

Borough of Cheltenham.

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 29th November, 1928.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMENADE, on MONDAY, the 3rd day of December, 1928, at THREE O'CLOCK** in the Afternoon, at which Meeting the following Business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Statutory Quarterly Meeting.

2. Communications by the Mayor.

3. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :—THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE HOUSING COMMITTEE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE WATER COMMITTEE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE and to consider application from F. Harvey & Son for omnibus Licence to ply for hire between Chedworth and Cheltenham ; and from Cook's Safety Coaches Ltd., for Licences for 4 omnibuses (Cardiff to London).

ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE RATING COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE

4. Memorials, Applications, Complaints, &c.

Yours faithfully,

Town Clerk.

To each Member of the Council.

Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held at the Municipal Offices, in the said Borough, on Wednesday, 9th November, 1928, at 12 noon. Present :

Alderman J. Stewart in the chair.

Aldermen Mann and Taylor ; Councillors Allen, Dunn, O.B.E., Leigh James, L. Scott Langley, Miller, Moore, Pates, Pruen, Smith, Brig.-Gen. Thomas, C.M.G., D.S.O., H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye, C.B.E., Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard Wapshare, K.C.I.E., C.B., C.S.I., E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward and Yarnold. Apologies - Apologies for absence were received from Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., J.P. and Councillor Wheeler, M.B.E.

1—Election of Councillors—The Town Clerk reported the election on the 1st inst., of the following as Councillors :— Mr. Henry Thomas Yarnold for the North Ward, Mr. James Allen for the Central Ward,

Mr. Selim John Smith for the East Ward, Mr. Leigh James for the South Ward, Mr. Lionel Scott Langley for the Middle Ward, Brig.-Gen. Henry Melville Thomas, C.M.G., D.S.O., for the West Ward, and laid before the Council their Declarations of Acceptance of Office.

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2—Election of Mayor—It was unanimously Resolved, That Alderman Charles Henry Margrett, C.B.E., be and he is hereby re-elected Mayor of the Borough of Cheltenham for the ensuing year. The Mayor then made the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and took the Oath of Allegiance and Judicial Oath. The Mayor thereupon took the Chair.

3—Appointment of Deputy Mayor—The Mayor signified in writing that he had appointed Alderman Clara Frances Winterbotham, M.B.E., to be his Deputy, and it was Resolved, That such appointment be recorded on the Minutes of the Council.

4—Election of Aldermen—The Members of the Council present, entitled to vote and voting delivered to the Chairman papers signed by them, and the same having been openly produced and read, it appeared that the following had been voted for and had received the number of votes set opposite their respective names, viz. :—

Charles Henry Margrett, Sandford House, Old Bath Road, Cheltenham, Esquire, J.P. ●●● ●●● ●●● .. 16

William Sawyer, Hillsborough, Kings Road, Cheltenham, Coal Merchant ... ●●● ●●● ●●● 16

Clara Frances Winterbotham, Holmdene, Evesham Road, Cheltenham, Spinster ... ●●● ●●● ●●● 16

The Mayor accordingly declared the said Charles Henry Margrett, William Sawyer and Clara Frances Winterbotham to be elected Aldermen. Aldermen C. H. Margrett and W. Sawyer then made their Declarations of Acceptance of Office. The Mayor in the Chair.

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3—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, viz. :—

Alderman	Margrett	North Ward.
“	Stewart	Central Ward.
“	Taylor	East Ward.
“	Clara Frances Winterbotham	South Ward.
“	Sawyer	Middle Ward.
“	Mann	West Ward.

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6—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 29th October, 1928 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.

7—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 :—The Mayor, Aldermen Clara Winterbotham and Stewart Councillors Allen, Leigh James, Moore, Pruen, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold, and that their powers and duties be as follows : To regulate and manage all matters relating to Public Health or concerning the duties of the Medical Officer of Health and Sanitary Inspector, 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, The Notification of Births Act, 1907, The Notification of Firths (Extension) Act 1915, Infectious Diseases (Prevention) Act, 1890, The Housing Acts, 1890 to 1925, so far as regards insanitary houses, the Housing (Rural Workers) Act 1926, and the Milk and Dairies Acts and the Orders made thereunder and the Public Health (Meat) Regulations.

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, 31, 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, and Section 3 of the Housing Act, 1925,

To examine and report upon all plans for new streets and buildings, including the enforcement of the Bye-laws 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.

To deal with the cleansing of watercourses and the enforcement of the provisions of the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts.

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Housing Committee—Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Housing Committee for the ensuing year :—Aldermen Clara Winterbotham and Taylor ; Councillors Dunn, Moore, Pates, Brig.-Gen. Thomas, H. W. Thomas, Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard Wapshare, J. F. Ward, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold, and that their powers and duties be as follows : To regulate and manage all matters relating to the provision of new houses for the working classes, under the Housing Acts.

Maternity, and Child Welfare Committee—Resolved, That the following do form the Maternity and Child Welfare Committee for the ensuing year to carry out all duties connected with Maternity and Child Welfare—The Mayor ; Aldermen Clara Winterbotham and Mann ; Councillors Dunn, Leigh James, Langley, Miller, Brig.-Gen. Thomas, Capt. Trye, E. L. Ward, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold ; Dr. G. A. Cardew, Mrs. E. Booy, Mrs. E. C. Gurney, Mrs. K. McArthur, Mrs. W. L. Mellersh and Mrs. D. H. Willoughby.

Street and Highway Committee—Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Street and Highway Committee for the ensuing year :—Aldermen Clara Winterbotham, Mann and Sawyer ; Councillors Langley, Pates, H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye and Yarnold, 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 Bye-laws 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 (except as to fares and stages) or in connection with the Bye-laws made by the Council with reference thereto.

To have the management of the Central Depot and the horses, materials and carts, etc., there ; 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 so far as regards new streets and

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buildings : The Public Health Acts, the Public Health (Building in Streets) Act, 1888, The Cheltenham Improvement Acts, 1852 and 1889, The Public Health Act, 1925, The Roads Improvement Act, 1925, and the Cheltenham Order of 1896 (with the exception of drainage and other sanitary matters), and to deal with any Town Planning scheme under the Housing, Town Planning, etc., Acts, 1909 to 1925.

Town Improvement and Spa Committee—Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Town Improvement and Spa Committee for the ensuing year :—Aldermen Stewart and Sawyer ; Councillors Allen, Dunn, Miller, Pates, Pruen, H. W. Thomas, E. L. Ward and Welstead, and that their powers and duties be as follows : To have the control and management of the Montpellier Gardens, Town Hall and Winter Garden, the Alstone and Montpellier Baths (including the Medical Baths thereat), and to enforce the provisions of the Bye-laws made by the Council with reference to them. To regulate and manage any matters in connection with the Mineral Waters under the control of the Corporation.

To manage and control the letting of the Pittville Gardens and the Pump Room.

To consider and carry out the laying out of the additional land purchased for Sandford Park.

To manage and control Entertainments undertaken 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.

To consider and report upon any matters in connection with the Spa development.

Electricity and Lighting committee—Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Electricity and Lighting Committee for the ensuing year :—Aldermen Taylor and Mann ; Councillors Dunn, Moore, Captain Trye, Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard Wapshare, J. F. Ward and Welstead, and that their powers 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 Cheltenham Electricity (Extension) Special Order, 1927, and the regulations of the Board of Trade and Electricity Commissioners made thereunder.

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Water Committee—Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Water Committee for the ensuing year :—The Mayor ; Aldermen Sawyer and Stewart ; Councillors Dunn, Moore, Pates, Smith and Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard Wapshare, 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 Corporation Water Acts, 1878 and 1881, and the Provisional Orders amending the same.

General Purposes and Watch Committee—(Chairmen of the several Standing Committees when appointed).

Resolved, That the powers and duties of the General Purposes and Watch Committee be as follows :—To regulate and manage 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 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 Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries in relation thereto. To consider and report to the Council upon the numbering and re-numbering of houses in, and the naming and re-naming of, streets in the Borough. To regulate and manage all matters in connection with the Fire Brigade and Fire Extinguishing Appliances.

Parks and Recreation Grounds Committee—Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Parks and Recreation Grounds Committee for the ensuing year :—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Dunn, Smith, Brig.-Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold, and that their powers and duties be as follows : To have the control and management of the Pittville Park and Estate and Sandford Park (except the letting of Pittville Gardens and Pump Room), the Promenade Long Garden and the Recreation Grounds, and to enforce the provisions of the Bye-laws made by the Council with reference to them.

To regulate and manage the Public Walks and Pleasure Grounds (except those specifically referred to the other Committees) and the Buildings thereon.

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Allotments Committee—Resolved, That the following do form the Allotments Committee for the ensuing year :—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Dunn, Smith, Brig.-Gen. H. M. Thomas, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold. Messrs. F. W. Clarkson, F. Vizard, J. Waine and F. M. Yeend (representing the interests of occupiers of allotments), and that their powers and duties be as follows : To regulate and manage the Allotments owned or rented by the Corporation under the Allotments Acts.

Rating Committee—Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Rating Committee for the ensuing year :—Aldermen Stewart and Taylor; Councillors Moore, Langley, Brig.-Gen. Thomas, H. W. Thomas, E. L. Ward and Yarnold and that their powers and duties be as follows

:—To regulate and manage all matters in connection with the Rating and Valuation Acts, including the appointment and dismissal of Officers and Staff in the Rates Department and the collection of rates and to deal with applications for the remission of rates.

Burial Board Committee—Resolved, That the following members of the Council do form the Burial Board Committee for the ensuing year :—Aldermen Mann and Stewart ; Councillors Langley, Miller, H. W. Thomas, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold, 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 :—Alderman Taylor ; Councillors Leigh James, Miller, Moore, Pruen, E. C. Ward, Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard Wapshare and Welstead, 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 Superannuation Scheme, the appointment and dismissal of the Officers and Staff in the Borough Treasurer's Department, the preparation of Estimates for Rates, and raising of Loans. To consider and report upon all matters arising upon the report of the District Auditor.

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Public Library Committee—Resolved, That the following do form the Public Library Committee for the ensuing year:—Aldermen Mann and Taylor ; Councillors Allen, Pates, Brig.-Gen. Thomas, Langley, Captain Trye, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold ; Rev. Canon P. M. C. Johnstone, Dr. R. Davies ; Messrs. W. Gerald Gurney, J.P., A. J. Miles, E. C. Rogers and C. E. Walsh, B.A., and that their powers and 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.

Art Gallery and Museum Committee—Resolved, That the following do form the Art Gallery and Museum Committee for the ensuing year :—The Mayor ; Aldermen Stewart, Taylor and Winterbotham; Councillors Dunn, Langley, Brig.-Gen. Thomas and Captain Trye ; Dr. R. Davies, Col. J. C. Griffith, Major Cavenagh-Mainwaring and Mr. F. B. de Sausmarez, J.P., as Consulting members, and that their powers and duties be as follows : To regulate and manage the Art Gallery and Museum and all matters relating thereto.

Pension Committee—Resolved, That the Local Pension Committee for the Borough consist of all the Members of the Council, and That their term of office as Members of such Committee expire on the 9th November, 1929, and that eight be a quorum of the Committee.

8-Education Committee—(a) Resolved, That the following members of the Council be appointed Members of the Education Committee for the ensuing year :—The Mayor ; Aldermen Clara Winterbotham, Mann, Stewart and Taylor ; Councillors Allen, Leigh James, Moore, Pruen, Gen. Thomas, Captain Trye, J. F. Ward, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold.

(b) Resolved, That Mrs. Pruen, Mr. G. Blagg and the Rev. W. E. Beck be appointed Members of the Education Committee for terms of three years expiring on the 9th November, 1932.

9—Minutes of Council in Committee—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Meeting of the Council in Committee held on the 6th November, 1928, be approved and confirmed.

10—Ex-Alderman J. D. Bendall — Resolved, That this Council regret Mr. J. D. Bendall's retirement owing to ill-health and wish to convey to him their warm appreciation of his services on the Council of which he has been a Member for 27 years and served as Mayor for 3 years, and as Chairman of the Street and Highway Committee for 25 years and also Chairman of the Housing Committee for 9 years and hopes that he will soon be restored to health.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Mayor.

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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, 3rd December, 1928.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 9th November, 1928. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Allen, Leigh James, Moore, Pruen, E. L. Ward, Gen. Thomas and Yarnold.

1—Chairman—RESOLVED, That Brig Gen. H. M. Thomas be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

2—**Farms Sub-Committee**--RESOLVED, That Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Leigh James, Moore, Pruen, Brig. Gen Thomas, E. L. Ward and Yarnold be appointed the Farms Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

3—**Plans Sub-Committee**—RESOLVED, That Alderman Stewart, Councillors Leigh James and Gen. Thomas be appointed Members of the Plans Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

H. M. THOMAS, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 12th November, 1928. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Allen, Leigh James, Pruen, E. L. Ward, Gen. Thomas, Welstead and Yarnold (Councillor Gen. Thomas in the chair).

4—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. —3, 4 and 5 Clare 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 Sanitary Inspector on behalf of the Corporation.

5—Overcrowding at 3 and 5 Butts Cottages, Malvern 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.

6—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 7 and 8 Dunalley Parade ; 1 Promenade Villas.—The Sanitary Inspector having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, etc., 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 Sanitary Inspector to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

7—Insanitary Property—(a) 16 Burton Street ; 14 Casino Place ; 3 and 5 Clare Street ; 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18 Edward Street ; 2, 3, 4 and 5 Edward Place; 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 Edward Terrace, 4 Tivoli Buildings, and 92 Winchcomb 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, or Section 3 of the Housing Act, 1925, 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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(b) 19, 20 and 45 Rutland Street and 17 Burton Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Committee, the repairs to these premises had been carried out at a cost of £13 in respect of the first three properties mentioned and £7 1s. 0d. in respect of 17 Burton Street. The Town Clerk submitted statement as to the position of the Owner, and stated that the Corporation were collecting the rent of the properties under the Rating and Valuation Act, 1925. RESOLVED, That orders be made under the Common Seal declaring the said expenses to be payable by monthly instalments within a period of not exceeding 2 years with interest at the rate of 5 per cent per annum until the total amount is repaid.

(c) 6 Belmont Terrace—The Sanitary Inspector reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Committee the sanitary work required under Section 3 of the Housing Act, 1925, had been executed to his satisfaction by Mr. W. Williams at a cost of £14 14s. 6d. RESOLVED, That an Order be made under the Common Seal declaring the said expenses to be repayable by monthly instalments within a period not exceeding 2 years with interest at the rate of 5 per cent. per annum until the total amount is repaid.

(d) 45 Queen Street and 31 Worcester Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the Owners of these houses had not complied with the Notices served under Section 3 of the Housing Act, 1925, and submitted tenders for carrying out the works required RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. J. T. Jenkins of £5 15s. 6d. for 31 Worcester Street and Mr. J. Welch of £9 10s. 0d. for 45 Queen Street, being the lowest in each case, he accepted.

8—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—(a) Cottage at rear of 213 High Street—Read, letter from Mr. J. R. Claridge stating that he was obtaining tenders for the demolition of this house.

(b) 1 and 2 Limbrick Cottages—RESOLVED, That consideration of making Demolition Orders in respect of these houses be considered at the January Meeting of the Committee and that Notice be given to the Owner,

(c) 9a Russell Place ; 32a and 32b Fairview Road ; and 1 Elm Street.—The Medical Officer of Health having made representation that these dwelling houses were so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation and recommended that the same be closed. Mrs. Falconer, the Owner of 32a and 32b Fairview Road, attended and made no objection to Orders being made in respect of her properties, RESOLVED, That it appearing to the Council that the said houses are in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, Orders be now made under the Common Seal pursuant to Subsection (1) of Section 11 of the Housing Act, 1925, prohibiting the use of the said premises for human habitation until the same have been rendered fit for that purpose and that notice thereof be given to the Owners and Occupiers.

(d) 7 and 8 Russell Place----The Medical Officer of Health having made representation that these houses were in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation recommended that the same be closed. Mr. H. Barton, the Owner, attended and stated that he was obtaining tenders for carrying out the work required to make the houses fit for human habitation in accordance with the specification of the Medical Officer of Health. RESOLVED, That consideration of making a Closing Order be adjourned.

9—Milk and Dairies Order, 1926—RESOLVED, That the application of A. E. Grey, of 303 High Street, to be registered as a purveyor of milk be granted, subject to the usual regulations and to the approval of the premises by the Medical Officer of Health.

10—Milk (Special Designations) Order, 1923—The Medical Officer of Health submitted application from F. C. Flower, trading as The Tewkesbury Clean Milk Supply, of Walton Cardiff, for a licence to sell certified milk within the Borough. RESOLVED, That the application be granted subject to compliance with the Order.

11—Factories without sufficient Water Closet Accommodation—Saw Mills, Naunton Lane and Ebdon's Automobiles, Naunton Lane—It appearing on the Report of the Sanitary Inspector that the above premises were without sufficient water closet accommodation. RESOLVED, That Notices under Section 38 of the Public Health Act, 1875, be given to the Owners requiring them to provide the same.

12—House without a proper supply of Water-210 High Street—The Sanitary Inspector submitted report of the Borough Surveyor that this house was without a proper supply of water RESOLVED, That notice be given to the Owner requiring him to obtain a proper supply under Section 62 of the Public Health Act, 1875,

13—Public Health (Meat Regulations), 1924—The Sanitary Inspector submitted copy of a letter of the 20th ult., which he had written to the Grocers and Provision Merchants in the Borough, drawing their attention again to the regulations, as it had come to his notice that in some cases grocers were not exercising adequate and suitable precautions to safeguard the provisions displayed in their shop windows. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

14—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 8 cwt. 11 qrs. beef ; 3 qrs. 18 lbs. mutton ; 5 cwt. 1 q. 3 lbs. pork.

15—Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted list of Notices requiring abatement of Nuisances arising from dirty walls and ceilings, leaky roofs, and want of ash receptacles, etc., served but not complied with. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to enforce compliance.

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16--Abattoir (a) Lairage—The Town Clerk reported that the Secretary of the Co-operative Marketing Society would recommend the Society to give up the lairage now used by them as a store if the Corporation would fence this off from the rest of the market. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have this done if the Society are willing to give up the building.

(b) Extensions—The Borough Surveyor submitted amended plans for the extensions of the abattoir, which had been unofficially approved by Mr. Dawes, an Inspector of the Ministry of Health. He now estimated the cost of carrying out the work in accordance with the revised plans at £1,500 RESOLVED, That the plans be now approved and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £1,500 for carrying out the work, and that Minute No. 11 passed at the Meeting of the Committee held on the 13th February last be varied accordingly,

(c) Boiler—It was reported that the provision of the new boiler included in the above plans was required at once. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to obtain tenders for the boiler and that the Chairman be authorised to accept the most favourable tender.

17—Hayden Farm—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to obtain tenders for the timber from the seven trees to be felled at this farm by the Shropshire, Worcestershire & Staffordshire Power Co., Ltd.

18—Disposal of Refuse--The Public Health Committee considered the proposals of the Street and Highway Committee in regard to tipping the refuse, RESOLVED, That the Street and Highway Committee be requested to defer taking any further steps for providing tips until the matter has been further considered.

H. M. THOMAS, Chairman.

HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 13th November, 1928. Present—Councillors Dunn, Pates, Moore, Gen. Thomas, H. W. Thomas, Sir Richard Wapshare, J. F. Ward and Welstead.

1--Chairman--RESOLVED, That Councillor Pates be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

2—Sales of Houses—The following offers were reported :—

Situation.	Name of Purchaser.	Price.
13 Spenser Road	E. R. Portlock	£495
19 Spenser Road	G. A. Blunsden	£495
6 Spenser Avenue	F. H. Yeates	£495

RESOLVED, That the offers be accepted (subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health), That application be made to the Ministry for consent to the sales, and That the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyances. RESOLVED, also, That the Corporation agree to join with the Purchasers in Mortgages to the Building Society for advances not exceeding 90 per cent. to guarantee repayment until the principal is reduced to two-thirds of the value in each case, and That the Common Seal be affixed to the Mortgages.

3—Selection of **Tenants Sub-Committee**—RESOLVED, That Alderman Taylor, Councillors Pates, Gen. Thomas, J. F. Ward and Yarnold be appointed the Selection of Tenants Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

4—**Gardens Prize Scheme Sub-Committee**—St. Mark's Estate—RESOLVED, That Alderman Taylor, Councillors Dunn, Pates, Moore, J. F. Ward and Sir Richard Wapshare be appointed the Gardens Prize Scheme Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

5—Sale of Land—(a) Shakespeare Road—RESOLVED, That the offer of Mr. C. Gater, owner of 53 Byron Road, to purchase a portion of the strip of land at the rear of his house, be not acceded to.

(b) Brooklyn Road—The Town Clerk submitted application from Mr J. L. Fisher to purchase a piece of land with a frontage of 35 feet to this road, RESOLVED, (subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health) That the Corporation agree to sell the land to Mr. Fisher at £3 a foot frontage, subject to his entering into a Contract containing similar covenants to those already entered into by other purchasers RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for consent to the sale, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance. -

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6—Housing, etc., Act, 1923 --- Whaddon Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted Final Certificate of completion of a detached house erected in this road by Mrs. E. M. Temple. RESOLVED, That a subsidy of £50 be paid subject to her undertaking to comply with the usual conditions made.

7—Kingsley Gardens—The Town Clerk reported that the six unsold houses in Kingsley Gardens had been let.

8—Selection of Tenants—(a) RESOLVED, That Mr. E. R. Lamb, who made application for a house in 1925, be added to the end of the Selected list of tenants for the St. Mark's Estate.

(b) RESOLVED, That Mrs. Lawrence of 41 Rutland Street be granted a house on the Folly Lane Housing Estate and that the Tenant of 31 Manser Street be allowed to transfer to a house on the St. Mark's Estate.

9—Arrears of Rent—The Borough Treasurer submitted statement as to the arrears of rent. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings for recovery of the arrears.

10—Conference—RESOLVED, That Councillor J. F. Ward be appointed to attend the Conference to be held at Buxton from the 23rd to 25th inst., in place of Ex-Councillor Dicks.

11—S. Mark's Estate—(a) New Houses—Mr. Rainger submitted lay-out of the remainder of Kipling Road. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

(b) Spenser Road—RESOLVED, That Mr. Rainger be asked to submit estimate of the cost of fixing screen fences to the houses at the junction of Spenser Road and Spenser Avenue.

12—Folly Lane Housing Estate--(a) Mr Malvern submitted lay-out of the houses on the land on the east side of Folly Lane providing for 51 three-bedroom and 15 two-bedroom houses. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

(b) Fences—RESOLVED, That Mr. Malvern be instructed to erect fences in front of the w.c's. of the houses in course of erection by Messrs. Thompson & Sons, and also to erect similar fences to screen the w.c's. of the 81 houses erected on the Hanover Street Site at an estimated cost of £1 10s. 0d. per house.

(c) Davis' Land—The Town Clerk reported that the loan from the Ministry of Health for the purchase of Mr. Davis' land had now been received, and he submitted contract with Mr. Davis for the purchase of the land RESOLVED, That this be approved as now settled.

J. P. PATES, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 22nd November, 1928. Present—The Deputy Mayor; Councillors Moore, Pates and Gen. Thomas (Councillor Pates in the chair). Councillors Leigh James and Pruen as representatives of the South Ward and Councillor Smith as a representative of the East Ward also attended.

13—Housing Sites—The Committee inspected various proposed Housing Sites in the South and East Wards,

J. P. PATES, Chairman.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 19th November, 1928. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Mann ; Councillors Langley, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward and Yarnold and Mrs. Booy.

1—Chairman—RESOLVED, That Councillor Leigh James be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

E. OWEN SEACOME, Town Clerk.

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STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 9th November, 1928 Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Mann and Sawyer; Councillors Langley, Pates, H. W. Thomas and Yarnold,

1—Chairman—RESOLVED, That Councillor Capt. J. H. Trye be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year

2—**Plans Sub-Committee**—RESOLVED, That Alderman Mann, Councillors Capt. Trye and Yarnold be appointed Members of the Plans Sub-Committee for the ensuing year

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 19th November, 1928. Present—The Mayor; The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Mann ; Councillors Langley, Pates, H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye and Yarnold (Councillor Capt. Trye in the chair).

3—**Plans Sub-Committee**—(a) The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 29th ult. and 19th inst. RESOLVED, That the same be approved and adopted.

(b) Plan 2588--Petrol Station and Tea Rooms, Gloucester Road—Read, Memorial from 11 owners and occupiers in Gloucester and Granley Roads protesting against the erection of the petrol station and tea rooms on the corner of Gloucester and Granley Roads. RESOLVED, That the Memorialists be informed that as the plan complies with the byelaws, the Corporation cannot prohibit the erection of the building.

(c) Conversion of Houses—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to give notice, by advertisement, that plans must be submitted to the Corporation for the conversion of any house into two or more dwelling houses.

4—**Requisitions, Stores and Plant Sub-Committee**—RESOLVED, That Alderman Mann ; Councillors, Langley, Pates, Capt. Trye and Yarnold be appointed the Requisitions, Stores and Plant Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

5—Imperial Lane—RESOLVED, That the application of Dale, Forty & Co. Ltd, to place a coal chute in the public footpath in Imperial Lane be granted, subject to the same being constructed in accordance with the requirements of the Borough Surveyor.

6—Promenade—Read, application from Cavendish House (Cheltenham) Ltd., for permission to extend the mosaic tiled strip in the footpath adjoining their premises to the proposed new arcade. RESOLVED, That no objection be made, provided that the strip is inscribed indicating that it forms part of the public footway.

7—Workmen—RESOLVED, That the workmen be granted a day's holiday on Saturday, 22nd June next for their Annual Outing, as last year.

8—Hales Road—Footpath—RESOLVED, That the quotation from Messrs. Colprovia Ltd. for laying 1 ½ inches of colprovia on the Hales Road footpath at 3s 3d. a square yard, be accepted, subject to a contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk, to include an undertaking to maintain the pavement for a period of five years

9—Central Depot—Weighbridge—RESOLVED, That provision be made in next year's estimates for a new weighbridge at the Central Depot.

10—Post Office Telegraphs—Moorend Park Road—Read, application from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs, for permission to place an overhead telegraphic line with one pole and stay along Moorend Park Road at the junction with Shurdington Road. RESOLVED, That it be suggested to the Department that a stronger pole be placed instead of an additional stay.

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11—Classification of Roads- RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Transport for the classification of Montpellier Terrace, Sandford Road and Sandford Mill Road, Queens Road, Clarence Street and Manchester Street to St. James Station.

12—Montpellier Grove and Back of Montpellier Terrace—The Borough Surveyor submitted letters suggesting the rounding off of the corner of these roads. RESOLVED, That he be authorised to arrange with Nazareth House for the improvement of the corner as suggested.

13—View Committee—Reported Meeting on 14th inst. Present—Alderman Mann and Councillors Capt. Trye and Yarnold (Councillor Capt. Trye in the chair).

They recommended as follows :—

(a) Ormond Place—That the offer made through Messrs. Healing & Overbury to allow the Corporation to round off the corner of Ormond Place and Regent Street on certain conditions be not accepted, and that the application of Messrs. R. F. Beard, Ltd. for new paving to the footpath of Ormond Place be not granted.

(b) High Street—(i) That the Post Office Telephone Department be allowed to erect a telephone kiosk on the piece of land at the corner of Whitehart Street.

(ii) That the cattle trough be not removed.

(c) That Miss Bayliss' offer to purchase the land at the corner of Whitehart Street be not accepted, but that the railings be painted if the offer of the site for a telephone kiosk is not accepted.

(d) Lansdown Road—That the attention of the Electricity Department be called to the crossings complained of by Alderman Taylor and that any small repairs to the footpath be carried out.

(e) Naunton Pieces—That the Corporation agree to contribute one-half of the cost of the proposed new road adjoining the Minnow Ditch footpath from Langdon Road to Ewlyn Road subject to the triangular piece of land at the junction of Fairfield Road containing 2355 square yards being given up to the Corporation for any future improvement.

(f) Trees—That a Special Meeting of the View Committee be held on Tuesday, 27th inst., to inspect trees.

RESOLVED, That the recommendations of the View Committee be approved and adopted.

14—Tewkesbury Road— Weighbridge—RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to remove the Weighbridge in this road as the Committee consider it is no longer necessary.

15--Princes Street—RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham Original Brewery Co. for permission to place a rolling way in the footpath to the basement of the Marlborough Arms, be granted subject to the same being constructed in accordance with the requirements of the Borough Surveyor.

16 --Transport—Tractor and Trailer—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Sub-Committee had inspected the second-hand tractor and trailer and obtained a mechanical report thereon, and they recommend that it be not purchased. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be adopted

17—The Park—The Borough Surveyor submitted report as to damage to a tree outside "Pallas," The Park. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the owner requiring payment for the damage done to the tree.

18—Refuse Disposal—Church Road, Leckhampton—The Town Clerk submitted draft agreement with Mr. S. T. Walford for the lease of an old sand pit in Church Road. Leckhampton, for use as a refuse tip, for a term of three years from the 29th September last, rent free, all refuse to be covered with soil and sown with grass seed so as to raise the level of the ground as provided for in the lease. The lease to be terminable by the Corporation by three months notice if the level of the ground has been raised as provided. before the expiration of the term. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

19—Petrol Pumps—Read, circular of 29th uh., from the Ministry of Transport stating that where land dedicated as part of the public highway is allowed to be obstructed by petrol pumps and other similar installations the grants from the Road Fund towards the maintenance and improvement of the roads concerned would be jeopardised. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned and that a list of the petrol pumps at present on the footpaths in the Borough be submitted at the next meeting of the Committee.

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20—Roads (Improvement) Act, 1925—The Town Clerk submitted notice from the County Council prescribing building lines along the Gloucester and Cheltenham main road.

21—Suffolk Road—Read, letter from Messrs. Winterbotham, Gurney & Co, approving the draft Conveyance of the strip of the garden land of Roderic House to be given up by the Ladies College for the widening and improvement of Suffolk Road, subject to the wall to be rebuilt to the new line of frontage being seven feet high. RESOLVED. That this be approved and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance.

22—Malvern Road—Railway Station Direction Sign—The Committee further considered the application of the Great Western Railway for permission to fix a direction sign on the Gordon Lamp directing to this Station, RESOLVED, That the Committee think that a sign on the Gordon Lamp will be unsightly and suggest that the Company should obtain permission to put a sign on Lauriston House and another further along Malvern Road.

23-1, 2 and Vernon Place—The Committee considered the suggestion of the Town Improvement and Spa Committee that this Committee should purchase this property for a street improvement.

RESOLVED, That no action be taken,

24—Projecting Signs—(a) Report of Street Inspector—Read, report from Supt. Goulder, enclosing further list of 17 projecting signs erected without permission, 14 of which would apply for permission and 3 of which would be pulled down.

(b) RESOLVED, That the following applications be granted, viz.:—

Name	Address,	No. of Signs.
Gardner & Son	301-302, High Street	1
J. Elford	Pittville Gates	1 lamp
N. Reavenall	4, Suffolk Road	1
W. F. L. Radburn	The Corner Cupboard, Shurdington Road	1
H. Messenger	77, Albion Street	1 lamp
H. G. Morley	101, High Street	2
W. A. Castle	56, Upper Bath Road	2
H. W. Flemons	Corner of Pittville and High St	5 lamps

25—Taxi-Office—The Committee further considered the proposal with regard to removing the taxi office to the rear of 14, Promenade, and Col. Brown Mason and Col. Brettell, attended as a deputation from the British Legion and urged that this should not be removed. RESOLVED, That the General Purposes and Watch Committee be recommended not to require the removal of the taxi office for the present.

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

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PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Monday, 29th October, 1928. Present—Councillors Dicks, Thomas and Capt. Dye (Councillor Capt. Trye 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.
2589	Vernall, F.	Extension of Dining Room, Rodney Hotel, Rodney Place (Amended Plan).
2594	Edmonds, E., Miss	Alterations for flats, 5 Lansdown Crescent.

RESOLVED, That Plan No. 2589 be approved ; and that Plan No. 2594 be disapproved.

J. H. THYE, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Monday, 19th November, 1928. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Mann; Councillors Pates, Capt. Trye and Yarnold (Alderman Mann 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.
2558	Dennis, C.	New tea room and petrol filling station, Gloucester Rd. (Amended Plan).
2593	Martin, F.	Extension of garage, 11 Oxford Place, London Road (Amended Plan).
2594	Edmonds, E., Miss	Alterations to flats, 5 Lansdown Crescent.
2595	Grant, Major	Motor house, Edenham, Wellington Square.
2596	Curtis, Mrs.	Cycle shed, Langton House Hotel, Bath Road.
2597	Pates, E. F.	Workshop, Rippledale, Moorend Crescent.
2598	Banks, C. H.	Motor house, Oakleigh, Old Bath Road.
2599	Smith, J. A.	Addition to kitchen, 6 Coltham Terrace, Hale's Road.
2600	Whitaker, T. E.	Additions to Cheltine Works, Chester Walk.
2601	Felton, F.	New bedroom, 4 Keynsham Road,
2602	Bayley, L. W.	Motor house, 4 Promenade.
2603	Eager, H.	New store building, Nibley House, North Place.
2604	Crook, S. C.	Motor house, St. Ives, Moot-end Park Road.
2605	Cheltenham Corporation	Electricity Sub-Station, in back road off Clarence Road.
2606	Roberts, G. H.	Four semi-detached houses, All Saints' Road.
2607	Allen, O.	Motor house, off Hale's Road.
2608	Riley, Miss	Motor house, Old Bath Road.
2609	Wills, E.	Motor house, Sidcot, Kings Road.
2610	Smith, E. L., Mrs.	Detached house and garage. Arle Road.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 2588, 2593, 2598, 2599, 2601, 2602, 2604, 2606, 2607, 2608 and 2609 be approved ; that Plans Nos. 2594, 2600 and 2603 be approved subject to the drainage and sanitary work being approved by the Sanitary Inspector, that Plans Nos 2595 and 2605 be approved subject to the approval of the Parks and Recreation Ground's Committee, and that Plans Nos. 2596, 2597 and 2610 be disapproved,

A. MANN,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 9th November, 1928, Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Stewart and Sawyer ; Councillors Allen, Dunn, Miller, Pates, Pruen, H. W. Thomas and E. L. Ward,

1—Chairman—RESOLVED, That Alderman Stewart be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

R. OWEN SEACOME,

Town Clerk.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 16th November, 1928. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Allen, Dunn, Pates, Pruen, H. W. Thomas and Welstead (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

2---**Concerts Sub-Committee**—RESOLVED, That Alderman Stewart, Councillors Dunn, Pates, H. W. Thomas, and Welstead be appointed the Concerts Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

3—Visitors—RESOLVED, That the following Members of the Committee be appointed Visitors for the ensuing year:—

Montpellier Baths Councillors H. W. Thomas and Welstead.

Montpellier Gardens Councillors Pruen and H. W. Thomas

Town Hall and Winter Gardens Alderman Stewart and Councillor Pates.

Alstone Baths ... Alderman Stewart and Councillor Allen.

4—Montpellier Gardens—Read, letter of 26th ult., from the Chamber of Commerce suggesting that the four entrance gates to Montpellier Gardens should be opened during the winter months. RESOLVED, That this suggestion be not approved.

5—Town Hall—Catering—RESOLVED, That the Spa Manager be authorised to purchase a gross of cups and saucers and plates at an estimated cost of £11 8s. Od., and also two rolls of table cloth for the catering at the Town Hall

6—Alstone Baths—Chairs—Read, letter from the Cheltenham Swimming & Water Polo Club asking the Committee to reduce the charge for the hire of chairs used at galas. RESOLVED, That a charge of 10s per gala be made

7—Montpellier Baths, Read, letter of 21st inst., from the Cheltenham Swimming & Water Polo Club asking that these Baths should be opened earlier and suggesting the 1st February. RESOLVED, That the Baths be opened on the 1st March (being the same date as last year) instead of 16th April as formerly.

JAMES STEWART.

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 23rd November, 1928. Present—Alderman Stewart: Councillors Allen, Dunn, Miller, Pates, Pruett and Welstead. (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

8—Montpellier Gardens—(a) Walnut Trees—The Borough Surveyor submitted report of the treeman on the walnut trees in these gardens. RESOLVED, That the old trees be cut down.

(b) Flower Show—Mr. E. Baring and Mrs. Bisset attended as a deputation from the Floral Fete Committee and asked for the use of these gardens for the Flower Show to be held on the 19th and 20th or 26th and 27th June, 1929 RESOLVED. That the exclusive use of the gardens be granted for the two days of the show subject to details of the positions of the tents and side shows and of the time required for the erection and removal of these being sub-mitted to and approved by this Committee, subject also to the Chamber of Commerce agreeing to pay all out of pocket expenses and to make good all damage and loss suffered by the Corporation and to the music of the roundabouts, etc. being subdued so as to avoid causing any nuisance to residents in the neighbourhood. RESOLVED, also, That the tennis courts at these gardens be let one week earlier than usual if the ground is suitable for play.

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9—Town Hall—(a) Gas Ovens—The Borough Surveyor reported that a recent examination of the gas ovens in the kitchen showed that nearly all the burner fittings were wont out and one set of ovens were badly cracked and required renewing, and he submitted estimate from the Gas Co. for the work required at a cost of £105 16s. 0d. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to have this carried out.

(b) Catering—RESOLVED, That the Spa Manager be authorised to purchase a further 24 tables for the catering at the Town Hall at an estimated cost of £3 6s. 0d.

10—Sandford Park—(a) RESOLVED, That the offer of the Horsecombe Quarries and Stone Works of a vase be accepted with thanks.

(b) Westall Green Fountain—The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. White considered the fountain in Westall Green would make a suitable ornament for the Keynsham Road Entrance to Sandford lark. RESOLVED, That the Committee agree to this being placed in the site suggested by Mr. White.

11—Montpellier Baths—Water Filter—The Borough Surveyor submitted quotation obtained at the Chairman's request from Messrs. Royles Ltd. for an aeration and filtration plant for the swimming bath amounting to £985. RESOLVED, That consideration of the proposal be adjourned for the present.

12—St. George's Square Bowling Green—Read, letters of 18th and 24th ult., from Mr. J. H. Evans, with regard to the bowling green, stating that the green had been properly dressed and raked after consultation with experts. Mr. Evans and Mr. T. Child attended the Committee, RESOLVED, That Messrs. Gaze & Sons Ltd, the contractors who laid the green be asked to send a representative to inspect and report to this Committee as to the condition of the green.

13--British Spa Federation—RESOLVED, That an invitation be extended to the British Spa Federation to hold its bi-annual meeting in Cheltenham in the Autumn of 1929.

14—Advertising—Read, letter of 21st inst., from Aerofilms Ltd., enclosing recent aerial photographs of the town quoting terms for reproduction of the photographs for advertising on envelopes, etc. RESOLVED, That their offer be not accepted.

15 —Report of **Concerts Sub-Committee**—The Reports of the Concerts Sub-Committee at their Meeting on the 23rd ult. and 13th inst. were read.

They recommended as follows :—

(a) Town Hall—Popular Dances—That popular dances be held on suitable dates from 8 to 11 p.m. and that a charge of 1s be made.

(b) Summer Band—That the summer Bands play 14 performances per week, viz., weekdays, mornings and evenings; Sunday evenings and Thursday afternoons.

(c) Whit-Monday Fete—That the Spa Manager be authorised to engage a local band for Whit-Monday Fete and for Whit-Sunday evening.

RESOLVED, That the recommendations be approved and adopted.

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

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ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 19th November, 1928. Present—Alderman Mann, Councillors Moore and Sir R. Wapshare.

1—Chairman--RESOLVED, That Councillor J. Moore be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

R. OWEN SEACOME.

Town Clerk.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 21st November, 1928. Present—Aldermen Mann and Taylor ; Councillors Dunn, Moore, Capt. Trye and Welstead (Councillor Moore in the chair).

2—Public Lighting—Complaints were received as to the lighting in Oriel Villas Road; Hales Road and Lansdown Crescent. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for view.

3—Tenders for Coal—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had now made extended tests of three different Coals and recommended acceptance of the tender of Messrs. Renwick Wilton & Co., for the supply of Crump Meadow Coal at 14s 10d. per ton in Corporation wagons for the coal required up to the 30th June next. RESOLVED, that this tender be accepted, subject to a contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into.

4--Electricity Works—Engine Room—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the Engine Room Roof was in a bad condition and that after inspection he had instructed Messrs. E. Saunders & Sons to do the necessary repairs. RESOLVED, That the action of the Borough Electrical Engineer be approved,

5—Sub-Station, Evesham House—Four tenders for the erection of this sub-station were received RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. H. Mealing & Co. of £1,101 4s. 6d., being the lowest, be accepted. subject to a contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into.

6—I.M.E.A.—RESOLVED, That the Chairman (Councillor Moore), Councillor Capt. Trye and the Borough Electrical Engineer be appointed delegates to attend the LAI E.A. Convention to be held at Torquay in June next.

7—Bulk Supply—(a) Read, letter of 29th ult., from the Shropshire, Worcestershire & Staffordshire Power Co. giving notice of intention to carry out work shown on Drawing No. T.275 enclosed therewith affording an alternative supply from the West Gloucestershire Power Co. RESOLVED, That the plan be approved.

(b) The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had commenced taking bulk supply from the Power Co. on the 17th inst., and that about 650 consumers had been changed over.

8—Gas Tests—Periodical Reports—Read, Reports of Gas Tests made on the 21st and 25th ult., 5th, 9th and 14th inst., which showed the calorific value on these dates to be 479.4, 472.7, 472.6, 473.43 and 472.26 B.Th.U., and pressure 4.3, 4.4, 4.8, 4.9 and 4.9 inches of water.

JAMES MOORE, Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 15th November, 1928. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Stewart; Councillors Dunn, Moore, Pates, Smith and Sir Richard Wapshare.

1—Chairman--RESOLVED, That the Mayor be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year,

2—Borough Engineer's Report—The Monthly Report of the Borough Engineer was read :—

	For 30 days ended 15th November, 1928.	Average for corresponding Period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	102,000 gallons	183,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	414,000 "	688,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	33,000 "	61,000 "
Total	549,000	932,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
	15th November, 1928.		15th November, 1927.	
Hewletts		7,739,000 gallons		24,575,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	13ft. 9in.	23,409,000	24ft. 0in.	61,264,000 "
Leckhampton	2ft. 0ins.	270,000	11ft. 0in.	1,485,000 "
Total Storage		31,418,000		87,324,000

3—Inspections --The Borough Engineer reported the work carried out by the Water Inspectors during the month of October.

