart foals for £30 8s. 6d. (Total sales. £1158 14s. 9d.)

He recommended that some ash trees at Hayfurlong, Barn Farm, should be cut down, that 300 land pipes and a saw bench should be purchased, Resolved, That tenders be obtained for the supply of a small saw bench, and that the other recommendations be approved and adopted. Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

#### **STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 11th November, 1913.** Present: Aldermen Baker and Margrett, Councillors Bendall, Hanson Powell, Mann, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the Chair).

1--Chairman--Resolved, That Councillor Bendall be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

2—**Plans Sub-Committee**—Resolved, That Councillors Bendall, Merrett and Wilkins be appointed Representatives of the Committee on the Plans Sub-Committee.

3—**Stores Sub-Committee**—Resolved, That Alderman Baker, Councillors Bendall, Stewart and Wilkins be appointed the Stores Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

4—**Trees Sub-Committee**—Resolved, That The Mayor, Alderman Baker, Councillors Bendall, Hanson Powell, Vann and Stewart be appointed the Trees Sub-Committee for the ensuing year. Resolved, That a Meeting of the 8 Committee be held on the 19th instant at 2.30 p.m.

5—Street Projections—Read, an application from Mr. T. Malvern for permission to place an Illuminated Sign outside Messrs. Miles' Garage, 117, High Street. Resolved, That the application be acceded to subject to the sign being placed at a height of not less than 15 feet from the ground and not projecting more than 3 feet from the building.

6— Telegraph Pole, St. George's Road—Read, a letter from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs asking the Committee to reconsider their decision and to allow a wooden pole to be placed in St. George's Road, instead of requiring an ornamental pole to be erected. Resolved, That the Committee adhere to their previous decision.

7--Dangerous Corner near Lauriston House—Read, is letter from Mr. J. T. Ireland suggesting an improvement at the corner near Lauriston House, Lansdown. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned for the Committee to view.

8—Damage to Railings &c. in Promenade—Read, a letter from Superintendent Ho2kins forwarding Reports of damage done by a Driver in the employ of the Bristol Tramways Co. to the Railings &c. round the flower bed near Messrs. Barnby Bendall and Co.'s premises, Promenade. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the damage made good and that application be made to the Bristol Tramways Co. for payment of the cost.

9—National Housing and Town Planning Conference—Read, a letter from the Secretary, National Housing and Town Planning Council inviting the Council to appoint representatives to attend the Western Counties Conference of Local Authorities to be held at Bath on the 9th and 10th December next. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be appointed to attend the Conference.

10—Temporary Building, Marle Hill Road—Read a Memorial from Mr. T. White and others asking the Corporation to require the removal of the temporary building erected in Marle Hill Road by Messrs. Mask Williams & Co. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned to the next Meeting.

11—Alstone Lane—Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to bring up a Plan and Estimate of the Work required to be done in Alstone Lane by the Abutting Owners.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, the 24th November, 1913.** Present The Mayor, Aldermen Baker and Margrett, Councillors Bendall, Mann, Merrett Stewart, and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair),

12—Borough Surveyor's Monthly Report re Highways—The Borough Surveyor reported that the work completed by the Highways Department from the 24th October to the 20th November, 1913 (both inclusive) had been as follows ;—

Roads repaired—Battledown Approach (proceeding). Lansdown Road (954 sq. yds.), Queen's Road (8,429 sq. yds.) 44 Roads patched—Albion Street. Hanover Street, King's Road, Leighton Road, Naunton Crescent, St. George's Place, St. James' Square, Townsend Street, Victoria Street, Waterloo Street, and Winchcomb Street, Sydenham it Road.

Private Improvement Works—Arle Road and Baker Street (completed). Phoenix Passage (proceeding). Electricity Trenches repaired—Albion Street, All Saints Villas, Bath Read. Trafalgar Street, Christ -Church Road, Hewlett Street, Imperial Lane, Lansdown Place, Malvern Place, Park Place, Pittville Street, Queen's Road, Royal Parade, Sydenham Road. S.

Footpath repairs—Andover Road, Berkeley Avenue, Church Walk, Hewlett Street, Queen's Road, Sandford Terrace, Selkirk Street, Suffolk Square and Western Road. Paving relaid—Queen's Rand (1701) sq. yds.) New Slab Paving laid—Queen's Road (312  $\frac{2}{3}$  sq. yds.) Asphalt Footpath renewed—Queen's Road (1702 sq. yds.)