4—Trunk Mains—Tewkesbury Road to Lansdown—Mr. Waddington attended and stated that his firm had been unable to enter into the Contract for the new 9 inch main from Tewkesbury Road to Lansdown, as they could not obtain delivery of the pipes provided for in their tender under six months, but he offered to enter into the Contract using Stanton Cast Iron pipes on payment of an additional sum of £170 to allow for the extra cost of these pipes. RESOLVED, That the revised tender of Messrs. Waddington & Sons of £5,317 be accepted, subject to a formal Contract and Bond being entered into and that Minute No. 3 passed by the Committee on the 13th September last be varied accordingly.

5- --Extension to Mains—(a) Badgeworth Road—The Borough Engineer submitted further application from Mr. E. Eager for a supply to two premises from one service pipe in Badgeworth Road. RESOLVED, That the application be not granted.

(b) Gadshill, Chariton Kings—Mr. C. Dickens attended and asked for extension of supply to another house proposed to be built at Gadshill. The Borough Engineer recommended that the application be not granted. RESOLVED, That the extension of main asked be not made.

6—Dowdeswell Water Works--Road Drainage—RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to ask the County Council to continue the surface water drain recently laid by them in the London Road so as to discharge into the sewer below the Reservoir at Dowdeswell.

7—Ashchurch Water Supply—The Borough Engineer reported that the laying of the new 6 in trunk main in Ashchurch Road was commenced on the 12th inst.

8—Woodlands Farm—The Borough Engineer reported that he estimated the cost of repairing the Woodlands Farmhouse at £59. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to have this work carried out,

9—Congress—Read. Circular letter from the British Waterworks Association inviting the attendance of delegates at the Winter session of the Association to be held in London on the 22nd inst. RESOLVED, That delegates be not appointed.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 20th November, 1928. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor : Aldermen Mann, Stewart and Taylor : Councillors Leigh James, Moore, Pates, Gen. Thomas, Capt. Trye, Welstead and Yarnold.

1—Chairman--RESOLVED, That the Mayor be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

2—**Fire Brigade Sub-Committee**—RESOLVED, That Aldermen Mann, Sawyer and Stewart and Councillor Gen. Thomas be appointed the Fire Brigade Sub-Committee for the ensuing year

3—**Market Sub-Committee**—RESOLVED, That the Mayor Alderman Stewart Councillors Leigh James, Moore, Gen. Thomas and Yarnold be appointed the Market Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

4—Diseases amongst Animals—(a) Supt. Goulder reported that the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

(b) Read, circular letter from the Government of Northern Ireland stating that the restrictions on the Cross-Channel movement of Dogs had been removed as from the 29th ult.

5—Omnibus Licences--(a) Coventry to Paignton and Gloucester to London Services--Read, letters of 7th and 9th inst., from the Greyhound Motors Ltd., that they proposed to start omnibus services from Coventry to Paignton and Gloucester to London, and applying for 10 licences for the two services to enable them to pick up and set down passengers in Cheltenham. RESOLVED, That the application be granted subject to the routes through Cheltenham and lists of fares being approved by the Committee.

(b) London to Cardiff—The Town Clerk reported that Cook's Safety Coaches Ltd. were running an omnibus service from London to Cardiff through Cheltenham, but had not applied for licences. RESOLVED, That they be informed that unless licences are applied for, proceedings will be taken against them.

(c) Birmingham and Bournemouth—Read, letter from Messrs. Elliott Bros. (Bournemouth) Ltd. to whom licences were granted at the last meeting of the Committee for a service between Bournemouth and Birmingham), stating that they proposed to pick up and set down passengers in Clarence outside Messrs. Engall, Cox & Co.'s premises, and that subject to the approval of the Committee they had appointed the Central Taxi Office as their booking agents, RESOLVED, That the proposed stopping place be not approved and that the Company be asked to arrange to stop by the Masonic Hall, for picking up and setting down passengers.

(d) Great Western Railway Service—Read, letter of 17th inst., from the Divisional Superintendent, Great Western Railway, stating that his Company proposed to introduce intermediate bookings between Cheltenham and Oxford, namely to Northleach and Andoversford, and also to extend their rail and road service to Reading, and enclosing scale of fares. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

6—**Fire Brigade—Report of Captain**—The Captain reported that the Brigade had attended the following outbreaks of fire since the last meeting :—

Date. 1928.	Place.	Damage.	Brigade Expenses.
21st October	Calcutta Stores, Gloucester Road	£25	£3 1 0
21st October	Bridge End Farm, Arle	£100	£13 19 0
27th October	Naunton Park, Asquith Road	£200	£3 11 0
3rd November	Nethermuir, Queen's Road	Not ascertained	£3 11 0
5th November	Messrs, Thomas, Chemists, Bayshill	Not ascertained	£3 19 6
16th November	72 High Street	£30 to £40	£4 15 0

7—Shops Act, 1920-21—Christmas Holidays—Read, letter of 12th inst., from the Home Office stating that an Order had been made under Section 7 (1) of the Shops (Hours of Closing) Act, 1928, suspending the operation throughout England and Wales of the provisions of that Act from Monday, December 17th, 1928 to Monday, December 24th, 1928, both days inclusive. This suspension did not relieve occupiers and others from complying with the weekly half-holiday or any other requirements of the Shops Acts, 1912 and 1913 or any other requirements of the Licensing Acts in regard to the sale of intoxicating liquor.

8—Game Licences—Iddles and Sons—RESOLVED, That the application of Iddles & Sons for a licence to sell Game be granted on the usual conditions.

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9—Petrol and Carbide Licences—The Town Clerk reported that several licences for storage of Petrol and Carbide applied for had not been taken up. RESOLVED, That the applicants be informed that proceedings will be taken against any of them found using their stores for Petrol without a License.

10—Market—(a) RESOLVED, That a charge of 1s 3d per vehicle per night for travelling showmen and others be made for vehicles which may be accommodated at the Market.

(b) RESOLVED, That subject to the Gloucestershire Fruit, etc., Society agreeing to give up the portion of the building formerly used as a lairage for the Abattoir this Committee agree to the same being fenced off for use with the Abattoir.

(c) RESOLVED, That consent be given to the Gloucestershire Fruit, etc., Society to sublet the Shed adjoining the Ladies Lavatory to Messrs. Craven & Co. as a store for demonstration of Spraying Machinery and Implements used in the fruit growing industry.

(d) RESOLVED, That the Council do not agree to a revision of the Agreement with Mr. C. C. Castle as to payment of commission in lieu of tolls and that the Town Clerk be instructed to require immediate payment of the amount due from Mr. Castle by the terms of the Agreement.

11—Increase of Members of Council—The Committee considered the Resolution passed by the Council at the Meeting on the 29th ult. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to defer taking any action for the alteration of wards and increase in

membership of the Council until it is ascertained what further duties will be imposed on Members of the Council by the Local Government Reform Bill.

12—Polling Stations—RESOLVED, That the recommendations of the Town Clerk with regard to the division of the Polling Stations consequent on the increase in the electorate under the new franchise Act be approved as follows :—

To make an additional Polling District comprising the following streets and places in Polling District A :—

Elm Street, Kingsditch, Malvern Street, Swindon Road from St. Peter's Place to Borough Boundary (both sides), Tewkesbury Road from No. 7 to the Old Pike House (North side), Waterloo Street and Worcester Street.

To make an additional Polling District comprising the following streets and places in Polling District E :—

Beaufort Buildings, Beaufort Place, Belmont Terrace, Blenheim Parade, Evesham Road, Fairview Road (north side), Leamington Place, North Place (from St. Margaret's Cottages to No. 33), Pittville, Pittville Villas, Portland Square, Portland Street (from Warwick Place to Clarence Road), Portland Terrace, Prestbury Road, Sherborne Street (west side), Warwick Stables and Villa, Winchcomb Place, Winchcomb Street (from Fairview Road to Pittville), and Windsor Street.

To make an additional Polling District comprising the following streets and places in Polling District F :—

Albert Place, All Saints' Road, Beaufort Cottages, Cemetery Road, Cleeve View Road, Columbia Street, Fairview Road (North side), Fairview Street, Glenfall Street, Hewlett Road, west side (from Jersey Place to Greyhound Inn), Jersey Street, Pittville Circus, Pittville Circus Road, Portland Parade, Prestbury Road, Selkirk Parade, Selkirk Street, Sherborne Street (east side), Union Street, Victoria Place, Whaddon Road, Winstonian Road, and York Street.

13—Hackney Carriage Fares—The Town Clerk submitted statement of fares charged at Bath, Buxton, Chester, Gloucester, Leamington, Plymouth, Tunbridge Wells and Worcester, showing that the fares charged in Cheltenham compared favourably with the charges in these towns. RESOLVED, That the Committee do not recommend any revision in the fares at the present time.

14—Taxi Office—RESOLVED, That the recommendation made by the Street and Highway Committee not to require the removal of this office at present, be approved

15—Hackney Carriage Stand—Pittville Gates—RESOLVED, on the application of the Owner, That the Hackney Carriage Stand Notice affixed to the railings of 13 Millbrook House be removed as the Stand is no longer used.

16—Standing Joint Committee—RESOLVED, That the Mayor and Alderman Taylor be appointed representatives of the Corporation on the **Finance Sub-Committee** of the Standing Joint Committee.

17—Cinematograph Films—Read, Resolution passed at the Annual Meeting of the Glos. Federation of Women's Institutes urging the Corporation to require Cinema Proprietors to exhibit at least two afternoons a week suitable films for children, especially during the holiday Season. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

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18—Municipal Aerodrome—Read, circular letter of 29th inst, from the Air Ministry suggesting that the Corporation should consider the advisability of establishing a Municipal Aerodrome, Capt. Trye pointed out that this matter was being considered in preparing the Town Planning Scheme.

19—Marine Store Dealers--RESOLVED, That Supt. Goulder and Detective Sergeant Iles be appointed officers for the purposes of enforcing compliance with the provisions of Section 86 of the Public Health Acts (Amendment) Act, 1907, and with authority to enter any premises used as marine stores and to inspect the books required to be kept under the provisions of the said section, and that the Common Seal be affixed to a copy of this resolution.

20—Parking of Motors—Montpellier Walk—Read, letters of 23rd ult, and 2nd inst., from Messrs. Rickerby, Thompson & Yeaman stating that the Montpellier Traders' Association (except the owner of the two premises No. 13 and 14). were now prepared to consent to the inner road being used as a parking place for motors. RESOLVED, That an Order be made under the Common Seal authorising the use as a parking place of the above mentioned street except the portion of the street fronting and adjoining Nos. 13 and 14 Montpellier Walk. RESOLVED, also, That the Council hereby agree to rescind the Order if at any time requested to do so in writing by not less one quarter of the of the owners and/or occupiers of the shops in Montpellier Walk numbered 1 to 25 and the premises occupied by the National Provincial Bank and Lloyds Bank and the Montpellier Rotunda Co. RESOLVED, also, That the regulations now submitted be approved and that the Common Seal be affixed thereto.

21—Relief of Unemployment—Read, circular of 9th inst., from the Unemployment Grants Committee stating that they were prepared to give special assistance to the execution of approved works of public utility, provided Local Authorities were prepared to employ not less than 50 per cent, of men drawn from depressed areas and engaged through Employment Exchanges.

22—Preservation of Amenities of Districts—Read, letter from the Clerk of the County Council inviting the attendance of representatives of the Corporation and the Town Clerk to a Conference to be held in Gloucester to consider matters affecting the preservation of the amenities of districts. RESOLVED, That the Deputy Mayor and Councillor Capt. Trye be appointed to attend the Conference.

23--Non-County Boroughs Association—Read, circular from this Association inviting the attendance of delegates to a General Meeting of the Association to be held in London on the 29th inst., to consider the Local Government Bill and also inviting the Borough Member to attend, and the Town Clerk reported that he had sent the invitation to the Borough Member. RESOLVED, That the Mayor, Capt. Trye Town Clerk and Borough Treasurer be appointed to attend the Meeting.

24--Town Clerk's Department—(a) Typewriter—The Committee re-considered the purchase of a typewriter for the Town-Clerk's Department, referred back for further consideration by the Council at their Meeting on the 29th ult. RESOLVED, That the matter be left in the hands of the Town Clerk with authority to purchase a suitable machine.

(b) Chief Assistant—RESOLVED, That the annual increment of £25 payable to the Chief Assistant, Mr. R. Board, on the 1st June next, take effect as from this date, the further annual increment to be payable as from the 1st June. next.

25—Petrol Licences—RESOLVED, That the applications of Chinn Bros. and Cavendish House (Cheltenham) Ltd., for licences to store 300 and 500 gallons respectively in pump storages at their premises in Bath Parade and Regent Street, be granted.

26—Leckhampton Hill Estate—Fields 130 and 134---RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to carry out necessary repairs to the fences of these fields,

27—Gloucester Road School Playing Field—Tudor Cottage—Read, letter of 31st ult., from the Secretary of the Society for the Protection of Ancient Buildings asking the Corporation to reconsider their decision to pull down the black and white cottage in Gloucester Road. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

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ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 12th November, 1928. Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Dunn, Smith, E. L. Ward and Welstead ; Messrs. F. W. Clarkson, F. Vizard, J. Waine and E. M. Yeend.

1—Chairman—RESOLVED, That Councillor Welstead be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

2—Visitors of Allotments—RESOLVED, That the following be appointed Visitors of Allotments for the ensuing year :—

North Ward Councillor Yarnold and Mr. F. Vizard.

East Ward Councillor Dunn and Mr. E. M. Yeend

South Ward Councillor Smith and Mr. F. W. Clarkson.

West Ward Messrs. J. Waine and F. Vizard.

3—North Ward Allotments—(a) No. 16—RESOLVED, That this allotment be let to Mr. Keen.

(b) Nos. 200 and 201—Mr. Pounsett reported that Mr. W. Eggleton, tenant of these allotments, containing 5 chains each intended to give them up and was anxious that one of the allotments should be let to his son. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to and that the other allotment be divided into five allotments.

(c) Roads—Mr. Pounsett also called attention to the bad condition of the entrance road from Gardners Lane. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have this repaired.

4—Rainbow Field—The Town Clerk reported that six of these allotments had been let at 10s a chain, and he had received several other enquiries. RESOLVED, That the proposal to sow this land with oats and clover be not proceeded with.

W. WELSTEAD,

Chairman.

PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 12th November, 1928, Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Dunn, Smith, E. L. Ward and Welstead.

1—Chairman—RESOLVED, That Alderman Sawyer be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

2—Visitors—RESOLVED, That the following be appointed 'Visitors of the Recreation Grounds for the ensuing year :—

Agg-Gardner Councillors J. F. Ward and Yarnold.

Naunton Park Councillors Brig.-Gen, Thomas and Smith.

Whaddon Road Alderman Sawyer and Councillor Dunn.

3—Sandford Park—(a) Gifts—The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. W. J. M. Dicks and Mr. J. L. Goss had given some plants for this park. RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Council be conveyed to them.

(b) Playing Field—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had given the Contractors notice in accordance with the provisions of the contract with a view to taking the work out of their hands, They had since done some further weeding and now contended that they had completed their contract. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to prepare particulars and estimate of cost of the work he considered was required to be done

under the contract and that failing a settlement, the matter be referred to arbitration,

W. SAWYER,

Chairman.

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ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 16th November, 1928. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Dunn and Capt. Trye ; Dr. R. Davies; and Col. J. C. Griffith.

1—Chairman—RESOLVED, That the Deputy Mayor be elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

2--Curator's Monthly Report—Visits—During October 3,776 (against 3,521) ; daily average 140 (against 135). Included in these figures were 3 classes of 62 students from St. Paul's Training College ; 13 students from the School of Art ; 18 boys and girls from Andoversford School, 8 boys from Stroud Central School ; and 18 boys and girls from North Cerney School.

Receipts— Collection Box 14s 3d ; Sale of Catalogues £2 19s. 3d, Permanent Catalogues 8s ; Postcard Reproductions 3s. Total £4 4s. 6d.

Exhibitions- The Medici Prints, 15th September to 13th October, visitors 2,660. Receipts £4 16s. 9d. ; expenses £8 2s. 1d. During December Water-colours by F. D. How and David Davies; Etchings by Mrs. Shelley; Hollyer Prints of Rossetti's work will be on view.

3—Donations ---From Lt.-Col, A. Agg Gardner, Prints, Maps, Parchments, etc., from the collection of the late Rt. Hon Sir J. T. Agg-Gardner, P.C., M.P. ; Miss A Grahame, 4 Tiles from Tel-el-Amarna ; Mr. J. W. Gray, F.G.S., 5 trays of fossils ; Mr. J. W. Hearn, Geo, Ill Gold 7s piece (local specimen) ; Mr. Alex. Moore, Copy of "Times," June 22nd, 1815, Colonel Fairfax Rhodes, J.P., "Waiting for the Boat—Gulf of Suez," oil painting by Fredk. Goodall, R.A. ; Mr. W.A. Rixon, J.P., " A Cotswold Rick," oil painting by the Donor. RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

4—Loan--From Coun. Capt. J. H. Trye, Old Dutch Lamp RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Lender.

5 —County Portraits—RESOLVED, That the offer on loan of 10 portraits of county interest from Mr. - W. D. Bushell be declined with thanks.

6—" Save the Countryside "—RESOLVED, That an Exhibition illustrative of rural preservation be arranged from 29th April to 27th May, 1929.

7—Loan of Pictures—(a) Exhibition of Dutch Art, Royal Academy, 1929— RESOLVED, That the following four pictures, which had been specially selected by Dr. Schneider, be granted as a loan to the Exhibition at the Royal Academy; Metsus " Woman with Jug

filling Old Man's glass," Gerard Don's "Portrait of Himself," Jan Steen's "The Fat Kitchen" and "The Lean Kitchen."

(b) City of York Jubilee—RESOLVED, That Richard Heyworth's "Dieppe Harbour" be granted as a loan to the York Jubilee Exhibition, June 1929.

8—Re-varnishing Pictures—RESOLVED, That the Curator ask Mr. Tanner to re-varnish three Dutch pictures, preparatory to the Exhibition aforementioned.

9—Cotteswold Naturalists' Field Club—RESOLVED, That the Museum subscribe to this Club (20s entrance fee and 15s annual subscription), and the Curator for the time being be the Committee's representative.

10—Fire Extinguisher—RESOLVED, That a Minimax Fire Extinguisher (£4 15s. 0d.) be purchased at £2 10s. 0d. for the Museum.

11—Accident to Attendant—The Curator reported that 16s 1d had been received as compensation for Jackson's five days' absence. RESOLVED, That the Attendant's wage for the period named be paid in full.

12—Christmas Holidays—RESOLVED, That the Art Gallery and Museum be closed from Monday to Wednesday, 24th to 26th December, inclusive.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 19th November, 1928, Present—Aldermen Mann and Stewart; Councillors Langley and Yarnold.

1—Chairman—RESOLVED, That Councillor Yarnold be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

E OWEN SEACOME,

Town Clerk.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 23rd November, 1928. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Miller, Welstead and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair).

2—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of Superintendent from the 20th October to 23rd November, 1928. Interments 60 ; Grave Spaces sold 20 (First Position 5 ; Second Position 1 ; Fourth Position 14). Memorials fixed 12. New Inscriptions 5.

3—Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos 7860 to 7879 of the exclusive right of burial in the graves referred to therein.

4— Designs—RESOLVED, That the following designs be approved, viz Memorial Cross and kerbing to graves of Charles S. Parker, Charles G. C. Money, Richard Minett, M. A. Emily Fenner and Lilla Fitzgerald ; Memorial Headpiece and kerbing to grave of Mary E. Stephens ; Memorial Headpiece to grave of Mary E. Tilley ; Memorial Block and kerbing to grave of Dorothy M. Hanlon ; Memorial Stone Ledger to grave of Margaret Price, and Memorial kerbing to graves of E. J. Ryan MacMahon, Reginald A. Locke, Lucy G. Johnson, Arthur W. Lansdown and Edwin R. Lewis.

5—New Portion of Cemetery—Read, letter of 17th ult., from Mr. E. F. Price of Hillhurst, Harp Hill, suggesting that the Corporation should plant some trees round the new portion of the Cemetery to screen it from the view from Harp Hill. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

6—Drainage Wells—The Superintendent suggested that the drainage wells at the cemetery should be built up to the ground level and manhole covers fitted, as they were at present dangerous to the public. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to report at the next Meeting of the Committee as to this.

HE T. YARNOLD,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 13th November, 1928. Present—Alderman Mann ; Councillors Allen, Scott Langley, Pates, Brig.-Gen. Thomas and Cap, Trye : Messrs. A. Miles, E. C. Rogers, F. Vernall and C. Walsh

1—Chairman—RESOLVED, That Alderman Mann be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

2—**Sub-Committee**—RESOLVED, That Aldermen Mann and Taylor : Councillors Brig.-Gen Thomas and Scott Langley ; Rev. Canon Johnstone ; Dr. R. Davies; Messrs. E. C. Rogers and C. E. Walsh be appointed the Sub-Committee for the ensuing year.

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3—Librarian's Report—Receipts £11 17s. 2d, Number of volumes issued in Reference Library 6,763 (last year 5,137); Lending Library 13,138 (last year 12,699) ; Juvenile Library 2,335 (last year 2,095). Total for month 22,236 (last year 19,931).

Replacements—During the month 29 volumes had been replaced, and 539 volumes despatched to the binder.

Lecture—On November 12th, the first of the Winter Series, by Mrs C. Rose on " Celebrated People I have known." Attendance 128.

Lending Library Door—A Yale Door Closer had been fixed to the exit door of the Lending Library at a cost of 37s 6d plus fixing.

Timber—Timber for storage shelves had been purchased from the recent Church Congress Exhibition for the sum of £5 1s. 6d.

Agg-Gardner Collection—At the request of Lt.-Colonel A. Agg-Gardner the Librarian had examined the books, papers, and prints belonging to the late Rt. Hon. Sir James T. Agg-Gardner, and had secured as a gift a considerable collection of items for permanent preservation.

Presentations—Lt.-Col. A. Agg-Gardner (156 vols.) ; Mr. G. Ballinger (1 vol.) ; Mr. A. W. Bryant (3 vols.) ; Messrs. Ed, J. Burrow & Co. Ltd. (32 pamph.) ; Miss Campbell (2 vols.) ; Miss Crawshay (1 vol) : Messrs. J. S. Fry (1 pamph.) ; Miss Hunter (1 vol.) ; Oversea Settlement Department (36 pamph.) ; Mr. J. S. Pickering (3 vols) National Association of Building Societies (1 vol.) ; Messrs T. Skinner & Co. (1 vol.)

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

4—New Books—RESOLVED, (a) That 165 vols. new books, published at £68 4s. 0d. be purchased for £53 18s. 0d.

(b) That the sum of £10 be spent on replacements.

(c) That the sum of £10 be spent on binding,

5—Encyclopaedia Britannica, 14th Ed.—RESOLVED, That this work be not purchased at present.

6—Periodicals--RESOLVED, That the following periodicals offered as gifts be accepted with thanks :—
" Popular Science," from Capt. Trye ; " Geographical Journal," from Miss Hunter ; "
The National Message," from the publishers ; " The Commercial Traveller," from the
National Union of Commercial Travellers (Bristol branch) ; and " Film Weekly," from
the publishers.

7—Library Association Examinations—RESOLVED, That the Librarian make the usual arrangements for holding an examination centre at the Public Library in December.

8—Christmas Holidays—RESOLVED, That the Libraries and Newspaper Room be closed from Monday, 24th to Wednesday, 26th December, inclusive.

A. MANN,

Chairman.

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RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 31st October, 1928. Present—Aldermen Stewart and Taylor: Councillors Gen. Thomas and E. L. Ward (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

1—Rating and Valuation (Apportionment) Act, 1928—The Committee considered the Industrial Claims received under the above Act, and dealt with the claims received in respect of the North, Central and East Wards.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 19th November, 1928. Present—Aldermen Stewart and Taylor ; Councillors Moore, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward and Yarnold.

2 Chairman- —RESOLVED, That Alderman P. P. Taylor be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

R. OWEN SEACOME,

Town Clerk.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 19th November, 1928. Present—Aldermen Stewart and Taylor ; Councillors Moore, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

3—Rating and Valuation (Apportionment) Act, 1928—The Committee considered the Industrial Claims received under the above Act, and dealt with the claims received in respect of the South, Middle and West Wards, RESOLVED, That the Chairman, Councillors Moore, E. L. Ward and Yarnold be authorised to inspect and apportion the assessments of the several properties in respect of which claims had been made for relief under the Act.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 26th November, 1928. Present—Aldermen Stewart and Taylor ; Councillors Moore, E. L. Ward, Scott Langley, Yarnold and Gen. Thomas (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

4—Proposals—The Committee considered the revision of various properties submitted by the Rating and Valuation Officers. RESOLVED, That proposals be submitted for the revision of the assessments as now settled by the Committee.

5—Rating and Valuation (Apportionment) Act, 1928—The Committee further considered the claims received in respect of the South, Middle and West Wards.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 19th November, 1928, Present—Councillors Moore, E. L. Ward and Sir R. Wapshare.

1—Chairman—RESOLVED, That Alderman P. P. Taylor be appointed Chairman of this Committee for the ensuing year.

R. OWEN SEACOME, Town Clerk.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 27th November, 1928. Present—Alderman Taylor Councillors Leigh. James, Miller, Moore, Pruen, Sir R. Wapshare, E. L. Ward and Welstead (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

2—General Rate—Read, Final Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 27th inst., on the collection of the Second Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £26,660 7s. 5d. Leaving outstanding £91,307 12s. 1d.

3—Water Rate—Read, Final Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 27th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 25th March, 1920. Amount collected £6,038 8s. 9d. Leaving outstanding £13,438 4s. 10d.

4—Loans—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £11,000 on loan. RESOLVED, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loans.

(b) RESOLVED, That a loan of £10,000 be borrowed from the County Fire Office for a period of ten years at 4 $\frac{7}{8}$ per cent. per annum with liberty for either party to require repayment at the end of the 5th or 7th year and that the Common Seal be affixed to the debenture.

5—National Savings' Certificates—The Borough Treasurer reported that the number of Savings Certificates sold during October was 4,803 as compared with 5,854 for the corresponding month last year

6—4 $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. Housing Bonds—The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. Housing Bonds amounting to £320 had been received for periods varying from 5 to 10 years and that certificates had been issued accordingly. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

7—Sanction to Loan—The Town Clerk reported the receipt from the Electricity Commissioners of Sanction to Loan of £39,562 for a term of 25 years in respect of £20,716 for mains and 20 years in respect of £18,846 for Transformers and Switchgear.

8—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on the 27th inst. Present : Alderman Taylor (in the chair) and Councillors Leigh James and Miller. The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment.

P. P. TAYLOR, Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 3rd January, 1929.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMEMADE, on MONDAY, the 7th day of January, 1929, at THREE O'CLOCK** in the Afternoon, at which Meeting the following Business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
2. Communications by the Mayor.
3. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :—THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE HOUSING COMMITTEE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE WATER COMMITTEE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE PO RATING COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE
4. Memorials, Applications, Complaints, &c.

Yours faithfully,

Town. Clerk.

To each Member of the Council.

Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held at the Municipal Offices, in the said Borough, on Monday, 3rd December, 1928, at 3 o'clock.

Present : The Mayor (Alderman Charles Henry Margrett, C.B.E., J.P.) in the chair.

Aldermen Mann, Stewart and Taylor ; Councillors Allen, Dunn, O.B.E., Leigh James, Langley, Miller, Moore, Pates, Pruen, Smith, Brig.-Gen. Thomas, C.M.G., D.S.O., H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye, C.B.E., Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard Wapshare, K.C.I.E., C.B., C.S.I., E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Welstead, K.S.G., Wheeler, M.B.E., and Yarnold.

Apologies— Apologies for absence were received from the Deputy Mayor (Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E.) ; and Alderman Sawyer.

1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 9th November, 1928 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—Proceedings of Committees—Resolved, That the proceedings of the under-mentioned Committees at their Meetings held on the dates respectively appearing be approved and confirmed :—

Public Health Meetings held November 9 and 12

Housing Meetings held November 13 and 22

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Street and Highway Meeting's held November 9 and 19

(An Amendment moved by Councillor Yarnold and seconded by Alderman Mann " That Minute No. 14 with regard to the Weighbridge, Tewkesbury Road, be referred back for further consideration " was lost.

Town Improvement and Spa. Meetings held November 9, 16 & 23

(An Amendment moved by Councillor Pruen and seconded by Councillor Gen. Thomas " That Minute No. 8 (b) with regard to the Floral Fete, Montpellier Gardens, be amended by substituting the words and to there being no musical roundabouts, etc." for the words " and to the music of the roundabouts being subdued " was lost.

Electricity and Lighting Meetings held November 19 and 21

Water Meeting held November 15

General Purposes and Watch Meeting held November 20

Resolved, also, That the applications of F. Harvey & Son and Cook's Safety Coaches Ltd. for 1 and 4 omnibus licences respectively, be granted, subject in the case of Cook's Safety Coaches Ltd. to their stopping place and route through the town being approved by the General Purposes and Watch Committee.

Allotments Meeting held November 12

Parks and Recreation Grounds Meeting held November 12

Art Gallery and Museum Meeting held November 16

Burial Board Meetings held November 19 and 23

Public Library Meeting held November 13

Rating Meetings October 31 November 19 and 26

Finance Meeting held November 19 and 27

Resolved, also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed authorising him to pay to the several Corporations, Companies and Persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts, the sum of money set opposite their respective names.

3—Unemployment—Read, letter of 3rd inst., from the Cheltenham Branch of the National Co-operative Men's Guild asking the Corporation to consider the need of putting in hand work for the relief of unemployment and that steps be taken for putting into operation the Feeding of School Children Act. Resolved, That the letter be referred to the various Committees concerned.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Mayor.

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, 7th January, 1929.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 10th December, 1928. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Allen, Moore, Gen, Thomas and Yarnold (Councillor Gen. Thomas in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles--The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :--41 Duke Street; 4, 5, and 6 Higgs Cottages; 6 Leicester 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 Sanitary Inspector on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Overcrowding at 9 Clare Place and 12 Exmouth 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—Insanitary Property-2 Brecon Terrace, Rosehill Street ; 6 Albion Square ; 43 and 59 Burton Street ; 37, 37a, 39, 39a and -11 Duke Street ; 13 Commercial Street and 3 and 5 Clare 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, or Section 3 of the Housing Act, 1925, 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.

4—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at (a) 396 High Street ; 3 and 4 Castle Terrace, Gloucester Road ; The Ingle, Lansdown Road ; The Brewery, St. Margaret's Road ; and 7 Dunalley Parade.—The Sanitary Inspector 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 a specification of the work 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 requiring them to do the work specified within 28 days.

(b) 33 and 35 Russell Street.—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the Owner of these premises had not complied with the Notice to carry out the works required. He submitted three tenders for the work required to be done. RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. Amos Wilson of £32 10s. 0d. (being the lowest) be accepted.

5—Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted list of Notices requiring provision of ash receptacles, served but not complied with. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to enforce compliance.

6—Milk and Dairies Order, 1926—The Medical Officer of Health reported that the application made by Mrs. S. L. Burrows to be registered as a Purveyor of Milk, had been withdrawn.

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7—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 3 qrs. mutton ; 35 lbs. pork ; 9 lbs. beef and 12 rabbits.

8—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—(a) 1, 2 and 3 Ebenezer Court, King's Street.—The Medical Officer of Health having made written representation that these dwelling-houses were in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation and recommended that the same be closed. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned and that Notice be given to the Owner of the intention to make a Closing Order.

(b) Cottage at rear of 213 High Street.—Read, letter from Mr. Fitzroy Fowles that Mr. Claridge had now given orders for the demolition of this house and the work had been commenced.

(c) 7 and 8 Russell Place.—The Medical Officer of Health having made representation that these dwelling-houses were so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation and recommended that the same be closed. He reported that since the last meeting he had seen the Owner who had consented to the Order being made. RESOLVED, That it appearing to the Council that the said houses are in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, Orders be now made under the Common Seal pursuant to Subsection (1) of Section 11 of the Housing Act, 1925, prohibiting the use of the said premises for human habitation until the same have been rendered fit for that purpose and that notice thereof be given to the Owners and Occupiers.

- 9—National Rat Week—The Sanitary Inspector submitted report on the National Rat Week held in Cheltenham from the 5th to 10th November, 1928, a copy of which had been circularised to each Member of the Committee. The Sanitary Inspector suggested that the views of the Ministry of Health should be obtained with regard to restricting and regulating the keeping of fowls in small yards and back gardens in thickly populated districts. RESOLVED, That a copy of the report be forwarded to the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries and that the Town Clerk be instructed to obtain the views of the Ministry of Health as suggested
- 10—Barn Farm—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the old grate at Barn Farm replaced with a modern grate at an estimated cost of £12, and also that the short length of wooden fencing between the two cottages in Gloucester Road be replaced with new fencing at an estimated cost of £2 10s. 0d.
- 11—Abattoir--The Borough Surveyor reported that two tenders were received for the new steam plant at the Abattoir and that the Chairman had accepted the tender of Messrs. Such & Sons Ltd., of £168 10s. 0d. (being the lowest). RESOLVED, That this be approved.
- 12—Medical Officer of Health—(a) Read, letter of 14th inst., from the Ministry of Health approving the appointment of Dr Morley as Medical Officer of Health for the Borough of Cheltenham.
- (b) Agreement—The Town Clerk submitted draft agreement to be entered into with Dr. Morley, which was in the model form issued by the Ministry of Health. RESOLVED, That this be approved as now settled by the Committee.
- 13—Unemployment—The Committee considered the provision of work for the unemployed. RESOLVED, That the Ministry of Health be asked to expedite the issue of the sanction to the loan for resewering the Fairview District.
- 14—St. Paul's Street South--The Medical Officer of Health submitted report of the unsatisfactory condition of the houses in this street. He considered that it was necessary that some steps should be taken to remedy the present conditions, and recommended that the property should be inspected by the Committee. RESOLVED, That a special meeting of the Committee be held on Thursday, 13th inst., to inspect the property as suggested.
- 15—Congress—Read, circular letter from the Royal Institute of Public Health inviting the attendance of delegates to a conference to be held in the City of Zurich at Whitson, 1929. RESOLVED, That delegates be not appointed.

H. M. THOMAS,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 13th December, 1928. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Allen, Leigh James, Moore, E. L. Ward and Gen. Thomas (Councillor Gen. Thomas in the chair).

16—St. Paul's Street South---The Committee inspected the property in this Street.

H. M. THOMAS,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 2nd January, 1929. Present—Councillors Leigh James, Pruen, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Gen. Thomas in the chair).

17—Sewers—Fairview District and back of Montpellier Terrace—Read, letter from the Ministry of Health requiring concrete haunches to be provided under pipes of 18 inch diameter and over and concrete surround for pipes of less than 4 inches with less than 4 feet of cover in respect of the sewers for the Fairview District. The Borough Surveyor reported that he estimated the additional cost of this work at £668, increasing the original estimate of the loan from £12,831 to £13,499, making with the estimated cost of the sewer at the back of Montpellier Terrace (£330) a total of £13,829. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £13,829 for the cost of these sewers.

18—Abattoir—Read, letter of 15th ult., from the Ministry of Health that they had directed an Inspector to visit Cheltenham in connection with the application for a sanction to a loan of £1,500 for alterations to the Abattoir.

19—St. Paul's Street South and Lime Kiln Row—An official representation under Section 35 of the Housing Act, 1925 was submitted by the Medical Officer of Health in respect of St. Paul's Street South and Lime Kiln Row, comprising the houses Nos. 1 to 4 St. Paul's Terrace, Nos. 1 to 16 St. Paul's Street South, Vine Cottage and Nos. 1 to 10 Lime Kiln Row. Read, also, letters from Ed. J. Burrow & Co. Ltd and Messrs. G. H. Bayley & Sons with regard to the representations made, RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to take the Representation of the Medical Officer into consideration and that the same be referred to the Housing Committee with a view to an Improvement or Reconstruction Scheme being prepared in respect of this area, and that consideration of the above-mentioned letters be referred to that Committee.

20--College Road—Public Convenience—RESOLVED, That the application of the British Automatic Co. Ltd. to place an Automatic Weighing Machine in this Convenience at an annual rental of £3 be agreed to subject to the same terms as their other Machines.

H. M. THOMAS,

Chairman.

HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 11th December, 1928, Present—The Mayor; Deputy Mayor; Alderman Taylor Councillors Dunn, Moore, Pates, Gen. Thomas, H. W. Thomas, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Pates in the chair).

1-5 Spenser Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted plans for the erection of a garage at 5 Spenser Road, RESOLVED, That this be approved.

2—Brooklyn Road--The Borough Surveyor submitted plans of a detached house to be erected in this road by Mr. J. Fisher, RESOLVED, That these be approved.

3—Decoration of Houses—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to give permission to tenants to paper the houses occupied by them upon application being made to him.

4-32 Milton Road—RESOLVED, on the application of the tenant, That the hard fuel Boiler at this house be removed.

5—Unemployment—The Committee considered the provision of work for the unemployed, and the Town Clerk reported that he had written to the Ministry of Health asking them to expedite the issue of the sanction to the loan for making up Kipling Road, which would be put in hand as soon as the sanction was received.

6—Kipling Road—With reference to the above minute the Town Clerk reported that Mr. Wasley, the tenant of the land, was prepared to give up possession forthwith to enable the road to be started he would, however, like to retain the portion of the field not required, on the same terms as his present tenancy RESOLVED, That this be agreed to and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have a post and wire fence put up to fence off the portion of the field not required.

7—New Houses—The Committee considered the provision of new houses in the East and South Wards, and suggested layout plans were submitted for the erection of houses on sites at Whaddon Farm, Pilley Lane and Asquith Road. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to prepare layout plan for the land in Pilley Lane and that the Town Clerk be instructed to negotiate with the owners of the several pieces of land required with a view to purchase. RESOLVED, also, That the suggested housing on the Whaddon Farm be considered at the next meeting of the Committee and that meanwhile enquiries be made as to obtaining the land.

8—Housing, etc., Act, 1923—Period—RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for an extension of the period for affording financial assistance in respect of not more than 50 houses to be built by private enterprise so as to be applicable to houses completed by the 30th September next.

9—Folly Lane Housing Estate—(a) RESOLVED, That Mr. Malvern be instructed to prepare plans for the erection of houses on the east side of Folly Lane.

(b) Contract—Read, letter from the Cheltenham Local Joint Committee for the Building Industry and Local Overtime Committee stating that Messrs, Thompson & Co. were breaking the overtime and wages conditions of the National Council and also of the Cheltenham area. Mr. C. W. Thompson attended the Committee and stated that they had only eight Grimsby men with five apprentices on the job, all the rest being local labour. No overtime had been worked by the local men, except in the case of the mortar mixer and two other labourers who had occasionally been employed in preparatory work to prevent the other men being unemployed. The Grimsby men had been employed on overtime, but he did not consider that they were breaking the rules as it was customary with men who were brought from away on to a job that they should work overtime to enable them to meet the additional expense of living away from home, RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

(c) Allotments—RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to give three months' notice to the tenants of the allotments on the east side of Folly Lane, so that the same may be available for building thereon as early as possible.

(d) Boundary—RESOLVED, That, subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health being obtained, the give and take line arranged with Mr. E. L. Baylis for straightening the boundary between Creamery Piece Allotments and this Estate be agreed to and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Deed of Exchange for carrying this out and that Mr. Malvern be instructed to have an unclimbable iron fence erected along the new boundary line.

10—Direct Labour—Read, letter from the Local Branch of the National Federation of the Building Trade Operatives inviting members of the Housing Committee to attend a meeting of the Federation Committee and Members of the Building Trade Operatives to discuss the question of building houses by direct labour and other matters. RESOLVED, That the Chairman and Councillors Gen Thomas and J. F. Ward be asked to attend the proposed meeting.

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11—Housing Conference--Councillors H. W. Thomas and J. F. Ward reported as to the proceedings of the Conference held at Buxton last month. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned until the next meeting of the Committee.

12—Selection of Tenants—RESOLVED, That a meeting of the Selection of **Tenants Sub-Committee** be held on the 13th inst.

J. P. PATES, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 2nd January, 1929. Present—Councillors Dunn, Pates, Gen, Thomas, Sir R. Wapshare, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Pates in the chair).

13—Kipling Road—(a) RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of not exceeding £3,500 for the cost of the construction and drainage of the

remainder of Kipling Road. RESOLVED, also, That notice be given to Mr. Harris and Mr. Wasley to terminate their tenancies of the portion of the fields in their occupation required for the construction of the road.

(b) The Borough Surveyor recommended that an unclimbable larch fence with oak posts be erected at the back of the houses in Kipling Road to fence off the remaining portion of the field at an estimated cost of £47 12s. 6d. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

14—New Houses—Kipling Road-11 Tenders were received for the erection of 17 pairs of non-parlour type houses to be erected in Kipling Road. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to authorise this Committee to accept a satisfactory tender subject to the sanction of the Ministry of Health being obtained to a loan for the cost. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of not exceeding £15,150 for the cost of the houses including Architect's Fees and 5 per cent. for contingencies.

RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for their approval of the houses for the purposes of subsidy under the Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924 and that the Council hereby undertake that the conditions set out in Sub-section 1 of Section 3 of the Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924 will be complied with in relation to the said houses.

15—Housing Sites—(a) Pilley Lane—Read, letter from Messrs. Cornelius & Boulter as agents for Miss Norman, also from Mr. Fordham and Mr. W. T. Barrett offering land belonging to them for sale at the price stated by them. RESOLVED, That the District Valuer be asked to negotiate the purchase for the purpose of the Housing Act of the land belonging to these owners and also for the land belonging to Miss Flicks.

(b) Whaddon Lane—RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make further enquiries with a view to the purchase of a portion of Whaddon Farm.

16—Housing, etc. Act, 1923—Pilford Gardens—The Borough Surveyor submitted Final Certificate of completion of a semi-detached house erected in this road by Mr. C. W. Phillips. RESOLVED, That a subsidy of £50 be paid subject to his undertaking to comply with the usual conditions.