Footpath gravelled—Queen's Road (972 sq. yds.) New Kerb fixed—Queen's Road (1231 lin. yds.) String Edging feed and Kerb and Channel relaid—Queen's Road (40 lin. yds.) Channels repaired—Gloucester Road, Hatherley Road, Imperial Lane, and Western Road. Gateway Crossings relaid-12. New Gateway Crossing-1. Turfing on Verges and round Trees—Queen's Road (250 sq. yds.) Gullies refixed-4. New gullies-14.

Trees pruned—Christ Church Road, College Road. Gloucester Road. Keynsham Road, King's Road. Lansdown Crescent, Malvern Road, Promenade, Queen's Road, St. Anne's Terrace and St. Paul's Lane. Trees felled—Gloucester Road 1 Elm (by Committee's orders).

13—Ashes Collection and Disposal—During 4 weeks ended 13th November, 1913:-839 loads collected, 830 consumed, and 9 tipped away. Weight consumed, 977 tons 14 cwts. Steam Generated—Hourly average, 5,328 lbs.

14—Slab Factory—During 4 weeks ended the 13th November, 1913.: -723  $\frac{2}{3}$  square yards of Slabs (mostly reinforced) made and 290 lin. feet of Kerbing.

15—View Meeting—The following Members attended the View Sleeting on Friday last—Councillors Bendall, Merrett, Stewart and Wilkins.

16—**Report of Plans Sub-Committee**--The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sob-Committee at their Meetings on the 14th and 21st inst. Resolved, That the same be approved and adopted.

17—**Report of Trees Sub-Committee**—The Trees Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 19th instant. Present The Mayor, Councillor Bendall, Mann, and Stewart.

Chairman—Resolved, That Councillor Bendall be appointed Chairman of this Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

After inspecting the trees, in respect of which Complaints had been received they recommended as follows:

Gloucester Road—That 2 wych elms and 1 English elm near Severn Hill be removed and that a small elm at the corner of Millbrook Street be removed.

That the alternate trees from No. 1 Malvern View Villas to Queen's Road (12) be removed.

That the Lime tree opposite Harthill " be removed and the tree opposite " Clanfield." pruned.

That the Lime tree by the hoarding near Horton House and the elm tree by Tyrone Villa be removed and that one lime tree be planted in the place of the latter.

Arle Road—That no trees be planted on the east side of the Railway Bridge, as these would interfere with the electric cables under the footpath, but that lime trees be planted on both sides of the road on the west side of the bridge.

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Christ Church Road—That consideration of the trees from the Church to Douro Road be adjourned.

That eight limes (alternate trees) from Queen's Road to Lansdown Road be removed and that one lime tree be planted at Queen's Road corner.

That nine limes (alternate trees) between Queen's Road and Eldorado Road be removed.

Lansdown Place—That no topping of trees be done by "Netherleigh."

Lansdown Road--That no trees be removed by "Edendariff." Fullwood Park—

That the Owners be asked to thin trees.

Langdon Road—That the lime tree near Seaford Villa be removed and a birch tree planted.

College Road—That a partly dead elm tree by the Cycle Works be removed and a lime tree planted.

Imperial Square and Promenade—That the question of lopping or removal of trees in Imperial Square and the Promenade be adjourned to the next Meeting.

Hewlett Road—That a lime tree near " Trediden be removed.

Sydenham Villas Road—That two trees near Sydenham Lawn be removed.

Resolved, That the proceeding of the Trees Sub-Committee be approved and adopted and that the portion of Minute No. 6 of this Committee's proceedings of the 12th August last, authorising the planting of trees on the East side of Arle Road to the Railway Bridge be rescinded.

**18—Report of Stores Sub-Committee**—The Stores Sub-Committee reported that they met at the Central Depot on the 21st inst. Present : Councillors Bendall, Stewart and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair). After inspecting the horses offered for sale by Mr. Harvey, they recommended that the following horses be purchased, subject to the Veterinary Surgeon's Certificate being satisfactory:

Dark Brown Horse for £68, aged 6 years.

Bay Horse for £66, aged 6 years.

Black Horse for £65, aged 5 years.

Resolved, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved and adopted.

Resolved, also that a joint Meeting of the **Stores and Farms Sub-Committees** be held to reconsider the arrangement for supply of horses from the Farms.