17—Sale of House—The Town Clerk reported offer to purchase No. 32 Spenser Road at £495 received from Mr. Corbett. RESOLVED, That the offer be accepted (subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health), That application be made to the Ministry for consent to the sale, and That the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance. RESOLVED, also, That the Corporation agree to join with the Purchaser in Mortgage to the Building Society for advance not exceeding 90 per cent. to guarantee repayment until the principal is reduced to two-thirds of the value and That the Common Seal be affixed to the Mortgage.

18-4 Stanhope Street—It was reported that the tenant of this house had sublet the upper rooms at 6s per week to a man, wife and 2 children contrary to the provisions of their agreement. RESOLVED, That notice be given to terminate the tenancy.

19—Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924—Folly Lane—Mr. Malvern submitted plans of the 63 houses (15 2-bedroom houses 51 3-bedroom houses) of similar type to the other houses in Folly Lane, to be erected on the east side of Folly Lane. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for their approval of the houses for the purposes of subsidy under the Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924 and that the Council hereby undertake that the conditions set out in sub-section 1 of Section 3 of the Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924 will be complied with in relation to the said houses.

RESOLVED, also, That tenders be invited for erection of the houses.

RESOLVED, also, That application be made for sanction to a loan of not exceeding 21950 for the construction and drainage of the road to be made on the land and for the widening of a portion of St. Paul's Road.

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 17th December, 1928. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Mann ; Councillors Langley, Pates, Capt. Trye and Yarnold (Councillor Capt. Trye in the chair).

1--**Plans Sub-Committee**--The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 7th and 17th inst. RESOLVED, That the same be approved and adopted.

2—View Committee—Reported Meeting on the 27th ult. Present—Alderman Mann and Councillor Capt. Trye. They recommended as follows :---

(a) Monson Avenue—That the seven trees marked by the foreman be removed.

(b) Eldorado Crescent—That Mr. A. J. Wadley's application for the removal of a tree outside " Haverstock " be acceded to.

(c) Eldorado Road—That one tree marked by the foreman be removed.

(d) Glencairn Park Road—That all existing trees be removed and small ornamental trees planted.

(e) Queen's Road—That nineteen trees marked by the foreman be removed including one opposite " St. Auvergne " complained of by Mr. H. Jackson.

(f) The Park—That 28 trees marked by the foreman be removed, also that Miss Johnson's application for the removal of a tree outside Ellesmere Lodge be acceded to, also That Miss M. B. Kelley's application that the oak tree over-hanging her cedar tree should be removed instead of the tree marked by the foreman be not acceded to.

(g) Albany Road—That two trees marked by the foreman be removed.

(h) Dagmar Road—That three trees marked by the foreman be removed.

RESOLVED, That the recommendations of the View Committee be approved and adopted.

3—Colonnade—The Borough Surveyor submitted application to replace two covers in the Colonnade outside the Saxone Shoe Company's premises with iron covers containing the shopkeeper's name in brass. RESOLVED, That this be not approved.

4—Waterloo Street—Private Improvement Works—The Borough Surveyor submitted memorial signed by 15 owners in Waterloo Street, repudiating liability for paying for the cost of making up the footpath in this street. RESOLVED, That the street be viewed by the Committee.

5—Crescent Terrace—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Post Office had informed him that the cost of removing their cables to enable the carriageway to be widened would be considerable. RESOLVED, That in view of this the proposal to widen the carriageway be not proceeded with at present.

6—Main Roads—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Agreement with the County Council for the maintenance of the main roads expired on the 31st March next. RESOLVED, That the Chairman and Borough Surveyor be authorised to discuss terms with the County Council for a new agreement.

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7—Petrol Pumps—(a) The Committee further considered the circular received from the Ministry of Transport with regard to petrol pumps on public highways and the Town Clerk submitted a list of pumps at present on the footpaths in the Borough, viz. :—H. E. Steel Ltd., 105 High Street ; B. Blissett, Norwood Road ; Victory Motor 76 Winchcomb Street ; A. Miles & Co., 117 High Street ; W. T. Daggs, 4 St. Luke's Road ; A. Williams & Co, 10 Portland Street ; C. J. Bullock, Montpellier Street ; Alf. Miles, St. Anne's Garage ; T. G. Brunskill, Warwick Place ; Tourist Garage Co., Royal Hotel, High Street ; F. Martin, 11 Oxford Place, High Street. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to give Notice requiring the pump at St. Anne's Garage to be removed forthwith as this had not been in use for about 4 years and that in the case of the other Pumps six months' Notice be given requiring their removal and that in case of non-compliance with such Notices the Borough Surveyor be authorised to remove the same.

(b) RESOLVED, That the applications of Messrs. Edwards & Marshall and the Misses Warren for permission to erect petrol pumps with swing arms over the pavement at their respective premises at 30 Winchcomb Street and the Langton Garage, Montpellier Terrace, be granted, subject to the usual agreements being entered into.

8—Projecting Signs—(a) Report of Street Inspector—Read, report of Supt. Goulder enclosing further list of two signs erected without permission and for which application would be made.

(b) RESOLVED, That the following applications be granted :—

Name.	Address.	No. of Signs.
Albert Electrical Co.	Royal Well Tavern, Royal Well	1 lamp.
Mr. Horlick	14a Pittville Street	1 electric sign.

(c) RESOLVED, That the application of Miss E. Ogleby Davies for permission to erect a projecting sign at 23 Pittville Street advertising the offices of the local branch of the British Union for the Abolition of Vivisection be not granted.

(d) 401 High Street—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. H. Morley to place a weighing machine outside these premises be adjourned for view.

9—Westal Green—Fountain—RESOLVED, That this Committee agree to the removal of this fountain to the Keynsham Road Entrance of Sandford Park at the cost of the Town Improvement Committee.

10—Safety First—Read, circular from the National Safety First Association asking the Corporation for a subscription. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

11—Tewkesbury Road—Weighbridge—(a) Read, memorial from 17 users of the weighing machine at the corner of Tewkesbury Road, asking the Committee to reconsider the question of removing the machine. The Borough Surveyor reported that when the proposed new weighing machine was installed at the Central Depot there would be no objection to this being used by the public RESOLVED, That the removal of the weighing machine in Tewkesbury Road be deferred until the weighbridge at the Central Depot has been erected.

(b) RESOLVED, That the charges for use of the weighbridge be doubled.

12—Preservation of Rural England—Read, circular from the Ministry of Health drawing attention to the arrangement made by the Council of the Association for the Preservation of Rural England, acting in conjunction with the Royal Institute of British Architects, offering to give advice, free of charge, for carrying out works of repair under the Housing (Rural Workers) Act, 1926.

13—Post Office Telegraphs--(a) High Street—Kiosk—Read, letters of 7th and 11th inst., from the District Manager, Post Office Telephones, stating that whilst it was agreed that the site at the corner of Whitehart Street for the proposed kiosk, would not be many yards further from the Market than the site previously proposed at the corner of Gloucester Road, he was afraid that the kiosk would not be seen so readily, and asking the Committee to reconsider the matter. RESOLVED, That the Committee do not see their way to alter their previous decision, but that it be suggested to the

Department that they should approach Messrs, Dobell & Co. with a view to erecting the kiosk on their piece of spare land in High Street.

(b) Arle—Read, application from the Post Office Telegraphs Department for permission to place an overhead telegraphic line along Arle Road from a point near Arle Court to the Electric Light Sub-Station in Hester's Way with 22 poles. The Borough Surveyor reported that in a portion of the road the poles were proposed to be erected on the narrow footpath through Arle Village.. RESOLVED, That the application be not agreed to

14-9 Sherborne Place—Shed—Read, letter from Mr. A. Limbrick stating that the shed at 9 Sherborne Place had not yet been removed as promised. RESOLVED, That notice be given to Mr. W. Dodwell, the owner of the building, to show cause why the building should not be removed as being a contravention of the Byelaw's,

15—Naunton Pieces—Read, letter of 10th inst., from Messrs. Young & Gilling enclosing letter from Mr. W. H. Welldon stating that he was unable to accept the Corporation's offer in regard to the proposed new road adjoining the Minnow Ditch footpath and was preparing another lay-out.

J. H. TRYE, Chairman.

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PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, 7th December, 1928. Present—Alderman Stewart and Councillor Capt. Trye (Councillor Capt. Trye 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.
2610	Smith, E. L., Mrs.	Detached house and garage, Arle Road (Amended plan).
2612	Williams, G., Mrs.	New window, 14, Lansdown Place.
2613	Dubbin, A. E.	Lock-up garages, Lansdown Crescent Lane.
2614	Hawkins, G. A.	Detached house, Battledown Approach.
2615	Richards, C. W.	Alterations to premises, 329, High Street (Corner of St. Georges Place).
2616	F. Rouse and Co.	New workshop, Market Street
2617	Fisher, J. F.	Detached house, Brooklyn Road.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 2610, 2614, 2616 and 2617 be approved ; that Plan No. 2615 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector ; and That Plans Nos. 2612 and 2613 be disapproved.

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Monday, 17th December, 1928. Present—Aldermen Mann and Stewart ; Councillors Gen. Thomas, Capt. Trye and Yarnold (Councillor Capt. Trye 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,
2613	Dubbin, A. E.	Lock-up garages, Lansdown Crescent Lane (Amended Plans).
2619	Executors of the late Mr. G. Dimmer.	Additions to Pyatts Hotel, St. Georges Road.
2620	Dicks & Sons, Ltd.	New show windows, High Street (adjoining No. 329, High Street).
2621	Bradbury, J. K. & H. L.	Addition to Pembridge House, The Park.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 2613 and 2620 be approved and that Plans Nos. 2619 and 2621 be approved subject to the sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector,

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 21st December, 1928. Present—Councillors Ally,, Pates, Pruett, H. W. Thomas and E. L. Ward (Councillor H. W. Thomas in the chair).

1—Winter Gardens—(a) The Borough Surveyor reported the cost of making good the damage to the grounds caused by the Church Congress Exhibition amounted to £5 10s. 0d.

RESOLVED, That a claim be made for the repayment of the damage.

(b) It was also reported that wilful damage had been done by boys to the rose trees and turf at the Winter Garden. RESOLVED, That a notice be put up offering £1 reward for evidence leading to conviction of persons causing damage.

2—Town Hall—(a) Read, application from the Colonial and Continental Church Society for the use of the Supper Room for an afternoon meeting on Sunday, 10th February, 1929.

RESOLVED, That the use of the room be granted at a charge of £3, plus cost of lighting, if any.

(b) Swimming Conference—RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham Swimming and Water Polo Club for the free use of a room at the Town Hall for the Amateur Swimming Association Conference to be held on the 1st and 2nd March next be granted.

3—British Spa Federation—Read, letter of 13th inst., from the lion. Secretary intimating that the Federation would be pleased to accept the invitation to hold its bi-annual Conference in Cheltenham, and that the 26th and 27th September, 1929 would be suitable dates.

H. W. THOMAS, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 28th December, 1928. Present—Councillors Dunn, Miller, Pruen, H. W. Thomas and E. L. Ward (Councillor H. W. Thomas in the chair).

4—Town Hall—Sunday Concerts—Mr Burrow attended with regard to the arrangements for these concerts. He offered to pay the fees for the artistes and to render monthly accounts of the amounts so paid. RESOLVED, That Mr. Burrow be thanked for his offer and that the same be accepted.

5—Sandford Park—High Street Entrance—The Borough Surveyor submitted tenders for carrying out the lay-out in accordance with the plans prepared by Mr. Edward White approved at the meeting of the Committee on the 14th September last. The lowest tender was that of Mr. J. C. Pearce of Bishop's Cleeve, amounting to £1,555 10s. 6d. which included £188 17s. 6d for gates and railings to be supplied by Messrs. R. E. & C. Marshall Ltd. The estimated cost of planting and other work to be done departmentally was £202 16s. 4d. and the estimated amount of Mr. White's commission, etc., was £113, making a total of £1,871 6s. 10d. RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. C. J. Pearce be accepted, subject to his entering into a contract and bond to be prepared by the Town Clerk. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £1,900 for the cost of the work.

6 — **Concerts Sub-Committee**—The Reports of the Concerts Sub-Committee at their Meeting on the 27th ult. and 11th inst. were read.

They recommended as follows :—

(a) Town Hall—That lamp shades be purchased for the Christmas Season at a cost of £1 15s. 0d.

(b) Sunday Concerts—That the charge for seats at these concerts be 1s, 6d. and 3d.

(c) Dance Teas—That the Spa Manager act as Master of the Ceremonies at Dance Teas.

RESOLVED, That the proceedings of the Sub-Committee be approved except that with regard to (b) that at concerts at which community singing is arranged the charge for all seats be 6d.

7—St. George's Square—Bowling Green—Messrs. J. H. Evans and Mr. T. Childs attended and discussed this matter. RESOLVED, That further consideration be adjourned.

H. W. THOMAS, Chairman.

ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 19th December, 1928. Present—Aldermen Mann and Taylor Councillors Moore, Sir R. Wapshare and J. F. Ward (Councillor Moore in the chair).

1—Bulk Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the change of system had progressed satisfactorily and up to the present 1050 consumers had been changed. Messrs. Brook had handled the rewinding of the motors satisfactorily and on reasonable terms, and he recommended that the rewinding of the remainder of the motors for the first section should be placed in their hands. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

(b) Lypiatt Sub Station.- -The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the Technical Schools intended to install two or three motors for their Engineering Workshops at the Lypiatts, and it would, therefore, be necessary to give them a high pressure supply. He had arranged with the County Architect for a suitable site for the sub-station, and he recommended that the Corporation should purchase this site. RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to arrange for the purchase of this site. RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to instruct Mr. Barnard to prepare the necessary plans and obtain tenders for the building.

(c) Payment—RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to authorise the Borough Treasurer to pay the Shropshire Power Co. the monthly amounts due to them for the bulk supply after the same have been passed by the Electricity Committee when necessary to prevent loss of discount.

2—Men's Outing—RESOLVED, That the Electricity Workmen be granted a day's holiday with pay on Saturday, 22nd June next, for their Annual Outing.

3—Public Lighting—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported as to the experiments he was making with regard to improving the public lighting in the Promenade. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to prepare and submit estimates at the next meeting of the Committee.

4—Damage to Lamp Standards—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported damage to a lamp standard in Russell Street by Messrs. Packer & Co. Ltd. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make a claim for the damage,

5—Motor Car—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported as to the necessity of purchasing another motor car for the use of the Department. RESOLVED, That he be authorised to purchase a motor car at a price approved by the Committee.

6—Assessment of Undertaking—The Town Clerk submitted report from Messrs. May & Hawes on the Assessment of the Undertaking. He also reported that the Undertaking had now been assessed at £9,900.

7—Electricity Charges—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted report as to the reduction in the charges for energy and recommended that a further reduction in the charge for energy for ordinary consumers should be made. He also recommended that a two part tariff should be introduced for domestic consumers, which should be a standing charge of 15 per cent. of the rateable value of the premises, payable by four equal quarterly instalments, plus a running charge of 1d. per unit for all the energy used, and for all flats and other premises not separately assessed, a standing charge of 3s per room per quarter plus a running charge of 1d. per unit for the energy used, discounts and meter rents in both cases as at present. The proposed new domestic scale would be an alternative scale to the flat rate and maximum demand scales, and would be optional. RESOLVED, That the following scale of charges be approved and adopted, such charges to take effect after the reading of the meters for the current quarter :—

LIGHTING.

Flat Rate:—

Ordinary consumers	4 ¾ d.
Large consumers under guarantee	3 ¾ d.
Churches, Chapels, etc. ...	3 ¾ d.
Cinemas (including power)	2 ½ d.
Prepayment ...	6d.
Maximum Demand:—	
Ordinary consumers	6d and 1 ½ d.
Domestic tariff :-	
Rateable Value basis p.a.	15% plus ¾ d.
Room basis per annum	12s plus ¾ d.
POWER. Ordinary consumers	1d.

RESOLVED, also, That the new scale of charges apply to the Borough and parishes of Leckhampton, Prestbury and Charlton Kings.

8—Gas Tests—Periodical Reports—Read, Reports of Gas Tests made on the 26th and 29th ult., 7th and 18th inst., which showed the calorific value on these dates to be 471.7, 471.7, 472.0 and 472.36 B.Th.U., and the pressure 5.2, 5.0, 4.3 and 4.8 inches of water.

JAMES MOORE,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 13th December, 1928. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Stewart: Councillors Pates and Smith (The Mayor 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 10th December, 1928.	Average for corresponding period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	195,000 gallons	317,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	946,000	1,628,000 “
Leckhampton Springs	56,000	102,000
Total	1,197,000	2,047,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth 10th December, 1928.	Contents	Depth 10th December, 1927.	Contents
Hewletts		14,194,000 gallons		25,317,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	23ft. 0in.	56,952,000 “	26ft. 7in.	72,940,000
Leckhampton	6ft. 0ins.	810,000	11ft. 0in.	1,485,000
Total Storage		71,956,000		99,742,000

2—Inspections—The Borough Engineer reported the work carried out by the Water Inspectors during the month of November.

3 - -Woodlands Farm—Read, letter from the tenant of this farm as to damage caused by the gale and the Borough Engineer reported that he was having the damage repaired.

4—Castle Barn and Home Farms—(a) The Town Clerk submitted draft Contract for the purchase of this property comprising 582.837 acres, of which 161.497 acres were let to Mr. Randall at a rent of £200 on a yearly tenancy expiring on the 29th September next, 35.722 acres let to Mr. J. C. H. Lucy at an annual rent of £68, 225.349 let to Mr. T. Roberts on a yearly tenancy at £150, 22.910 acres let to Mr. J. Burrow on a yearly tenancy at £46, 27.366 acres let to Mr. Edwin Mills at an annual rent of £35 and 11.446 acres let to Mr. J. Hobbs at a rent of £5 10s. 0d. The Contract provides for the shooting to be let to the vendor at a rent of £45 for a term of 14 years determinable at end 3, 5, 7 or 10 years. The total rent including shooting amounting to £549 10s. 0d. There was also 98.547 acres of woodland in hand. The tithe amounted to £126 19s. 6d. As the tithe had previously been stated to be £116, the vendor had agreed to reduce the purchase price from £11,000 to £10,800. A sum not exceeding £30 was to be allowed to the vendor for repairs to be carried out at Castle Barn Farm House and Buildings. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be authorised to enter into a Contract on behalf of the Corporation for the purchase of the property at the price of £10,800, the Contract to be subject to the sanction of the Ministry of Health being obtained to a loan for the purchase money and to include a covenant by the vendor in respect of Rossley Manor Farm comprising 73 acres retained by him that no part of the property should be used for any purpose which might in any way, directly or indirectly lead to the contamination of the River Chelt or the Dowdeswell reservoir or springs discharging into the same.

(b) RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for their sanction to a loan of £10,938 for the purchase money, including stamp duty and repairs to Castle Barn Farm.

5--Extensions to Mains—St. George's Street—The Borough Engineer reported that Messrs. Norman Sawyer & Co. were erecting printing works in this street and that in order to give the Company an efficient supply, it would be necessary to substitute the present 2-inch main by a 4-inch main at an estimated cost of £175, RESOLVED, That the main be laid.

6—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, 18th December, 1928. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Mann and Stewart : Councillors Leigh James, Moore, Pates, Gen. Thomas, Capt. Trye and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Diseases amongst Animals—(a) Supt. Goulder reported that the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

(b) Importation of Dogs and Cats Order, 1928—The Town Clerk submitted this order requiring that all cats and other feline animals imported should as in the case of dogs be quarantined for 6 months. Notice of the order had been published as requested by the Ministry.

2—Omnibus Licences—(a) Drivers—RESOLVED, That the following applications for Drivers Licences be granted on the recommendation of Supt. Goulder :—

Black & White Motorways Ltd	8
Elliott Brothers Ltd. ...	24
Cooks Safety Coaches Ltd.	4
Greyhound Motors Ltd.	13 and 17
Conductors Great Western Express Co. Ltd	3

(b) Coventry to Paignton and Gloucester to London Services—Read, letters of 4th and 11th inst., from the Greyhound Motors Ltd. asking for licences to be granted for their 23 saloon omnibuses in order to allow such vehicles to be interchanged for their various services. RESOLVED, That the application be granted.

(c) London and Cardiff—Read, application from the Great Western Express Co. Ltd. for licences to be granted for 6 omnibuses for their service through Cheltenham from London to Cardiff, and enclosing timetable and table of fares. RESOLVED, That the application be granted. RESOLVED, also, That the proposed taking up and setting down places at Montpellier and in the High Street opposite Bath Road be approved, the route of the omnibuses through the town to be via Oriel Road and Bath Road to the High Street.

(d) Gloucester and London—RESOLVED, That the application of the Rural England Motor Coaches Ltd. for 3 additional licences for omnibuses operating on their London and Gloucester Service be granted

(e) Races—RESOLVED, That the application of the Bristol Tramways & Carriage Co. Ltd. for six special licences for the Races to be held on the 31st December be granted.

3—Fire Brigade—The Captain reported that the Brigade had attended the following outbreaks of fire since the last meeting :—

Date, 1928.	Place	Damage.	Brigade Expenses.
November 22nd	35 Clarence Square ...	£25 0s. 0d.	£3 1s. 6d.
" 24th	Windsorton, London Road ..	Slight	£2 10s. 6d.
" 29th "	Walden," Alstone Lane	£150 0s. 0d.	£3 2s. 6d.

4—Cheltenham and District Light Railway—Read, resolutions passed by the Chamber of Commerce, National Citizens Union and Civic Society objecting to additional standards and wires being erected in the town. Read, also, memorial signed by 40 property owners resident in Old Bath Road protesting against standards with overhead wires being erected in the road. The Town Clerk reported that a copy of the Bill had not yet been received. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to present a Petition against the Bill and that the matter be further considered when the Bill is received.

5—Sub-Post Offices—RESOLVED, That no objection be made to the proposal to close the sub-Post Offices in the Borough at 1 p.m. on the 27th inst.

6—Leckhampton Hill Estate—Damage—The Town Clerk reported as to damage to fencing on the hill by boys, who had now paid for the estimated cost of the damage.

7—St. Georges Parade—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to alter the name plates so as to clearly indicate the portions of the Road called St. Georges Parade and St. Georges Place respectively.

8—Municipal Offices—Christmas Holidays—RESOLVED, That the offices be closed for the Christmas Holidays on the 25th, 26th and 27th inst

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9-21 Promenade—(a) Dilapidations—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to inspect and report as to any claim for dilapidations upon the late tenants.

(b) RESOLVED, That the temporary use of rooms at 21 Promenade be granted to the British Legion until the same are required for carrying out the proposed alterations.

10—Petrol Licences—RESOLVED, That the applications of Messrs. Edwards & Marshall, Major Bowie Evans and Miss V. E. Warren for licences to store 640, 500 and 500 gallons of petroleum in pump storages at their respective premises at Tewkesbury Road Garage, Idmiston House, St. Georges Street and The Langton Garage, Montpellier Terrace, be granted.

11--Carbide Licence—RESOLVED, That the application of the Dragoon Cycle Co. for a licence to store 112 lbs. of carbide at their premises at 323a High Street, be granted.

12—Footpath Preservation Society---RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be authorised to purchase the Journal of this Society for a subscription of 1016d. per annum.

13—Market—The Committee considered the application from Mr. Castle for a reduction in the terms contained in the Agreement dated 5th April, 1923 for use of the Market, RESOLVED, That the Committee cannot recommend any reduction. RESOLVED, also, That the Town Clerk be instructed to apply to Mr. Castle for a Statement of Account in accordance with his Agreement and for payment of the amount due from him,

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 10th December, 1928. Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Smith, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward and Yarnold; Messrs. J. Waine and E. M. Yeend. (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

1—Crabtree Piece—(a) Nos. 188 and 189--RESOLVED, That Mr. Castle be asked to value the pigsties, buildings and trees on these allotments, and that allotment No. 189 be divided into two allotments, the use of the buildings to be divided between the two tenants, and that allotment No. 188 be let separately with a reservation of a strip 4 feet wide to give access to allotment No. 189.

(b) Allotments in bad condition—Mr. Waine reported that he had inspected the allotments and the following were in bad condition :—Nos. 37, 46, 58, 84, 92, 93, 100, 127, 111, 143, 144, 161 and 194. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the tenants.

2—Gappers Field—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to repair the fence between this field and Crab Tree Piece.

3—Pigsties—RESOLVED, That in future no tenant be allowed to erect more than one pigsty on an allotment where pig-styes are permitted.

4—Gardener's Lane—RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the owner of the hedge in this lane, adjoining Crab Tree Piece, asking him to cut it, as it overshadows the allotments.

W. SAWYER,

Chairman.

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PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 10th December, 1928- Present—Alderman Sawyer; Councillors Smith, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

1—Sandford Park—(a) Visitors—RESOLVED, That the Chairman (Alderman Sawyer), Councillors Smith and E. L. Ward be appointed Visitors of this Park for the ensuing year.

(b) Gifts—The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. J. L. Goss had presented some shrubs, herbaceous plants and bulbs, and Major Harford had presented a collection of herbaceous plants for this Park. RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Council be conveyed to them.

2—Pittville Estate—(a) Waterfowl—The Borough Surveyor reported that there were some surplus waterfowl which he had not been able to dispose of by exchange. RESOLVED, That they be killed and disposed of.

(b) Garage, Edenham, Wellington Square—The Borough Surveyor submitted plans for a garage at this house. RESOLVED, That they be approved so far as this Committee is concerned.

(c) Evesham House, Electric Sub Station—The Borough Surveyor submitted plans of this sub-station. RESOLVED, That they be approved so far as this Committee is concerned.

3--Wellington Square—Read, letter from Mr. G. W. Newman complaining of the condition of the paths in this Square. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for view.

4—View Meeting—RESOLVED, That a view meeting be held on Thursday, 13th inst.

5—Recreation Grounds—Read, resolutions passed at a meeting of the National Playing Fields Committee, again urging the Council to discontinue sheep grazing on the grounds and to roll the grounds during the winter and to replace worn out turf. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to arrange for the grounds to be rolled when the caretakers consider it necessary.

W. SAWYER,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 13th December, 1928. Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Smith, E. L. Ward and J. F. Ward (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

6—Sandford Park—Councillor E. L. Ward reported that he with the Town Clerk and the Borough Surveyor had had an interview with a representative of Messrs. Bradshaw's (Leicester) Ltd., and had agreed to recommend a settlement of the dispute by the Company allowing a rebate of £32 10s. 0d. to enable the Corporation to complete the work. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

7—Wellington Square—(a) Footpaths—The Committee inspected the footpaths. RESOLVED, That the footpath on the northern side adjoining the garden, be regravelled.

(b) Trees—The Committee considered applications for the removal of various trees. RESOLVED :—

(i.) That the wych elm apposite Avondale House be removed, and replaced by a silver birch.

(ii.) That the silver birch on the corner near Avondale House be removed.

(iii) That the silver birch opposite "Daylesford" be removed and another planted.

(iv.) That one elm tree opposite Ashmir Court be pruned and another removed

8—Clarence Square—(a) Tree—RESOLVED, That the application of Mrs. Parker for the tree opposite "Corinium" to be pruned, be granted.

(b) Footpaths—RESOLVED, That the verge of the footpath on the southern side of this Square, adjoining the houses be gravelled and the turf removed, and that the verge of the footpath on the opposite side of the road be returfed.

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9—Wellington Road—Tree—RESOLVED, That the wych elm in this road, opposite Pittville House, reported by the Treeman to be dangerous, be removed.

10—Clarence Road—Trees—RESOLVED, That the application of Mrs. Skinner for the tree in front of 4 Pittville Terrace to be removed, be not granted, but that another tree be planted in front of 3 Pittville Terrace.

Estate—(a) Trees—The Committee inspected various trees in the Long Garden and Pittville Gardens which the Gardens Superintendent recommended should be removed. RESOLVED, That they be removed, and new trees planted to replace them.

(b) Subway to Pittville Annexe—The Committee inspected this subway, which had cracked in several places, through the vibration of the traffic in Evesham Road. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to make further inspections and report to the Committee.

W. SAWYER,

Chairman.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 14th December, 1928. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Scott Langley, Brig.-Gen. Thomas and Capt. Trye; Colonel Griffith ; Dr. R. Davies; and Mr F. B. de Sausmarez (The Deputy Mayor in the chair),

1—Curator's Report—Visits—During November 3,668 (against 3,006) ; daily average 141 (against 116). Included in these figures was a class of 30 boys from the Parish Church School.

Receipts—Collection Box (including lecture) £1 0s. 8d. ; Permanent Catalogues 5s 6d ; Postcard Reproductions 2s 2d. Total £1 8s. 4d

Exhibition—The 9th Annual Exhibition by the Cheltenham Group of Artists, from 15th October to 1st December 6,406 visitors—daily average 153. Commission on sales £3 0s. 11d.
Exhibition of Dutch Art—The four Dutch Masters lent from the Gallery were taken to the Royal Academy on the 11th inst.

2—Donations—From Lady Dixon Hartland, Sculpture : " The Crouching Venus," in marble with pedestal ; Mr. F. J. Thacker, Rubbing of the Grevel Brass, Chipping Campden.
RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

3----Leslie Young Bequest—RESOLVED, That the water-colour drawing entitled " Durham " by Harold H. Holden be purchased for the sum of £22 10s. 0d.

4—Museums Association Exhibition of Contemporary British Sculpture—RESOLVED, That the Curator be authorised to arrange for this Exhibition at a fee of £25, £19 12s. 0d. of which he had secured from eight subscribers,

5—Prospective Exhibitions—RESOLVED, That the Curator be authorised to arrange for the following Exhibitions:-

(a) Pictures by the New Forest Group of Painters. June, 1929.

(b) Photographs by the Midland Salon. 1930.

6—Shorthand-Typist—RESOLVED, That on the transfer of Miss Parry to the Library staff the Curator be authorised to employ a Junior clerical assistant at a wage not exceeding 20s per week, one-half being paid by the Library Committee.

7—Curator—Read, application from the Curator for an increase of salary. RESOLVED, unanimously, That the annum. proportion of Mr. Herdman's salary payable by this Committee for his services as Curator be increased to £200 per annum.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 28th December, 1928. Present—Councillors H. W. Thomas, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair).

- 1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of Superintendent from the 24th November to the 28th December 1928. Interments 84 ; Grave Spaces sold 27 (First Position 4 ; Second Position 2, Third Position 2 ; Fourth Position 19). Memorials fixed 18. New Inscriptions 8.
- 2—Grants of Grave Spaces--RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 7880 to 7906 of the exclusive right of burial in the graves referred to therein.
- 3—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following designs be approved, viz :—Memorial Headpiece and kerbing to graves of Emily Smith and John H. W. Packer and Memorial Cross, bases and kerbing to grave of Eva A. Lloyd.
- 4 ----Memorial--RESOLVED, That permission be granted to Mrs. A H. Taylor for the removal of an old cross and base as she had erected a new memorial to her late husband.

HENRY T. YARNOLD,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 11th December, 1928. Present—Aldermen Mann and Taylor ; Councillors Allen, Scott Langley, Brig.-Gen.. Thomas, Capt. Trye; and Messrs. A. Miles, F. Vernall and C. E. Walsh (Alderman Mann in the chair).

- 1—Librarian's Report—Receipts £10 4s. 0d. Number of volumes issued in Reference Library 5,502 (last year 5,176), Lending Library 12,993 (last year 12,569) ; Juvenile Library 2,514 (last year 2,288). Total for month 21,009 (last year 20,033).

Replacements—During the month 49 volumes had been replaced.

Lectures—November 20th, Prof. G. H. Leonard, M.A. on " Albert Duren" Attendance 332. December 6th, Lt.-Col. The Rt. Hon. Sir Matthew Nathan on "The Renaissance." Attendance 182. December 10th, Marcus Holmes, Esq., A.R.W.A. on " Dante Gabriel Rossetti." Attendance 72.

Presentations—Mrs. Cobbold (5 vols.) Miss Robinson (9 vols.) ; Institute of Auctioneers (1 vol.) ; Royal Society of Arts (10 pamphls).

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

2—**Sub-Committee's Report**—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 6th inst. Present—Alderman Taylor Dr. R. Davies ; Messrs. E. C. Rogers and C. E. Walsh (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

They recommended :—

(a) That 154 volumes (new books), published at £59 0s. 0d., be purchased at a cost of D1 14s. 0d.

(b) That the sum of £10 be spent on Replacements.

(c) That the sum of £10 be spent on Binding.

(d) Exterior Ornamental Stonework—The Librarian reported as to a further fall of stone on to the footpath. RESOLVED, That Messrs. Morris and Son be asked to inspect the stonework in question with a view to its being treated with Silicate, or other petrifying composition,

(e) Staff—The Librarian reported the resignation of his Chief Assistant (Mr. H. G. Fletcher) on his appointment as Librarian of Stalybridge, and his recommendations for the re-organisation of the Staff were approved as follows

(i) That Miss H. Cicely Wise be promoted to be Chief Assistant in place of Mr. Fletcher at a commencing salary of £160, rising by annual increments of £10 to £200.

(ii) That Miss E. J. Parry be advanced from 35s to £2 per week, and become the full-time employee of the Library Committee.

(iii) That Miss E. Mason be advanced from 35s to 37s 6d per week,

(iv) That 2 Junior Assistants be employed, at wages not exceeding 20s and 12s 6d per week.
RESOLVED, That the recommendations be approved and adopted.

3—Supply of Newspapers and Periodicals—The Librarian reported the receipt of three tenders for the supply of these. RESOLVED, That that of Messrs. Dodwell fi Son, the lowest, be accepted,

4—Librarian—Read, application from the Librarian and Curator for an increase of salary. RESOLVED, unanimously, That the proportion of Mr. Herdman's salary payable by this Committee for his services as Librarian be increased to £300 per annum.

A. MANN,

Chairman.

RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 31st December, 1928. Present-Alderman Taylor; Councillors Langley, Gen, Thomas, H. W. Thomas, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

1—Proposal—The Committee considered the revision of one property submitted by the Rating and Valuation Officers. RESOLVED, That a proposal be submitted for the revision of the assessment as now settled by the Committee.

2—Rating and Valuation (Apportionment) Act, 1928—(a) Read, letter from the District Valuer stating that he concurred in the particulars and conclusions arrived at in regard to agricultural hereditaments except in regard to 20 of the hereditaments, which he recommended should be excluded, and the Committee agreed to the exclusion of 18 of these hereditaments from the list, adjourned 1, and included the remaining one.

(b) The Committee dealt with outstanding claims received in respect of properties, which had been inspected by members of the Committee and the Rating and Valuation Officers.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 1st January, 1929 Present—Alderman Taylor ;
Councillors Miller, Moore, Pruett and E. L. Ward (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

1—General Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 1st inst., on the collection of the Second Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £47,826 10s. 7d. Leaving outstanding £70,141 8s. 11d.

2—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 1st inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 25th March, 1929. Amount collected £9,032 16s. 0d. Leaving outstanding £10,443 17s. 7d.

3—Loans---(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £6,250 on loan. RESOLVED, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loans.

(b) The Borough Surveyor reported that the County Fire Office had agreed to increase their proposed loan of £10,000 to the amount of the sanction for the purchase of Castle Barn and Home Farms, namely £10,938. RESOLVED, That a loan of £10,938 be borrowed from the County Fire Office Ltd. for 10 years at 4 7/8 per cent, per annum with liberty for either party to require repayment at the end of the 5th or 7th year and that the Common Seal be affixed to the debenture. RESOLVED, also, That Minute No. 4 (b) passed at the meeting of the Committee on the 27th November last be varied accordingly.

4—National Savings' Certificates—The Borough Treasurer reported that the number of Savings Certificates sold during November was 3,756 as compared with 3,837 for the corresponding month last year.

5-4 $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. Housing Bonds—The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. Housing Bonds amounting to £220 had been received for periods varying from 5 to 10 years and that certificates had been issued accordingly. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

6—Rate Booklet—The Committee further considered the proof of the proposed Ratepayers Vade Mecum. RESOLVED. That this be approved subject to the alterations made by the Committee.

7—Local Government Bill—Read, letter of 14th ult., from the Ministry of Health with reference to the estimate made by the Borough Treasurer showing how the rates would be affected by the provisions of the Bill. The Ministry pointed out that at present the most careful estimate could only be provisional, being made before the provisions of the Bill had been settled by Parliament and before the results of the general revaluation and apportionments under the Acts of 1925 and 1928 had been completed, and before the amount of the expenditure for 1928-29, the standard year, had been ascertained ; but according to the Ministry's estimate the losses from derating and discontinuance of the present Exchequer grants would reduce the income of the Local Authorities in the County by about £447,000, against this had to be set off the new block grant, estimated at £467,000 for the whole County ; the gain to the County as a whole would therefore be about £40,000. Out of the grant of £487,000 the sum of about £93,000 would be distributable under the Bill to District Councils within the County, leaving about £394,000 for the County Council. The Exchequer Grants to be discontinued under the Bill, at present received by the County Council for general County services, and by Poor Law Authorities and Highway Authorities in respect of the services proposed to be transferred to the General County Fund amounted to about £240,000; and the difference between these two sums of £394,000 and £240,000, namely £154,000, would be available for reduction of the amount to be raised for the General County Rate, and according to the estimate of the Ministry the result of the provisions of the Bill would not result in more than 1d. increase in the rates for the Borough as mentioned in the Department's estimate published in Parliamentary Paper Cmd. 3227.

The Town Clerk also submitted statement received from the Association of Municipal Corporations indicating the concessions which the Government were prepared to accept as the result of negotiations on behalf of Local Authorities. These concessions included a provision that the guarantee in respect of County Districts against increase in rate poundage by reason of the scheme during the first year of its operation should be continued for a further period of 4 years, so that there would be no increase of rate poundage by reason of the scheme for 5 years. Any necessary adjustment would be then spread at the rate of one-fifteenth each year over a period of 14 years. Thus the special provisions of the Bill mitigating changes in rate poundage would be extended in all from 15 to 19 years. Provision would also be made in the Bill under which the Minister, in consultation with Local Authorities would make investigation into the working of the formula and of the scheme of distribution within the County before the end of the second grant period, i.e. before the end of 7 years. The Bill

would also provide that if provision is made by Parliament for the institution by Local Authorities of new services involving substantial additional expenses, it would be for Parliament to provide the further Exchequer assistance required

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8—Reciprocal Loan—RESOLVED, That £5,000 be borrowed from the Mayor, Aldermen and Burgesses of the Borough of Reading and that the Common Seal be affixed to a Mortgage to the said Corporation for securing the said sum with interest at 4 ½ per cent. per annum such loan to be repayable at the end of 5 years or at any time thereafter on six month's notice, the said loan being part of arrangement for a reciprocal loan to the Reading Corporation to be advanced on the same terms.

9—Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants—Read, letter from the Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants asking the Committee to appoint Honorary Members of the Institute. RESOLVED, That Alderman Taylor and Councillor E. L. Ward be appointed Honorary Members.

10—Borough Treasurer—RESOLVED, That the sum of £100 per annum, formerly paid to the Treasurer at Lloyds Bank, be now paid to the Borough Treasurer.

11—Sanctions to Loans—The Town Clerk reported the receipt of the following Sanctions to Loans :—

Date, 1928. Purpose. Amount. Period of Repayment.

11th December Making up Kipling Road £447 30 years.

11th December Do. Do. £2653 20 years.

12—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on the 1st inst. Present : Alderman Taylor (in the chair) ; Councillors Moore and Pruen. The Accounts, except one, were examined and recommended for payment.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham

31st January, 1929.

Sir, I beg to give you notice that pursuant to the provisions of the Borough Funds Acts 1872-1908 a Special Meeting of the Council will be held on MONDAY the 4th day of FEBRUARY, 1929 at THREE o'clock in the Afternoon at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMENADE, CHILTENHAM, for the purpose of considering the expediency of opposing a Bill promoted by the Cheltenham and District Light Railway Company in the present

session of Parliament intituled " A Bill to authorise the Cheltenham, and District Light Railway Company to provide and run trolley vehicles and omnibuses ; to change the name of the Company ; and for other purposes," and of resolving that the costs and expenses of and in relation to the opposition to such Bill shall be charged on and paid out of the General Rate and Fund.

To each Member of the Council.

Yours faithfully,

Town Clerk.

Borough Cheltenham.

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 31st January, 1929.

Sir, You are hereby summoned to attend the **Quarterly Meeting of the Council, to be held at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMENADE, on MONDAY, the 4th day of February, 1929, at THREE O'CLOCK** in the Afternoon, at which Meeting the following Business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
2. Communications by the Mayor.
3. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :—THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE HOUSING COMMITTEE MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE • ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE WATER COMMITTEE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE • PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE • PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE RATING COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE
4. Letter from Labour Exchange re unemployment in Cheltenham. 5. Memorials, Applications, Complaints, &c.

Yours faithfully,

Town Clerk.

To each Member of the Council.

Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held at the Municipal Offices, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 7th day of January, 1929, at 3 p.m. Present;

The Mayor (Alderman Charles Henry Margrett, C.B.E., J.P.) in the chair.

Aldermen Mann, Sawyer and Taylor ; Councillors Allen, Dunn, O.B.E., Leigh James, Langley, Miller, Moore, Pates, Smith, Brig.-Gen. H. M. Thomas, C.M.G., D.S.O., H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye, C.B.E., Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard Wapshare, K.C.I.E., C.B., C.S.I., E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Welstead, K.S.G., Wheeler, M.B.E., and Yarnold.

Apologies — Apologies for absence were received from the Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Stewart, and Councillor Pruen.

1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 3rd December, 1928 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—Proceedings of Committees—Resolved, That the proceedings of the under-mentioned Committees at their Meetings held on the dates respectively appearing be approved and confirmed :—

Public Health Meetings held December 10 and 13

Housing Meetings held December 11 and January 2

Resolved, also, That the tender of Mr. W. Drew of £14,226 4s. 8d. for the erection of 17 pairs of houses in Kipling Road, be accepted, subject to sanction to loan being obtained and to a formal Contract being entered into.

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Street and Highway ... Meeting held December 17

With the addition to Minute No. 7 of the kerbside petrol pumps outside the premises of Messrs. H. G. Norton & Ca., Koh Road, J. Preston, Queens Road and Montpellier Garage Co., Suffolk Road.

Town Improvement and Spa ... Meetings held December 21 and 28

Electricity and Lighting ... Meeting held December 19

Water Meeting held December 13

General Purposes and Watch Meeting held December 18

Allotments Meeting held December 10

Parks and Recreation Grounds Meeting held December 13

Art Gallery and Museum Meeting held December 14

Burial Board Meeting held December 28

Public Library Meeting held December 11

Rating Meeting held December 31

Finance Meeting held January 1

Resolved, also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed authorising him to pay to the several Corporations, Companies and Persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts, the sum of money set opposite their respective names. (An amendment

moved by Councillor Capt. Trye and seconded by Councillor Welstead : " That this Council continues its opposition to the Local Government Bill until an unqualified guarantee is given against any loss under the .financial proposals contained in the Bill " was lost).

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Mayor.

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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, 4th February, 1929.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 14th January, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Leigh James ; Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Councillor Gen, Thomas in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz:-14 Commercial Street ; 7 and 12 Exmouth Street ; 6 Leicester Terrace ; Garden Cottage, Duke Street ; 1 to 4 Kingsditch Lane.—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 Sanitary Inspector on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Overcrowding at 5 Crowthers Passage, Malvern Street ; 15 Queens Street ; and 15 Stoneville 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----Nuisances from Drains, etc., at (a) 7 and 8 Princes Street ; and 3, 4 and 5 Higgs Cottages, Alstone.—The Sanitary Inspector having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, etc., 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 Sanitary Inspector to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee

(b) 7 Windsor Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Committee the drainage required to these premises had been executed to his satisfaction by Mr. A. J. Hyatt at the cost of RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to an Order declaring the said expenses to be Private Improvement Expenses chargeable on the premises to be repayable by instalments within a period not exceeding two years with interest at the rate of five per cent. per annum until the whole amount is repaid,

4—Insanitary Property—(a) 1 to 4 Lambs Cottages, Commercial Street 5 and 8 and Hilton Cottage, Commercial Street ; 8, 9 and 11 Exmouth Street ; 7 Weston Cottages, Russell Place ; Garden Cottage and 23 Duke Street ; Hanger ford Cottage, St. Paul's ; 14, 25 and 27 Columbia Street ; and 2 Napier Cottages, Ormond 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, Notices under Section 94 of the Public Health Act, 1875, or Section 3 of the Housing Act, 1925, 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.

(b) 13 Queens Street and 56 Tewkesbury Road.—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the Owners of these houses had not complied with the Notices served under Section 3 of The Housing Act, 1925 and submitted tenders for carrying out the works required. RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. E. Welch (being the lowest) of £4 5s. 0d. for 13 Queens Street and £3 2s. 6d. for 56 Tewkesbury Road be accepted.

(c) 13 and 14 Cleaveland Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Committee the sanitary work required under Section 3 of The Housing Act, 1925 had been executed to his satisfaction by Mr. E. J. Welch at a cost of £5 0s. 0d. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Owner for payment.

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5—Common Lodging Houses—Applications were received from Mrs. Alice Evans in respect of " The Shamrock," Grove Street, "The Nelson," High Street, and " Cumberland Cottage," Grove Street ; Michele and Ada Fortucci in respect of " Rowton House," Grove Street, and Alphonse A. Meulbrouck for renewal of their registration as Common Lodging House Keepers. The Medical Officer of Health reported that certain defects were required to be carried out at some of the houses and that at an inspection recently made it was found that the bye-laws were being carried out satisfactorily except at "The Nelson," at which on the two inspections it was found that neither the Keeper nor Deputy Keeper were present. RESOLVED, That subject to the works of the repair required by the Medical Officer of Health being carried out, that the registrations be renewed up to the 9th November next. RESOLVED, also, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to Mrs. Evans with regard to the contravention of the bye-laws.

6--Houses Let in Lodgings----The Sanitary Inspector submitted application from Charles William Short to be registered as a keeper of a lodging-house at 53 Regent Street RESOLVED, That the application be granted.

7—Pigsties, Charlton Lane- --The Sanitary Inspector reported that no manure receptacle had been provided or proper drainage to the pigsties at the rear of " Victoria House," Charlton Lane, belonging to L. E. Jenkins, as required by the bye-laws. RESOLVED, That the

Town Clerk be instructed to inform Mr. Jenkins that proceedings will be taken against him if the bye-laws are not complied with.

8-- Public Convenience—Grove Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the Cheltenham Original Brewery Company had offered to give up a piece of land in Grove Street adjoining the Shakespeare Inn if the Corporation would erect a public urinal
RESOLVED, That this offer be accepted with thanks and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to prepare plans and estimate for the erection of a urinal.

9—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—(a) 1 and 2 Limbrick Cottages—RESOLVED,—That consideration of making a Demolition Order in respect of these premises be adjourned.

(b) 1, 2 and 3 Ebenezer Court, Kings Street—RESOLVED, That consideration of making a Closing Order in respect of these properties be adjourned for three months.

(c) 26a Union Street.—The Medical Officer of Health having made written representation that this dwelling-house was in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation and recommended that the same be closed. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned and that Notice be given to the Owner of the intention to make a Closing Order,

10--Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 261 lbs. Pork, 110 lbs, Beef, and 10 tins of milk, fruit and fish.

11—Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted list of Notices requiring abatement of nuisances arising from dirty walls and ceilings, leaky roofs, and want of ash receptacles, etc. served but not complied with.. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to enforce compliance,

12—Sewers—Fairview district and back of Montpellier Terrace—The Town Clerk reported that the Ministry of Health had now issued a sanction to the loan of the above sewers.
RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to carry out the work departmentally and that he be authorised to engage a Clerk of Works,

13--Tewkesbury Road—Sewer Vent Shaft—The Borough Surveyor reported that a sewer ventilating shaft in this road had been knocked down by a wagon belonging to the Cirencester Transport Co., and the Insurance Company had offered to pay half the claim for damage amounting to £14 7s. 6d. in full settlement. RESOLVED, That this offer be accepted.

14—Abattoir—The Borough Surveyor reported that the new boiler had now been fixed at the Abattoir and was satisfactory.

15—Chelt Bank—The Borough Surveyor reported that the retaining wall at the rear of Rainow had been completed and that Mr. Stucke, the owner, had paid his contribution of £130 0s. 0d.

16—Influenza—Read, circular 955 of 4th instant from the Ministry of Health enclosing a revised memorandum on Influenza. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Medical Officer of Health with authority to take such steps in the event of an outbreak occurring as he deems advisable

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17—Milk (Special Designations) Order, 1923— (a) Pasteuriser's Licence—RESOLVED, That the application of the Gloucestershire Dairy Co. Ltd., for renewal of their licence to use the designation " Pasteurised " milk in connection with the sale of milk treated by them at their Dairy, Imperial Lane, Cheltenham, be granted, the licence to expire on 31st December, 1929, unless previously revoked.

(b) Dealer's Licence—(i) RESOLVED, That the application of the Gloucestershire Dairy Co., Ltd., for the renewal of licence issued to Davis & Co. to sell " Pasteurised " milk from 3 Rotunda Terrace, Montpellier Street, be granted, the licence to expire on 31st December, 1929, unless previously revoked.

(ii) RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham Creamery Co., Ltd., for renewal of their licences to sell " Certified " milk from 3 and 4 Pittville Street and North Place Depot, be granted, the licences to expire on 31st December, 1929, unless previously revoked.

(c) RESOLVED, also, That the application of Mr. F. C. Flowers, trading as the Tewkesbury Clean Milk Supply of Walton Cardiff, for renewal of his licence to sell " Certified " milk within the Borough, be granted, the licence to expire on the 31st December, 1929, unless previously revoked.

18—Smoke Problem—Read, circular of 29th ult., from the Department of Scientific and Industrial Research suggesting that the Corporation should co-operate in the investigation of atmospheric impurity and subscribe towards the work and enclosing list of contributing municipal authorities. RESOLVED, That a subscription of two guineas be made to the Department.

19—Barn Farm—The Borough Surveyor reported as to a leakage of water from the service of Barn Farm due to defective lengths of wrought iron tubing and recommended that this should be replaced with lead pipe at an estimated cost of £15 0s. 0d. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

20—Annual Report of the Medical Officer of Health—Read, circular received from the Ministry of Health as to the contents and arrangements of annual reports of Medical Officers of Health for 1928. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Medical Officer of Health.

21—Royal Sanitary Institute—Read, circular from the Royal Sanitary Institute inviting the attendance of delegates at the annual Conference to be held at Sheffield on the 13th to 20th July next. RESOLVED, That the Chairman and Sanitary Inspector be appointed to attend the Conference.

22—National Rat Week—Read, letter of 14th ultimo from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries expressing their appreciation of the action taken by the Council in connection with the Rat Week.

23—Unemployment—Read, circular of 10th instant from the Unemployment Grants Committee regarding the conditions attaching to grants available for works on which local authorities agree to employ a percentage of labour from depressed areas. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

H. M. THOMAS,

Chairman.

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HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 15th January, 1929. Present—Councillors Dunn, Moore, Pates, Gen, Thomas, H. W. Thomas, Sir Richard Wapshare and Yarnold (Councillor Pates in the chair).

1—Outbuildings—(a) RESOLVED, That the following applications for permission to erect outbuildings be granted as follows:-

32 Spenser Road Cycle and coal shed.

50 Byron Road Garage and tool shed.

24 Byron Road Coal shed.

(b) RESOLVED, That the application of the owner of 6 Spenser Road for permission to erect a tool and cycle shed at the side of this house be not granted.

2-19 Hanover Parade—RESOLVED, That the application of the tenant of this house for permission to erect a sign-board advertising his trade be granted.

3—Housing, etc., Act, 1923—Read, letter of 5th instant from the Ministry of Health agreeing to an extension of the time for commencement and completion of houses by private enterprise under this Act so as to apply to houses completed not later than 30th September. 1929.

4—Slum Areas---(a) Read, circular of the 7th instant from the Association of Municipal Corporations inviting the attendance of delegates to a Conference to be held in London on the 28th February and 1st March to consider the problem of slum areas, etc. RESOLVED, That the Chairman and Councillor Gen. Thomas be appointed to attend.

(b) Read, letter of 12th instant from the President of the Rotary Club stating that his club desired to assist in some way the Town Council in the slum areas problem and submitting proposals in regard thereto. RESOLVED, That the Chairman, Councillor Gen Thomas,

Town Clerk and Borough Surveyor be appointed to meet the representatives of the Club to discuss these proposals.

- 5—Folly Land Housing Estate -(a) Prospect Villa The Borough Surveyor submitted report on his inspection of Prospect Villa and outbuildings showing the state of repair of the various buildings, etc., a copy of which would be attached to the lease of the premises.
- (b) Contract—Read, further letter from the Cheltenham Local Joint Committee for the building industry with regard to Messrs. Thompson & Sons contract, together with the Town Clerk's letter in reply. RESOLVED, That this be approved.
- (c) Allotments—RESOLVED, That Mr. C. C. Castle be appointed to deal with the claims for compensation from allotment holders of the land on the East side of Folly Lane.
- (d) Rents—RESOLVED, That the rents to be charged for the houses in course of erection by Messrs Thompson & Sons in Folly Lane be fixed at 8s 9d per week for 2 bedroom houses and 10s 6d per week for 3 bedroom houses inclusive of rates in each case.

6—Sale of House—The following offer was reported :—

Situation.	Name of Purchaser.	Price.
3 Shakespeare Road	Griffiths, W. M.	£495

RESOLVED, That the offer be accepted (subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health), That application be made to the Ministry for consent to the sale and That the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance. RESOLVED, also, That the Corporation agree to join with the Purchaser in a Mortgage to the Building Society for an advance of not exceeding 90 per cent. to guarantee repayment until the principal is reduced to two-thirds of the value and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Mortgage.

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 24th January, 1929. Present—Councillors Dunn, Moore, Pates, Gen. Thomas, Sir R. Wapshare, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Pates in the chair).

7—New Houses—Kipling Road—Mr. Rainger reported that he had attended the Ministry of Health at their request and to meet their requirements had made some slight modifications in the plans of the 17 pairs of houses to bring these within the limit of 950 superficial feet. He also reported that Mr. Drew was willing to reduce his tender by £120 as an allowance in respect of these alterations. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

8—Folly Lane Housing Estate—(a) Plans—Mr. Malvern reported he had also interviewed a representative of the Ministry of Health with regard to the lay-out and plans of

houses to be erected on the East side of Folly Lane, and that he had made the alterations in the plans of the houses suggested by the Ministry. The Ministry required that the road to be constructed through the centre of the site should be carried through to Folly Lane so as to have an exit at both ends and he submitted amended plan showing this, RESOLVED, That this be approved and that the amended plan be submitted to the Ministry of Health for approval.

(b) Allotment Compensation—RESOLVED, That the tenant of No. 54 Creamery Piece be allowed compensation for the cost of removing sheds, etc., from his allotment in Creamery Piece which had been taken for the straightening of the boundary line.

9—Housing Sites—Whaddon Road—Read, letter from Messrs. Bubb & Co. with regard to the land proposed to be purchased from Miss Skillicorne, RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned.

10-23 Byron Road—RESOLVED, That the application of the tenant of this house for permission to transfer to another house be not granted.

11-46 Milton Road—RESOLVED, That the tenant of this house be granted permission to transfer to a parlour type house when one is available subject to the Corporation being put to no expense with regard to the transfer,

12—St. Paul's Street South Improvement Scheme—(a) Mr. T. Malvern submitted plan showing the area to be included in the scheme and also the insanitary property and the property proposed to be acquired for the purpose of making the scheme efficient. This comprised the property on both sides of the street including in addition to the insanitary property, the land at the back of Nos. 1 to 16 St. Paul's Street South, 182 and 183 High Street and the land and buildings at the rear thereof and the yard at the side of 182 High Street, 184 High Street (London Ale and Porter Stores) and the land on the east side adjoining Lime Kiln Row and also the Britannia Inn in Swindon Road and a portion of the Duke of Sussex Inn. RESOLVED, That this area be approved.

(b) Lay-out and buildings—Read, letters from Messrs. Bayley & Sons and also from Messrs. Ed. J. Burrow & Co. Ltd. with reference to Lime Kiln Row and land adjoining thereto, referred to this Committee for consideration. RESOLVED, That Mr. Malvern be instructed to prepare plans for the lay-out and for the erection of 3 blocks of tenement houses on each side of the street each containing 4 tenements, one-third of these to be one-bedroom tenements and the remaining two-thirds two-bedroom tenements. RESOLVED, also, That the Town Clerk be instructed to apply to the Ministry of Health for a contribution of 50 per cent. of the net loss on the scheme and also to ascertain their view as to the number of houses which should be provided for re-housing the displaced population.

J. P. PATES, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 30th January, 1929. Present—Councillors Dunn, Pates, Gen. Thomas, J. F. Ward and Yarnold (Councillor Pates in the chair).

13—Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924—Folly Lane—Fourteen tenders were received for the erection of 66 houses on the east side of Folly Lane. RESOLVED, That the two lower tenderers be asked to submit a revised tender in view of the alterations in the plans required by the Ministry of Health. RESOLVED, also, That the Council be recommended to authorise this Committee to accept the lower of the two revised tenders when received. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to loan of not exceeding £24,282 for the cost of the houses, including Architect's fees and 5 per cent. for contingencies.

14—Land, Gloucester Road—Read, letter from Messrs. Tayler, Fletcher & Villar offering for sale the back land of the Alstone Lawn Estate containing about 4 acres, 1 rood, 20 perches. RESOLVED, That the District Valuer be asked to make his valuation of this land.

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15—Byron Road—The Town Clerk reported that the Building Society had now released the Corporation from further liability under the guarantee of the mortgage on this house.

16--Folly Lane—Private Improvement Works—The Borough Surveyor submitted Specification, Plan and Estimate of the works required to be done to the above road. 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 said road requiring to be levelled, repaired, metalled, flagged, channelled or made good and of any premises benefiting by the Works, though not fronting, adjoining or abutting on part of the road to be repaired, requiring them to do the specified works within 28 days, and that if such Notice is not complied with, the Borough 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.

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 28th January, 1929. Present—Alderman Mann Councillors Dunn, Langley, Leigh James, Gen, Thomas, Capt. Trye and E. L. Ward ; Mrs. Booy, Mrs. Gurney, Mrs. Mellersh and Mrs. Willoughby (Councillor Leigh James in the chair).

1—Cheltenham Infant Welfare Association—Quarterly Report—Read, Report for the Quarter ended 31st December, 1928.

The attendances at the Centres had been as follows:-

	Infants., Toddlers.	
At Baker Street (12 Meetings)	32.0	18.7
At Clare Street (12 Meetings)	27.0	18.2
At Highbury (10 Meetings)	23.3	16.1
At St Mark's (7 Meetings)	33.9	31.2

St. Mark's Infant Welfare Centre—This Centre continues to work satisfactorily there being 33 infants and 48 toddlers on the books. The Association regret the resignation of Miss Wanklyn from her post as dispenser at Baker Street owing to ill health.

2--Health Visitors—Annual Report--The following is a summary of the work done by the Health Visitors during the year ended December, 1928 :—

No. of Children Visited (a) 1 year and under ..	2,042
“ (b) over 1 year .	2,497
“ remaining on Register	2,525
“ Un-notified Births discovered	15
“ Home Visits paid by Health Visitors .	7,138
“ First Visits paid by Health Visitors..	583
“ Attendances of Health Visitors at Centres	244
“ Children remitted to Hospital	26
“ Ante-natal cases visited	118
“ Chicken-pox	20
“ Measles	34
“ Whooping-cough cases visited	97
“ German Measles	... 1
“ Cases reported to N.S.P.C.C. (No prosecutions followed)	5

Grants of Milk

To nursing and expectant mothers ..	42
To infants and children (under 3 years)	<u>34</u>
Total	76

Cost of milk during the year 1928 ... £94 11s. 2d

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Quarterly Report—The following is a summary of the work during the Quarter ended 31st December, 1928 :—

No. of Children on Register	2,525
“ Children Visited (Firsts)	571
“ (1 year and under) ...	628
“ (over 1 year)	496
“ Un-notified Births discovered	4
“ Home Visits paid by Health Visitors...	1,647
“ Attendances of Health Visitors at Centres	58

" Children remitted to Hospital	6
" First Visits paid by Health Visitors ...	119
" Ante-natal cases visited ...	33
" Measles cases visited	15
" German Measles cases visited	1
" Cases reported to N.S.P.C.C.	2

Grants of Milk

Carried over from previous quarter	17
New Orders ...	18
Orders discontinued during quarter	12
" continuing to coming quarter	23

Of the total number of orders during the Quarter, 19 have been issued for nursing or expectant mothers and 16 for infants or children under 3 years of age.

3--Umbilical Hernia—The Medical Officer of Health reported that at a meeting of the Medical Officers of the Victoria Home and the Infant Welfare Centres Doctors and himself with regard to cases of minor umbilical hernia it was decided that the Victoria Home should be notified at the end of every month of all new cases of unsatisfactory condition of the umbilicus.

4—Homes for Children--The Medical Officer of Health submitted application from St. Catherine's Homes for a grant in aid towards the expenses of sending an unmarried mother to a home for her confinement. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to make a grant equivalent to 7s per for a period of 6 months, namely £9 2s. 0d., subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health being obtained.

5—Health Visitor—Read, letter of 1st inst., from Miss E. Nicholls resigning her appointment as Health Visitor owing to ill health. RESOLVED, That the Committee record their regret at Miss Nicholls' resignation and express their appreciation of her services. RESOLVED, also, That consideration of Miss Nicholls' superannuation allowance be adjourned. RESOLVED, also, That applications for the appointment be invited by advertisement in the " Nursing Mirror " and Nursing Times " at a salary of £170, rising by annual increments of £10 to £200 per annum.

6—Maternal Mortality—The Town Clerk submitted correspondence with the County Medical Officer, Ministry of Health and Clerk of the County Council with regard to the responsibility for investigation of cases of maternal mortality.

LEIGH JAMES,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 21st January, 1929. Present—Alderman Mann ;
Councillors Langley, Pates, H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye and Yarnold (Councillor Capt.
Trye in the chair).

1—**Plans Sub-Committee**—(a) The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their Meeting on the 11th inst. RESOLVED, That the same be approved and adopted.

(b) Read, Memorial of 14th inst., from four owners of houses in Roman Road objecting to the erection of the Skittle Alley at the rear of the Midland Hotel, Gloucester Road. RESOLVED, That the Memorialists be informed that as the plans of the building comply with the byelaws the Council could not prohibit its erection.

2—**Trees**—The Borough Surveyor submitted four tenders for the 54 trees to be felled in the streets in the Borough. J. RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. J. Warren of £40 10s. Od., being the highest, be accepted.

3—**Refuse Trailers**—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Manufacturers had now agreed to overhaul the covers on the refuse trailers.

4—**Highways Superintendent**—The Borough Surveyor submitted formal resignation of the Highways Superintendent and in accordance with the instructions at the informal meeting of the Committee on the 10th inst., he had advertised for a successor at a salary of £375 with house, coal and light or £400 without house, etc., together with use of car. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to empower this Committee to appoint a successor on these terms. RESOLVED, also, That the Chairman, Alderman Mann and Councillor Pates be appointed a Sub-Committee to consider the applications received and to select not more than three applicants for interview by this Committee.

5—**Folly Lane**—The Borough Surveyor submitted plan and estimate for the making up of Folly Lane RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Housing Committee

6—**Wires across Highway**—The Borough Surveyor submitted application from Mr. A. L. Williams of 2 York Terrace, for permission to fix a wireless aerial to a tree in the Central Depot across RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Section 25 of the Public Health Act, 1925 consent be given to the placing of the wire, subject to the following conditions :—(1) That the wire shall be placed at a height of at least sixteen feet above the highway and in a position approved by the Borough Surveyor ; (2) That the wire and the supports thereof be maintained and kept in a satisfactory condition ; (3) That the applicants shall be responsible for any damage arising or being caused by or in consequence of the wires crossing the highway ; (4) That the wire shall be removed within one month after notice from the Corporation requiring this.

7—**View Committee**—Reported Meeting on the 16th inst. Present—Alderman Mann; Councillors Langley and Capt. Trye (Councillor Capt. Trye in the chair).

They recommended as follows :—

- (a) 2 Promenade—That the owners be required to remove forthwith the weighing machine fixed outside the Gloucester-shire Dairy Co's premises.
- (b) Waterloo Street—That the Private Improvement Works to the footpath be proceeded with in accordance with the notices served.
- (c) Tewkesbury Road- -That the 2nd, 4th and 6th trees referred to in the letter from the Automobile Association's letter be removed and a short length of kerb altered for the protection of other trees.
- (d) Shurdington and Moorend Park Roads—That the plan for improving the corner at the junction of these roads be approved and that the Owner of the Rowans be paid the sum of L10 for the land to be given up.
- (e) Leckhampton Road—That the Mountain Ash reported unsafe by the Treeman be replaced by another tree
- (f) Old Bath Road—That Mr. C. H. Banks' application for the removal of tree obstructing the entrance to "Oakleigh " be granted and another tree planted between " Ferndene " and "The Glen."
- (g) Old Bath Road—That Mrs. Bennett's application for the removal of tree obstructing entrance to " Pendeen " be granted and another tree planted between " Pendeen " and " Finnisklin."
- (h) Bath Road—That Notice be given to the Owner of the Langton Hotel to show cause why the garage erected with-out approval in this road should not be pulled down as being in contravention to the byelaws, the same being erected in front of the building line.
- (i) High Street—That Mr. H. Morley's application to fix weighing machine on the public footpath outside No. 401 be not granted. RESOLVED, That the recommendations of the View Committee be approved and adopted and that with regard to (d) That the Common Seal be fixed to the Conveyance of the piece of land to be given up.

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8—Projecting Signs—RESOLVED, That the application of Messrs. T. Merrett & Son for permission to erect an electric box sign at 9 Clarence Street be granted subject to the usual conditions.

9—Town Planning—Read, letter of 11th inst., from the Ministry of Health forwarding Order approving the resolution to prepare a Town Planning scheme for the area shown on Map No. 1. The Ministry asked that steps should be taken to make the Order as widely known as possible locally through the local press, local associations, and otherwise, and that opportunities should be given for inspection by persons interested. The Town Clerk reported that he had advertised the Order and had called the attention of the following societies thereto:—

Gloucester Master Builders Association

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Gloucestershire Architectural Association

Cheltenham and Tewkesbury Legal Association

Gloucester Legal Association

Gloucestershire Archaeological Society

Gloucestershire and Wiltshire Incorporated Law Society

Cheltenham Civic Society

Gloucestershire Rural Preservation Committee

RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to have a statement published in the " Echo " calling attention to the Order. RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to approve plans submitted by District Councils affected by the Scheme. RESOLVED, also, That the Chairman, Alderman Mann and Councillors Langley and H. W. Thomas be appointed the **Town Planning Sub-Committee**.

10—Institute of Municipal and County Engineers—Read, circular inviting the attendance of delegates at the Conference of this Institute to be held at Buxton from June 19th to 22nd next. RESOLVED, That the said Borough Surveyor be appointed to attend.

11—Improvement and Building Lines—Read, letter of 9th inst., from the County Surveyor enclosing plans of the improvement and building lines on the Gloucester--Tewkesbury—Worcester road. RESOLVED, That referred to the Town Planning Committee.

12—The Park—The Town Clerk reported that the owner of "Pallas" had died and that no proceedings had therefore been taken against him for damage done to the tree outside his house.

13—Ark Gardens—Read, letter of 18th ult., from the District Estate Agent, L.M.S. Railway Co. enquiring --- Corporation were agreeable to rent the strip of land recently let to Mr. Hawker who no longer required the land. RESOLVED, That the strip of land be not rented as the same is not required.

14—Classification of Roads—The Borough Surveyor submitted particulars as to the census of traffic in Montpellier Sandford Road, Sandford Mill Road and Queen's Road RESOLVED, That application be made to the M. of Transport for the classification of these roads and that Minute No. 12 passed at the meeting of the Committee on the 19th November last be varied accordingly.

15—Post Office Telegraphs—RESOLVED, That the application of the Post Office Telegraphs for permission overhead telegraphic line along a road at Arle between a point near Arle Court and the Electric Light with 27 poles be granted subject to the exact positions

of the poles being approved by the Borough Surveyor and to six feet of painted lagging being affixed to the base of the poles if required and that Minute No 13 (b) meeting of the Committee on the 17th ult., be varied accordingly.

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

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PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, 11th January, 1929. Present—Aldermen Mann, Stewart and Councillor Leigh James (Alderman Stewart 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.
2622	Dodwell, W.	Cycle shed, 7 Queen's Retreat.
2623	Winterbotham, C. F. Miss	Motor house, Holmdene, Evesham Road.
2624	Phillips, C. W.	Cycle shed, Plemont, Pilford Avenue,
2625	Rickerby & Co., Messrs.	Six lock-up garages, 15 Royal Crescent.
2626	Smith, C. J.	Detached house (Bungalow), Alma Road.
2627	Pike, G. R.	Two motor houses, Halland Road.
2628	Hawkins, G. A.	Two detached houses, Battledown Approach.
2629	Harkness, J.	Extension of dining room, Sancroft, King's Road.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 2624, 2625, 2627, 2628 and 2629 be approved that Plan No. 2622 be approved as a temporary building under the Public Health Act, 1907, subject to the usual conditions that Plan No 2623 be approved subject to the approval of the Parks Committee and that Plan No. 2626 be disapproved.

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 7th January, 1929. Present—Alderman Sawyer Councillors Allen, Miller, Pates, H. W. Thomas, F. L. Ward and 1Velstead (Councillor H. W. Thomas in the chair).

1—St. George's Square Bowling Green—The Committee interviewed Mr Evans and Mr. Child with regard to their application for an allowance of one year's rent of the green and pavilion to enable them to reinstate portions of the green. RESOLVED, That the application be granted and that the club be allowed one year's rent (£72 10s. 0d.) subject to the following conditions —(1) The club to carry out the work of dressing the green in accordance with the estimate obtained amounting to £1 16s. 0d.

including the provision of at least 300 square yards of best Cumberland turf, the work to be carried out under the supervision and to the satisfaction of the Corporation Gardens' Superintendent, and also subject to this contribution being made by the Corporation the club to fulfil the covenants contained in the lease and to re-lay further portions of the green with Cumberland turf in subsequent years as shall be necessary and (2) the club to provide and put up a notice on the green that residents and friends will be permitted to use the green at a charge of 6d. per hour as provided in clause 7 of the lease.

H. W. THOMAS,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 18th January, 1929, Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Allen Pruen, H. W. Thomas, R. L. Ward and Welstead (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

2—Sandford Park--(a) Fountain-RESOLVED, That the fountain at Westall Green be removed to the Keynsham Road entrance of Sandford Part, that the tender of Mr. G. Boulton of £50 for the work of removing, re-erecting and cleaning the fountain be accepted.

(b) Field Lodge—The Borough Surveyor reported that the renovations at Field Lodge had been completed and were satisfactory except the external colouring was patchy and he submitted offer from Cementone Ltd., to remedy this free of charge. RESOLVED, that this be accepted.

(c) Caryatides—The Borough Surveyor submitted offer from Dr. J. McFarlane Pollard offering two stone Caryatides. RESOLVED, That the offer be declined with thanks.

3—Sunday Concerts—Mr. Burrow attended and submitted further programmes of forthcoming Sunday concerts. RESOLVED, That these be approved.

4—Winter Orchestra and Dance Band—Mr. P. Fielding attended and submitted quotations for the engagement of his Dance Band for the Winter Season 1929-30. RESOLVED, That (subject to contract) Mr. Peter Fielding's Astoria Dance Band be engaged at a charge of £45 per week for the Winter Season from the 7th October, 1929 to 26th April, 1930, the band to play thirty hours a week and to consist of eight musicians.

5—Advertising--Read, letters from Mr. Adair Dighton with regard to a proposed article on Cheltenham as a Sporting Centre to be inserted in the Sporting Life, RESOLVED, That these be referred to Mr. E. J. Burrow

6—Montpellier Gardens—Archery Ground—Read, application of 10th instant from Mr. F. Lloyd Oswald, Hon. Treasurer, Cheltenham Archers, for the use of the Archery Ground for the 1929 season. RESOLVED, That this be granted, on the same terms as in previous years, viz ; up to 2 p.m. on Wednesdays and Saturdays and up to 6 p.m. on other days from the 1st April to 30th October next, except when the gardens are let for

special purposes at a charge of £14 14s. 0d. for the season including the services of a man to put up and take down the targets,

7--Town Hall—(a) National Union of Teachers' Conference—Read, letter of 7th instant from the Assistant Secretary of the National Union of Teachers stating that his Executive Committee had not found it practicable to accept the invitation from the Corporation to hold their Conference at Cheltenham in 1930 but they hoped it would be possible in the future for the Union to avail itself of the invitation.

(b) Supper Room—RESOLVED, That the free use of the Supper Room be granted for the occasion of the Presentation to the Rector of Cheltenham.

(c) Electrical Association for Women—RESOLVED, That the free use of the Drawing-room of the Town Hall be granted to the Cheltenham branch of this Association for the Annual Meeting and Conference on the 20th March next.

8—Alstone Baths—Read, letter from the Recruiting Officer at Bristol asking if arrangements could be made for the baths to be available daily at the Alstone Baths for the recruits. RESOLVED, That this be not acceded to and that the resolution of Minute No. 12 (a) passed at the meeting on the Committee of 27th July last be rescinded,

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 25th January, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Dunn and Pates (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

9—Advertising—Read, letter from Mr. E. J. Burrow with regard to the proposed article on Cheltenham in The Sporting Life. Mr. Burrow had called at the offices of the Sporting Life and recommended the Committee to accept the offer. He estimated the cost of the advertisement at about £25 which could be paid out of the current advertising fund for general purposes. RESOLVED, That the offer be accepted and that Mr. E. J. Burrow be requested to arrange for the article to appear a few days prior to the National Hunt Meeting.

ia—Borough Meteorologist—The Town Clerk submitted medical certificate received from the Borough Meteorologist who had resumed his duties.

31—Spa Federation—(a) RESOLVED, That the Chairman and Spa Manager be authorised to attend the meeting of the Federation to be held on the 21st February next.

(b) The Spa Manager submitted minutes of the biannual meeting of the British Spa Federation held on the 3rd October last which contained a scheme for the Spa treatment of National Health Insured persons, Members of Approved Societies, and others suffering from rheumatic and allied diseases (a copy of the Minutes and Scheme referred to accompanies these minutes,), RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to adopt the above scheme prepared by the Federation.

12—Medical Advisory Committee—The following recommendations of the Medical Advisory Committee were submitted :—(1) That a complete fresh analyses be made of the Pittville, Fieldhome, Chadnor and Lansdown waters in accordance with the Eon method with tests as to radio activity and that Mr. Edward Hinks, F.I.C., President of the Royal Society of Public Analysts should be instructed to make the analyses ; (2) That in all advertisements of the town mention should be made of the medical baths and waters and (3) That steps should be taken with regard to the proposed new Medical Baths as the present position of the baths was unsuitable RESOLVED, That Mr. Edward Hinks be instructed to make the analyses as suggested and that Mr. Burrow be asked to refer to the medical baths and waters in the advertisements of the town.

13—Reports of **Concerts Sub-Committee** -The Reports of the Concerts Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 1st and 15th inst. were read.

They recommended as follows :—

Town Hall—That the Spa Manager be authorised to engage Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Moody of London, Exhibition Dancers, on the afternoons of the 15th and 16th February and the evening of the 16th February for a fee of £5 5s. 0d.

RESOLVED, That their recommendation be approved and adopted.

JAMES STEWART, Chairman.

ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 23rd January, 1929., Present—Alderman Mann ; Councillors Dunn, Moore and Capt. Trye (Councillor Moore in the chair).

1--Public Lighting --(a) Overton Road—Complaints were received as to the public lighting in Overton Road, Lansdown Parade and Clarence Road. RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to provide an additional lamp at the junction of Overton and Malvern Roads and to increase the wattage of the lamp in Lansdown Parade at its junction with Malvern Road and Lansdown Crescent, and also that a new lamp be fixed on the southern corner of Clarence Road and Portland Street and that a 100 watt lamp be substituted for the 60 watt lamp. at the corner of the back lane leading to Evesham House.

(b) Promenade—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported as to the experiments he had made with regard to the lighting in the Promenade. RESOLVED, That "Refractor" fittings be substituted on seven of the lamps in the Promenade as suggested by the Borough Electrical Engineer and that consideration be adjourned until the effect of this alteration is seen.

2--Extensions to Mains—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted applications for a supply to Uckington and The Reddings and he reported that he was investigating the whole

question of supply in the new added area. RESOLVED, That consideration of the applications be adjourned until the report of the Borough Electrical Engineer on his investigation is received.

3—Municipal Offices—RESOLVED, That this Committee agree to the walls of the new Demonstration Room to be built at the rear of the Offices being made strong enough to permit an additional storey to be added if at any time this should be required

4—Bulk Supply—RESOLVED, That Mr. J. R. Brown be paid the sum of £6 as compensation for damage to field No. 198 through which an underground cable for the new bulk supply had been laid.

5—Damage to Lamp Standards—The Town Clerk reported that the British Oak Insurance Co. were prepared to enter into the usual halving agreement for the settlement of claims in respect of damage to lamp standards, etc., including damage to the lamp post in Russell Street by Messrs. Packer & Co. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to and that the Town Clerk be authorised to sign the agreement on behalf of the Corporation.

6—Gas Tests—(a) Quarterly Report—Read, Report for the quarter ended 31st December, 1928, which showed the average calorific value for the quarter to be 473.3 B.Th.U.

(b) Periodical Reports—Read, Reports of Gas Tests made on the 22nd and 28th ult., 9th and 18th inst., which showed the calorific value on these dates to be 473.37, 473.2, 465.8 and 474.9 B.Th.U. respectively and the pressure 4.6, 4.8, 4.7 and 4.9 inches of water.

JAMES MOORE,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 17th January, 1929. Present—The Mayor; Alderman Stewart : Councillors Dunn, Pates, Smith and Sir Richard Wapshare (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Borough Engineer's Report--The Monthly Report of the Borough Engineer was read:-

	For 30 days ended 14th, January, 1929.	Average for corresponding period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	259,000 gallons	412,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	1,427,000 "	1,731,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	102,000	112,000
Total	1,788,000	2,255,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth	Contents		Depth	Contents
	14th January, 1929.			14 th January, 1928.	
Hewletts		18,766,000 gallons			31,654,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	29ft. 10ins.	88,774,000 "		32ft. 0ins.	100,023,000 "
Leckhampton	8ft. 0ins.	1,080,000		12ft. 0ins.	1,620,000
Total Storage		108,620,000			133,297,000

2—Inspections—The Borough Engineer reported the work carried out by the Water Inspectors during the month of December.

3—General Hospital—Read, letter from the Secretary of the General Hospital with regard to improving the supply of water to the Hospital. Read, also, letter of the Borough Engineer in reply. RESOLVED, That his reply be approved.

4—Hydrants—The Borough Surveyor reported that at the recent fire at Grosvenor Street the Captain of the Fire Brigade reported that there had been no failure or delay in obtaining the supply from the fire hydrant which was in proper working order. RESOLVED, That the Borough Engineer be instructed to arrange for the fire hydrants in the town to be examined at least once every twelve months.

5—Trunk Main—The Borough Engineer reported that Messrs. Waddington & Son had commenced their contract on the new trunk main from Lansdown to Tewkesbury Road on the 1st instant at both ends of the main.

6—Ashchurch Road—The Borough Engineer reported that the new six inch main in this road was completed on the 27th ultimo and was satisfactory,

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 22nd January, 1929. Present--The Mayor ; Aldermen Mann and Stewart Councillors Leigh James, Moore, Gen. Thomas, Capt. Trye and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Diseases amongst Animals--Supt. Goulder reported that the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals,

2—Omnibus Licences—(a) Gloucester and London and Paignton and Coventry Services—The Town Clerk reported that the Greyhound Motors Ltd, desired to pick up and set down passengers in the Promenade. RESOLVED, That this be not approved, but that Coventry and Paignton Omnibuses shall pick up and set down passengers in Portland Street near the Masonic Hall and that the route for the Gloucester and London Omnibus Service shall be via Oriel Road and Bath Road to the High Street picking up and setting down passengers in the Bath Road near its junction with High Street.

(b) Drivers—RESOLVED, That the application of the Black & White Motorways Ltd for ten Drivers Licences, the Great Western Express Co. Ltd. for three Drivers Licences and the Cheltenham and District Light Railway Co. Ltd. for one licence, be granted. (c) RESOLVED, That the application of The Black & White Motorways Ltd for eight additional Omnibus Licences be granted for operation on their various routes.

3—Fire Brigade—The Captain reported that the Brigade had attended the following outbreaks of fire since the last meeting :—

Date, 1929.	Place.	Damage.	Brigade Expenses.
January 1 st	67 Leighton Road	Slight ...	£3 15s. 0d.
" 2nd ...	11 Grosvenor Street ..	£250 ...	£6 9s. 0d.
" 7th	Nazareth House	£100 ...	£5 0s. 0d.
" 8th	2 Napier Cottages	£10 to	£15 ... £4 10s. 6d.
" 9th	"Ashford," Ashford Road	£35 ...	£5 3s. 6d.
" 17th	13 Lansdown Place ...	Slight ...	£4 15s. 0d.

4—Municipal Offices—Six tenders were received for the extensions and alterations to the Municipal Offices. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. S. C. Morris & Son of £2,239 5s. 3d. being the lowest, be accepted, subject to a Contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into. Of this amount the sum of £980 was for the cost of the work for the Electricity Department. The Borough Surveyor reported that he estimated the cost of the necessary fittings and floor covering would be about £350 and for the Electricity Department about £270,

5—Local Government Bill—Read, letter of 22nd ult., from the Town Clerk, Norwich, enclosing the resolution passed by his Council protesting against the Local Government Bill now before Parliament, being of the conviction that the actual amounts lost to the Corporation year by year through de-rating should be refunded to the Corporation by the Government ; and asking the Council to support this resolution. RESOLVED, That no action be taken,

6—Unemployment Insurance Act—RESOLVED, That George Henry Kennedy Parkes, Borough Surveyor's Department and Elizabeth Johnson Parry, Public Library, be added to the Certificate of Exception, they having completed three years service on the 2nd November last and 4th inst. respectively.

7--Cinematograph Act—(a) Renewal of Licences—RESOLVED, That the applications for the renewal of Cinematograph Licences in respect of the Coliseum Theatre, North Street Picture House, Winter Garden, Palace and Daffodil Cinemas be granted for one year up to the 6th February, 1930.

(b) Censor—Read, letter of 5th inst., from the Hon. Secretary, Cheltenham Branch, National Council of Women, suggesting that one or two women should be appointed to assist in the censorship of films shown in the town., RESOLVED, That they be informed that the Council do not think that it will be practicable to have more than one Film Censor.

8—Parking Place, Promenade—Read, further letter from Miss G. Pitcher with regard to the One-way Traffic Order of this Parking Place. RESOLVED, That, as an experiment, the words " No Road " at the St. George's Road entrance to the inner road be removed and painted on the road at the south end corner of the Long Garden, thus enabling traffic to circulate round the fountain and that the matter be further considered at the end of six months.

9-21 Promenade—The Borough Surveyor reported as to his inspection of these premises, which were generally in a satisfactory condition. There were various items of repairs which he estimated would cost about £12 2s. 6d., but as the Club had met the convenience of the Corporation in leaving before the expiration of the tenancy and had left two mahogany mantelpieces and the Ideal Boiler recently installed, he suggested that no claim for dilapidations should be made. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved.

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10—Channel Tunnel Read, letter of 16th inst., from Sir William Bull, Chairman of the Channel Tunnel Parliamentary Committee, asking for the Council's opinion on the construction of the tunnel. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

11—Petrol Licence--RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. C. Dennis for a licence to store 1,100 gallons of petroleum at his Petrol Filling Station on the corner of Gloucester and Granley Roads in two underground storage tanks, be granted.

12—Pawnbrokers Licence —Read, application from Messrs. Harry Higgins & Co. Ltd., for the renewal of their Pawnbrokers Licence which expired on the 9th November last. RESOLVED, That a certificate of renewal be issued for one year from the 9th November last.

13—Nursing Homes (Registration) Act, 1927—Read, letter of 3rd inst., from the Ministry of Health stating that full consideration had been given to the representations made by the Council for the delegation of the powers under this Act to the Town Council, but for the time being the Minister had decided to reserve his decision until the Local Government Bill has become law.