**19—Private Improvement Works—Alstone Lane (from Rose Cottages to Penharva)**—The Borough Surveyor submitted Specification, Plan and Estimate of the Works required to be done to the above Street. Resolved, That the same be approved ; and that Notice be given under Section 150 of The Public Health Act, 1875, to the Owners of the premises fronting, adjoining, or abutting upon the parts of the said Street, requiring to be sewered, levelled, paved, metalled, flagged, channelled or made good ; requiring them to do the specified Works within 28 days ; and that, if such Notice is not complied with, the Surveyor do proceed to execute the Works mentioned or referred to therein : and that the expenses thereof be recovered in the manner provided by the Act, and the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889.

**20—Gloucester Road**—A complaint was received from Mr. C. Austin, of Langmore, Gloucester Road, of the condition of the footpath in Gloucester Road opposite Alstone Lawn. Resolved, That consideration of the matter be adjourned.

**21—Corner near Lauriston House**—The letter from Mr. J. T. Ireland suggesting an improvement of the corner 'sear Lauriston House was further considered. Resolved, That the suggestion be not entertained.

**22—Street Scavenging tn.**—Road a letter from Mr. E. Essex Terrett asking that Francis Street, Hermitage Street, Exmouth Street, and the entrance to the Fairfield Estate should be cleansed twice a week, and also suggesting that waste paper baskets &c. should be placed in the streets. Resolved, That Mr. Terrett be informed that the streets referred to are at present cleansed twice a week, and that the other suggestions be not entertained.

**23—Temporary Building—Marle Hill Road**—With reference to the Memorial from Mr. T. White and others, asking for the removal of the temporary Shed erected in Marle Hill Road, a letter was read from Councillor Hanson Powell stating that, as requested at the last Meeting, he had seen Messrs. Mark Williams & Co. and they had promised to remove the building within a month.

24—Temporary Building—Sun Street—Read, a letter from Mr. John Davis, calling attention to a building which had been erected at the rear of St. John's Cottages, Sun Street. Resolved, That Notice be given to the Owner to show cause why the building should not be removed.

25—Fairfield Park Road—Read a Memorial from Mr. B. Singleton and others asking that Fairfield Park Road should be declared a Highway, and also suggesting that some trees should be planted in the road. Resolved, That Fairfield Park Road be declared a highway and that the Town Clerk be instructed to give the necessary Notice of such declaration. Resolved, also that the question of planting trees be adjourned.

26—Sandford Road—Read, a letter from Mr. J. Player of Thirlestaine Hall, stating that he was willing to pay the cost of providing a proper channel in Sandford Road opposite his house and asking the Corporation to provide a new Kerbing. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to provide a new Kerb and Channel as suggested, the cost of the channelling to be paid by Mr. Player.

27—Trees in Promenade and London Road, &c—Read, a letter from Mrs. C. S. P. Asquith, Rev. Ramsey, and Sirs. Archer with reference to the trees in the Promenade ; opposite Ashling Villas, London Road and Montpellier. Resolved, That the same be referred to the Trees Sub Committee,

25—Fountain—Resolved, That the fountain presented by Mrs. Drew and the late Mr. J. W. Drew be placed in Clarence Street, opposite Messrs. Engall Cox & Co. premises, facing the Promenade.

.JOHN D. BENDELL,

Chairman

#### PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, the 14th November, 1913,** Present : Councillors Bendall, alert et Steel, Stewart, and Wilkins. (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

1—Chairman—Resolved, That Councillor Bendall be appointed Chairman of this Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

2—Building Plans—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following Notices and Plans of intended new buildings, :—

No of Plan	Name	Description
1220	F. C. Hyett	New Covered Fives Court, Cheltondale, College Road.
1221	A. F. Cook	New stable at Arle Gardens, Arle Road.
1222	Miss E. M. Hands	New scullery at rear of 47, Clarence Square.

Resolved, That Plan No. 1220 be approved, that Plan No. 1221 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector, and that Plan No. 1222 be approved, subject to the approval of the Town Improvement Committee.

JOHN D. BENDALL,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, the 21<sup>st</sup> November 1913.** Present : Councillors Bendall, Merrett, Steel, Stewart, and Wilkins (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

2—New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor laid before the Sub-Committee the following notices and plans of intended new buildings, viz :—

No. of Plan	Name	Description
1223	J. Hawkins	Alterations etc. to 425a High Street.
1224	S. P. Ryland	New wing to Westal, Hatherley Road.
1225	G. Prude	Additions to Lower Alstone House, Six Chimneys Lane.

Resolved, That the Plans be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector.

JOHN D. BENDALL

Chairman.

#### **TOWN IMPROVEMENT COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the .13th November, 1913.** Present: The Mayor, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel, Sawyer and Taylor (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Chairman--Resolved, That Alderman Baker be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

2—Trees near Cleaveland House—Read a letter from Col. Noake asking for the removal of two trees near Cleaveland House. Resolved, That the Committee inspect the trees on the Pittville Estate in respect of which complaints have been received, on Tuesday, the 25th instant, at 10.30 a.m.

3—Bowling Green at Winter Garden—Read an application from Mr. W. H. Horsley, the Hon. Sec. of the Cheltenham Bowling Club, for the use of the Bowling Green during next season. Resolved, That the Cheltenham Bowling Club be granted the use of the green for next season on the same terms as last season, viz.—The Club to pay a rent of £10 (to include the use of a room for the storage of the woods) and to pay at the usual rate for any water used, and to keep the green in good order during the season and until the commencement of the following season; no tent or other structure to be erected on the green, and the Council to have the right to use or grant the use of the green at any time upon giving reasonable notice to the Club ; and also the right to terminate the letting at any time by one month's notice if the ground is required for the purpose of any scheme of improvement, in which case a proportionate abatement shall be made in the rent.

W. NASH SKILLICORNE,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held at the Pittville Gardens on Tuesday the 25th November, 1913.**

Present: Alderman Baker, Councillors Rees Jones, Steel, Sawyer and Taylor (Alderman Baker in the chair).

4—Pittville Estate—The Committee inspected the trees in respect of which applications have been made for their removal. Resolved, That the following instructions be given to the treeman, viz. :—

(1) Trees near Cleaveland House—Elm tree to be lopped, and Chestnut tree to be removed. (2) Large Elm tree near Novar Lodge to be lopped. (3) Dead tree opposite Avondale House, Wellington Square to be removed and replaced with a Silver Birch (4) Elm tree opposite Evesham House to be removed. (5) Elm tree opposite 9, Wellington Square and Ilex in N.W. Corner of Wellington Square to be removed. (6) Cornish Elm near Edenham to be pruned. (7) Four Elms in hedge in Pittville Gardens to be stripped of ivy.

5—Alterations, &c. to No. 47, Clarence Square and Motor House at Fern Lawn.—The Committee considered the Plans submitted for alterations to No. 47, Clarence Square and for the erection of a Motor House at Fern Lawn. Resolved, That the same be approved.

WILLIAM A. BAKER,

Chairman.

**ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 13<sup>th</sup> November, 1913.** Present:- Councillors Green, Haddock, Mann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Smith, Taylor and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

1—Chairman—Resolved, That Councillor Merrett be appointed Chairman of this Committee for this ensuing year.

2—Gas Examiner's Report—The Gas Examiner reported that he tested the gas on the 10th instant for illuminating power with the following result, viz.:-14.8 candles. The test for purity on the 13th instant showed 23 grains of sulphur per 100 cubic feet.

3--Requisition for Materials Required—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted a list of materials, etc., which would probably be required during the ensuing month and the same was approved.

4—Applications for Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received applications for supply of electricity to 5 houses in Montpellier Villas. The cost of laying a Cable along the street would be £47 10s. Resolved, That a supply be given.

5—Sandfield Road Bridge—Resolved, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be instructed to arrange with the Midland Railway Co. as to the alteration of the cables which will be necessary on the rebuilding of the bridge.

6—Overhead Line—Resolved, That application be made to the Board of Trade for their consent to a supply being given to " Inglesby," New Bann Lane by means of an overhead line to be laid from the Prestbury Road at the cost of the consumer.

7—Lighting of Sydenham Villas Road and St. Paul's Road—Read a letter from Mr. G. Adams complaining of the lighting in Sydenham Villas Road and also from St. Paul's Church Council with reference to the lighting near the entrance to the Church. Resolved, That consideration be adjourned for the Committee to view.

8—Staff—Resolved, That a special meeting of the Committee be held on the 27th instant at 3p.m. to consider the wages &c. of the staff.