14—Relief of Unemployment—Read, circular of 10th inst., from the Unemployment Grants Committee with regard to the improved terms of grant for works on which Local Authorities had agreed to employ a percentage of labour from depressed areas.

15—Police Accounts—Read, letter of 21st inst., from the Clerk of the Standing Joint Committee stating that if the Corporation formally disputed the accounts, the matter would be referred to arbitration under the terms of the agreement. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to formally dispute the accounts.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 14th January, 1929. Present—Alderman Sawyer ;
Councillors Smith, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold; Messrs. F. W.
Clarkson, F. Vizard, J. Waine and E. M. Yeend (Councillor Welstead in the chair).

1—Hall Road Allotments —(a) No 33--RESOLVED, That the notice to quit given to the tenant of this allotment be withdrawn as she has now put the allotment in order.

(b) Nos. 38 and 64—RESOLVED, That allotments 38 and 64 be let to Messrs. C. Caudle and A. Tatum respectively.

2—Crab Tree Piece Allotments --(a) Nos. 188 and 189—Read, letters from Mr. C. C. Castle on his inspection of these allotments. RESOLVED, That Mr. James be required to remove the sheds and buildings on the allotments within one month, and that in default, the Borough Surveyor be instructed to remove them. RESOLVED, also, That allotment No. 189 be divided into two or more allotments, and that Minute No. 1 (a) of the meeting on the 10th December last be varied accordingly.

(b) No. 183—RESOLVED, That this allotment be let to Mr. A. Stroud, subject to his paying any compensation due to the outgoing tenant.

(c) Nos. 200 and 201—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to divide allotment No. 200 into several smaller allotments of such size as may be found most convenient, and that Minute No. 3 (b) passed at the meeting of the Committee held on the 12th November last be varied accordingly.

(d) Nos. 143 and 144—The Town Clerk reported that Mrs. Bastin was willing to give up these allotments subject to payment of compensation. RESOLVED, That the allotments be divided and re-let.

3—Whaddon Road Allotments—(a) No. 18 (new)—Mr. Yeend reported this allotment was in a bad condition and recommended that an allowance of six months rent should be made for getting the allotment into order. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

(b) Fencing—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to repair the fencing on the south side of these allotments adjoining Whaddon Farm at an estimated cost of £14.

(c) No. 84 (old)—RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the tenant of this allotment which is reported to be in bad condition.

4--Creamery Piece—RESOLVED, That allotments. Nos. 16 and 17 be let to the son of the late tenant.

W. WELSTEAD, Chairman.

PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 14th January, 1929. Present—Alderman Sawyer; Councillors Smith, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

1—Sandford Park—(a) Gift—The Borough Surveyor reported that Messrs. Yates & Son had presented 4,000 flowering tulip bulbs for this park. RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to them.

(b) Children's Conveniences—RESOLVED, That the position suggested by the Borough Surveyor for the children's conveniences be approved.

2—Pittville Estate—Holmdene—The Borough Surveyor submitted plan for the erection of a garage at this house. RESOLVED, That the plan be approved so far as this Committee is concerned.

3—Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground -Football—Read, application from the St. Gregory's Rugby Football Club for permission to play three games on the 9th and 30th March and 1st April, 1929, RESOLVED, That the application be granted in respect of the 9th March only.

W. SAWYER,

Chairman.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 18th January, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Owen Dunn, Scott Langley, Brig.-Gen. Thomas and Capt. Trye; Dr. R. Davies; Colonel Griffith ; and Mr. F. B. de Sausmarez (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—Visits—During December, 1928, 2,423 (against 2,484) ; daily average 105 (against 99) ; open 23 days (against 25 days).

Receipts—Collection Box 4s 10d ; Catalogues £1 2s. 0d. ; Refunds—Lighting and Telephone 10s; Miss M. K. Snowdon—Contribution to Sculpture Exhibition £1 1s. 0d. ; Balance from " Limber" Fund towards printing and postage £6 17s. 6d. ; Commission—Cheltenham Group Exhibition £3 0s. 11d ; Postcard Reproductions 2s 1d. Total £12 18s. 4d.

Exhibitions--Exhibition by Mr. F. D. How, and others. Receipts amounted to £6 17s. 2d., expenses to £5 19s. 7d. Credit balance 17s 7d.

Sculpture Exhibition—The Curator reported reduction of fee from £25 to £20, and receipt of subscriptions towards expenses, as follows :—£5 0s. 0d., H. H. Martyn & Co., Ltd. ; £3 3s. 0d. each, Lady Dixon Hartland and Mrs. Littledale £2 2s. 0d. each, Miss L. F. Crawshay, Messrs. Ed. J. Burrow and A. Martyn £1 1s. 0d. each, R. L. Boulton & Son and Miss M. K. Snowdon. Furniture had been lent by various firms for display purposes.

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the subscribers, etc.

2—Donations—From Mrs. Corke, 2 Cheltenham Commemorative Medals, Mr. J. Derrett, Birmingham Token ; Miss Wilson, Pair of Crampons used by the late Dr. E. A. Wilson in the Antarctic. RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

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3—Loans—From Mrs. Clegg, "Dorset Landscape," Oil Painting by Algernon Newton (together with subscription of £2) ; Miss A. Grahame, Italian Marquetry Table ; Miss L. H. Saunders, 4 Cotton Squares with applique embroidery ; Mrs. J. H. Trye, Collar of Needle lint Lace.

RESOLVED, That the thanks it the Committee be conveyed to the Lenders

4—Specimens—The Curator reported purchase of a Cheltenham Invalid Chair, as used from about 1830, at 31s 6d, and a " Farewell " Address to King George III, on satin, at 10s 6d. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

5—Victoria and Albert Museum Loans—RESOLVED, That the two case.; of exhibits be changed during the month of February.

6—Leslie Young Benefaction—RESOLVED, That £228 be invested in Corporation Loans.

7—Lecture—RESOLVED, That arrangements be made for an additional lecture to the Art Gallery on Friday, 15th February, by Rev. E. C. Childs, M.A.

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 25th January, 1929. Present—Aldermen Mann and Stewart ; Councillors Langley and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair).

1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of Superintendent for the period ending 25th January, 1929, Interments 76. Grave Spaces sold 21 (First Position 3, Second Position 3 ; Third Position 2 ; Fourth Position 13) Memorials fixed 7. New Inscriptions 6. The number of interments for the year ended 31st December, 1928 was 677,

2--Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 7907 to 7927 of the exclusive right of burial in the graves referred to therein.

3—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following designs be approved, namely—Memorial Cross, Bases and kerbing to graves of Mary J. Humphries, Graves L. Searight, Elizabeth Woodings, and Bertram B. Blackall ; Memorial Headstone, Bases and kerbing to grave of Frederick Schobel ; Memorial Headstone to Hannah Child and William B. Rutland ;

Memorial Ledger and kerbing to James Price ; Memorial kerbing and posts to grave of Anna M. Hill and Memorial Kerbing to grave of Catharine Cooper,

HENRY T. YARNOLD,

Chairman.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 15th January, 1929. Present—Alderman Mann ; Councillors Pates ; Brig.-Gen. Thomas and Yarnold ; Dr. Davies; Messrs. A. Miles, F. Vernall and C. E. Walsh (Alderman Mann in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Receipts £9 13s. 5d. Number of volumes issued in Reference Library 4,165 (last year 3,993); Lending Library 12,392 (last year 10,892) ; Juvenile Library 2,286 (last year 2,010). Total for month 18,843 (last year 16,895).

Binding—During the month 91 volumes had been despatched to the Binders. Lecture—January 14th, Rev. Verney L. Johnstone, B.A. on " The Study of History." Attendance 97.

Presentations—Anon, (1 vol.) ; Mr. Ed. J. Burrow (14 vols.) ; Messrs. Ed. J. Burrow & Co, Ltd, (33 pamph.) ; Carnegie United Kingdom Trust (2 vols.) ; Messrs. Cavendish House Co, (3 vols.) ; Eugenics Society (2 vols.); Nursing Council for England and Wales (1 vol.) ; Miss K. D. Glyn (3 vols.) ; Mr. T. J. Hughes (3 vols.) Mr. J. Monro Briggs (1 vol.) ; London Association of Accountants (1 vol.), Sir Felix J. C. Pole (1 pamph.) ; Mr. S. D. Scott (1 vol.) ; Messrs. Shell-Mex Ltd. (1 pamph.) ; Dr. E. W. Wilkins (1 vol.).

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

2—New Books—RESOLVED, (a) That 161 vols., new books, published at £68 13s. 9d. be purchased for £39 0s. 11d.

(b) That the sum of £20 be spent on Binding.

3—Newspaper Supply—Read, letter from Messrs. Dodwell & Sons withdrawing their tender for this supply. RESOLVED, That the matter be left in the hands of the Librarian to arrange terms with Messrs, Banks of Cheltenham Ltd.

4—Library Facade—Read, letter from Messrs: S. C. Morris & Son with regard to the ornamental stonework. RESOLVED, That the Borough Engineer, and Messrs. L. W. Barnard and Partners be asked to inspect and report.

5—Leslie Young Benefaction—RESOLVED, That £100 be invested in Corporation Loans.

6—Time of Meeting—RESOLVED, That this Committee meet in future at 5 p.m.

A. MANN,

Chairman.

RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 28th January, 1929. present—Aldermen Stewart and Taylor; Councillors Langley, Moore, Gen. Thomas and Yarnold (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

1—Proposals—The Committee considered the revision of two properties submitted by the Rating and Valuation Officers. RESOLVED, That proposals be submitted for the revision of the assessments as now settled by the Committee.

2—Excusals—RESOLVED, That Special Meetings of Committee be held on the 7th and 8th prof

3—Rating and Valuation (Apportionment) Act, 1928—Read, circular from the County Valuation Committee with regard to the engagement of Messrs. Eve & Son to advise local authorities in carrying out this Act.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 29th January, 1929 Present—Alderman Taylor ; Councillors Leigh James, Pruen, E. L. Ward, Sir R. Wapshare and Welstead (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

1—General Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 30th inst., on the collection of the Second Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £95,900 10s. 4d. Leaving outstanding £22,067 9s. 2d.

2—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 29th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 25th March, 1929. Amount collected £15,548 5s. 3d. Leaving outstanding £4,874 2s. 4d.

3--Loans—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received the £5,000 Reciprocal Loan from the Reading Corporation. He had also received £500 on loan. RESOLVED, That a Debenture be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loan for this sum.

(b) He also reported that the Library Committee wished to invest £100 and the Art Gallery and Museum Committee £228 out of the moneys belonging to the Leslie Young Benefactions. RESOLVED, That Debentures be sealed and issued in respect of duly authorised loans.

4—National Savings' Certificates—The Borough Treasurer reported that the number of Savings Certificates sold during December was 4,904 as compared with 3,479 for the corresponding month last year.

5-4 $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. Housing Bonds—The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent, Housing Bonds amounting to £195 had been received for a period of 5 years and that a certificate had been issued accordingly. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

6—Corporation 3 per cent. Stock—The Borough Treasurer reported that he had purchased £500 Corporation Stock. RESOLVED, That the sum of £500 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, 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.

7—Sanction to Loan -The Town Clerk reported the receipt of Sanction to a loan of £1,900 for Sandford Park Extension, repayable in 20 years.

8—Insurances—(a) Organ, Town Hall and Boiler at Abattoir—RESOLVED, That the motor organ blower at the-Town Hall be insured with the Municipal Mutual Assurance Co. Ltd. at a premium of £3 to cover an indemnity of £50, and that the new steam boiler at the Abattoir be also insured with the Municipal Mutual Insurance Co. Ltd. at a premium of £1 10s. 0d. to cover an indemnity of £1,000.

(b) Central Depot—RESOLVED, That the total contents of the various buildings at the Central Depot be insured in one sum.

9—Superannuation—(a) Storekeeper and Highways Superintendent—The Borough Treasurer reported that the transfer value payable to the Beckenham Urban District Council in respect of Michael Goode was £63 7s. 2d., and that the sum repayable to the Highways Superintendent, Mr. W. M. B. Rees amounted to £39 10s. 11d.

(b) W. Ruck—RESOLVED, That this man's service with the Air Force from January, 1917 to April, 1919 be included for the purpose of superannuation.

(c) C. Cossens—RESOLVED, That, in pursuance of the recommendation of the Street and Highway Committee, the-service of Mr. C. Cossens whose term expired on the 31st December, 1928 be extended up to the 28th February next, and that he be then paid a superannuation allowance of 11s 1d. per week.

(d) The Borough Treasurer reported that J. Simmons, one of the road sweepers, whose length of service was 31 years died on 1st January, 1929.

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10--Border Children—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal of the Council be affixed to an Agreement with the County Council with regard to the Border Children attending schools in the Borough and County respectively, to continue in force until the 30th September,

1933 if not determined on the 30th September, 1931 by either party giving six months notice.

11-15 Tivoli Street--The Town Clerk reported that the sum of £26 18s. 11d. including 5 per cent interest was still due in respect of this property in respect of sanitary work carried out under Section 28 of the Housing etc., Act, 1919, for which an Order had been made on the 17th July, 1923 for payment by annual instalments of £3 2s. 11d. within a period of 8 years. RESOLVED, That in pursuance of the statutory powers conferred on the Council by the Housing Act, 1925, Mr. W. Fitzroy Fowles be appointed Receiver of the rent of the said premises and that the Common Seal be affixed to a copy of this Resolution.

12--Hill View Cottage, 9a Hewlett Street, Keynsham House, and 10 and 11 Sidney Street—The Town Clerk reported that the sum of £86 0s. 5d. including 5 per cent. interest was due in respect of these properties for drainage expenses carried out under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and Section 31 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, which by an Order dated 5th March, 1924 had been declared to be Private Improvement Expenses. RESOLVED, That in pursuance of Section 106 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889, Mr. W. Fitzroy Fowles be appointed Receiver of the rent of the said premises and that the Common Seal be affixed to a copy of this resolution.

13-18 Grosvenor Street—RESOLVED, That the balance of the rents collected by the Receiver be paid to Mrs. Edwards after deducting the Receiver's commission thereupon and £1 per month towards repayment of the debt due.

14—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on the 29th inst. Present Alderman Taylor (in the chair) Councillors E. L. Ward and Sir R. Wapshare. The Account were examined and recommended for payment.

P. P. TAYLOR.

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 28th February, 1929.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMENADE, on MONDAY, the 4th, day of March, 1929, at THREE O'CLOCK** in the Afternoon, at which Meeting the following Business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Quarterly Meeting and Special Meeting.

2. Communications by the Mayor.

3. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :—

THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE HOUSING COMMITTEE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE and to appoint Representatives on the No. 6 District Joint Board and No. 6 Joint Industrial Council. WATER COMMITTEE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE RATING COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE

4. Memorials, Applications, Complaints, &c.

Yours faithfully,

Town. Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Special Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held at the Municipal Offices, in the said Borough, on Monday, 4th February, 1929, at 3 p.m. To each Member of the Council.

Present :

The Mayor (Alderman Charles Henry Margrett, C.B.E., J.P.) in the chair.

Aldermen Mann, Sawyer, Stewart and Taylor ; Councillors Allen, Dunn, O.B.E., Leigh James, Langley, Moore, Pates, Pruen, Smith, Gen. H. M. Thomas, C.M.G., D.S.O., H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye, C.B.E., Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard Wapshare, K.C.I.E., C.B., C.S.I., E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, We]stead, K.S.G., and Yarnold.

Apology—An apology for absence was received from Councillor Wheeler, M.B.E.

1—Cheltenham and District Light Railway—Resolved, unanimously, That in the judgment of this Council (being the governing body of the said Borough within the meaning of the Borough Funds Act, 1872) it is expedient for the Council to oppose the bill intituled "A Bill to authorise the Cheltenham and District Light Railway Company to provide and run trolley vehicles and omnibuses ; to change the name of the Company ; and for other purposes" ; now being promoted in the present session of Parliament and that the expenses of and in relation to such opposition be charged on and paid out of the General Rate and General Fund of the said Borough and that all necessary steps be taken for the purpose of such opposition and for complying with the provisions of the Borough Funds Act, 1872, in relation thereto and the Consent of the Council is hereby given to such opposition.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Mayor.

At a Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held at the Municipal Offices, in the said Borough, on Monday, the 4th day of February, 1929, at 3 p.m. Present :

The Mayor (Alderman Charles Henry Margrett, C.B.E., J.P.) in the chair.

Aldermen Mann, Sawyer Stewart and Taylor Councillors Allen, Dunn, O.B.E., Leigh James, Langley, Moore, Pates, Pruen, Smith, Gen. H. M. Thomas, C.M.G., D.S.O., H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye, C.B.E., Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard Wapshare. K.C.I.E., C.B., C.S.I., E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Welstead, K.S.G., and Yarnold.

Apology—An apology for absence was received from Councillor Wheeler, M.B.E.

2—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 7th January, 1929 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.

3—Proceedings of Committees—Resolved, That the proceedings of the under-mentioned Committees at their Meetings held on the dates respectively appearing be approved and confirmed :—

Public Health... Meeting held January 14.

Housing ... Meetings held January 15, 24 & 30

(An amendment moved by Councillor Capt. Trye and seconded by Councillor Pruen "That consideration of Minute No. 12 with regard to St. Paul's Street South Improvement Scheme be adjourned until the lay-out plan is prepared" was lost).

Maternity and Child Welfare Meeting held January 28

Street and Highway Meeting held January 21

Town Improvement and Spa Meetings held January 7, 18 & 25

Subject to an amendment moved by Councillor Capt. Trye and seconded by Councillor Pruen "That the words 'so far as present accommodation may be available' be added to Minute No. 11 (b) with regard to treatment of National Health insured, etc. persons at the Medical Baths." Subject also to an amendment moved by Alderman Taylor and seconded by Councillor Capt. Trye "That Minute No. 2 with regard to Sandford Park be referred to the Parks and Recreation Grounds Committee with instructions to carry out the recommendations of the Town Improvement and Spa Committee."

Electricity and Lighting ... Meeting held January 23

Water Meeting held January 17

General Purposes and Watch Meeting held January 22
 Allotments Meeting held January 14
 Parks and Recreation Grounds Meeting held January 14
 Art Gallery and Museum Meeting held January 18
 Burial Board Meeting held January 25
 Public Library. Meeting held January 15
 Rating Meeting held January 28
 Finance Meeting held January 29

Resolved, also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed authorising him to pay to the several Corporations, Companies and Persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts, the sum of money set opposite their respective names.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Mayor.

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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, 4th March, 1929.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 11th February, 1929 Present—The Mayor; Alderman Stewart Councillors Leigh James ; Gen Thomas, E. L. Ward, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Gen. Thomas in the chair).

1 —Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. ;-16 and 24 Columbia Street ; Merville Cottage, Columbia Street : 15 Columbia Street ; 21 York Street; 31 Albert Street, St. Peter's.--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 Sanitary Inspector on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 24, 25, 26, 27 Exmouth Street : 1 Brandon Terrace; 3 and 4 Cypress Cottages, Arle.—The Sanitary Inspector having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, etc., 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 Sanitary Inspector to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

3—Insanitary Property—(a) 16,18, 20, 22, 24 and 26 Columbia Street ; 21 York Street ; -1 Victoria Place, Fairview : 37 Russell Street ; 9 Russell Place; 14 Commercial 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, or Section 3 of the Housing Act, 1925, 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.

(b) 41 Burton Street and 44 Rutland Street.—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the Owner of these properties had not complied with the notices served under Section 3 of the Housing Act, 1925 and submitted three tenders for the work in respect of each property RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. H. Anderson of £7 15s. 3d., being the lowest, for the work at 41 Burton Street, be accepted and that the tender of Mr E. T. Welch of £6 5s. 0d., being the lowest, for the work at 44 Rutland Street, be accepted.

(c) 45 Queen Street and 31 Worcester Street--The Sanitary Inspector reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Committee at their meeting on the 12th November, 1928 (Minute No. 7 (d)) the works of repair specified to be done at these premises had been carried out to his satisfaction by Mr E. J. Welch and Mr. J. Jenkins at a cost of £9 10s. 0d. in respect of 45 Queen Street and £5 15s. 6d. in respect of 31 Worcester Street. RESOLVED, That application be made to the owners for payment.

4—Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted list of Notices requiring provision of ash receptacles, served but not complied with. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to enforce compliance,

5—Milk and Dairies Order, 1926—RESOLVED, That the applications of Mr. J. Preston Jones of 427 High Street and Mr William Green of Churchdown, Glos. to be registered as purveyors of milk be granted.

6—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 1 cwt 3 qr. 12 lbs. Pork ; 1 cwt. 2 qrs. 6 lbs. Mutton ; 5 lbs. Beef and 12 lbs. tripe.

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7-Houses unfit for Human Habitation—(a) 26a Union Street, The Medical Officer of Health having mule representation that this dwelling-house was so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation and recommended that the same be closed, RESOLVED, That it appearing to the Council that the said house is in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, an Order be now made under the Common Seal pursuant to Subsection (1) of Section 11 of the Housing Act, 1925, prohibiting the use of the said premises for human habitation until the same have been rendered fit for that purpose and that notice thereof be given to the Owner and Occupier.

(b) 4 Victoria Place, Fairview—Read, letter of 5th instant, from Mrs. Holtam, owner of these premises stating that it was her intention to close this house as it was not possible to carry out all the necessary repairs, unless the premises were vacated. RESOLVED, That it appearing to the Council that the said house is in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, an Order be now made under the Common Seal pursuant to sub-section 1 of section 11 of the Housing Act, 1925

prohibiting the use of the said premises for human habitation until the same have been rendered fit for that purpose and that notice thereof be given to the Owner and Occupier.

8—Public Conveniences—(a) College Road—The Borough Surveyor reported that on the 27th ultimo the door spring was removed from the men's w.c. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to put up the usual notice offering a reward for information leading to the conviction of anyone found damaging the conveniences.

(b) Grove Street—The Borough Surveyor submitted plan for the proposed urinal in Grove Street near the Shakespeare Inn, which he estimated would cost £45. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to have this work carried out. RESOLVED, also, That the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance of the piece of land to be given up by the Brewery Co.

9. Abattoir—(a) Loan—The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. Dawes, an Inspector of the Ministry of Health, held an informal inquiry on the 29th ult., with regard to the loan for the abattoir extensions, He suggested that the site of the Cooling House should be altered in accordance with the plan now submitted and he also recommended the erection of a small detention house at one end of the building and that the cost of the boiler which had already been erected should be paid out of revenue. RESOLVED, That these alterations and recommendations be approved and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to invite tenders for carrying out the work.

(b) Read, circular of 31st ult., from the Town Clerk, Yeovil, enclosing resolution urging the Government to introduce legislation to make the establishment of public abattoirs compulsory and asking the Council to pass a similar resolution RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

10—Stationery—RESOLVED, That the Finance Committee be asked to consider the desirability of inviting tenders for the stationery required by all the departments of the Corporation.

H. M. THOMAS,

Chairman.

HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 7th February, 1929. Present—Councillors Dunn, Pates and Sir Richard Wapshare (Councillor Pates in the chair),

1—Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924 Land on East side of Folly Lane — The Committee considered the revised tenders received from the lower tenderers to cover the alterations made in the amended plans. RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. Charles Steward of £22,212, being the lowest, be accepted, subject to a formal contract being entered into and to sanction of the Ministry of Health being obtained to a loan.

2—Pilley Lane Housing Estate—The Town Clerk submitted valuation of the District Valuer.
RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned.

3—Whaddon Road—The Committee further considered the proposal to erect houses on land belonging to Miss Skillicorne. RESOLVED, That the District Valuer be asked to value the land including the piece of land belonging to the Brewery Co. at the rear of the Greyhound Inn.

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 12th February, 1929, Present—Councillors Dunn, Moore, Pates, Gen. Thomas, H. W. Thomas, Sir R. Wapshare, Wheeler and Welstead (Councillor Pates in the chair),

4- -Outbuildings—The Borough Surveyor submitted application from the tenant of No. 2 Spenser Avenue for permission to erect a garage. RESOLVED, That the application be granted subject to the entrance gates being of a pattern approved by the Borough Surveyor.

5—Folly Lane Housing Estate—(a) Contract—The Town Clerk submitted correspondence with the Secretary of the Cheltenham Local Joint Committee of the Building Industry with regard to the alleged breach of rules by Messrs. Thompson & Sons.

(b) Rents—The Borough Treasurer submitted statement showing the appropriate normal rents chargeable for the houses erected by Messrs. Thompson & Sons in accordance with the rules made under the provisions of the Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924. RESOLVED, That the rents of these houses be fixed as follows :—For the 29 two-bedroom houses 6s. 6d. plus 2s. 3d. for rates, etc., and for the 39 three-bedroom houses 8s. 0d. plus 2s. 6d. for rates, etc.

6-4 Stanhope Street—RESOLVED, That the notice to quit served on the tenant of this house be withdrawn.

7----St. Paul's Street South Improvement Scheme—Read, letter of 3rd instant from Mrs. Watts protesting against this scheme.

8—Rent Collection—Read, Resolution passed by the Cheltenham Branch of the National Council of Women urging the Council to appoint a trained woman rent collector on the "Octavio Hill " system. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned and that Gen Thomas be asked to obtain some pamphlets on this subject for the information of the Council. (Copies of two pamphlets are sent with these MIT-lutes),

9--Housing Site The Town Clerk submitted offer of a piece of land with a frontage of 88 feet to Millbrook Street. RESOLVED, That this offer be not entertained.

10—Sale of House—The Town Clerk submitted offer from Mr. A. Evans to purchase the house about to be built in -Shelley Road (No. 6) together with valuation of the District Valuer. RESOLVED, That the house be sold at the price of £495 (subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health) That application be made to the Ministry for consent to the sale and That the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance. RESOLVED, also, That the Corporation agree to join with the Purchaser in a Mortgage to the Building Society for an advance of not exceeding 90 per cent. to guarantee repayment until the principal is reduced to two-thirds of the value and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Mortgage.

11--Land, Gloucester Road—The Town Clerk submitted valuation of the District Valuer of the hack land of the Alstone Lawn Estate comprising 4 acres 1 rood 20 perches. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next meeting.

12— Pilley Lane Housing Site—The Town Clerk submitted report of the District Valuer of the land at Pilley proposed to be purchased by the Corporation for housing. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to negotiate for the purchase of the land of Mrs. Hicks (except the frontage to Leckhampton Road) and also the land of Miss Norman containing 2 acres 3 roods 25 perches and the land of Mr. W. T. Barrett containing 1 acre 2 roods 0 perches.

13—Direct Labour—The Committee considered report of a meeting- of representatives of this Committee and of the Federation of Building Trades Operatives with regard to the erection of houses by direct labour. RESOLVED, That the Committee do not recommend the Council to undertake building by direct labour.

14—Lighting of Houses—Read, Resolution passed by the Cheltenham Branch of the Electrical Association for Women asking that electricity should be installed in all the houses built by the Corporation RESOLVED, That this be not agreed to.

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

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STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 13th February, 1929. Present—Alderman Mann ; Councillors Langley, Capt. Trye and Yarnold (Councillor Capt. Trye in the chair).

1—Highways Superintendent—The following candidates attended for interview by the Committee :— W. R. Armistead, Outdoor Superintendent, Coventry. R. W. Barlow, Highways Superintendent Watford. W. T. Hogben, Highways Superintendent, Torquay. F. T. Preece, Contractor's Agent. RESOLVED, That Mr. W. R. Armistead, Outdoor Superintendent, Coventry be appointed Highways Superintendent at a salary of £375 including House at Central Depot, Coal and Light, the appointment to be

terminable by 3 months' notice on either side and that application be made to the Coventry City Council for payment of the transfer value in respect of Mr. Armistead ascertained in accordance with the rules of the Local Government and other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922.

J. H. TRYE, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 18th February, 1929. Present Alderman Mann ; Councillors Scott Langley, Pates, H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye and Yarnold (Councillor COL Trye in the chair),

2--Plans Sub-Committee—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub Committee at their Meetings on the 8th and 18th inst. RESOLVED, That the same be approved and adopted.

3 Stores Sub-Committee—Reported Meeting on the 18th inst. Present—Councillors Scott Langley, Pates, Capt. Trye and Yarnold (Councillor Capt. Trye in the chair), 155 tenders were received. It was recommended that the tenders of the following firms be accepted at the prices contained in the schedule.

Castings—John Needham & Sons Ltd. ; F. Bird & Co. ; Cockrane & Co. (" Woodside " Ltd.).

Cement—Chinnor Cement Co. Disinfectants—Killgerm Co. Ltd. ; Imperial Chemical Industries Ltd. ; (The United Chemists Association Ltd.) ; Dussek Bros Co. Ltd. ; Cleansing Compounds Co. Ltd.

Electric Light Fittings, etc.—Messrs. Sharpe & Fisher Ltd. Forage—Mr. Cullimore ; Messrs. J. W. Oldacre Ltd

Household Goods and Sundries—Messrs. Jackson & Painter ; T. W. Harvey & Sons Ltd. ; W. & F. Archer : Yates & Co. ; E. Joyner ; Sharpe & Fisher Ltd. ; W. H. Mack ; Sanitas Co. Ltd. ; A. C. Woodrow & Co. ; Premiere Polish Co ; J. Harrison & Sons; Cheltenham Workshops for the Blind ; J. J. Coope ; Drake & Co ; Dentons Ltd.

India Rubber Goods—Messrs, Sharpe & Fisher Ltd. ; George McLellan & Co. Ltd.

Ironmongery—John Knowles & Co. Ltd. ; Sharpe & Fisher Ltd. ; Pryke & Palmer Ltd. ; T. W. Harvey & Sons Ltd. ; J. Fisher & Sons Ltd ; Frederick Bird & Co. ; A. C. Woodrow & Co.

Lead Piping Fittings, etc.—John Fisher & Sons Ltd. ; Sharpe & Fisher Ltd G. Bence & Sons Ltd.

Lime, Bricks and Sand--G. Bence & Sons Ltd. ; The Winchcomb Brick and Tile Co. ; Sharpe & Fisher Ltd ; The Stonehouse Brick and Tile Co. Printing and Stationery—Harvey & Healing ; Norman, Sawyer & Co ; F. C. Dodwell & Sons ; J. J. Gillham & Sons.

Stoneware Pipes—Sharpe & Fisher (subject to sample truck load proving satisfactory). Timber—Smith Bros, ; Sharpe & Fisher Ltd. ; G. Bence & Sons Ltd.

Tools—J. Fisher & Sons Ltd. ; The Hardy Patent Pick Co. Ltd. ; J. Yates & Co. Ltd. ; Sharpe & Fisher .Ltd. ; Leedham & Heaton Ltd. ; A. C. Woodrow & Co.

Uniforms, Overalls, etc.—C. S. Watts.

White Lead, Oils and Colours, etc.—J. Fisher & Sons Ltd. ; Sharpe & Fisher Ltd.; Pryke & Palmer Ltd ; G. Bence & Sons Ltd. ; Middleton Bros. Ltd.

Wrought Iron, Steel and Files—J. Fisher & Sons, Ltd. ; The West Don Steel Co. Ltd. ; J. Knowles & Vickers, Armstrong & Co ; Sharpe & Fisher Ltd. Co. Ltd.

It was also recommended that the supplies of petrol and paraffin be considered at the next meeting of the full Committee.

RESOLVED, That in future Tenderers be invited to submit their own samples.

RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and that the tenders recommended be accepted subject to formal contracts being entered into where required.

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4--Petrol Pump Swing Arms—RESOLVED, That the applications of the Victory Motor Co. and Mr. C. Stirland for permission to erect swing arms to petrol pumps at their garages in Winchcomb Street and Lansdown Place Lane respectively be granted subject to the usual agreements being entered into.

5--Streamer across Colonnade—Read, application of 29th ult, from the Hon. Secretary, Cheltenham Swimming and Water Polo Club for permission to place a streamer across the Colonnade in connection with the Club's Gala nights during the ensuing season. RESOLVED, That permission be granted subject to the usual conditions.

6--Projecting Signs—RESOLVED, That the application of Messrs Thos. Cook & Son Ltd for permission to fix an illuminated projecting sign at 365 High Street, be granted subject to the usual conditions.

(b) RESOLVED, That the application of "Marcelle " for permission to fix a projecting sign at 23 Promenade be not granted.

7—Leckhampton Depot—The Borough Surveyor submitted application from the Electricity and Lighting Committee to take the building at Leckhampton Depot now used by the Boy Scouts together with a small piece of land for the extension of the existing sub-station, RESOLVED, That this Committee agree to the small piece of land being taken subject to the fair value being charged to the Electricity Undertaking and that the application with reference to the building be referred to the General Purposes Committee.

S--Promenade -Lighting RESOLVED, That the plan of the positions of the-new lamp standards to be erected by the Electricity and Lighting Committee be approved

9--Refuse Trailers—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Eagle Engineering Co. had now fixed new clips and bolts on the covers of the refuse trailers and supplied new covers where necessary.

10—Horse " Whitefoot "—The Borough Surveyor submitted letter from Mr. Brain recommending the removal of a tumour from the elbow of this horse RESOLVED, That he be instructed to have this attended to.

11—Disused Plant—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to dispose of the disused plant at the Depot including the road scrapers.

1,--Refuse Collection—(a) The Borough Surveyor submitted application from M. A. Lees of 18 and 19 Suffolk Parade for the removal of his refuse each morning. RESOLVED, That the application be not granted.

(b) Clinkers—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to have the clinkers removed from the boilers at all the churches and chapels in the town free of charge.

13—Thirlestaine Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted complaint with regard to the condition of the footpath in this road. RESOLVED, That the Committee are unable to undertake the remaking of this footpath at present.

1-1--Willoughby House—The Borough Surveyor reported that the owner of Willoughby House had removed nearly all the trees from the triangular piece of land purchased by the Corporation in April, 1928 for road improvement. Read, also letter from Mr. T. L. Thompson expressing his client's regret at her action which was done under a mistaken impression that she had a right to fell the trees

15—Victoria Place—RESOLVED, That the projecting wall of the Victoria Garage in this street be viewed by the Committee.

16—Central Depot—The Borough Surveyor reported that it was desirable to alter the present telephone arrangements at the Central Depot, so that independent connections could be made with the Depot Office, Highways Superintendent's House and Roseville Cottage. RESOLVED, That these arrangements be approved and that the Town Clerk be authorised to sign the necessary agreement

17 Borough Surveyor's Department—Wages Clerk—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr G. H. K. Parkes, second Wages Clerk, for an increase in his wages be granted and that he be given an increase of 5s. 0d. per week.

18—Main Roads—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Chairman and he had provisionally agreed with the County Council for a payment of £16,599 for the main and contribution roads for the ensuing year. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

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19—Bath Road—Read. letter of 16th inst., from Mr. H. F. Midwinter with regard to the garage erected by the owner of the Langton Hotel. RESOLVED, That the Committee adhere to their previous decision and require the building to be set back.

20—Evesham Road—Subway—RESOLVED, That this Committee undertake the repair of the subway in Evesham Road connecting Pittville Gardens with Marle Hill Annexe.

21-2 Promenade—Read, letter from Messrs. Avery offering, on behalf of the Gloucestershire Dairy Co. Ltd. to pay 10s. Od. per annum if they could place a weighing machine on the footpath outside these premises. RESOLVED, That the application be not granted.

22—**Town Planning Sub-Committee**—RESOLVED, That the proceedings of the Town Planning Sub-Committee at their meeting on the 18th inst. be approved and confirmed,

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

TOWN PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Monday, 18th. February, 1929. Present—Alderman Mann; Councillors Scott Langley, H. W. Thomas and Capt. Trye (Councillor Capt. Trye in the chair).

1—Aerodrome—The Committee considered the provision of a site for an aerodrome. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned.

2----Scheme—(a) Read, letter from the Bristol and Gloucestershire Archaeological Society stating that they had examined the proposals of the Scheme and that the Society would be glad if careful consideration was given to the preservation of sites and monuments of archaeological interest and the preservation of the strip of land lying immediately to the west of the Cheltenham-Birdlip road, especially the portion running past Leckhampton Hill. RESOLVED, That this matter be taken into consideration and that the Society be asked to furnish a list of the monuments and other buildings and sites worth preservation.

(b) Read, letter from the Gloucestershire Rural Preservation Committee requesting that consideration be given for preserving the above mentioned strip of land along the Cheltenham-Birdlip road.

(c) Read, letter of 9th inst.. from the Cheltenham Civic Society forwarding their observations on the scheme. RESOLVED, That these be taken into consideration.

3 Road improvement Lines—Read, letter of 16th instant, from the Clerk of the County Council stating that it was desirable that the County Council should forthwith be in a position to serve notices in respect of the building and improvement lines on the Gloucester-Tewkesbury main road within the area of the Town Planning Scheme and the Town Clerk reported that under Section 5 of the Roads Improvement Act, 1925 the County Council could not exercise their powers conferred by the Section with respect to any land to which a Town Planning Resolution applies except with the consent of the Town Planning Authority and the Ministry of Health. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to agree to the above mentioned notices being served by the County Council forthwith for the prescription of such building and improvement lines as have already been agreed to by this Committee and as regards the prescription of building lines that the Ministry of Health be requested to give

their consent to the County Council to exercise their powers in pursuance of subsection 7 of Section 5 of the Roads Improvement Act, 1925.

4--Plan No. 2646--The Committee considered the plan submitted by the Gloucester Co-operative Society for a new shop and warehouse on land belonging to " Longmeade," Libertus Road. RESOLVED, That the plan be disapproved.

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

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PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, 8th February, 1929. Present—Aldermen Mann and Stewart ; Councillors Leigh fames, Gen. Thomas and Capt. Trye (Councillor Capt. Trye 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.
2626	Smith, C. J.	Detached House (Bungalow), Alma Road (Amended plan).
2635	Carr, H. G.	Motor house, Elm Lodge, Andover Road.
2636	Elgey, P. T.	Detached house, Old Bath Road
2637	Jardine, Mrs.	Additions to back wing, Eskdale, St. George's Place.
2638	Pittinger, G. A.	Motor house, The Ley, Pilley Lane.
2639	Haines & Strange	Extension of garage, Liverpool Place.
2640	Original Brewery Co.	New tea room, Sports Ground, Whaddon Road.
2641	Smith, T. W.	Garage, Churchill Road.
2642	Jackson, J. T.	Piggeries, Brooklyn Road, Arle
2643	Ford & Greville	Four semi-detached houses, Pilford Road.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos 2635, 2636, 2638, 2640, 2641 and 2643 be approved, that Plans Nos. 2626, 2637, 2639 and 2642 be approved subject to the drainage and sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Monday, 18th February, 1929. Present—Aldermen Mann and Stewart ; Councillors Gen. Thomas, H. W. Thomas and Capt. Trye (Councillor Capt. Trye 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
2644	Reason, C. H.	Detached house, Moorend Park Road.
2645	Bendall & Sons	Two semi-detached houses, Pilford Avenue.
2646	Gloucester Co-operative Society	New shop and warehouse, Libertus Road.
2647	Dyer, W.	Motor house, 12 Grange Crescent, Gloucester Road.
2648	Cheltenham Corporation	66 houses, St Paul's Road and Folly Lane.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 2644, 2645 and 2648 be approved ; that Plan No. 2647 be approved subject to the doors being made to open inwards ; and that Plan No. 2646 be referred to the Town Planning and Housing Committees.

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 15th February, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Allen, Dunn, Pruen, E. L. Ward and Welstead (Alderman Stewart in the chair)

- 1--Pittville Pump Room—RESOLVED, That the use of the Pump Room be let to Mr. H. N. Conway Davies on one evening per week for badminton for five months during the summer at a charge of £5 5s. 0d.
- 2--Montpellier Gardens—Catering—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. E. E. Carr for the catering rights at these gardens during the summer months on payment of 7s. 6d. per week be accepted and that he also be allowed to have a confectionery stall at the Winter Gardens during the Band Concerts.
- 3—Alstone Baths--Swimming and Mixed Bathing—Read, application from the Hon. Sec., Cheltenham Swimming and Water Polo Club for the use of the Swimming Bath on Tuesdays from 6 p.m. to closing time for Water Polo and on Thursdays from 5.30 p.m. to closing time for Mixed Bathing, also for Galas on nights deemed suitable by the Superintendent. RESOLVED, That the use of the bath be granted on the same terms as in previous years.
- 4—Town Hall—Read, letter from Miss Kelley stating that the Committee of the National Hunt Race Ball would be glad if no dance tea was held on the afternoon of March 6th. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.
- 5—Montpellier Baths—Read, application from the Swimming and Water Polo Club asking for short season tickets to be issued for the period of 6 weeks during which these baths would

he open prior to the opening of the Alstone Baths. RESOLVED, That season tickets be issued at a charge of 6s. 0d. each

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 22nd February, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Allen, Dunn, Pates, Pruen, E. L. Ward and Welstead (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

6—Montpellier Baths---The Borough Engineer submitted report from the Superintendent in respect of the opening of the Swimming and other Baths on Good Friday and Christmas Day. RESOLVED, That the baths be closed on these two days.

7—Sandford Park---High Street Entrance—Shrubs—The Borough Surveyor submitted list received from Mr. Edward White of the shrubs and, plants required for the High Street Entrance. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to invite tenders for the supply of the plants and that the Council be recommended to authorise the Chairman to accept a favourable tender.

8—Town Hall—Esperanto Conference—Read, application of the Cheltenham Esperanto Society for the free use of the Pillar or Drawing Room for a week-end conference of the Midland Esperantists to be held on April 13th-14th next. RESOLVED, That the room required be granted for the conference.

—Estimate for rate—The Committee considered the estimate of income and expenditure for the year 1929-30. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned and that a special meeting of the Committee be held at the Town Hall on Monday, 25th inst.

10—Reports of **Concerts Sub-Committee**—The Reports of the Concerts Sub-Committee at their Meetings held on the 29th ult., and 12th inst., were read. They recommended as follows ;—Town Hall—That the free use of the Town Hall be granted to Mr. P. Fielding for the Annual Band Benefit Ball on th 5th April next, subject to payment of the cost of lighting, the RESOLVED, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

JAMES STEWART, Chairman.

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At a Special Meeting of this Committee held at the Town Hall on Monday the 25th February, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Allen, Dunn, Pruen, H. W. Thomas and 1Velstead (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

11—Estimate for Rate—Town Hall—The Committee further considered the estimate of expenditure on the Town Hall for the year 1929-30. RESOLVED, That this be now settled as approved by the Committee. RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Surveyor be

instructed to obtain a Report with regard to the floor of the large hall which was reported to require planing

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 20th February, 1929. Present—Alderman Taylor: Councillors Dunn, Moore, Capt. Trye, J. F. Ward and Sir Richard Wapshare (Councillor Moore in the chair).