W. J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 27th November, 1913.** Present Councillors Haddock, Hann, Merrett, Rees Jones, Smith, Taylor, and Wood (Councillor Merrett in the chair).

9 —Taylor Scotson Regulator—Resolved, On the recommendation of the Borough Electrical Engineer that a separate motor for driving the generator for the pressure regulator be installed at an estimated cost of £35.

10—Staff—Read, an application from Mr. J. M. Robb, Assistant Engineer, for an increase of Salary. Resolved, That Mr. Robb's Salary be increased from £3 5s. to £3 10s. per week.

Wages of Employees—The Committee considered and revised the rates of wages paid to the various employees in the Electricity Department.

W, J. MERRETT,

Chairman.

#### **WATER COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 14th November, 1913.**—Present: Aldermen Baker, Councillors Bendall, Merrett and Sawyer.

1—Chairman—Resolved, That Alderman Margrett be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

R. OWEN SEACOME,

Town Clerk.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, the 20th November, 1913.**—Present : The Mayor, Councillors Bendall, Green and Sawyer (Councillor Bendall in the chair).

2—Borough Engineer's Report—The monthly report of the Borough Engineer was read:

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days, ended 18 <sup>th</sup> Nov., 1913	Average for corresponding period during last 3 years.
Hewletts	115,000 gallons	203,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	531,000 “	637,000 “
Leckhampton Springs	<u>56,000</u> “	<u>47,000</u> “
Total	702,000 “	887,000 “

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS

	18 <sup>th</sup> Nov., 1913.		20 <sup>th</sup> Oct., 1912.	
	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
Hewletts		12,311,000 gallons		25,498,000
gallons				
Dowdeswell	21ft. 0in.	48,674,000 “	31ft. 8in.	98,267,000 “
Leckhampton	7ft. 0in.	<u>946,000</u> “	8ft. 0in.	<u>1,080,000</u> “
Total Storage		61,931,000 “		124,845,000 “

3—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeals Book were considered and the Rates settled and adjusted.

JOHN D. BENDALL.

Chairman.

**GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 18th November, 1913.** Present :—The Margret, and Waghorne, Councillors Bendall. Haddock, Merrett and Stewart (Alderman Waghorne chair).

1—Chairman—Resolved, That Alderman Waghorne be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

2—Diseases amongst Animals—Superintendent Hopkins reported an outbreak of swine fever on the 3rd instant, at Brighton Villa, Gloucester Road, in the occupation of Mr. John Burrows, 1 pig had died and 18 had been slaughtered by order of the Board of Agriculture. The outbreak could not be definitely accounted for.

3—Fire Brigade—Report of Captain—The Captain reported that the Brigade had not been called to an outbreak of fire during the past month.

Appointment of Sub-Committee—Resolved, That Aldermen Baker and Rogers and Councillors Merrett and Stewart be appointed the Fire Brigade Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

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4—Hackney Carriage Drivers' Licences—Read, an application from the Queen's Hotel Company for Licences to drive Taxi-Cabs for Arthur Brown, 7 Brecon Terrace, Hale's Road, Henry Mann, 12 Oxford Place, and Arthur Alfred Tobias, 1 Hermitage Street, and from the Bristol Tramways &c., Co., for licences for Lionel Davis, 1 Ebenezer Cottages and Albert J. Harvey, 4 Albion Street, Gloucester. Resolved, That Licences be granted.

5- —Mace Bearer—Resolved, That Mr. H. Bowd (Caretaker of the Town Hall) be appointed Mace Bearer at a salary of per annum, the appointment to be determinable by one month's notice on either side.

6—Committee Fixtures for 1914—Resolved, That the Meetings of the Committees of the Council for 1914 be fixed as follows (except that any meetings that may fall upon a public holiday shall be held upon such other days and consequent alterations be made in other meetings as may be convenient), viz :—

THREE WEEKS PREVIOUS TO COUNCIL MEETING.

1st Week.

Tuesday Public Library	4.15 p.m.
Thursday Water	3.0 p.m.
Town Improvement ...	4.45 p.m.
Friday Mineral Waters, Baths and Recreation Grounds	4.0 p.m.

2nd Week.