- 1—Extensions to Mains—RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to make the extensions to mains referred to in his Report, at an estimated cost of £269, on the terms approved by this Committee.
- 2—Sandford Pumping Station—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the Water Department were considering the installation of an electrically driven pump at this Station to replace the old engine. RESOLVED, That if the motor is installed, the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to lay the necessary cable and that a special rate be charged for off-peak supply
- 3—Public Lighting—(a) St. George's Street—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted letter from Mr. E. J. Burrow with reference to lighting in St. George's Street. RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to improve the lighting by substituting 100 watt lamps where necessary.
- (b) Promenade—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted estimate for proposed additional lighting in the Promenade, consisting of two new lamps in front of the Long Garden, and 4 new lamps on the footpath in front of the Post Office, at a total cost of £230 and he submitted sample standard and globe. RESOLVED, That these be approved, and that he be instructed to have the work carried out,
- 4—Bulk Supply--Stand-by Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported as to negotiations he had had with regard to the proposed alternative bulk supply.
- 5—British Industries Fair—RESOLVED, That the Chairman and Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to attend the Birmingham Section of this Fair.
- 6—Leckhampton Depot Sub-Station—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted proposals for the enlargement of the present small Sub-Station at the Leckhampton Depot, and that it appeared that the Reading Room at the Depot would be suitable for this purpose. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Street and Highway and General Purposes Committees for the land and the Reading Room for the Sub-Station. RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to invite tenders for the alteration of the building, and that he be authorised to accept a suitable tender.

7—Transfer of Staff—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported the steps he proposed to take with regard to affording facilities for two of the Engineers and some of the staff at the Works to become acquainted with the work of other Departments. RESOLVED, That these be approved.

8---Damage to Lamp Standard--The Borough Electrical Engineer reported damage to lamp standard at the corner of Bath Road and St. Luke's Road. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make a claim for the damage amounting to £21 1s. 1d.

JAMES MOORE,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 1.-1th February, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart : Councillors Dunn, Pates and Sir Richard Wapshare (Councillor Dunn 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 13th February, 1929.	Average for corresponding Period during Past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	305,000 gallons	392,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	1,069,000	1,755,000
Leckhampton Springs	102,000	116,000
Total	1,476,000	2,263,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
	13th February, 1929		13th February, 1928.	
Hewletts		17,427,000 gallons		31,676,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	31ft. 0ins.	94,756,000	32ft 0ins.	100,023,000 "
Leckhampton	10ft. 0ins.	1,350,000	12ft, 0ins.	1,620,000
Total Storage		113,533,000		133,319,000

2—Inspections— The Borough Engineer reported the work carried out by the Water Inspectors during the month of January.

3—Pipes--Eight tenders were received for the supply of cast iron pipes required for the year ending 31st March, 1930. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. Cochrane & Co., being the lowest, be accepted, subject to a sample truck load proving satisfactory and to a formal contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into.

4—Trunk Main—The Borough Engineer submitted letter from the Secretary of the Great Western Railway in respect of the 9in. trunk main being laid over the bridge in Lansdown Road. He also reported that satisfactory progress was being made, a length of 1,900 yards having being laid.

5—Lower Woodlands Farm, Dowdeswell—Read, letter from Messrs. Tayler, Fletcher & Villar enclosing formal notice under the Agricultural Act, 1923 on behalf of the tenant of this farm of his intention to claim compensation for disturbance at the end of his tenancy. RESOLVED, That Mr C. C. Castle be appointed to deal with any claim made.

G. OWEN DUNN,

Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 19th February, 1929. Present—Aldermen Mann Stewart and Taylor; Councillors Leigh James, Moore, Gen. Thomas, Capt. Trye, Welstead and Yarnold (Councillor Moore in the chair).

1—Diseases amongst Animals—Supt. Goulder reported that the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

2—Omnibus Licences- -(a) Gloucester and London Service—Read, application of 28th ult., from Messrs. E. Gray & Sons (Transport) Ltd, for licences to be granted for 6 omnibuses for their service through Cheltenham between Gloucester and London, RESOLVED, That the application be granted RESOLVED, also, That the stopping place in Clarence Street be not approved, but that they be allowed to pick up and set down passengers in Bath Road near its junction with High Street, the route of the omnibuses through the town to be via Oriel Road, and Bath Road to the High Street. RESOLVED, also, That the application for 6 Drivers Licences be granted

(b) Races—RESOLVED, That the applications of the Bristol Tramways & Carriage Co. Ltd., and the Black and White Motorways, Ltd. for 12 and 4 Special Licences respectively for the Races to be held on the 5th, 6th and 7th March next be granted.

(c) Cheltenham to Malvern—Read, application of 16th inst., from Mr. F. Martin, for a licence for a proposed omnibus service between Cheltenham and Malvern, and enclosing timetable and list of fares. RESOLVED, That the application be granted, subject to a satisfactory report from the Motor Hackney Carriage Inspector on the vehicle.

(d) Driver—RESOLVED, That the applications of the Bristol Tramways & Carriage Co. Ltd. for one Driver's Licence and of A Dartnell be granted.

3—Hackney Carriage Licences-- (a) New Licence—RESOLVED, That the application of A Dartnell for a licence in respect of taxicab O.A. 1712 be granted.

(b) Transfer—RESOLVED, That the application of S. Butt (senior) for Licence No. 6 to be transferred to taxicab No. A.D. 8854 be granted.

4—Wheelchair Licence—RESOLVED, That the application of T. James for Licence No. 9 to be transferred from J. Lewis to him be granted.

5—Fire Brigade—Report of Captain—The Captain reported that the Brigade had attended the following outbreaks of fire since the last meeting

Date, 1929.	Place.	Cause	Damage.	Brigade Expenses.
February 9th	324 High Street	Not apparent	£150	£4 8s. 6d.
" 12th ...	Redgrove, Hesters Way	Plumber thawing pipes in thatched roof	£1,000	£8 11s. 6d.

He also reported that Station Officer E. Niblett died on the 9th inst after serving in the Brigade for 34 years.

6—Domestic Servants Registries—Read, Report of inspection of the Domestic Servants Registries in the Borough Which were all found to be satisfactory.

7—Petrol Licences—(a) RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. S. C. Stirland for a licence to store 600 gallons of petroleum in a pump storage at his premises in Lansdown Place Lane be granted. (b) RESOLVED, That the application of Messrs. Steels Limited for permission to transfer their pump storage at 105 High Street to the Plough Yard be granted

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8—Contributions to Local Charities and Public Institutions—RESOLVED, That Improvement Act, 1889 and the Cheltenham Order, 1905, the following subscriptions Institutions in lieu of the remission of the General Rate:—

Institutions in lieu of the remission of the General Rate:— £ s. d.

General Hospital ...	38 18 1
Female Refuge	3 17 5
Girls' Orphanage	4 11 6
Workshops for the Blind	9 17 2
Nazareth House ...	50 14 0
Victoria Home for Nurses	17 15 7
Eye, Ear & Throat Hospital	11 19 5
Boys' Orphanage ...	2 19 10
Children's Hospital, Battledown	8 19 7
Home for Aged Pensioners	2 16 4
St Catherine's Home, Cambray	4 11 6
St. John's Ambulance Association	11 5 4
4 Rodney Terrace (Charity Organisation Society)	<u>4 18 7</u>
	£173 4 4

General Hospital—Annual Contribution due 1st January, 1928, in lieu of free supply of water £87 12s. 0d.

9—Licensed Houses—Read, letter from the Hon. Secretary of the British Women's Temperance Association Union enclosing memorial and plan of the licensed houses in the St. Peter's and St. Paul's district, a copy of which had been forwarded to the Licensing Justices and others.

10—Local Government Bill- The Town Clerk submitted report of the Special Committee of the Association of Municipal Corporations with regard to this Bill.

11—**Market—(a) Report of Sub-Committee**--Reported meeting of the Sub-Committee held on the 6th February, 1929. Present—The Mayor (in the chair); Alderman Stewart; Councillors Moore, Gen, Thomas, Capt. Trye and Yarnold. An application from Mr. Rouse to take down part of the boundary wall was considered. RESOLVED, That the Committee be recommended not to accede to this application but that no objection be raised to the coping of the wall being altered by Mr. Rouse to the satisfaction of the Borough Surveyor so as to drain to the Market side of the wall. Read, letter of the 15th inst., from Mr. Rouse asking the Committee to reconsider his application and to allow him to remove the wall. RESOLVED, That this be not agreed to and that the recommendation of the Sub-Committee be approved and confirmed,

12—Cheltenham and District Traction Bill--The Town Clerk reported the steps being taken in opposition to this Bill,. RESOLVED, That these be approved,

13—Town Clerk's Department—RESOLVED, That the application of the Junior Clerk (H. Anderson) for an increase in his salary be granted and that he be given an increase of 5s. 0d. per week

14—Leckhampton Reading Room—The Borough Surveyor submitted application front the Electricity Department for the Reading Room to be handed over to the Electricity Undertaking for the purpose of converting this into an electricity sub-station. The Town Clerk reported that the room was at present let to the Leckhampton Troop of Boy Scouts on a quarterly tenancy at a rent of £1 10s. 0d. a quarter. RESOLVED, That this Committee recommend the Council to agree to the Electricity and Lighting Committee taking this building at a value to be agreed upon and that notice be given to the Leckhampton Troop of Boy Scouts to terminate their tenancy.

JAMES MOORE, Chairman.

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ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 11th February, 1929. Present-Alderman Sawyer; Councillors Smith, J. F. Ward, E. L. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold: Messrs. F. W. Clarkson, F. Vizard, J. Waine and E. M. Yeend (Councillor Welstead in the chair).

1—Crab Tree Piece Allotments--(a) Nos. 143, 144 and 200—RESOLVED, That allotments Nos. 143 and 144 be let as two allotments. RESOLVED, also, That allotment 200 be divided into eight half-chain allotments and one allotment, of one chain, and that the tenant be paid compensation for the large apple tree on the latter allotment. RESOLVED, also, That the latter allotment be let at a rent of £1 1s. 0d. per annum.

(b) Nos. 188 and 189—Mr. James attended before the Committee and asked that these allotments should be re-let to him and was informed that the application would be favourably considered at the next meeting of the Committee if in the meantime he would have the allotments dug over and properly cleaned.

(c) No. 184—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. O. Carter to take this allotment be not granted, but that the allotment be offered to the applicants on the waiting list.

2--Allotment No. 6 Gappers Field—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. C. W. Grinham to take this allotment by arrangement with the present tenant be not acceded to.

3—Allotment No. 84 Whaddon Road (1920)—The Town Clerk reported that he had written to the tenant of this allotment calling his attention to its condition, but had been informed that the tenant was dead. The arrears of rent amounted to £1 7s. 0d. RESOLVED, That the arrears be written off and the allotment let to another tenant.

4—Allotments Nos. 1 and 8 Prospect Villa Gardens—RESOLVED, That these allotments be let to Mr. W. J. Martin and Mr. E. Batson

5—Land for Allotments—Read, letters from Messrs. Tayler, Fletcher & Villar offering for sale a plot of land in Gardners Lane belonging to the Estate of the late Sir James Agg-Gardner, containing 6 acres, 2 roods, 28 perches, now in the occupation of Mr. George Thorndale and Mr. G. C. Puff RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned, and that the Town Clerk be instructed to ascertain the value of the fruit trees on the land.

6—Persons occupying more than one allotment—The Town Clerk submitted statement of persons occupying more than one allotment. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned

W. WELSTEAD, Chairman.

PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 11th February, 1929. Present—Alderman Sawyer; Councillors Smith, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

1—Pittville Gardens—Subway—The Borough Surveyor reported that internal and external examinations had been made of the subway under Evesham Road. The arch of the subway was rather fiat, but while there was no immediate danger of collapse, the action of modern traffic was causing considerable damage to the inner arch, and he recommended that an external reinforced concrete covering be put all over the subway roof at an estimated cost of £85. RESOLVED, That the matter be referred to the Street and Highway Committee

2-- St. Mark's Recreation Ground—The Borough Surveyor reported that Messrs. Hopwoods had almost completed their contract. RESOLVED, That the ground be inspected at a special meeting to be held on Monday, 25th inst., at 11 a.m.

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3--Naunton Park—The Borough Surveyor submitted report from the Gardens Superintendent recommending the removal of some badly shaped trees in the avenue. RESOLVED, That these be inspected at the special meeting on the 25th inst.

4--Promenade Long Garden—Read, letter of 29th ult- from the Borough Electrical Engineer with regard to his proposal to fix two new lamps in the line of the Promenade Long Garden. RESOLVED. That this be agreed to subject to the lamps being placed on stone plinths similar to those on which the existing lamps are erected.

5—Parks and Gardens—The Report of the Gardens Superintendent on the Parks and Gardens for the six months ended December, 1928 was read and considered.

6---Sandford Park—(a) Field Lodge---RESOLVED. That the offer of Cementone Ltd. to remedy the defects of the external colouring of Field Lodge be accepted.

(b) Fountain—RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. G. Boulton of £50 for removing, cleaning and re-erecting the Vestal Green Fountain at the Keynsham Road entrance be accepted.

(c) Caryatides—RESOLVED, That the offer of Dr. J. MacFarlane of two stone caryatides be declined with thanks.

7—Recreation Grounds—Grazing Rights—RESOLVED, That the letting of the three Recreation Grounds for grazing be discontinued, and that an Agricultural Mower be purchased, the cost, viz. £225, to be included in next year's estimates.

W. SAWYER,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 25th February, 1929. Present—Councillors Selim Smith and Gen. Thomas (Councillor Gen. Thomas in the chair).

8—Recreation Grounds--(a) St. Mark's—The Committee inspected the work carried out by Messrs. Hopwood & Son. RESOLVED, That the amount due on completion of the work be paid in accordance with the terms of the Contract leaving 25 per cent. to be paid when the ground is covered with a strong growth of grass.

(b) Naunton Park—The Committee inspected this Recreation Ground. RESOLVED, That the alternate poplar trees be removed from the Avenue, except at the east end where all the poplar trees are to be removed in order to extend the Recreation Ground by taking in part of the Avenue adjoining the land recently used as a vegetable garden.

H. M. THOMAS. Chairman.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 15th February, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Scott Langley and Brig.-Gen, Thomas; Colonel J. C. Griffith ; and Mr. F. B. de Sausmarez (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

1—Curator's Report--Visits—During January, 3,273 (against 2,688) ; daily average 121 (against 103)

Receipts—Collection Box 11s 8d ; Catalogues and Postcard Reproductions £2 6s 3d. Subscriptions towards Sculpture Exhibition £20 13s. 0d ; Commission—How Exhibition £3 15s. 0d
Total £27 5s. 11d.

Exhibitions—Contemporary British Sculpture and Fowler's Paintings. Open from 12th January to 9th February, visitors 3,505. Receipts £26 7s. 11d., expenses £30 3s. 0d.

Exhibition of Paintings by 10 Women Artists would be open from 14th February to 16th March. From the 4th to 16th March there would be an Exhibition by the Cheltenham Amateur Photographic Society.

Lecture—On 31st January Mr. Ed. J. Burrow lectured for the Science Society on "Prehistoric Man in the Cotswolds" in the Gallery. Specimens from the Museum were used to illustrate the discourse. Victoria and Albert Museum Loans—A case of English Porcelain and one of Continental Porcelain would be substituted on the 19th inst. for the specimens already on loan. (Insurance value £1,220).

2—Donations—From Mr. A. W. Bryant, six coins of the Irish Free State, 1928 ; Mr. Ed. J. Burrow, 2 Etchings ; " Friend of the Gallery," "Eunice" ; child's head in biscuit pottery, by Chas. Pibworth, A.R.B.S., R.W.A., from the Sculpture Exhibition (Insurance value £12) : Mr. E. C. Gardner, Old Lock in wrought iron ; Colonel Tuke, Clay Pipes, from Lambeth.

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

3—Loan- -From Mrs. J. Trye, Spanish Comb of filigree silver, and Lace Mantilla.

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Lender.

4 —Exhibitions—T he Curator read applications from Mr. A. J. Haggis, of Tewkesbury, and Mrs. F. A. Ringer, of Cheltenham, asking that they might be permitted to show examples of their paintings in the Art Gallery. RESOLVED, That the matter be left in the hands of the Curator to arrange as, and when, convenient.

5--Museum Showcase—Three quotations were received for the supply of a new wall showcase, 15 feet long, in the Local Room, as provided for in the current Estimate. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. Dale and Dobson for supplying and fitting with locks complete for the sum of £73 be accepted.

6—Re-decoration of large Gallery—Three quotations were received for this work, as provided for in the current Estimate. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. S. C. Morris and Son of

£38 15s. 0d. for the woodwork in ceiling, frieze and walls down to canvas, and woodwork in dado, be accepted. RESOLVED, also, That the question of replacing the present canvas or of painting it, be deferred until the new financial year.

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 22d February, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart :
Councillors Langley, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair).

—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of Superintendent from the 26th January to 23rd February, 1929. Interments 62. Grave Spaces sold 14 (First Position 2 ; Third Position 2 ; Fourth Position 10). Memorials fixed 6 New Inscriptions 7.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces--RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 7941 to 7928 of the exclusive right of burial in the graves referred to therein.

3—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following designs be approved, namely:—Memorial Cross, Bases and kerbing to grave of Clara A. Ruegg ; Memorial Scroll to grave of A. E. Clease ; Memorial Scroll and kerbing with posts to grave of Minnie C. Carr ; Memorial Headstone to grave of Charles Webb.

4—Cemetery—Water Supply—The Borough Surveyor submitted plan and estimate for replacing the present -Ain. water main in the Cemetery with a 2-inch main at a cost of 1,,250. RESOLVED, That the sum of £250 be included in next year's estimates for carrying out this work,

HENRY T. YARNOLD,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 12th February, 1929. Present—Alderman Mann
Councillors Allen, Pates, Brig.-Gen. Thomas and Yarnold Messrs. A. Miles, E. C. Rogers, F. Vernal and C. E. Walsh (Alderman Mann in the chair)

1—Librarian's Report—Receipts £163 9s. 3d. (Inc. £150, the 2nd instalment of the Carnegie Trust Grant). Number of volumes issued in Reference Library 5,582 (last year 4,314); Lending Library 14,902 (last year 12,604) ; Juvenile Library 2,352 (last year 2,302). Total for month 22,836 (last year 19,420).

Lecture—January 28th, Miss P. G. Baggallay on " The Life and Work of Josephine Butler " Attendance 78.

Staff—The following members had been successful in The Library Association Examinations held in December :—Miss H. C. Wise (Library Organisation, with merit) ; Miss E. J. Parry (Classification).

Two vacancies had been filled by the appointment of Miss M. Dallow (Lond. and Bris. Matric. ; Inter. B.Sc.) at a commencing wage of 20s per week, one half of which will be paid by the Art Gallery and Museum Committee ; and Miss G. E. M. Rodway (Oxf. Sch. Cert.) at a wage of 12s 6d per week.

Donations—From Miss E. Bonditch (1 vol.) ; Mr. Ed, J. Burrow (10 vols.) ; Messrs. Ed. J. Burrow & Co. Ltd, pamph .) ; Co-operative Society (1 vol.) ; Glos. Secretary for Education (1 pamph.) ; Mrs. Fit-Patrick (2 vols) Mr. S. L. Kay (2 vols.) ; Mrs. Littledale (3 vols) ; Rt. Hon. Sir Matthew Nathan (3 vols, and 8 pamphs.) ; Secretary, Trinity College of Music (1 vol.) ; Capt. R. P. Wild (3 vols).

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

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CHELTENHAM PUBLIC LIBRARY.

With reference to the Council minutes, section 3, the quotations were as follows:-

New floor and shelving thereon.

1.	W. Drew, Golden Valley	£36 4s. 2d.
2.	S. C. Morris & Sons, Tivoli	£45
3.	E. Mayo & Co., Ltd., Selkirk Street	£57 10s.
4.	Cheltenham Shopfitting Co., Ltd.	£64 1s.

Small Bookcase in Corridor

1.	W. Drew, Golden Valley	£8 15 0
2.	Cheltenham Shopfitting Co., Ltd.	£10 9 3
3.	E. Mayo & Co., Ltd., Selkirk Street	£11 15 0

2—**Sub-Committee's Report**—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 7th inst. Present—Alderman Mann ; and Mr. C. E. Walsh (Alderman Mann in the chair). They recommended :—(a) That 123 volumes (new books), published at £46 4s. 0d., be purchased at a cost of £34 16s. 3d.

(b) Newspaper Supply—That the arrangements made with Messrs. Banks of Cheltenham Ltd. for the continuance of the newspaper supply be confirmed, and That The Listener " (2d, weekly) be added to the periodicals taken.

(c) Read, Report of Mr. L. W. Barnard on the defective stone work in the Library Facade, giving alternative suggestions for repairs :--- (i) Cutting out defective stones, and providing new ones at an approximate cost of £900

(ii) Brush off loose stone work, and treat with pure hydrated lime water at an approximate cost of £80. The Sub-Committee recommend Scheme (ii).

RESOLVED, That the recommendations be approved and adopted, and with regard to (c) That the Librarian be authorised to secure tenders for the work to be carried out in the forthcoming financial year.

3—Quotations for Flooring and Shelving in Corridor—Four tenders were received for this work, and it was RESOLVED, That that of Mr. W. Drew in the sum of £36 4s. 2d, be accepted. RESOLVED, also, That the quotation of Mr. W. Drew to construct a small book case for the sum of £8 15s 0d. be accepted.

4—Damage to Plinth in St. George's Place—The Librarian reported damage to stone work to the value of £3 5s. 0d. by Mr. S. E. Bick, Home Farm, Swindon. RESOLVED, That the matter be left in the hands of the Town Clerk to take the necessary steps to recover damages

A. MANN, Chairman.

RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 7th February, 1929. Present—Aldermen Stewart and Taylor; Councillors Langley, Moore, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

1—Remission of Rates--Applicants for the remission of rates were interviewed and their applications were considered and dealt with.

P. P. TAYLOR, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 8th February, 1929. Present—Aldermen Stewart and Taylor ; Councillors Moore and Gen. Thomas (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

2—Assessment of Railways—The Town Clerk submitted claims received from the L.M. & S. Railway and Great Western Railway for relief under the Rating and Valuation (Apportionment) Act, 1928. RESOLVED, That these be approved and forwarded to the Government Valuer.

3—Remission of Rates—Applicants for the remission of rates were interviewed and their applications considered and dealt with

4—Government Properties—RESOLVED, That the proposals of the Deputy Treasury Valuer for the revision of the rate-able values of government properties be approved.

P. P. TAYLOR.

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 26th February, 1929. Present—Alderman Taylor :
Councillors Moore, Pruen and Welstead (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

- 1—General Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 26th inst., on the collection of the Second Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £110,121 16s. 6d. Leaving outstanding £7,846 3s. 0d.
- 2—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 26th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 25th March, 1929. Amount collected £17,670 9s. 5d. Leaving outstanding £2,751 18s. 2d.
- 3---Loans—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £7,600 on loan RESOLVED, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loans.
(b) Renewals—RESOLVED, That the terms proposed for the continuance of Debentures amounting to £700 be approved and the Debentures endorsed accordingly.
- 4—National Sayings' Certificates—The Borough Treasurer reported that the number of Savings Certificates sold during January was 5,422 as compared with 5,287 for the corresponding month last year.
- 5—Superannuation--(a) F. Stevens and E. Niblett—The Borough Treasurer reported that F. Stevens and E. Niblett died on the 15th and 9th inst. respectfully.
(b) R. Mason—The Borough Treasurer reported that R. Mason, Horsedriver, retired on the 5th inst. RESOLVED, That he be paid a pension of £28 11s. 9d, per annum calculated on his wages for the last 5 years on a non-contributory basis of 29 years service.
(c) W. Ruck—The Borough Treasurer reported that W. Ruck, Ashman, retired on the 9th inst. RESOLVED, That he be paid a pension of £26 1s. 6d per annum calculated on his wages for the last 5 years on a non-contributory basis of 37 years service.
(d) T. Gabb—The Borough Treasurer reported that T. Gabb, Gardener, retired on the 28th inst. RESOLVED, That he be paid a pension of £9 15s 0d per annum calculated on his wages for the last 5 years on a non-contributory basis of 10 years service.
(e) Storekeeper—It was reported that the new Storekeeper (Mr. F. C. Horlock) has been medically examined for the purpose of the Superannuation Scheme. RESOLVED, That he be accepted for the Scheme.

6—Sanctions to Loans—The Town Clerk reported the receipt of the following Sanctions to Loans :—

Date, 1929.	Purpose.	Amount.	Period of Repayment.
February 12th	Purchase of land in Gloucester Road for Playing Field	£820	60 years.
“12th	Levelling Do.	£580	20 years.

“ 16th For erection of houses in Folly Lane	£23,655	60 years.
“ 20th For extensions to Abattoir	£1,500	30 years.

7-4 $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. Housing Bonds—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting £20 had been received for 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. Housing Bonds repayable in 7 years and that a certificate had been issued accordingly. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

(b) RESOLVED, That the Borough Treasurer be authorised to advertise these Bonds at a cost not exceeding £10.

8— Borough Treasurer's Department—RESOLVED, That the salary of Miss L. Rider be increased from £104 to £117 per annum.

9 Municipal Offices Extensions—RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for a loan of £2,240 for the cost of the alterations and extensions to the Municipal Offices less the amounts to be contributed by the Electricity and Water Departments.

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10--Town Planning Scheme—RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £2,000 for the cost of preparing the Town Planning Scheme including the salaries of the Town Planning Assistant and Junior Assistant.

11—Hill View Cottage, 9a Hewlett Street, Keynsham House and 10 and 11 Sydney Street—Mrs Davis attended and asked that the Receiver appointed by the Council should be withdrawn and offering to pay £6 5s. 0d. per quarter until the sum due to the Corporation for drainage and sanitary work carried out to these properties had been discharged. RESOLVED, That this offer be accepted and that the Receiver be withdrawn on the understanding that the Council would re-appoint the Receiver if the instalments were not kept up.

12-15 Burton Street—Read, letter from Mrs. E. Smith offering to discharge the amount due to the Corporation in respect of the sanitary work carried out at these premises by 2s 6d per week. RESOLVED, That this offer be accepted

13—Estimate for rate—RESOLVED, That a meeting of the Committee for preparing the estimate for rate be held on the 18th prox., at 7 p.m. and that the Chairmen of the respective Committees be invited to attend as last year

14—Stationery—The Committee considered recommendation from the Public Health Committee that tenders should be invited for the stationery used by the Corporation Departments RESOLVED, That this be deferred for the present.

15—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on the 26th inst Present : Alderman Taylor (in the chair); Councillors Moore, Pruen and Welstead. The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment

P. P. TAYLOR, Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham.

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 28th March, 1929.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMENADE, on FRIDAY, the 5th day of April, 1929, at THREE O'CLOCK** in the Afternoon, at which Meeting the following Business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
2. Communications by the Mayor.
3. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :— THE COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE HOUSING COMMITTEE MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE and to consider plan submitted by Cavendish House Co., as to Building Line in Regent Street. TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE WATER COMMITTEE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE RATING COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE
4. Memorials, Applications, Complaints, &c.

Yours faithfully,

Town. Clerk.

To each Member of the Council.

Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Monthly Meeting- of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held at the Municipal Offices, in the said Borough, on Monday the 4th day of March, 1929, at 3 p.m. Present :

The Mayor (Alderman Charles Henry Margrett, C.B.E., J.P.) in the chair.

Aldermen Sawyer, Stewart and Taylor ; Councillors Allen, Dunn, O.B.E., Leigh James, Scott Langley, Miller, Moore, Pates, Pruen, Smith, Brig.-Gen. H. M. Thomas, C.M.G., D.S.O., H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye, C.B.E., Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard Wapshare, K.C.I.E., C.B., C.S.I., E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Welstead, K.S.G., and Wheeler, O.B.E.

Apologies - Apologies for absence were received from the Deputy Mayor, Alderman Mann and Councillor Yarnold.

1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Special and Quarterly Meetings of the Town Council held on the 4th February, 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. Proceedings of Committees—Resolved, That the proceedings of the under-mentioned Committees at their Meetings held on the dates respectively appearing be approved and confirmed :—

Public Health Meeting held February 11.

Housing Meetings held February 7 & 12

(An Amendment moved by Councillor J. F. Ward "That Minute No. 13 with reference to Direct Labour be referred back for further consideration" was not seconded).

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Street and Highway Meetings held February 13 & 18

Town Improvement and Spa Meetings held February 15, 22 & 25

Electricity and Lighting Meeting held February 20

Resolved, also, That Councillor J. Moore and Mr. W. J. Bache be appointed representatives of the Council on the No. 6 District Joint Board and No. 6 Joint Industrial Council respectively.

Water Meeting held February 14

General Purposes and Watch Meeting held February 19

Allotments Meeting held February 11

Parks and Recreation Grounds ... Meetings held February 11 & 25

Art Gallery and Museum ... Meeting held February 15

Burial Board... Meeting held February 22

(An Amendment moved by Councillor Pruen and seconded by Councillor E. L. Ward That Minute No. 4. be amended by inserting at the end the words " if in the opinion of the Finance Committee this is possible " was lost).

Public Library ... Meeting held February 12

Rating Meetings held February 7 and 8

Finance Meeting held February 26

Resolved, also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed authorising him to pay to the several Corporations, Companies and Persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts, the sum of money set opposite their respective names.

3—Channel Tunnel—Read, letter from the Hon. Secretary of the Channel Tunnel Parliamentary Committee asking whether in the opinion of the Council the construction of this tunnel would result in an increase or decrease of visitors. Resolved, That the Council are of opinion that an increase of visitors would result therefrom.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Mayor.

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MINUTES of the Committees of the Town Council to be submitted for approval at the Monthly Meeting of the Council to be held on Friday, 5th April, 1929.

COUNCIL IN COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of the Council in Committee held on Monday, 4th March, 1929. Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Sawyer, Stewart and Taylor ; Councillors Allen, Dunn, Leigh James, Scott Langley, Miller, Moore, Pates, Pruen, Smith, Gen. Thomas, H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye, Sir R. Wapshare, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward; Welstead and Wheeler (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Cheltenham Traction Bill—RESOLVED, That the Council are of opinion that it is desirable to purchase the present Undertaking of the Company and that Counsel be instructed to oppose the Bill and to urge that this Council should not be deprived of their option to purchase under the existing Light Railway Order, and that they be instructed to state definitely that the Council are prepared to exercise their option to purchase when it matures.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Mayor.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 11th March, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Stewart : Councillors Leigh James ; Moore, Pruen, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Gen. Thomas in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-26 and 59 Duke Street ; 22 Columbia Street ; 21 North Place and 19a Exmouth 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 Sanitary Inspector on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at (a) 21 Hanover Street ; 9 Clarence Square ; 10 Regent Place, Swindon Road; 15 and 16 Russell Street ; Baker Street Institute ; Gas Green Chapel and House.—The Sanitary Inspector having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, etc., 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 Sanitary Inspector to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

(b) 25, 26 and 27 Exmouth Street and 1 Brandon Terrace.—The Sanitary Inspector 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 a specification of the work 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 requiring them to do the work specified within 28 days.

3—Insanitary Property—(a) 8, 10, 46a, 46b, 46, 48, 50, 52, 59 and .15 Duke Street; 3, 8, 10, 12, 14 and 53 Union Street; Union Inn, Union Street ; 9 Clarence Square; Bilton House, St. James' 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 3 of the Housing Act, 1925, or 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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(b) 13 Queen Street and 33 and 35 Russell Street.—The Sanitary Inspector reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Committee the sanitary work required under Section 3 of the Housing Act, 1925 had been executed to his satisfaction by Mr E. J. Welch at a cost of £4 5s. 0d. in respect of 13 Queen Street and by Messrs Amos Wilson & Sons at a cost of £31 0s. 0d. in respect of 33 and 35 Russell Street. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Owners for payment.

4—Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted list of Notices requiring provision of ash receptacles, served but not complied with. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to enforce compliance.

5—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 5 cwts. 1 qr. 19 lbs. Beef, 1 qr. 14 lbs. Mutton ; 1 cwt. 1 qr. 13 lbs. Pork ; and 1 Box Gruyere Cheese.

6—Marine Store Dealer—RESOLVED, That the application of Thomas Stanley of 73 Queen Street, to be registered as a Marine Store Dealer be granted.

7—Medical Officer of Health—The Committee considered Memorandum submitted by the Medical Officer of Health applying for an increase in his superannuation allowance under-

Section 16 of the Act, which empowered a Local Authority to increase the rate of pension for non-contributing service from 1/120th up to such rate not exceeding the rate of 1/60th as the Local Authority might determine. (a) RESOLVED, That the General Purposes and Watch Committee be asked to consider the question whether the power under this Section should be exercised with regard to any cases and, if so, the principles on which such allowances should be made and the limit thereof

(b) RESOLVED, also, That subject to any decision of the General Purposes and Watch Committee on the general principle, this Committee cannot recommend that any allowance be made to Dr Garrett beyond the £246 8s. 0d., to which he is entitled under the Act.

(c) RESOLVED, unanimously, That the Council desire to express their warm appreciation of the able and devoted service rendered to the town by Dr Garrett who has been Medical Officer of Health since 1892 and hope that he may be spared long to enjoy his well-earned leisure.

8—Sanitary Inspectors----RESOLVED, That Messrs. C. W. Clifford, F. Keene and N. Green be appointed District Sanitary Inspectors and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for approval of these appointments and for contribution towards their salaries.

9 —Barn Farm—(a) Wooden Bungalow—Read, letter of 1st instant from Mr. G. P. Rymer stating that the tenant of this wooden bungalow complained that the house was almost uninhabitable in extremely cold weather and suggesting that the Corporation should have it lined with asbestos sheets. RESOLVED, That this be not agreed to.

(b) Cottage—Read, also, letter of 10th instant from Mr. G. P. Rymer stating that the boiler in one of the cottages was worn out and required replacement. RESOLVED, That the Corporation agree to contribute half the cost of providing a new boiler. RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to supply Mr. Rymer with the cement required for filling the holes in the floor of the kitchen of this cottage and for other patching on the farms.

10—Prospect Villa, Folly Lane—The Sanitary Inspector submitted report as to rats at these premises caused by the defective drains RESOLVED, That the report be referred to the Housing Committee.

11—Sewers, Fairview District, etc.—RESOLVED, That the Chairman, Councillors E. L. Ward and Welstead be appointed a Sub-Committee to give any instructions which may be required from time to time by the Borough Surveyor in carrying out the work of re-sewering this district. RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to rent suitable premises for use as a depot in the district.

12-3 Royal Crescent—Read, letter of 15th instant from the Secretary of the Owners and subscribers of the Royal Crescent Garden drawing attention to the derelict condition of these premises. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the owner with regard thereto.

H. M. THOMAS,

Chairman.

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HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 12th March, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Taylor ; Councillors Dunn, Pates, H. W. Thomas, Gen. Thomas, Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard Wapshare, J. F. Ward, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Pates in the chair).

1—Pilley Lane Housing Site—Read, letter of the 1st inst., from Mr. C. C. Castle stating that Miss Hicks would require the Corporation to purchase the whole of her land, as the purchase of the back land only would depreciate the value of the frontage to Leckhampton Road. The Town Clerk submitted valuation of the District Valuer of the whole of the land containing 5a. 1r. 0p. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to purchase the whole of the land.

2—Folley Lane—Housing Estate—(a) Mr. Malvern submitted the lay-out plan of the land on the west side of Folley Lane, providing for 86 houses. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned.

(b) Prospect Villa and Buildings—The Sanitary Inspector reported that Prospect Villa and Buildings were infested with rats owing to defective drains to the outbuildings and stables at the rear. RESOLVED, That the Sanitary Inspector be instructed to make temporary arrangements for abating the nuisance and that the question of renewing the drains at these buildings be adjourned in view of the possibility of the buildings being demolished when the land is developed for building.

(c) Contract—Read, letter of the 19th inst., from the Secretary of the National Joint Council of the Building Industry, Cheltenham Branch, with regard to the alleged breach of Rules by Messrs. Thompson & Sons.

(d) Messrs. Harries' Contract—The Town Clerk reported interview with the District Auditor with regard to the claim for subsidy in respect of 20 of the houses erected by Messrs. Reynold Harries. RESOLVED, That the retention moneys be not paid over until the claim for subsidy has been settled.

3—Land, Gloucester Road—Mr. Malvern submitted lay-out plan of this land, providing for 74 houses. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned.

4-19 Manser Street—Read, letter from the tenant of this house stating that the walls of two of the rooms had been damaged by falling ceilings, RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the two rooms redecorated.

- 5—Slum Areas—The Chairman and Councillor General Thomas reported the proceedings of the Conference on Slum Areas convened by the Association of Municipal Corporations, and the Town Clerk submitted copies of the Resolutions passed at the Conference.
- 6—St. Mark's Housing Estate—Kipling Road—Read, letter of 12th inst., from Mr. Drew stating that his building operations were being held up owing to the delay in the construction of Kipling Road, RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to proceed with the construction of the road as quickly as possible.
- 7--Housing, etc., Act. 1923—Subsidy House, Pilford Avenue—RESOLVED, That a provisional certificate for a subsidy of £50 each be issued to Messrs. Bendall & Sons in respect of two houses to be erected by them in this road for sale, containing 936 super. feet and erected at a density of 12 to the acre. subject to their undertaking to comply with the usual conditions and on the distinct understanding that the subsidy will only be payable if the houses are completed by the 30th September next.
- 8—Outbuildings—The Borough Surveyor submitted plans of outbuildings. RESOLVED, That the following plans of out-buildings be approved, namely, 81 Tennyson Road, Shed ; Brooklyn Road (J. F. Fisher) Tool Shed, subject to being erected behind house ; 137 Tennyson Road, Garage, subject to being lined with fire proof material ; 10 Spenser Road, Garage ; and 25 Tennyson Road, Tool Shed.
- 9-15 Milton Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted plans for the erection of a covered-in porch to the front door. RESOLVED, That this be approved.
- 10-3 Hudson Street—The Borough Submitted claim from the tenant of this house for £2 compensation in respect of damage caused by falling ceiling. RESOLVED, That that this amount be paid to the tenant, and that Mr. Malvern be instructed to take this into account in issuing the final certificate to the Contractors.

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- 11—Whaddon Road—Mr. Malvern submitted lay-out plan for the erection of 103 houses on land belonging to Miss Skillicorne and the Brewery Company lying between Whaddon Road and Hewlett Road. RESOLVED, That this be approved, RESOLVED, also, That the District Valuer be asked to value the land and that the Town Clerk be instructed to negotiate for the purchase thereof.
- 12—Rent Collection—The Committee considered the appointment of a Woman House Manager and Rent Collector. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned and that the Town Clerk be instructed to obtain information from other towns where a Woman Rent Collector and House Manager is employed.

J. P. PATES,
Chairman.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 8th March, 1929. Present—Councillors Leigh James, Scott Langley and Gen. Thomas ; Mrs. Mellersh and Mrs. Boo), (Councillor Leigh James in the chair).

1—Health Visitor—(a) The Town Clerk reported that only three applications had been received, none of which the Medical Officer considered satisfactory. RESOLVED, That advertisements be re-issued inviting applications for the appointment at a salary of £200 per annum with allowance for uniform and cycle and that the Minute No. 5 of the meeting of this Committee on the 28th January last be varied accordingly.

(b) Miss Nicholls—RESOLVED, That consideration of Miss Nicholls superannuation allowance be further adjourned.

LEIGH JAMES,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 18th March, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Sawyer; Councillors Scott Langley, Pates, H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye and Yarnold (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—**Plans Sub-Committee**—The Chairman reported the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their meetings on the 8th and 18th inst. RESOLVED, That the same be approved and adopted.

2—Slippery Road Surfaces—The Town Clerk submitted circular of 1st instant from the Ministry of Transport with regard to the choice of materials for surfacing roads. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Borough Surveyor.

3—Petrol Pumps—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. W. T. Baggs for permission to erect two petrol pumps at St. Luke's Garage with swing arms over the footpath be granted subject to his entering into the usual agreement.

4—Lower Mill Street—RESOLVED, That the footpath in this street be viewed at the next View Meeting of the Committee.

5—Highways Superintendent—(a) The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. Armistead commenced his duties on the 18th instant and after consultation with the Chairman he had been allowed to occupy Roseville Cottage instead of the Depot House which the Yard Foreman now occupied. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

(b) Motor Car—RESOLVED, That the Chairman, Councillors Scott Langley and Yarnold be appointed a Sub-Committee with power to purchase a motorcar for the use of the Highways Superintendent. 6—Regent Street—The Committee further considered the

preliminary plan of frontage line in Regent Street of the new buildings proposed to be erected by Cavendish House Co. RESOLVED, That this be not approved.

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7—Castings Contract—The Borough Surveyor reported that the step irons for the supply of which the tender of Messrs. Knowles & Co. had been accepted were not according to specification and he recommended that the tender of Messrs. J. Fisher & Sons be accepted. He also reported that Messrs. J. Bird & Co. desired to increase their tender for the supply of gullies. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. Bradley & Turton be accepted and that Minute No. 3 passed at the last meeting of the Committee be varied accordingly.

8—Paraffin and Petrol—The Committee considered the supply of petrol and paraffin for the ensuing year. RESOLVED, That the paraffin be purchased from the British Petroleum Co. and petrol from the Shell Mex Co.

9—Accident—The Borough Surveyor reported an accident in Hudson Street on the 18th instant at which a child was killed by one of the Corporation Foden Wagons. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to convey to the parents the deep sympathy of the Council with them in their bereavement.

10—Brighton Road—Private Improvement Works—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to prepare plan and estimate for the repair of this road by the abutting owners.

11—Projecting Sign—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. J. R. Houghton for permission to place a projecting sign over the entrance to the Rose and Crown Passage be granted subject to the usual conditions.

12—Severn Road Bridge Scheme—Read, circular of the 19th ult., from the Clerk to the Chepstow Urban District Council inviting the attendance of representatives to a conference to be held at Chepstow on the 6th prox. to consider the proposed Severn Road Bridge Scheme, RESOLVED, That the Chairman be appointed to attend-

13—**Town Planning Sub-Committee**—RESOLVED, That the proceedings of the Town Planning Sub-Committee at their meeting on the 18th instant be approved and confirmed.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM, Chairman.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 27th March, 1929. Present—The Mayor; Councillors Scott Langley, Capt. Trye, Pates, H. W. Thomas and Yarnold (Councillor Capt. Trye in the chair).

14—Building Line, Regent Street—The Committee considered amended plan of the proposed frontage line in Regent Street of the new buildings intended to be erected by Cavendish House Co. Ltd. RESOLVED, That the amended plan (which shows a frontage line two feet behind the line of the present Riding School frontage) be approved, subject to the Company agreeing to give up as and when required by the

Corporation the land throughout their whole property in Regent Street in front of the new line for the widening of the road and subject also to the height of the new building not exceeding the distance from the front of building to the opposite side of the street measured in accordance with Section 46 of the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889.

J. H. TRYE, Chairman.

TOWN PLANNING SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Monday, 18th March, 1929. Present—Councillors Scott Langley and H. W. Thomas (Councillor H. W. Thomas in the chair).

- 1—Joint Regional Town Planning Scheme—Read, circular of 12th instant from the Clerk of the County Council enclosing copies of resolutions passed at the Conference held on the 7th instant with regard to this scheme. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned and that copies of the resolutions be forwarded to the members of the Sub-Committee.
- 2—Aerodrome—The Town Clerk submitted memorandum from the Air Ministry forwarding notes on the location, size and general requirements of the site for a civil aerodrome.
- 3—Plan No. 2646 Read, letter from the Gloucester Co-operative Society asking the Sub-Committee to receive a deputation with regard to the disapproval of the plan submitted for a new shop and warehouse on land belonging to Longmeade, Libertus Road. RESOLVED, That the deputation be received at the next meeting of the Sub-Committee.

H. W. THOMAS, Chairman.

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PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Friday, 8th March, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart and Councillor Gen, Thomas (Alderman Stewart 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
2649	Montague Burton Ltd., Leeds.	Re-building premises, 373-374 High Street.
2650	Board of Guardians,	New Nurses Home, The Workhouse, Swindon Road.
2651	Watkins, A. G. Mrs.	Detached house, Painswick Road.
2652	Cavendish House Co.	Preliminary plan for proposed new building line, Regent Street.
2653	Ford & Greville.	Detached house, Pilford Road.
2654	Cheltenham Corporation.	34 houses, Kipling and Shelley Roads.

2655	Sir Eric Stuart Taylor, Bart. Bath Road	Additions at front and rear of Montpellier Lawn,
2656	Jordan, Miss	Motor-house, Tivoli Lodge, Tivoli Road.
2657	Matthews, F. T.	Motor-house, 29 Montpellier Villas.
2658	Grundy, F. D.	Motor-house, " Bleasby," Lansdown Road.
2659	Cheltenham Corporation	Electricity sub-station, The Lypiatts, Lansdown Rd.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 2650, 2651, 2653, 2654, 2655, 2656, 2657, 2658 and 2659 be approved and that Plans Nos. 2649 and 2652 be disapproved.

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Monday, 18th March, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Leigh James, Gen. Thomas and Yarnold (Councillor Gen, Thomas 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.
2649	Montague Burton Ltd., Leeds.	Re-building premises, 373-374 High Street. (Amended Plan).
2666	Cheltenham College Council.	New Squash Racquet Courts, College Road.
2667	Bowen, F.	Cycle shed, Pilford Avenue.
2668	Pettinger, C. E.	Motor house, Alstone Lodge, Queen's Road.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 2649, 2666, 2667 and 2668 be approved.

H. M. THOMAS,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 15th March, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Allen, Dunn, Miller, Pates, H. W. Thomas and E. L. Ward (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

1—Advertising—Mr. E. J. Burrow attended and submitted scheme for the allocation of the .800 provided for advertising during the coming year. RESOLVED, That this be approved as now submitted.

2—Winter Garden—Read, letter of 7th instant from the Hon. Secretary, Foxterrier Club, London, stating that the Club proposed to hold their show in the Winter Garden on the 29th May, but if fine they would like to have the judging outside the building and asking

for permission to use the ground for this purpose. RESOLVED, That the Club be granted permission to use the ground at the Winter Garden on payment of two guineas.

3—Sandford Park—The Borough Surveyor submitted list of tenders received for the shrubs for the High Street Entrance. Where possible local tenders had been accepted but for some of the shrubs the tender of Messrs. Dicksons of Chester had been accepted. RESOLVED, That this be approved. RESOLVED, also, That the Gardens Superintendent be authorised to visit Messrs. Dicksons Nurseries at Chester to select the shrubs to be purchased from them.

4—Town Hall—(a) RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham Gas Light & Coke Co. for the free use of the Supper Room at the Town Hall for a Conference of the Midland Section of the British Commercial Gas Association to be held on the 25th April next be granted. (b) RESOLVED, That the application of the Sanitary Inspectors Association for the free use of the Drawing Room and Card Room from 2 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. on the 30th April next for a meeting of the South Western Centre Council of the Association be granted.

JAMES STEWART, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 22nd March, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Dunn, Pates, H. W. Thomas and E. L. Ward (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

5—Montpellier Gardens—Read, application from the Cheltenham Central Brotherhood for the use of the Proscenium at the Montpellier Gardens on Sunday Afternoons from the 2nd June until the middle of September as last year. RESOLVED, That the application be granted.

6--Tennis Season—RESOLVED, That the tennis season commence on the 22nd April.

7—Morning Concerts—The Committee further considered the question of providing morning concerts from the time Mr. P. Fielding's band ends until the commencement of the Summer Bands, namely 9 weeks. The Committee also considered tender received from Mr. Horace Teague for the provision of a band for this period. Demonstrations of the Automatic Gramophone, Electramonic Gramophone and a Wireless Set were also given. RESOLVED, That one week's demonstration of the wireless set be held in the Drawing Room at the Town Hall during the week commencing 8th April and that the Council be invited to attend the demonstration. RESOLVED, also, That the Council be recommended to authorise this Committee to purchase the wireless set at a cost not exceeding £50 subject to the demonstration proving satisfactory.

s--Reports of **Concerts Sub-Committee**—The Reports of the Concerts Sub-Committee at their Meetings held on the 26th ult., and 12th inst, were read.

They recommended as follows ;—

Whit-Monday Fete—That this fete be held on Whit-Monday next in the Pittville Annexe instead of the Pittville Gardens.

RESOLVED, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

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ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 20th March, 1929, Present—Alderman Taylor; Councillors Dun., Moore, Capt. Trye, Sir R. Wapshare, J. F. Ward and Welstead (Councillor Moore in the chair).

1—Bulk Supply—(a) Lypiatt Sub-Station—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that four tenders were obtained for the erection of this sub-station and that the tender of Mr. W. Drew of £374 7s. 0d., being the lowest, had been accepted. RESOLVED, That this be approved and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Contract.

(b) The Town Clerk reported that the County Council had agreed to sell the site for this sub-station to the Corporation for the sum of £10. RESOLVED, That this be approved and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance.

(c) Sub-Stations—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the District Auditor considered it advisable to obtain the consent of the Electricity Commissioners to the payments out of the Reserve Fund for the new ring main sub-stations. The sum of £1,200 had been paid for land and £8,137 for buildings from the Reserve Fund and there would be further expenditure for the Leckhampton Depot, Albion Street and Manchester Street Sub-Stations which had not yet been arranged. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Electricity Commissioners under Section 5 of the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1926 for their consent.

2—Municipal Offices--(a) Sub-Station—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that it was desirable to have a sub-station in the Promenade and that a sub-station in the basement of the Municipal Offices would meet the requirements of the district. He proposed that the transformer should be placed in one of the coal cellars under the footpath and the switchgear in one of the rooms in the basement. RESOLVED, subject to approval of the General Purposes and Watch Committee to this proposal, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be instructed to prepare plans and specification for this sub-station.

(b) RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to purchase the new furniture required for the new offices of the department.

3—Gas Tests—Periodical Reports—Read, Reports of Gas Tests made on the 25th ult., 1st, 8th and 14th insts., which showed the calorific value on these dates to be 478.0, 480.0,

478.7 and 479.1 B.Th.U., and the pressure 5.4, 5.5, 5.1 and 5.5 inches of water respectively.

JAMES MOORE,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 14th March, 1929. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Dunn, Pates, Smith and Sir Richard Wapshare (The Mayor 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 11th March, 1929.	Average for corresponding period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	281,000 gallons	434,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	616,000 "	1,671,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	91,000 "	118,000 "
Total	988,000	2,223,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth 11th March, 1929.	Contents	Depth 11th March, 1928.	Contents
Hewletts		14,065,000 gallons		31,654,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	28ft. 0ins.	79,684,000 "	32ft. 0ins.	100,023,000 "
Leckhampton	9ft. 0ins.	1,215,000 "	12ft. 0ins.	1,620,000 "
Total Storage		94,964,000		133,297,000

Pumping was commenced at Sandford on the 11th inst.

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2—Inspections--The Borough Engineer reported the work carried out by the Water Inspectors during the month of February.

3--Tewkesbury Waterworks --RESOLVED, That the application of the Post Office Engineering Department for permission to place a telegraph pole close to the wall in the roadway near the Tewkesbury Waterworks be approved subject to payment of a wayleave of 1s. 0d per annum and to the Postmaster General making good any damage which may be done to the property in the placing and maintenance of the pole and to the pole being removed at any time on three calendar months' notice in writing being given on either side.

4—Extensions of Mains—Shelburne Road—The Borough Engineer recommended that a 6-inch main should be laid from the trunk main down Shelburne Road as far as Hatherley Road.

RESOLVED, That this be approved and that he be instructed to have the work carried out.

5—Trunk Main—Contract—The Town Clerk submitted correspondence with Messrs. Wadington & Sons with regard to their request for the issue of the certificate for the value of the pipes and fittings delivered on to the site but not yet laid and reported the action taken. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

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, 19th March, 1929. Present—The Mayor; The Deputy Mayor, - Alderman Stewart; Councillors Leigh James, Moore, Pates, Capt. Trye, Gen. Thomas, Welstead and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Diseases amongst Animals—Supt. Goulder reported that the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

2—Omnibus Licences—(a) Read, applications of 1st and 2nd instant from the Bristol Tramways & Carriage Co. Ltd., and the Birmingham and Midland Motor Omnibus Co. Ltd, respectively, stating that they had agreed subject to the consent of the Corporation that through omnibus services should be commenced between (1) Cheltenham and Great Malvern via Coombe Hill and Tewkesbury ; (2) Cheltenham and Stratford-on-Avon via Evesham and (3) Cheltenham and Worcester via Coombe Hill, Tewkesbury and Upton-on-Severn, and the Bristol Tramways & Carriage Co. Ltd., applied for 5 licences, 3 in respect of the service between Cheltenham and Great Malvern to be operated solely by their Company and 2 in respect of the service between Cheltenham and Stratford-on-Avon to be operated as a joint service by the two Companies. The Birmingham and Midland Motor Omnibus Co. Ltd. applied for 6 licences for the last mentioned service and for the service between Cheltenham and Worcester which would be operated solely by that Company.

RESOLVED, (1) That the application of the Bristol Tramways & Carriage Co. Ltd., for licences for the service between Cheltenham and Great Malvern, via Coombe Hill and Tewkesbury, be not granted as the Committee are of opinion that the present service of omnibuses is sufficient for the needs of traffic.

(2) That the application of both Companies for licences for the service between Cheltenham and Stratford-on-Avon be also refused as this Committee consider that the present services of omnibuses on this route is sufficient for the needs of traffic.

(3) That the application of the Birmingham and Midland Motor Omnibus Co. Ltd, for licences for the service between Cheltenham and Worcester, via Coombe Hill, Tewkesbury and Upton-on-Severn be granted to enable a through service to Worcester to be

afforded, provided that a corresponding reduction is made in the service at present operated by the Bristol Tramways & Carriage Co. Ltd. between Cheltenham and Tewkesbury as the Committee are of opinion that the present services of omnibuses between Cheltenham and Tewkesbury is amply sufficient for the present requirements of traffic.

RESOLVED, also, That the application of the Birmingham and Midland Motor Omnibus Co. Ltd., for 6 Drivers and 6 Conductors Licences be granted.

(b) RESOLVED, That the application of the Great Western Railway Co. for 2 omnibus licences to replace 2 omnibuses on their Cheltenham and Oxford Service be granted.
RESOLVED, also, That the Company's application for one Driver's Licence be granted.

(c) RESOLVED, That the application of the Great Western Express Co. Ltd. for 5 Drivers Licences be granted.

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3--Hackney Carriage Licences—RESOLVED, That the application of G. Edwards for Licence No 35 to be transferred to motor cab No. AD30 be granted.

4—Parking of Chars-a-banc—Read, letter of 27th ult., from the Association of Charabanc Owners of Cardiff asking whether provision had been made for free-parking of chars-a-banc visiting the town. RESOLVED, That they be informed that there is ample accommodation for chars-a-banc at the garages in the town and that no free space for parking chars-a-banc has been definitely allocated, but that the Superintendent of the Police has authority at his discretion to allow visiting chars-a-banc to stand in certain positions for a reasonable time according to circumstances of traffic.

5—Fire Brigade—(a) Report of Captain—The Captain reported that the Brigade had attended the following outbreaks of fire since the last meeting :—

Date, 1929.	Place.	Cause.	Damage.	Brigade Expenses.
February 24th	1 St. George's Square	Spark from fire	£25	£4 3s. 0d.
„ 28th	Russborough, Hewlett Road	.. Car back-firing	£150	£4 19s. 6d.
March 2nd	St. Paul's Girls School	Not apparent	£50—£100	£5 3s. 6d.
“ 10th	14 Sydenham Villas	Defective fire place	Slight	£4 3s. 6d.

On the 18th instant the Brigade was called to a fire at 22 Upper Bath Road, particulars of which would be reported at the next meeting. The Brigade was also called to a serious fire on March 1st at Earl Wemyss' house at Stanway, but as this was outside the area the brigade did not attend.

(b) Fire at Arle—Read, letter of 6th instant from Mr. B. H. Jardine with regard to the fire at Redgrove, Arle stating that as the owner of the property he was quite satisfied that the Fire Brigade did all in their power and that they were, as usual, most prompt and

efficient under the circumstances and that any rumours or complaints to the contrary had not been started or made by him.

6—Petrol Licence—RESOLVED, That the application of W. Bowle Evans for a licence to store 500 gallons of petroleum in a pump storage at Idmiston House, High Street, be granted.

7--Unemployment Insurance Act—RESOLVED, That S. MacArthur, Town Clerk's Department, be added to the Certificate of Exception, he having completed three year's service on the 1st instant.

8—Root, Fruit & Grain Show—Read, letter of 4th instant from Mr. C. C. Castle stating that the silver cup presented by the Corporation for the best six chrysanthemums was won outright last year and asking the Corporation to supply another cup. RESOLVED, That a cup be supplied at a cost not exceeding £5 5s. 0d.

9—Floral Fete—Read, letter of 28th ult. from Mr. C. Cassidy, Hon. Secretary of the Cheltenham Floral Fete asking the Corporation to make a grant towards the prize list as last year. RESOLVED, That a grant of £30 be made.

10—Market—(a) The Town Clerk reported that the market had been let to Mr. G. J. Hill from April 17th to 20th for a fair at a rent of £14 RESOLVED, That this be approved. RESOLVED, also, That the application of Messrs. Jacob Studt (Junior) & Sons Ltd. for the use of the Market for a fair from the 13th to 21st September be granted on the same terms as last year, namely at a rent of £26.

(b) Fencing—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to advertise for sale the old fencing from the Market.

11—Contributions to Local Charities and Institutions—Read, letter of 27th ult., from Messrs. Engall, Cox & Co. asking that an allowance should be made in respect of the rates for the St. Anne's Nursery College. RESOLVED, That this be not granted.

12—Weighbridge Attendant—Read, letter from Mr James Pounsett stating that owing to ill-health he was obliged to give up his work as weighbridge attendant at the Tewkesbury Road Weighbridge which position he had held for the past 14 years. He desired, however, to continue the collection of the allotment rents RESOLVED, That the Allotments Committee be recommended to continue his services as collector of the allotment rents in the North Ward.

13—Municipal Offices—(a) Easter Holidays—RESOLVED, That the Municipal Offices close from the 29th instant to the 2nd April inclusive, for the Easter Holidays.

(b) Telephones—The Borough Surveyor reported that the present system of office inter-communication was unsatisfactory and he submitted estimate from the Post Office offering to install an automatic inter-communication telephone system as installed at their headquarters at Wolseley House, including the ordinary telephone system at a rent of £151 12s 0d. per annum RESOLVED, That this offer be accepted.

14—Leckhampton Hill Estate—(a) RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be asked to consider byelaws regulating the portion of the Hill open to the Public.

(b) Stone Walling—The Borough Surveyor reported that there were some hundreds of tons of walling and other stone on the Leckhampton Hill which would not be required, RESOLVED, That he be instructed to advertise this for sale

(c) The Town Clerk reported that the piece of land known as " The Drifts" in the Parish of Charlton Kings containing 5.691 acres was to be offered for sale by Auction on the 22nd inst. Part of this land formed part of the Railway of the Leckhampton Quarries Co. Ltd., and was intermingled with the portion of the site of the railway already purchased by the Corporation. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be authorised to purchase the land on behalf of the Corporation at a price not exceeding £400. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for a loan for the amount of the purchase money.

15—Superannuation Allowance—The Committee considered reference from the Public Health Committee to consider the question of making additional allowances under Section 16 to non-contributing officials on their retirement. RESOLVED, That this Committee recommend that no additional allowance under Section 16 of the Local Government and other Officers Superannuation Act, 1922 be granted under this Section,

16—Marle Hill House Estate—Read, letter from Messrs. Bruton, Knowles & Co. offering for sale this property which comprised the House and 41 acres of land. RESOLVED, That the purchase be not entertained.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 11th March, 1929. Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Dunn, Smith, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold; Messrs. F. W. Clarkson, F. Vizard, J. Waive and E. M. Yeend (Councillor Welstead in the chair).

1—Crab Tree Piece Allotments—fa) Nos. 188 and 189—The Committee further considered the application of Mr. James for these allotments to be relet to him. RESOLVED, That Councillor Yarnold and Mr. F. Vizard be asked to inspect the allotments and decide whether the application should be granted.

(b) Nos. 184 and 100--RESOLVED, That these allotments be let to Mr. O. Carter and Mr. W. C. Watts respectively.

2—Meetings—RESOLVED, That meetings of this Committee be held at 11.15 a.m. in future.

3—Land for Allotments—The Town Clerk reported that he had been unable to ascertain the value of the fruit trees on the land in Gardners Lane, but the standard fruit trees and certain erections belonged to the Landlord and were included in the price asked for the

land. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to obtain the District Valuer's valuation of the land.

4—Vacant Allotments—RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to insert a notice in the "Echo" advertising the vacant allotments.

5—Persons occupying more than one allotment—The Committee further considered the statement of persons occupying more than one allotment RESOLVED, That no action be taken at present.

W. WELSTEAD,

Chairman.

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PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 11th March, 1929. Present—Alderman Sawyer; Councillors Dunn, Smith, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

1—Marle Hill House—Read, letters of 1st and 4th instant from Messrs. Bruton, Knowles & Co. offering this estate for sale, comprising the House and 41 acres of land. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned.

2—Recreation Grounds—(a) Management—The Committee considered pamphlet from Councillor Gen, Thomas with regard to management of Recreation Grounds, RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to top dress the Recreation Grounds with soil from Ark Gardens.

(b) Organised Games—RESOLVED, That organised games be not allowed at the Recreation Grounds between the Football and Cricket Seasons.

(c) Cricket Pitches—RESOLVED, That the following applications for permission to play cricket during the 1929 Season be granted :—

Recreation Ground.	Name of Club.	Day of Play.
Agg-Gardner	Templar C.C.	Alternate Saturdays,
“	St. Paul's Old Boys C.C. ...	“
Whaddon Road	Central School Old Boys C.C.	“
“	Wesley Sunday School C.C.	“

RESOLVED, also, That each Club be allowed one night per week for practice, such practice to be restricted to net practice and not for play in the open field. RESOLVED, also, That the application of the Echo Office Cricket Club for permission to play cricket at the Whaddon Road Recreation Ground on Monday or Tuesday evenings be not granted

(d) Naunton Park—RESOLVED, That the application of the Naunton Park United A.F.C. for an extension of the time to play football be not granted.

W. SAWYER,

Chairman.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held at Sandford Park on Monday, 18th March, 1929,

Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Dunn and E. L. Ward (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

3—Sandford Park—Children's Playground—Convenience—Read, letters from Messrs. Griffiths & Waghorne ; Messrs. Haddock & Pruen, and the National Citizens Union, protesting on behalf of residents in College Road against the position of the proposed Children's Convenience. RESOLVED, That the site of the convenience be altered and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have this erected on the south east side of the children's shelter against the Orrisdale Terrace Allotments,

W. SAWYER,

Chairman.

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ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 15th March, 1929, Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Dunn and Capt. Trye ; Colonel J. C. Griffith ; Dr. R. Davies ; and Mr. F. B. de Sausmarez (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—Visits—During February, 2,896 (against 5,588) ; daily average 121 (against 223). Included in these figures was a class of 21 girls from Winchcombe School.

Receipts—Collecting Box 13s 8d ; Advertisements and Catalogues £4 1s. 4d. ; Postcard Reproductions 11d. ; Photogravure of 1/5th Glos. 10s 6d ; 6 Metsu Photographs 6s. Total £5 12s. 5d.

Re-decoration of Large Gallery—Messrs. S. C. Morris & Son were to commence their contract on the 18th inst., and finish the work in time for the Exhibition by A. W. Enness, J. A. Haggis, and Mrs. Ringer to be opened on the 30th inst.

2—Donations—From Mrs. E. M. Clifford, Fine Example of a Roman Urna, found in December, 1928, in the Romano-British Cemetery at Barnwood, Glos. Made about the middle of 1st century ; Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Scott, Ginger Jar of modern English Pottery, made by Bernard Moore ; Mr. J. B. Thomson, Swords from the Indian Muting Campaign, 1857-8.

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

- 3—Loan—From Mrs. J. H. Trye, 13 Examples of 17th and 19th century Lace. RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Lender.
- 4—Cotswold Archaeological Specimens—The Curator reported as to his visit to Bourton-on-the-Water regarding these, and his tentative arrangement with Miss Moore for their permanent preservation in the Museum. RESOLVED, That his action be approved.
- 5—Dutch Pictures—Read, application from the Manchester Corporation for the loan of the four Dutch Masters which had been on view at the Dutch Exhibition in London. RESOLVED, That the loan be agreed to on the usual terms.
- 6—" The Pool, Blockley "—Read, application from the Artist, Mr. James Bateman, for the loan of this picture for exhibition in London. RESOLVED, That the application be agreed to.
- 7—Prospective Exhibitions—RESOLVED, That the Curator be authorised to arrange for the following Czechoslovak Industrial Art. 10th July for one month. Pictures in the Permanent Collection. August to October. 10th Annual Exhibition by the Cheltenham Group of Artists 16th October to 30th November. French Pictures, the property of Mrs. Coombe Tenant, J.P. December, 1929.
- 8—Leslie Young Benefaction—RESOLVED, That the purchase of a Playbill and Programme of Lily Langtry's Opening of the Cheltenham Opera House, 1891, for £1 be approved.
- 9—Antiphoner--RESOLVED, That the offer of a 14th century Antiphoner by Miss Mackie for £30 be not entertained.
- 10—Museums Association Conference, 1929—RESOLVED, That the Curator be authorised to attend this Conference to be held in Worthing from 1st to 6th July, 1929.
- 11—Easter Holidays—RESOLVED, That the Art Gallery and Museum be closed on Good Friday, 29th March, and open on Saturday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m., and on Easter Monday from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m.
- 12—Consulting Members of Committee—RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to appoint Mr. C. R. Mapp, F.R.G.S., F.R.M.S., as a consulting member.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 22nd March, 1929. Present Alderman Stewart ;
Councillors H.. W. Thomas and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair).

- 1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of Superintendent from the 23rd February to 22nd March, 1929. Interments 114, Grave Spaces sold 25 (First Position 5 ; Second

Position 2 ; 3rd Position 2 ; Fourth Position 16). Memorials fixed 3. New Inscriptions 6.

2--- Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 7942 to 7966 of the exclusive right of burial in the graves referred to therein.

3—Designs— RESOLVED, That the following designs be approved, namely .—Memorial Cross, Bases and kerbing to graves of Laura Adams (to replace existing memorial), Harry W. Gay. Emily F. Weaver, Claude Kennedy, Richard F. Stainforth, Lucy I. Rowland, Alexander H. Atkinson and John Davis ; Memorial Headstone and kerbing to graves of Sophy North and Crowther and kerbing to grave of Sidney H. Harris,

HENRY T. YARNOLD,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 12th March, 1929. Present—Alderman Taylor ; Councillor Yarnold ; Messrs. E. C. Rogers, F. Vernall and C. E. Walsh (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Receipts £8 15s. 3d. Number of volumes issued in Reference Department 4,869 (last year 5,080); Lending Department 13,464 (last year 12,446), Juvenile Department 2,163 (last year 2,414). Total for month 20,496 (last year 19,940),

Replacements—During the month 29 volumes had been replaced.

Lectures--February 14th. Rev, Canon E. F. Smith, M.A., on "John Keble, the Gloucestershire Poet." Attendance 67.

February 15th. Rev, C. Childs, M.A., on "Original Thinking : how to encourage it." Attendance 22.

February 25th. Mr. Alexis Gunning on "What is Music ?" Attendance 65.

March 11th, Sir Jas. H. Seabrooke, K.C.I.F., on "Socrates." Attendance 83.

New Floor and Shelving—Mr. W. Drew was carrying out his contract satisfactorily, and Messrs. Bastin & Son had installed electric lights at a cost of £3 2s 6d.

Donations—Messrs. Ed. J. Burrow & Co., Ltd. (21 pamps.) ; Miss Cowan (2 vols.) ; Lt.-Col. Cockshott (2 vols.) ; Executors of Archdeacon Gardner (1 vol.) ; Mr. D. W. Herdman (1 vol.), Sec. of State for India (1 vol.) ; Mr. F. G. Kenyon (1 vol.) ; Mr. W. R. Herr (1 pamph) ; Mr. H. H. Martyn (2 vols.) ; Mr. G. R. Newcombe (1 vol.) ; Library of Congress (1 vol.) ; Mr. A Rainsford (1 vol.) ; Stubbs' Directories (1 vol.) Mr. C. Teal (1 vol.) ; Councillor Capt. J. H. Trye (1 vol.) ; Capt. R. P. Wild (1 vol.). RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

2—Sub-Committee's Report—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 7th inst.,
Present—Councillor Brig.- Gen. H. M. Thomas ; and Mr. C. E. Walsh (Councillor Brig.-
Gen. Thomas in the chair).

They recommended :—(a) That 30 volumes published at £27 5s. 0d., be purchased at a cost of 14
12s. 4d.

(b) That the new 14th Library Edition of "The Encyclopaedia Britannica" (24 vols.) be purchased for
£25 16s 6d, from G. Foyle, Ltd., and that their offer of £10 for the old edition be
accepted (net cost of new edition £15 16s. 6d.).

(c) That the following be added to the list of Periodicals purchased "Everyman," 2d. weekly ;
"Drapers' Record," 3d. weekly. Also, That the periodical, "The Postage Stamp,"
offered gratis for cost of postage, be accepted.

(d) League of Nations Union—That the offer of the loan of 30 books per quarter on the League of
Nations and affiliated subjects be accepted, and that the Committee pay cost of
postage on quarterly parcels both ways.

(f) That discarded books be sold to Edwin Butterworth & Co., Ltd., for £1 per ton to be pulped.

(g) That the Lending, Reference and Juvenile Departments be closed on Easter Saturday and Monday
; the Newsroom to remain open on Saturday as usual.

(h) -Cheltenham Quarterly--The Librarian reported receipt of letter from the Western Printers as to
their difficulty in continuing this publication. RESOLVED, That the matter be deferred
for a month.

RESOLVED, That the recommendations be approved and adopted.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 25th March, 1929. Present—Aldermen Stewart
and Taylor ; Councillors Scott Langley, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward and Yarnold
(Alderman Taylor in the chair).

1—Railway Assessments—The Town Clerk submitted circular of 15th instant from the Central
Valuation Committee announcing the settlement of railway assessments for the year
ended 31st inst.

2—Rating and Valuation (Apportionment) Act, 1928—Mr. Giller attended and stated that he had
concurred in the preliminary draft list of industrial hereditaments with the exception
of 7 which he recommended should be excluded and the Committee agreed to the
exclusion of these. The Committee also revised the apportionment of two other
claims as recommended by the District Valuer.

P. P. TAYLOR, Chairman

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 18th March, 1929. Present—The Mayor; Alderman Taylor ; Councillors Leigh James, Miller, Moore, Pruett, Lt. Gen. Sir R. Wapshare and E. L. Ward. The following Chairmen of Committees also attended ; The Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Sawyer and Stewart ; Councillors Brig. Gen. H. M. Thomas, Capt. Trye and Yarnold (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

1—Estimates for Rate—The Estimates for the Rates were considered. RESOLVED, That the same as now settled be approved and submitted to the Council.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 26th March, 1929 Present—Alderman Taylor ; Councillors Moore, Pruen, Gen. Sir R. Wapshare, E. L. Ward and Welstead (Alderman Taylor in the chair),

1—General Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 26th inst., on the collection of the Second Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £111,991 4s. 9d. Leaving outstanding £851 14s. 9d.

2—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 26th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 25th March, 1929. Amount collected £18,638 18s. 5d. Leaving outstanding £1,363 9s. 2d

3—Loans—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £1,600 on loan. RESOLVED, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loans.

(b) County Fire Office Loan—RESOLVED, That the sum of £11,000 be borrowed from the County Fire Office Ltd. for ten years at £4 17s. 6d. per cent per annum with liberty for the Corporation to repay at the end of the 5th or 7th years and that the Common Seal be affixed to a mortgage for securing the said loan, the loan to be raised as to £4,000 in respect of a sanction dated the 14th February, 1927 authorising a loan of £6,900 for the purposes of the Water Undertaking and as to £7,000 in respect of a sanction dated the 12th November, 1928 for £39,562 for the purposes of the Electricity Undertaking

4—National Savings' Certificates--The Borough Treasurer reported that the number of Savings Certificates sold during February was 4,836 as compared with 5,053 for the corresponding month last year.

5—Sanctions to Loans—The Town Clerk reported the receipt of the following Sanctions to Loans :—

Date, 1929.	Purpose.	Amount.	Period of Repayment.
1st March	Purchase of Castle Barn and Home Farms	£8,800	60 years.
"	Purchase of buildings at Castle Barn and Home Farms ...	£2,000	20 years.

6-4 ¾ per cent. Housing Bonds--The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting £25 had been received for 4 ¾ per cent. Housing Bonds repayable in 5 years and that a certificate had been issued accordingly. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

7—Corporation 3 per cent. Stock—The Borough Treasurer reported that he had purchased £1,600 Corporation Stock. RESOLVED, That the sum of £1,600 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, Limited, 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 this Order, and that such duplicate be forwarded to the said Registrars,

8—Local Government Bill—Read, circular No. 968 of 12th instant from the Ministry of Health urging the necessity of making arrangements for the accounts for the year ended 31st instant to be made up and balanced speedily so that the Minister may be able to secure the necessary calculations to enable payment of the new grants to be begun soon after the 1st April, 1930. RESOLVED, That the Borough Treasurer be instructed to give effect to this circular.

9—Insurances—The Borough Treasurer reported that the Vulcan Insurance Co. had agreed to reduce their premiums on the Electricity Boiler Insurances to £65 5s. 0d.

10—St. Mark's Housing Estate—The Borough Treasurer submitted statement of the expenditure on the Repairs Fund and stated that it was now necessary to sell the invested surplus of £1300 13s. 0d. at present in War Loan. RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to a Power of Attorney for the sale of this stock.

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11—Superannuation—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that J. Hill, Ex-sweeper, died on the 19th instant

(b) H. G. Fletcher—The Borough Treasurer reported that the transfer value payable in respect of the Chief Library Assistant, H. G. Fletcher, on his removal to Stalybridge was £23 10s. 10d.

(c) T. J. Day—RESOLVED, That the services of T. J. Day, Stores and Wages Clerk, in the Borough Treasurer's Department, be continued for a further 12 months, up to the 31st March, 1930.

12—Housing Rents—RESOLVED, That the Borough Treasurer be instructed to prepare statement showing the total arrears of housing rents up to the 31st instant for submission at the next meeting of the Committee.

13—Institute of Municipal Treasurers and Accountants—RESOLVED, That Alderman Taylor, Councillor E. L. Ward and the Borough Treasurer be appointed to attend the annual Conference of this Institute to be held at Hastings from the 19th to 21st June next.

14—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on the 26th inst. Present : Alderman Taylor and Councillor Moore (Alderman Taylor in the chair). The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 2nd May, 1929.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Quarterly Meeting of the Council, to be held at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMENADE, on MONDAY, the 6th day of May, 1929, at THREE O'CLOCK** in the Afternoon, at which directing the following Business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
2. Communications by the Mayor.
3. To Elect an Alderman to fill the vacancy caused by death of late Alderman A. Mann.
4. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :—THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE HOUSING COMMITTEE MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE WATER COMMITTEE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE RATING COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE
5. COUNCILLOR H. T. YARNOLD TO MOVE : "That for the future, each Committee of the Council be asked to notify the Council of the retirement on Superannuation of any workman or official serving under any Committee, and that names, with particulars as to position, years of service, etc., be furnished also."
6. Memorials, Applications, Complaints, &c.

Yours faithfully,

Town, Clerk

To Each Member of the Council.

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Borough of Cheltenham

At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held at the Municipal Offices, in the said Borough, on Friday, the 5th day of April, 1929, at 3 p.m. Present :

The Mayor (Alderman Charles Henry Margrett, C.B.E., J.P.) in the chair. The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., J.P.)

Aldermen Sawyer and Stewart Councillors Allen, Dunn, O.B.E., Leigh James, Scott Langley, Miller, Moore, Pates, Smith, Brig.-Gen. Thomas, C.M.G., D.S.O., Capt. Trye, C.B.E., Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard Wapshare, K.C.I.E., C.B., C.S.I., J. F. Ward, Welstead, K.S.G., Wheeler, M.B.E., and Yarnold.

Apologies — Apologies for absence were received from Councillors. Pruen, H. W. Thomas and E. L. Ward.

1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Council held on the 4th March, 1929, 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—The late Alderman Alfred Mann—Resolved, That the Council desire to express their deep regret at the (lentil of Alderman Alfred Mann who had been a respected member of the Council since 1908, and that their sincere sympathy he conveyed to his Widow and Family in their bereavement.

3—Alderman Taylor—Resolved, That the Town Clerk be instructed to convey to Alderman Taylor the Council's regret at his unfortunate accident and their wishes for his speed; recovery.

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4—Proceedings of Committees--Resolved, That the proceedings of the under-mentioned Committees at their Meetings held on the dates respectively appearing be approved and confirmed :—

Council in Committee ... Meeting held March 4

Public Health Meeting held March 11

Subject to an amendment moved by Councillor Sir R. Wapshare and seconded by Councillor Dunn "
That Minute No. 7 (h) with regard to the superannuation allowance of Dr. Garrett,
be referred back for further consideration."

Housing ... Meeting held March 12

Maternity and Child Welfare Meeting held March 8

Street and Highway Meeting held March 27

Electricity and Lighting Meeting held March 20

Town Improvement and Spa • Meetings held March 15 & 22

Subject to an amendment moved by Councillor Capt. Trye and seconded by Councillor Gen. Thomas
" That Minute No. 7, with regard to Morning Concerts be referred back for further
consideration."

Water Meeting held March 14

General Purposes and Watch ... Meeting held March 19

Resolved, also, That the application of the Bristol Tramways and Carriage Co. Ltd. for six special
omnibus licences for the races to be held on the 17th and 15th April, 1929, be
granted.

Subject to an amendment moved by Councillor Allen and seconded by Councillor Gen. Thomas "
That Minute No. 2 (a) with regard to the applications of the Bristol Tramways and
Carriage Co. and the Birmingham and Midland Omnibus Co. Ltd. for licences for
proposed omnibus services between Cheltenham and Great Malvern, Cheltenham
and Stratford-on-Avon and Cheltenham and Worcester be referred back for further
consideration."

Subject to an amendment moved by Councillor Dunn and seconded by Councillor Gen. Thomas "
That Minute No. 15 with regard to superannuation allowances be referred back for
further consideration."

Allotments Meeting held March 11

Parks and Recreation Grounds Meeting held March 11

Art Gallery and Museum Meeting held March 15

Burial Board Meeting held March 17

Public Library Meeting held March 12

Rating Meeting held March 29

Finance Meeting held March 26

Resolved. also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed authorising him to pay to the
several Corporations, Companies and Persons mentioned in the Schedule of
Accounts, the sum of money set opposite their respective names.

5—General Rate—Resolved, That the Council in pursuance of the Rating and Valuation Act, 1925, and of all other powers enabling them in this behalf, do hereby make a General Rate of TWELVE SHILLINGS in the pound (including the sum of Two thousand three hundred and Forty pounds required for the purposes of the Public Libraries Acts) for the year ending 31st March, 1930, upon all property rateable within the Parish and Borough of Cheltenham. All dwelling-houses having a rateable value not exceeding £10 and in respect of which the rent payable for the same is payable at intervals not longer than one month, the owners thereof to be rated therefor instead of the occupiers and to receive the allowances in accordance with the resolution of the Council passed on the 5th December, 1927. The foregoing rate is made up as follows, namely :—

	£	s	d
Relief of Poor ...	£0	1	4.
Valuation Expenses ... "		0	2
County Roads and General ...	£2	7	5
Higher Education (County)		9	5
Elementary Education ...	£1	11	2
Police ...		8	7
Public Library ..		1	5
Museum .. ---		0	6
Streets and Highways...	£1	2	1
Sewers, etc. ...		7	2
Lighting		4	1
Ashes Collection...		5	5
Hospital and Health		4	.
Baths, Parks, etc.		5	8
Town Improvement		4	5
Housing (1919 Act)		1	.
Housing		1	7
Administrative and miscellaneous		<u>5</u>	<u>7</u>
		£12	0.8
Less appropriation from balance		<u>0</u>	<u>8</u>
		£12	0 0.

And also, That the said rate be payable by two instalments, namely, one moiety thereof forthwith and the other moiety thereof to be payable on the 1st October, 1929, and that the same be collected accordingly, also, That the Town Clerk do publish such rate according to law by giving notices thereof within seven days in public and conspicuous places within the Parish and Borough of Cheltenham.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Mayor.

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, 6th May, 1929.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 8th April, 1929. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Leigh 'James, Gen. Thomas, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Gen. Thomas in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz, -.21 York Street ; 6 Lower Park Street and 14 Commercial 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 Sanitary Inspector on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Insanitary Property—(a) 1 Brandon Terrace; 14 Commercial Street : 25 and 27 Columbia Street Waverley Cottage, Rosehill Street .18 St. James Street ; 21 York Street : 6 Lower Park Street ; 19 Grosvenor Terrace ; 5, 6,7, 13, 14 and 15 Exmouth Street and 12 Oxford 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, Notices under Section 3 of the Housing Act, 1925, or 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,

(b) 41 Burton Street and 44 Rutland Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Committee at their meeting on the 11th February, 1929 (Minute No. 3 (b)) the works of repair specified to be done at these premises had been carried out to his satisfaction by Mr. H. Anderson at a cost of £8 0s. 3d in respect of 41 Burton Street and by Mr. E. J. Welch at a cost of £6 5s. 0d. in respect of 44 Rutland Street. RESOLVED, That application be made to the owners for payment.

3—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at (a) 3 Union Street. — The Sanitary Inspector having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above-named house were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. RESOLVED, That authority be given to the Sanitary Inspector to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

(b) 10 Regent Place, Swindon Road.—The Sanitary Inspector 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 a specification of the work 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 requiring them to do the work specified within 28 days.

(c) 7 Dunalley Parade—Mr. F. W. Ansley, the owner of this house attended in reference to the notice served on him in regard to the drainage of this house. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned and that the Sanitary Inspector be instructed to submit estimate and report for carrying out this work.

4—Milk and Dairies Order, 1926—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. G. P. F. Cox of Sandford Mill Farm, to be registered as a purveyor of milk, be granted, subject to compliance with the regulations.

5—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.--The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 3 qrs. 7 ½ lbs. Beef ; 3 qrs. 21 lbs. Mutton and 3 qrs. 2 lbs. Pork.

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6 —Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted list of Notices requiring provision of ash receptacles, served but not complied with. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to enforce compliance

7-----Sanitary Inspectors Association Read, circular from this Association inviting the attendance of delegates to the 42nd Annual Conference to be held at Lowestoft from the 2nd to 7th September next. RESOLVED, That the Sanitary Inspector be appointed to attend.

8—Royal Sanitary Institute—Real, circular of 25th ult., from the Royal Sanitary Institute inviting the attendance of delegates at a Conference of authorities and others interested in the pollution of streams and rivers to be held in London on the 8th May, 1929. RESOLVED, That delegates be not appointed.

9—Houses unfit for Human Habitation--(a) 1, 2 and 3 Ebenezer Court, King's Street.—The Medical Officer of Health having made written representation that these dwelling-houses were so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation and recommended that the same be closed. RESOLVED, That it appearing to the Council that the said houses are in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, an Order be now made under the Common Seal pursuant to Sub-section (1) of Section 11 of the Housing Act, 1925, prohibiting the use of the said premises for human habitation until the same have been rendered fit for that purpose and that notice thereof be given to the Owner and Occupier.

(b) 1 and 2 Limbrick Cottages.—RESOLVED, That the question of making a Demolition Order in respect of these premises be adjourned until the next meeting for the Medical Officer of Health to report thereon.

10—Smoke Nuisance----The Sanitary Inspector reported as to complaints received regarding the smoke nuisance from the chimney of Messrs. Webb Bros. Ltd, Battledown Brick Yard, and that these complaints were being investigated and the chimney kept under observation.