Monday Public Health (Second Meeting)	3.0 p.m.
Tuesday General Purposes and Watch	3.30 p.m.
Thursday Electricity and Lighting	3.0 p.m.
Friday Burial Board	11.30 a.m.
Plans Sub-Committee (at Depot)	2.30 p.m.
Street and Highway (View)	3.0 p.m.
(meet at Central Depot)	

3rd Week.

Monday Street and Highway (Second Meeting)	2.30 p.m.
Tuesday Finance	3.30 p.m.

WEEK FOLLOWING WEEK OF COUNCIL MEETING.

Monday ... Farms Sub-Committee	2.45 p.m.
Public Health	3.15 p.m.

Tuesday Plans Sub-Committee	2 30 p.m.
Street and Highway	3.0 p.m.
Wednesday ... Art Gallery & Museum	12.0 noon

7—Telephone Administration—Read, a letter from the Secretary of the Chamber of Commerce stating that the Postmaster General had intimated that he would welcome the formation of Advisory Committees in different areas with regard to the Telephone Service and that he would give every consideration to the recommendations of such Committee and also arrange for the local postmaster and manager of the telephones to attend the meetings, and asking the Corporation to appoint three representatives on an Advisory Committee to be formed by the Chamber of Commerce. Resolved, That the Chairman, Alderman Margrett and Councillor Haddock be appointed Representatives.

8—Cinematograph Licences, &c.—Read, a letter from the Home Office, calling attention to the desirability of taking such steps as may be practical with a view to prohibiting or restricting the use of inflammable cotton wool or similar inflammable materials for costumes or decorations in places of public entertainment, and suggesting that a condition should be inserted in all licenses granted in respect of cinematograph theatres or other places of public entertainment that highly inflammable materials such as cotton wool must not be used for costumes or decorations unless they have been rendered fire-resisting and are maintained in that condition.

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The Home Office also called attention to one of the Rules to be observed by licensees of premises licensed by the London County Council requiring all scenery, floral decorations, curtains, &c., whether on the stage, in the auditorium, or in other parts of the premises, to be rendered and maintained non-inflammable.

Resolved, That the following condition be inserted in the Cinematograph Licences issued by the Council, viz:—

" That highly inflammable materials such as cotton wool must not be used for the costumes of the performers, unless they have been rendered fire-resisting and are maintained in that condition."

Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to give notice to the Cinematograph Licence holders of this condition and also to invite their observations on a proposal to make a similar condition with regard to the scenery, decorations, &c.

1—Licences to Store Petroleum—Read, an application from Messrs. A. Williams & Co., of 10 Portland Street, for a licence to store 400 gallons of petroleum, and also from Messrs. Miles Ltd., of No. 117 High Street, to store 500 gallons. The Inspector reported that the proposed places of storage were satisfactory. Resolved. That Licences be granted.

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.

## ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 12th November, 1913**—Present : Alderman Winterbotham, Councillors Green, Rees Jones, Steel and Taylor, Messrs. G. Dimmer and H. Stroud. (Alderman Winterbotham in the chair).

1—Chairman—Resolved, That Alderman Winterbotham be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

2—Curator's Report—The Curator reported that 1,247 visits had been made to the Art Gallery and Museum since October 15th, and 164 Catalogues had been sold.

Mr. J. Fletcher had presented a collection of Pressed Flowers.

Two Skulls from West Tump had been procured from the University Museum, Oxford, through Dr. E. T. Wilson.

Mr. R. P. Wild had presented pieces of Romano-British Pottery, and a Roman Bronco object.

Mrs. Griffiths, Oakfield, had presented 10 additional sheets of Pressed Flowers.

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Mr. F. J. Peacey, Greet Manor, Winchcombe, had lent a number of Neolithic Flint Arrow-heads and Makers, Three Roman Pottery Lamps, and Coins.

Mr. R. P. Wild had been busy during the month with testing, classifying, and naming the minerals recently purchased.

Resolved, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors and Lenders.

3—Show Cases—Resolved, That the Curator be instructed to obtain tenders for two additional show cases, to be provided out of the Leslie Young Bequest.

JAS. B. WINTERBOTHAM.

Chairman.

## MINERAL WATERS, BATHS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Friday, the 14th November, 1913**—Present The Mayor, Alderman Baker, Councillors Bendall, Blakeney, Dodwell, Haddock, Merrett and Stewart (Councillor Haddock in the Chair).

1—Chairman—Resolved, That Councillor Haddock, be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

2—**Mineral Waters Sub-Committee**—Resolved, That the Chairman and Councillors Blakeney, Dodwell, Merrett and Stewart be appointed the Mineral Waters Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

3—Visitors for Baths and Recreation Grounds—Resolved, That the following Members of the Committee be appointed Visitors for the Baths and Recreation Grounds for the ensuing year.

Montpellier Baths—Councillors Haddock and Merrett.

Alstone Baths—Alderman Baker and Councillor Stewart.

Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground—Alderman Baker and Councillor Blakeney.

Naunton Park—Councillors Bendall and Silk.

Whaddon Lane Recreation Ground—Councillors Dodwell and Merrett.

Grove Street Ground—Councillor Dodwell.

4—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from the 1st April to the 31st October, were as follows:-

Receipts ... £375 17 2	Expenses ... ... £453 13 8
	Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ... <u>306 16 8</u>
£375 17 2	£760 10 4

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The Superintendent reported that the number of bathers during the year ended the 30th September last, was 16,370 (including 615 Elementary School Children), as compared with 16,315 during the previous year.

8—Alstone Baths—The Borough Accountant reported that the receipts and payments in respect of these Baths from the 1st April to the 31st October, were as follows :—

Receipts £358 8 6	Expenses ... ... £314 6 1
	Interest & Redemption (Proportion) ... <u>194 16 8</u>
£388 8 6	£509 2 9

The Superintendent reported that the number of bathers, &c., at the Alstone Baths during the year ended the 30th September last, was 49,965 (including 13,953 School Children), as compared with 46,993 during the previous year.

The Superintendent recommended that having regard to the number of girls from the Elementary Schools attending at the Baths, the hours reserved for females on Fridays should be from 10 a.m. to 3.45 p.m. instead of from 12 to 3.45. Resolved, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

The Superintendent also suggested that to encourage children from the Elementary Schools in swimming and lifesaving season tickets should be granted to the twelve boys and girls proving themselves most efficient at the end of the season. Resolved. That 12 season and 12 half-season tickets be granted to the children proving themselves most efficient in swimming at the end of next season.

6—Mineral Waters—The Borough Surveyor reported that the number of glasses of Mineral Waters sold during October last was 1276, as compared with 868 for the month of October, 1912. The

number of bottles of Aperient waters sold during October last was 204, as compared with 336 for the corresponding month in 1912.

P. HADDOCK,

Chairman.

#### **BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 14th November, 1913**—Present : Alderman Baker, Councillors Dodwell, Mann, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Winterbotham.

1--Chairman—Resolved, That Councillor Stewart be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year

B. OWEN SEACOME,

Town Clerk.

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**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 21st November, 1913.**—Present Councillors Dodwell, Rees Jones, Silk, Steel, Stewart and Winterbotham (Councillor Stewart in the chair).

2—Superintendent's Report—On the application of the Superintendent, Resolved, That he be authorised to expend the sum of £1 for Flower Seeds.

3—Designs—Resolved, That the following Designs be approved, viz. : Memorial Crosses to graves of Thomas Henry and Martha Webley, Esther Hayman, Eveline Maconochie, Henry Knaggs and Harriet Neville. Headstones to graves of Isaac and Jane Mills, Anne and George Cam Pimbury, and Charles William Sawyers. Flatstones to graves of Sarah Turner and Frances Mary Larden. Kerbing to graves of Kate Annie, William and Jane Townshend, Eugene Jocelyn Harper, Alfred Ryland, Sara Maclure and Lillian May Freeman.

4—Inspection—Resolved, That the Committee inspect the Cemetery on Wednesday next at 10 a.m.

J. STEWART,

Chairman.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, the 26th November, 1913.** Present Councillors Dodwell, Mann, Rees Jones, Steel, Stewart and Winterbotham. (Councillor Stewart in the chair.)

5—Inspection—The Committee inspected the Cemetery. Resolved, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the road in front of the Chapel scarified and rolled.

6—Tree Overhanging Grave--The letter from Mrs. Lillingston asking for the removal of the tree overhanging her late husband's grave was further considered. The Committee inspected the tree. Resolved, That the request be not acceded to

7—Grants of Grave Spaces—Resolved, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants (No. 4585 to 4593, both inclusive) of the exclusive right of Burial in the graves referred to therein, which had been purchased.

8—Illness of Superintendent—Read a letter from the Superintendent (Me. Amery) stating that he hoped to resume his duties on the 1st proximo. Resolved, That the thanks of the Committee be given to Mr. W. T. Long for superintending the work at the Cemetery during the illness of the Superintendent and for the efficient manner in which the same has been carried out.

J. STEWART,

Chairman.

#### **PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee, held on Tuesday, the 11th November, 1913**—Present: Councillors Blakeney, Green, Mann, Merrett, Steel and Wilkins, Messrs. A. Beckingsale, E. Gridley, A. Miles. E. C. Rogers and H. Stroud. (Councillor Green in the chair).

1—Chairman—Resolved, That Alderman Rogers be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

2--Appointment of Sub-Committee—Resolved, That the Chairman (Alderman Rogers), Councillors Green and Merrett, Dr. Davies, Messrs. F. J. Caudle and J. R. Claridge be appointed the Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

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3--Librarian's Report—Read, the Monthly Report of the Librarian. Receipts, £3 3s. 1d. Presentations:—E. A. Dicks (1 vol.), H. Bansall Todd (2 vols.), J. C. Williams (2 vols.), Co-Operative Wholesale Society (1 vol.), J. B. Hurry (3 vols.), Tariff Commission (14 vols. and 20 pamphlets).

The number of volumes consulted in the Reference Library during the four weeks ended the 8th instant (22 days) was 1541, as compared with 1499 for the corresponding period last year. The issues from the Lending Department numbered 10,118 as compared with 9782 last year.

12 Volumes for the Blind had been issued during the month.

4—Outside Painting—The Borough Surveyor submitted the tenders received for the outside painting of the Library. Resolved, That the same be referred to the Sub-Committee for consideration and report.

E. C. GREEN,

Chairman.

#### **FINANCE COMMITTEE.**

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 11th November, 1913.** Present Councillors Haddock, Rees Jones, Steel, Wilkins, and Winterbotham.

1—Chairman—Resolved, That Alderman Waghorne be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

R. OWEN SEACOME,

Town Cleric.

**At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, the 25th November, 1913.** Present : The Mayor, Alderman Waghorne, Councillors Rees Jones, Silk, Steel, Wilkins and Winterbotham (Alderman Waghorne in the chair).

2—General District Rate—The Report of the Borough Accountant dated the 25th inst., on the collection of the second instalment of this rate was read. Amount collected £654 11s. 4d. Leaving outstanding £20,053 7s. 6d.

3—Water Rate—Read the Report of the Borough Accountant dated the 25th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half-year ending the 25th Starch next. Amount collected, £2986 18s. Leaving outstanding £9,640 0s. 10d.

4—Loans—The Borough Accountant reported that he had received £400, £400, £100 and £100 on loan at 3  $\frac{3}{4}$  %. Resolved, That Debentures be sealed and issued accordingly on account of Street Improvement, and Aria and St. Paul's Sewers Loans.

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He also reported that he had arranged for the continuance of loans of £350, £1000, £1900 and £1173, the terms for which would shortly expire. Resolved, That the arrangement made by the Borough Accountant be approved and that Debentures be sealed and issued accordingly.

5—Parliamentary Registration—The Town Clerk laid before the Committee an account of the expenses of carrying into effect the provisions of the Acts for the Parliamentary Registration of Voters for the year 1913-1914 amounting to £88 7s. 3d. Resolved, That the said sum be certified under the Common Seal, to be payable by the Parishes of Cheltenham and Charlton Kings, viz. : Cheltenham £75 19s. 10d. Charlton Kings £12 7s. 5d.

5—Accounts—The Financial Statement of the Receipts and Expenditure since the last meeting and the Bills and Accounts to be paid were examined, and the latter ordered to be paid by the Borough Treasurer.

The Treasurer's accounts at the Bank were examined, and the balances found to be correct. The following was the General Statement:—

Overdrawn on the 28th October last	£8,868 18 1
Paid since that date (including Loans temporarily repaid, £4,000)	<u>14,817 6 11</u>
	£23,686 5 0
Received since that date (including Loans on Debenture, £1,000)	<u>13,554 0 7</u>
	Overdrawn £10,132 4 5
being General Accounts	£16,860 4 8
less Sinking Fund Accounts—in hand	£6,630 0 9

"Leslie Young Benefaction" Accounts do. £97 13 6

6,728 0 3  
£10,132 4 5

J. WAGHORNE,

Chairman.