11—Health Department—Third Sanitary Inspector—The Town Clerk submitted resignation of Mr. N. Green who had obtained another appointment under the Hastings Borough Council,

RESOLVED, That advertisements be issued for the appointment of a District Sanitary Inspector to fill the vacancy at a salary of £190 per annum, rising by annual increments to £250 per annum.

12—Medical Officer of Health—The Committee considered reference back by the Council of the superannuation allowance of Dr. Garrett. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the General Purposes and Watch Committee.

H. M. THOMAS,

Chairman.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 23rd April, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Leigh James, Moore and Gen Thomas (Councillor Gen. Thomas in the chair).

13—Sanitary Inspectors—Read, letter of 16th instant from the Ministry of Health in regard to the appointments of Messrs. C. W. Clifford and F. Keene as District Sanitary Inspectors, and enquiring the amount of the annual salaries proposed. RESOLVED, That the following -sale of salaries for the District Sanitary Inspectors be submitted for the approval of the Ministry.

Mr C. W. Clifford ...	£250
Mr. F. Keene ...	£210 rising by annual increments of £10 to £250
New Inspector to be appointed in place of N. Green	£190

H. M. THOMAS,

Chairman.

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HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 9th April, 1929, Present Councillors Dunn, Moore, Gen. Thomas, Sir R. Wapshare, J. F. Ward and Yarnold (Councillor Gen. Thomas in the chair)

1—Aerial—RESOLVED, That the application of the tenant for permission to erect an aerial bracket at 60 Hudson Street be granted.

2—New Road—RESOLVED, That the General Purposes and Watch Committee be asked to name the new road leading from St. Paul's Road through to Folly Lane

3—Tennis Courts, St. Mark's.—Read, letter from Mr. C. H. Stringer, Hon. Secretary, Brooklyn Lawn Tennis Club with regard to the provision of land for a sports ground. RESOLVED, That he be informed that the Council have no powers either to sell or lease land on the Housing Estate for providing a sports club except at its proper market value.

- 4—Folly Lane Housing Estate—The Town Clerk submitted letters received from the Regional Secretary and Local Secretary of the National Federation of Building Trade Operatives with regard to the alleged breach of the fair wages clause by Messrs. Thompson & Sons and suggested that a Meeting of the Committee should be held at which representatives of the Federation and the Contractors should be invited to attend to deal with the complaints made. Mr. Malvern reported that Messrs Thompson & Sons' Contract would be completed in the course of a few days. RESOLVED, That, under these circumstances, no useful purpose would be served by the suggested meeting
- 5—Land for Building—Read, letter from Mr. G. S. Gordon, Chairman of the Animals Welfare Association offering a piece of land belonging to the Association comprising 1 ½ acres near the tram terminus in Leckhampton Road as a building site. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned.
- 6—Wasley's Tenancy—Read, letter of 5th instant from Mr S. J. Wasley applying for the consent of the Corporation to his taking over the tenancy agreements of his late father in respect of Benhall Gardens and the portion of pasture field No. 441. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.
- 7--Manser Street—Read, memorial from tenants in Manser Street asking for the erection of a side entrance gate leading to the backs of Nos. 44 and 46 Manser Street. RESOLVED, That the Committee are unable to comply with the application.
- 8—Transfer --RESOLVED, That the application of Mrs. F. B. Purveur to transfer from a three bedroom house to one of the houses with a lower rent be granted.
- 9—Selection of Tenants—RESOLVED, That it be an instruction to the Selection of **Tenants Sub-Committee** that 4 in every 10 selected tenants shall be given preference for priority of application.
- 10—Management and Collection of Rents--RESOLVED, That it be referred to the General Purposes and Watch Committee to consider whether some new arrangement is not now necessary to be made with regard to the management and collection of rents of the properties of the Corporation.
- 11—Pilley Lane Housing Site—(a) Miss Norman's Land—The Town Clerk reported negotiations with Messrs. Cornelius & Boulter for the purchase of a piece of land containing 2 acres 3 roods 25 perches in Pilley Lane belonging to Miss Norman and that the owner was not willing to agree to a price which the District Valuer could recommend acceptance RESOLVED, That an Order be made under the Common Seal in pursuance of Section 64 of the Housing Act, 1925 for the compulsory purchase of this piece of land and that the same be submitted for confirmation to the Ministry of Health.
- (b) Miss Hick's Land—RESOLVED, That a provisional contract be entered into for the purchase of 5 acres 1 rood of land with frontages to Leckhampton Road and Pilley Lane belonging

to Miss Hicks and in the occupation of Mr. C. E. Hawker at the price of £2,375 subject to tenancy.

(c) T. Barrett's Land—RESOLVED, That a provisional contract be entered into for the purchase of 1 acre 2 roods of land belonging to and in the occupation of Mr. W. T. Barrett at the price of £700 subject to right of the Vendor to remove poultry pens, sheds, wire netting, boundary posts, etc and bush and fruit trees and other crops on the land, the value of the other trees which are too old to be removed being included in the site value, together with a right of way over a 10 feet driving way into Leckhampton Road. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £3,120 for the purchase of Miss Hicks and Mr Barrett's land, including legal costs in respect of Mr. Barrett's land, and stamp duty on both conveyances.

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12—Sale of Land—The Town Clerk reported an offer from Mr. J. J. Knight to purchase the shop site at the corner of Tennyson and Shakespeare Roads at the price of £160, RESOLVED, That this offer be accepted subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for their consent to the sale.

13—Sale of Houses—The Town Clerk reported that the tenant of 5 Spenser Road now desired to exercise his option to purchase the house at £495. He also reported offer from Mrs. E. Organ to purchase 63 Tennyson Road at £500. RESOLVED, That this be approved and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyances. RESOLVED, also, That the Corporation agree to join with the purchasers in mortgages to the Building Society for advances not exceeding 90 per cent. to guarantee repayment until the principal is reduced to two-thirds of the value and that the Common Seal be affixed to the mortgages. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to sale of 63 Tennyson Road.

H. M. THOMAS,

Chairman.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 24th April, 1929. Present—The Mayor; Councillors Pates, J. F. Ward and Yarnold (Councillor Pates in the chair).

14—Whaddon Road—The Town Clerk submitted valuations of the District Valuer of the land belonging to Miss Skillicorne and the Brewery Company. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to negotiate the purchase of this land on the terms of the District Valuer's report.

15-124 Tennyson Road—Read, letter from the tenant of this house stating that owing to illness in the family he was obliged to live at Tuffley for a few months and asking for permission to sub-let his house furnished during his absence. RESOLVED, That he be

given permission to sub-let the house furnished for a period not exceeding four months.

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 25th April, 1929. Present—Councillors Dunn, Leigh James, E. L. Ward and Welstead: Mrs. Booy, Mrs. Mellersh and Mrs. E. C. Gurney (Councillor Leigh James in the chair).

I—Health Visitor—(a) The Committee considered six applications received for this appointment. RESOLVED, That Mrs. B. A. Burnett, Health Visitor, Worcester County Council and Miss M. L. Howman, Health Visitor, Derby Borough Council be invited to attend for interview at the next meeting of this Committee.

(b) Cycling and Uniform Allowance—RESOLVED, That an allowance of £14 per annum be made for uniform and cycle.

(c) RESOLVED, also, That Miss Jordan be also granted an allowance of £14 per annum for cycle and uniform as from the 1st instant.

LEIGH JAMES,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 29th April, 1929. Present—Councillors Dunn, Leigh James, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold; Mrs. Booy, Mrs. Mellersh and Mrs. Willoughby (Councillor Leigh James in the chair).

2—Cheltenham Infant Welfare Association--Quarterly Report—Read, Report for the Quarter ended 31st March, 1929.

The attendances at the Centres had been as follows :—

	Infants,	Toddlers
At Baker Street (13 Meetings)	34.8	23.4
At Clare Street (13 Meetings)	15.6	13.3
At Highbury (13 Meetings)	26.3	31.7
At St. Mark's (7 Meetings)	14.4	15.3

3—Health Visitors—(a) Quarterly Report--The following is a summary of the work during the Quarter ended 31st March, 1929

No. of Children on Register ...	2,491
Children Visited (1 year and under)	861
“ “ (over 1 year)	704
“ Un-notified Births discovered	3
“ Home Visits paid by Health Visitors...	1,903
“ Attendances of Health Visitors at Centres	72
“ Children remitted to Hospital	9
“ First Visits paid by Health Visitors	152
“ Ante-natal cases visited	31
“ Measles cases visited	1
“ Mumps cases visited	1
“ Scarlet Fever cases visited ..,	1
“ Cases reported to N.S.P.C.C.	1

Grants of Milk :

Carried over from previous quarter	22
New Orders	28
Orders discontinued during quarter	23
“ continuing to coming quarter	28

Of the total number of orders during the Quarter, 24 have been issued for nursing or expectant mothers and 27 for infants or children under 3 years of age.

(b) The Town Clerk reported that Mrs. Burnett, one of the candidates selected at the last meeting for interview had now obtained another post. The Committee interviewed Miss L. Howman., RESOLVED, That, subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health, she be appointed Health Visitor at a salary of £200 per annum, plus an allowance of £14 for uniform and cycle, and that she commence her duties on the 17th Jane next.

(c) Miss Nicholls—RESOLVED, That an allowance of £14 per annum for uniform and cycle be made to Miss Nicholls as from the 1st instant and that consideration of her superannuation allowance be adjourned until the next meeting of the Committee.

(d) RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for approval of the appointment of Miss Howman and also for approval for the purposes of grant of the cycle and uniform allowance in respect of Miss Nicholls and Miss Jordan,

4—Maternal Mortality—The Town Clerk submitted circular No. 971 of the Ministry of Health with regard to arrangements made with the Registrar-General as to the investigation of maternal mortality. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Medical Officer of Health.

5—Grant—Read, letter of 23rd ult., from the Ministry of Health approving the estimated expenditure for the current year of £933.

LEIGH JAMES, Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 22nd April, 1929. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Pates, Scott Langley, H. W. Thomas and Yarnold (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

- 1—Vice-Chairman— RESOLVED, That that the Deputy Mayor (Alderman Clara Frances Winterbotham), be appointed Vice-Chairman of this Committee.
- 2—**Plans Sub-Committee**—RESOLVED, That the proceedings of the Plans Sub-Committee at their meetings on the 5th and 22nd inst. be approved and adopted.
- 3—View Committee--Reported Meeting on the 10th inst. Present---Councillors Pates, H. W. Thomas and Capt. Trye (Councillor Capt. Trye in the chair). They recommended as follows :—
 - (a) Victoria Place, Fairview—That a footpath crossing to Mr. Butt's garage be provided without charge subject to his agreeing to the corner being rounded off to about 4 feet at the centre of junction with Winstonian Road.
 - (b) Grafton Road—That Mr. A. Bell Stewart's application for the replacing of a chestnut tree in front of "Mosborough" by a smaller tree be not acceded to.
 - (c) Queen's Road and Lansdown Road—That the Owners be asked to set back the proposed service flats shown on the sketch plan submitted to a line 15 feet from Queen's Road and also to give up a piece of the angle at Queen's Road and Lansdown Road junction for street improvement.
 - (d) Lower Mill Street—That the Cheltenham Gas Co. be asked to asphalt the footpath adjoining their works, RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and adopted.
- 4—Central Depot—Weighbridge—The Borough Surveyor submitted six tenders for new weighbridge at Central Depot and for the removal of the old weighbridge at the depot. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. C. Ross Ltd. of £380 for a weighbridge with cast iron frame sides less £22 for the old machine be accepted.
- 5—Shurdington and Moorend Park Roads—The Borough Surveyor reported that the improvement at The Rowans at the junction of these roads had been completed and that the owner of Leckhampton Hall on one of the other corners of the road had offered to give up a piece of land on the same terms, namely on payment of the sum of £10, the Corporation to carry out all the work and reinstate his railings and garden, etc. RESOLVED, That this offer be accepted and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to proceed with the work. RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to negotiate with the owners of the houses on the two other corners of this road with a view to making a similar improvement on these corners
- 6—Stoneware Pipes—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had obtained a sample truck load of Leicestershire pipes, and he recommended that these should only be used for surface water drainage and that Best Midland pipes should be obtained for the

ordinary sewer work for the present. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted and that Messrs. Smith Bros. tender for the supply of the Best Midland pipes be accepted.

7—Brighton Road—Private Improvement Works—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had ascertained by trial holes that the carriageway in this road was inadequate and that any reconstruction would therefore involve provision of a new foundation and he estimated the cost of carrying out the whole work at £1 8s. 4d. per foot frontage. RESOLVED, That the proposed reconstruction be not carried out at present and that the owners be circulated with a view to necessary repairs being executed by them.

8—Foden Wagons and Transport—The Borough Surveyor reported that one of the Foden Steam Wagons No. 2766 required repairs. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to have this sent to the makers for overhauling and repair. RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to submit report and estimate on new mechanical transport required.

9 —Foptpath3 —The Borough Surveyor asked for instructions in regard to the paving of the defective footpaths for which £1,500 had been provided in the estimates. RESOLVED, That this be applied for the repaving of the footpaths which he considered most in need of repaving.

10-5 Ambrose Street—RESOLVED, That the application for the redecoration of these premises be not granted.

11—Refuse Disposal—The Borough Surveyor reported that tipping had now commenced on the Gloucester Road Schools site. Two other tips were also in use, namely in Church Road, Leckhampton, and in Naunton Lane : the destructor was now only being used for the disposal of trade refuse. RESOLVED, That the question of obtaining additional tips be adjourned until the return of the Chairman.

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12--Thirlestaine Road—RESOLVED, That the application of the College for the erection of warning notices in this road be granted and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the notices erected.

13—Damage to Lorry—The Borough Surveyor reported damage to a lorry in Andover Road owing to a collision with a motor car proceeding from the cross road by the new petrol filling station.

14- --Petrol Pumps—RESOLVED, That the applications of Messrs. A. Miles & Co. Ltd, of 117 High Street, W. T. Baggs of St. Luke's Garage and E. Middleton of 84 Fairview Road for permission to erect petrol pumps at their respective premises with swing arms over the footpath be granted subject to the usual conditions.

15--Local Government Act, 1929—Read, circular of 28th ult., from the Ministry of Transport with regard to the discontinuance of grants hitherto made from the Road Fund

16- Oriel Road—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. W. Davies for a seat to be placed on the footpath opposite the Town Hall be adjourned for view, RESOLVED, also, That a seat be placed on the land recently given up at Oriel Lodge

17—Projecting Sign—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. W. Radway for permission to erect a projecting sign at 62 High Street be granted subject to the usual conditions

18—Town Planning—(a) RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to appoint a Town Planning Committee consisting of eight Members of the Council with the Mayor ex-officio, namely :—The Chairman (Capt. Trye), the Deputy Mayor (Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham), Alderman Stewart, and Councillors Leigh James, H. W. Thomas, Gen, Thomas, Scott Langley and Yarnold and that their powers and duties be as follows --To deal with Town Planning Scheme under the Housing and Town Planning, etc. Act, 1909-1925, and to enforce the provisions of the following Acts so far as regards new streets and buildings: Public Health Acts ; The Public Health (Building in Streets) Act, 1888, The Cheltenham Improvement Acts, 1852 and 1889 ; The Public Health Act, 1925 ; The Roads Improvement Act, 1925 and the Cheltenham Order of 1896 (with the exception of drainage and other sanitary matters), and to consider and deal with all plans of new streets and buildings submitted including plans of outbuildings on the several Corporation Housing Estates. RESOLVED, also, That these duties be excluded from the duties of the Streets and Highways and Housing Committees and that this Committee supercede the Plans Sub-Committee and that the Minute of the Town Council at their Meeting of the 9th November last defining the duties of the Committees be varied accordingly

(b) Plan No. 2646—Shot, Libertus Road—The President together with three Members and Mr. Jackson (General Manager) of the Gloucester Co-operative Society, Ltd., together with Capt. Coke attended with regard to the disapproval of the Town Planning Sub-Committee of the new shop and warehouse on land belonging to Longmead, Libertus Road. RESOLVED, That the Committee cannot recommend the Council to alter their previous decision disapproving of the plan No. 2646 for new shop, and that permission under the Town Planning (interior development) order, be refused.

(c) Plans submitted for approval under the Town Planning Scheme—The Borough Surveyor submitted the follow plans received from Rural District Councils and others affected by the Town Planning Scheme :—

No. of Plan	Name.	Description.
10	T. E. Whitaker.	Conversion of barn into bungalow at Southam.
11	E. Colwell.	Bungalow, Leckhampton Hill.
12	_____	Bungalow, Birdlip. Mrs. Mason.
13	_____	Temporary shops, Hope Cottage, Gloucester Road.
14	J. L. Bendall.	Two pairs of houses, Leckhampton Road.
15	W. J. Holliday.	House, junction of Shurdington & Chargrove Roads.
17	J. L. Bendall.	House, Old Bath Road.
2675	Queen's Hotel.	Extension of Dining Room, Queen's Hotel.

RESOLVED, That Plan No. 14 be approved ; that plans No. 11 and 12 be approved subject to buildings being erected not nearer than 50 feet from boundary highway and at a density of not less than eight to the acre ; that plans Nos. 13 and 2675 be approved subject to building being set back behind prescribed building line if and when required at owners' expense ; that plans Nos 10 and 15 be disapproved as being in contravention of building lines and that plan No. 17 be disapproved as being on site of proposed arterial road.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM.

Chairman.

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PLANS SUB-COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on. Friday, 5th April, 1929, Present—Alderman Stewart and Councillor Capt. Trye (Councillor Capt. Trye 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.
2669	White, L. C.	Detached house, Monson Avenue.
2670	Causon, J. S.	Shed, 18 Hanover Parade.
2671	Jones, R. C.	Motor house, Pembury, Tewkesbury Road (corner of Cobham Road).

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 2669, 2670 and 2671 be approved.

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Sub-Committee held on Monday, 22nd April, 1929. Present—Councillors Gen, Thomas, H. W. Thomas and Yarnold (Councillor Gen. Thomas 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.
2672	Little, T. H.	Lock-up garages, Bournville, Old Bath Road.
2674	Stirland, S. C.	Extension of garage, 15 Lansdown Place Lane.
2676	Cavendish House Co.	Extension of Cavendish House (Furniture Showrooms), Regent Street.
2677	Swaffield, F.	Addition on first floor, 8 Grosvenor Place, Albion Street.
2678	Smith, A. W.	Shed, 18 Milton Road.
2679	Evans, T. P.	Kitchen, 5 Priory Terrace.
2680	Goodhall, F.	Cycle shed, 68 Hudson Street.

2681	Barnett, S. G.	Shed and workshop, 8 Spenser Road.
2682	Klugh [Kluge], Miss	Cycle house, 2 Lansdown Parade.
2683	Clements, R.	Motor house, 27 Imperial Square.
2684	Broom, W.	Motor house, " Lyndhurst," Pilford Avenue.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 2672, 2677, 2680, 2684 be approved and that Plans Nos. 2674, 2676, 2678, 2679, 2681, 2682 and 2683 be disapproved, but that the site of Plan No. 2674 be viewed.

H. M. THOMAS,

Chairman.

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TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 19th April, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ;
Councillors Pates, H. W. Thomas and Welstead (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

1--St. George's Square Bowling Green--The Borough Surveyor submitted the Gardens Superintendent's report on this green.

2---Montpellier Gardens--- Visit of Earl Jellicoe—RESOLVED, That the British Legion be granted the exclusive use of these gardens from 6 p.m. on the 10th May next on the occasion of the visit of Earl Jellicoe and also that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to decorate the gardens with flags and bunting,

3—Spa Federation—Read, letter from the Secretary of the Spa Federation, asking whether the 19th and 20th September next would be suitable for the Autumn Meeting of the Federation, to be held in Cheltenham RESOLVED, That these dates be approved.

4—Pittville Gardens—RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham Labour Party for the use of the Pittville Gardens and Pump Room for a garden party during the 2nd week in July be granted on payment of £10 10s. 0d.

5—Town Hall—(a) Morning Orchestra—RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to contribute the sum of £25 towards the cost of the morning orchestra provided by the Chamber of Commerce until the commencement of the Summer Bands.

(b) Catering—RESOLVED, That the crockery ware, catering utensils and shelves used by Mrs. Eveleigh in the Montpellier Garden pavilion last year in accordance with the list now submitted be purchased for the sum of £7 10s. 0d.

6 - -Tennis Courts—RESOLVED, That the Spa Manager be instructed to advertise the tennis courts not yet let at the Montpellier and Pittville Gardens.

7—Whit-Monday Fete—RESOLVED, That this Committee augmented as last year be appointed to organise the Whit-Monday Fete to be held in the Pittville Annexe with power to act

and that Councillor H. W. Thomas be appointed Chairman. RESOLVED, also, That the Council be recommended to close the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground on the day of the Fete

JAMES STEWART.

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 26th April, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Pates, Pruen, H. W. Thomas, E. L. Ward and Mislead (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

8—Montpellier Gardens—Read, letter from the Cheltenham Central Brotherhood thanking the Corporation for the use of the Montpellier Gardens for their Sunday afternoon meetings during the summer months.

9—Whit-Sunday—RESOLVED, That the band of the Gloucestershire Hussars be engaged for Whit-Sunday to give a concert in the Town Hall at a fee of £8, and that the charges for seats be 3d in the main hall and 6d upstairs.

10—Reports of **Concerts Sub-Committee**—The Reports of the Concerts Sub-Committee at their Meetings on the 9th and 23rd instant were read

They recommended as follows :—

(a) Montpellier Gardens—That, as the croquet court at these gardens had not been let this be let by the hour at a charge of 1s. 0d. per hour.

(b) Whit-Monday Fete—That on the occasion of this fete the Dance be held in the Pump Room as in previous years.

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(c) Military Bands—That the charge for seats at these band concerts be 3d. and that on Wednesday afternoons the bands play in Sandford Park and that a dance be held on Wednesday evenings in the Town Hall at a charge of 1s. 0d.

(d) Wellington Square—That a charge of £2 2s. 0d. be made to Mr. Greening for the use of the old tennis court in this Square. RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and adopted.

11—Alstone Baths—RESOLVED, That the application of the Head Teacher of Christ Church Boys' School for permission to take small boys to Alstone Baths for an extra period out of school hours at one penny per head be not acceded to.

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 24th April, 1929. Present—Councillors Dunn, Moore and J. F. Ward (Councillor Moore in the chair).

- 1—Extensions to Mains—RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to make the extensions to mains referred to in his report on the terms now approved by this Committee.
- 2—Ring Main Cables—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the work of laying the remainder of the ring main cables was commenced on the 8th instant, comprising the section from Westal Green Sub-Station through Leckhampton Depot and Sandford Park Sub-Stations to Evesham Road Sub-Station.
- 3—Third Party Risk—RESOLVED, That the Borough Treasurer be instructed to obtain quotations for a policy of insurance against third party claims for damage arising on consumers premises.
- 5—Coal Contract—RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to obtain tenders for the supply of coal for twelve months.
- 6—I.M.E.A. Convention—RESOLVED, That Councillor J. F. Ward be appointed to attend this Conference in place of Councillor Capt. Trye.
- 7—Loan of £37,484—Read, letter of 27th ultimo, from the Electricity Commission enclosing sanction to a loan of £25,925 being portion of this loan in respect of the change of frequency of supply. Before sanctioning the borrowing of the amount of £4232 for private supply transformers the Commissioners desired to know whether the Council would be prepared to liquidate by means of a transfer from Revenue Account the debt outstanding (after allowing for sale proceeds) on transformers which are replaced. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.
- 8—Municipal Offices—RESOLVED, That the application of the British Legion for the Offices to be illuminated on the 10th May on the occasion of the visit of Earl Jellicoe be granted, and also That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to purchase four additional flood lights for illuminating the War Memorial.
- 9—Public Lighting Engineers—Read, circular from the Association of Public Lighting Engineers inviting the attendance of delegates to a conference to be held at Bournemouth. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.
- 10—Damage to Lamp Standard—The Town Clerk submitted report as to damage to a lamp standard at the junction of Royal Well Lane, Clarence Parade and Crescent Terrace RESOLVED, That he be instructed to make a claim for the damage.
- 11—Gas Tests—(a) Quarterly Report—Read, Report for the Quarter ended 31st March, 1929, which showed the average calorific value for the quarter to be 479.3 B.Th. U.

(b) Periodical Reports—Read, Reports of Gas Tests made on the 20th and 27th ult., 4th, 15th, 21st and 24th inst. which showed the calorific value of these dates to be 479.0, 479.3, 475.1, 475.8, 477.0 and 475.05 and the pressure 5.5, 5.5, 4.5, 4.5, 5.1 and 5.4 inches of water respectively.

JAMES MOORE, Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 18th April, 1929. Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Sawyer and Stewart ; Councillors Dunn, Moore, Pates and Sir Richard Wapshare (The Mayor 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 15th April, 1929	Average for corresponding period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	258,000 gallons	377,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	339,000 “	1,145,000 “
Leckhampton Springs	80,000	113,000
Total	677,000	1,635,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth 15th April, 1929	Contents	Depth 15th April, 1928.	Contents
Hewletts		14,522,000 gallons		31,529,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	25ft. 4ins.	67,203,000 “	32ft. 0ins.	100,023,000 “
Leckhampton	7ft. 0ins.	945,000	12ft. 0ins	1,620,000
Total Storage		82,670,000		133,172,000

Pumping had been continued at Tewkesbury and Sandford during the month.

2 —Inspections—The Borough Engineer reported the work carried out by the Water Inspectors during the month of March.

3—Water Supply—RESOLVED, That, in view of the continuance of the drought, a notice be put in the " Echo " calling the attention of the consumers to the need of economical use of water and prevention of any waste.

4-- New Trunk Main from Tewkesbury—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to submit report and estimate of the cost of laying a new trunk main from the Tewkesbury Pumping Station to Cheltenham

5—Sandford Mead—(a) Allotments--RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. S. Stephens for permission to cut down a walnut tree on allotments Nos. 27 and 28 be not granted.

(b) Allotment No 50—RESOLVED, That notice to quit be given to Mrs. Smith, the tenant of this allotment in view of the unsatisfactory state and condition thereof.

6—Cleeve Hill Water Supply—The Borough Engineer submitted letters of 9th and 12th inst. from Messers Willcox & Raikes with regard to this supply. RESOLVED, That the proposal made by them be not entertained.

7—Pipes—The Borough Engineer reported that the sample truck of 4 inch pipes were not satisfactory and he recommended acceptance of the tender of the Staveley Hill Iron Co. (the next lowest tender). RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and that the resolution to Minute No. 3 passed at the Meeting of this Committee on 11th February last be rescinded.

8—Fish—The Borough Engineer reported that a large number of Roach had been removed from Dowdeswell by representatives of the Severn Fishers' Board and placed in the Pittville Lakes,

9—Coal Supply—Tenders for coal required for Tewkesbury Pumping Station were submitted. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. J. Williams & Co. Ltd. be accepted for supply of 250 tons of Norchard coal at 18s 4d per ton to be delivered at the Tewkesbury Railway Station be accepted.

10—Water Mains—A new water service had been laid to the Central Depot and a 2 inch water main for a water service to the Cemetery. RESOLVED, That the cost of these services be charged to the revenue of the Undertaking.

11—Dowdeswell Wood—RESOLVED, That notices be put warning persons against trespassing on this property

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12—Chelt Springs and Shaw Hills—(a) RESOLVED, That a provisional Contract be entered into for the purchase from Mr. Henry Barrett of this property containing 34 a. 0 r. 27 p. including Cottage and Garden at the price of £1,575, subject to the sanction of the Ministry of Health being obtained to a loan for the purchase money and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for their sanction to a loan of £1,616 including legal costs and stamp duty.

(b) RESOLVED, also, That the Draft lease of the property (exclusive of the cottage and garden) to Mr. H. Barrett submitted by the Town Clerk be approved. The lease would be for a term of 7 years, determinable at end of 3rd and 5th years, at a rent of £53, the Corporation to provide a cowshed at an estimated cost of £80 ; the Sporting Rights were reserved, and also an enclosure round the Chelt Springs and would also contain power for the Corporation to culvert the stream, the Lessee covenanting not to do anything to contaminate the water supply.

13—Annual Meeting of the British Waterworks Association—RESOLVED, That the Mayor and the Borough Engineer be authorised to attend the Annual Meeting and Conference of this Association to be held from the 2nd to 5th July next at Portsmouth.

14—Hewlett Reservoir—RESOLVED, That the issue of fishing tickets be deferred for the present in view of the low level of the water.

15—Lower Woodlands Farm—The Town Clerk submitted notice dated 12th instant from Messrs. Tayler, Fletcher & Villar on behalf of Mr. George Randell of his intention to move the buildings on his holding at the expiration of one month. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to inspect the buildings and that it be left to the Chairman and Borough Surveyor to decide whether it is desirable to take over any of these buildings at valuation.

16—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, 23rd April, 1929. Present—The Mayor; The Deputy Mayor; Aldermen Sawyer and Stewart; Councillors Leigh James, Moore, Pates, Gen. Thomas, H. W. Thomas, Welstead and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Diseases amongst Animals—(a) Supt. Goulder reported that the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals except for a case of swine fever at Victoria House, Charlton Lane.

(b) Quarantine Stations (Regulation) Orders, Nos. 1 and 2.—The Town Clerk submitted copies of these Orders which had been made since the last meeting.

(c) Sheep Scab—Read, circular of 19th instant from the Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries with regard to the policy adopted for the control and eradication of Sheep Scab and expressing the hope that Local Authorities and their Officers would make every effort to secure strict compliance with the regulations.

2—Petrol Licences—RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Petroleum Inspector, That the following applications for licences to store petroleum be granted :—

Name.	Place of Storage,	Pump Storage. Gallons.
Fruin, J. S.	Bath Villa Garage, Bath Road	500
Baggs. W. T.	St. Luke's Garage	1000
Middleton, R. H.	84 Fairview Road	500

3—Hackney Carriage Licences—(a) Transfer—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. R. W. Swift for Licence No. 32 to be transferred to Motor Cab DD3761 be granted.

(b) Conductors—RESOLVED, That the application of the Bristol Tramways & Carriage Co. Ltd. for four Conductor Licences be granted.

(c) Driver —RESOLVED, That the application of A. G. Palmer for a Drivers Licence be granted.

5—Fire Brigade—Report of Captain—The Captain reported that the Brigade had attended the following outbreaks of fire since the last meeting

Date, 1929.	Place.	Cause.	Damage.	Brigade Expenses.
March 22 nd	8 Henrietta Street	Boiling Pitch	Slight	£3 6s. 0d.
March 28th	58 Sun Street	Defective fire grate	£40	£3 6s. 0d.
April 6th	89 Albion Street	Not apparent	Slight	£3 16s. 0d.
April 18th	19 Naunton Park Road	Spilling of petrol	Slight	£4 0s. 6d.

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5—Omnibus Licences—(a) The Committee considered the reference back by the Council of the applications of the Bristol Tramways & Carriage co, Ltd. and the Birmingham Midland Omnibus Co. Ltd., for licences to run through services between Cheltenham and Great Malvern via Coombe Hill and Tewkesbury ; Cheltenham and Stratford-on-Avon via Evesham and Cheltenham and Worcester via Coombe Hill and Upton-on-Severn. RESOLVED, That the applications be granted, subject to the fares and timetables being approved by this Committee. RESOLVED, also, That the application of the Birmingham Midland Omnibus Co. Ltd. for 6 Drivers and 6 Conductors Licences be granted.

(b) RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. F. Martin for a licence for one omnibus to ply for hire between Cheltenham and Malvern via Bishop's Cleeve and Tewkesbury be granted subject to a satisfactory report on the omnibus being received from the Motor Hackney Carriage Inspector.

6—Market—Fencing The Borough Surveyor submitted list of tenders received for the disused fencing at the Market. RESOLVED, That the offers be not accepted.

7—Leckhampton Hill Estate—Read, letter from Mrs. Young, tenant of the piece of land on the west side of Leckhampton-Road asking the Corporation to sell the land to her or grant her a lease. RESOLVED, That Mrs. Young be granted a tenancy of the land for three years certain and thereafter from year to year at an annual rent of £3, tenant paying rates.

8—General Hospital—Read, letter of 13th instant, from the Chairman of the General Hospital inviting the Corporation to nominate two representatives on the Board of Governors and also suggesting that the Mayor for the time being should be appointed ex-officio member of the Board. RESOLVED, That the Mayor for the time being and Councillors Yarnold and Welstead be appointed representatives of the Council.

9—Police Reserve—Read, letter of 10th instant from the Clerk of the Standing Joint Committee stating that in order to relieve the regular members of the force engaged in regulating road traffic the Committee had decided to increase the number of police

reserves from 100 to 150. RESOLVED, That the Standing Joint Committee be informed that the Council do not agree to the cost of police reserves being charged as incidental expenses of the ordinary force under the terms of the agreement between the Corporation and the County Council for the policing of the Borough.

10—Superannuation Allowances—The Committee considered the reference back by the Council of the question of making an additional allowance, under Section 16 of the Act, RESOLVED, That the Committee adhere to their previous decision that no additional allowances under Section 16 of the Act be granted.

11—Gloucestershire War Pensions Committee—Read, letter from the Secretary, Ministry of Pensions, asking the Council to nominate a representative to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Major R. J. K. Potter. RESOLVED, That General Potter be nominated to fill the vacancy

12—Cheltenham District Traction Bill—Read, letter of 8th instant from the Chamber of Commerce congratulating the Council and the Town Clerk upon the result of the opposition to this Bill.

13—Town Clerk's Department—The Town Clerk reported as to the staff in his department, and that although the Council had authorised the appointment of a Second Assistant at a salary of £170 in 1926 no such appointment had yet been made but he now found that owing to the increase of work it was necessary to have additional assistance. RESOLVED, That he be authorised to advertise for a Second Assistant at a salary of £175 per annum rising by annual increments of £10 to £200 per annum.

14—Local Government Act, 1929—The Town Clerk submitted preliminary circular from the Ministry of Health with regard to this Act.

15—Cinematograph Licence—Read, application from Mr. W. Simpson, Manager of the Theatre and Opera House for a cinematograph Licence in respect of the Theatre and Opera House. Mr. John Waghorne and Mr. Simpson attended the Committee. RESOLVED, That the application be granted, subject to compliance with the regulations of the Secretary of State and the usual conditions and also subject to a condition that no intoxicating liquors be sold on the premises while the same is being used for cinematograph pictures.

16—National Scheme for Disabled Ex-Service Men—Read, letter of 2nd instant, from the Manager of the Local Employment Exchange asking the Corporation to renew their undertaking to employ ex-service men up to 5 per cent. of the total staff. RESOLVED, That the undertaking be renewed for a further period of two years.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 8th April, 1929. Present—Alderman Sawyer
Councillors Dunn, Smith and Welstead; Messrs. F. W. Clarkson and E. M. Yeend
(Councillor Welstead in the chair).

1—Allotments Nos. 35 Asquith Road and 31 Alma Road—The Town Clerk submitted letters from the tenants of these allotments asking to be released of their tenancies forthwith. RESOLVED, That they be not released from their tenancies until the 29th September next.

2—Rent Collector—RESOLVED, That the recommendation of the General Purposes and Watch Committee that the services of Mr. J. Pounsett be continued by this Committee as collector of the allotment rents in the North Ward, be approved and adopted.

3—Inspection of Allotments--The Borough Surveyor submitted report of Messers. W. Hamblin and F. Read on their inspection of the Whaddon Road, Asquith Road, Rainbow Field, Hall Road and Orrisdale Terrace Allotments. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the tenants of the various allotments reported to require attention.

W. WELSTEAD,

Chairman.

PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 8th April, 1929. Present—Alderman Sawyer ;
Councillors Dunn, Smith, Gen. Thomas and Welstead (Alderman Sawyer in the chair),

1—Recreation Grounds - -(a) Supervision—RESOLVED, That the general supervision of the Recreation Grounds, including the garden portions, be placed under the charge of the Gardens Superintendent, except as regards the arrangement of games.

(b) Agricultural Mower—RESOLVED, That Ransome's Agricultural Triple Mower, including a spare unit be purchased from Messers. Marshall & Co., Ltd. for £126 18s. 0d.

(c) Opening on Sundays—The Committee considered a recommendation that the Recreation Grounds should be opened on Sunday mornings. RESOLVED, That the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground be opened at 10.30 a.m. on Sundays until the end of September next. RESOLVED, also, That the Custodian be paid 2s. 6d. per Sunday for his extra services,

(d) Cricket Pitches—RESOLVED, That the application of the Staff and Workmen of the Electricity Department for permission to play cricket at one of the Recreation Grounds be adjourned and that the Visitors of Naunton Park be asked to see if an additional cricket pitch cannot be provided. RESOLVED, also, That the application of St. Stephen's Cricket Club for permission to play cricket at the St. Mark's Recreation Ground be not granted as the ground is not yet fit for use.

2—Naunton Park Recreation Ground—RESOLVED, That the Education Committee be asked to protect the skylights of the Naunton Park Schools with wire netting.

3—St. Peter's Recreation Ground—RESOLVED, That the Education Committee be asked to arrange terms with the Custodian of St. Peter's Schools which would include the duty of looking after this ground and that this Committee agree to pay to the Education Committee a reasonable sum for the service, of the Custodian for looking after the ground during holidays and on Sundays and Saturdays and weekdays after school hours.

W. SAWYER,

Chairman.

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ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 12th April, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Langley and Brig.-Gen. Thomas ; Dr. R. Davies ; Messrs. F. B. de Sausmarez and C. R. Mapp (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—Visits—During March 2,776 (against 3,407) ; daily average 111 (against 126). Included in these figures were parties from Christ Church Girls' School and Winchcombe Choir.

Receipts—Collecting Box 11s 6d, Exhibition Catalogues £2 4s. 3d. ; Permanent Catalogues 3s 6d ; Postcard Reproductions 2s 4d Total £3 1s. 7d.

Exhibition—Exhibition by Women Artists ; open 27 days ; total visitors 3,449 ; daily average 128. Expenses amounted to £11 1s. 4d, proceeds to £8 1s. 4d.

Re-decoration of large Gallery—Messrs. S. C. Morris & Son had satisfactorily carried out this work.

" Save the Countryside" Exhibition—This Exhibition would be opened on 7th May by Major-General Sir Fabian Ware, K.C.V.O., K.B.E., at 5.30 p.m. The Gloucestershire Rural Preservation Committee are co-operating in this venture.

2-Donations—From the late Mrs. Early Victorian Sunshade, c1830 ; Miss E. Griffiths, " The Times," Everyday, 962, Miss Hay, 7 Spears from Fiji Islands, c.1820 Miss A. B. Moore, Collection of archaeological specimens from Salmondsbury Camp, and the Roman Villa at Bourton-on-the-Water, collected by her father, the late Mr. J. Moore. RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

3—Loans—From Miss Trye, Wooden Mousetrap ; Mr. Louis Whittle, Bowl of Sunderland Ware ; Miss K. D. Glyn, " The Little Flowers of St Francis," printed in Rome. RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Lenders.

4—Sheepshanks Loan Collection—Read, letter from Messrs Turner and Turner enquiring if the Committee desired to purchase any pictures from this collection as it had been

decided to offer them for sale. RESOLVED, That the purchase of examples be not entertained.

5—Shorthand-Typist—The Curator reported resignation of Miss M. Dallow. RESOLVED, That the question of filling the vacancy be deferred for two or three weeks

6—Gloucestershire Rural Preservation Committee—Cheltenham District Branch—RESOLVED, That permission be given for meetings of this Branch Committee to be held on the Art Gallery premises.

7—Whitsuntide Opening—RESOLVED, That the Art Gallery and Museum remain open on Whit Monday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

8—The Museums Association—Honorary Secretaryship—The Chairman reported on correspondence and a visit from Sir Henry Miens, F.R.S, D.Sc., asking the Curator to take up the Hon.. Secretaryship of the Association in succession to Dr. J. J. Simpson, Director of The Museums, Liverpool. RESOLVED, That the Curator be authorised to accept nomination on the understanding that if it is found that the Honorary duties interfere with his ordinary, he will resign the Honorary Secretaryship.

9—Iron Age Currency Bar—RESOLVED, That a duplicate from Salmondsbury Camp, Bourton-on-the-Water, be presented to the National Museum of Wales as an exchange.

CLARA. F. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 26th April, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Scott Langley, H. W. Thomas, Welstead and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair)

1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of Superintendent for the month ending 26th April, 1929. Interments 87. Grave Spaces sold 22 (First Position 1 ; Second Position 3 ; Fourth Position 18). Memorials fixed 8. New Inscriptions 20.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 7967 to 7988 of the exclusive right of burial in the graves referred to therein.

3—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following designs be approved, namely :—Memorial Cross, Bases and kerbing to graves Harriett E. Rogers, Thomas H. Thompson and Horace Edwards ; Memorial Scroll, Base and Kerbing to grave of Robert J. Shepherd Memorial Slab, kerbing and posts to grave Albert E. Perry Memorial Kerbing and posts to grave of Ernest C. E. Niblett, and Memorial Kerbing to grave of Emily Bossom.

4--Telephone—RESOLVED. That the Town Clerk be authorised to sign the agreement for the installation of the telephone at the Lodge at the Cemetery.

5--Damage to Memorial Stone—Read, letter from Mr. A. Butler in regard to a grave stone damaged by the Corporation Workmen whilst removing the stone for an Undertaker. The Undertaker had agreed to pay half the cost of the damage (estimated at 25s).
RESOLVED, That the Corporation agree to pay the other half and that the Superintendent be instructed to have the stone reinstated

HENRY T. YARNOLD,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 16th April, 1929. Present — Councillors Langley, Pates, Brig.-Gen. Thomas, H. W. Thomas and Welstead; Dr. R. Davies ; Messrs. E. C. Rogers and F. Vernall.

1—Chairman—On Ballot being taken, Councillor H. W. Thomas was elected Chairman of this Committee in succession to the late Alderman Mann.

2—Librarian's Report—Receipts 119 7s. 4d. Number of volumes issued in Reference Department 4,446 (last year 7,184). Lending Department 13,660 (last year 12,963) ; Juvenile Department 2,430 (last year 2,712). Total for month 20,536 (last year 22,859). Total issues for year ending March 31st, 1929, 246,586 vols., (last year 217,226 vols.)—the highest figure on record.

Replacements—During the month 104 volumes had been replaced. New Floor and Shelving—Mr. W. Drew's contract for this work had been completed at a cost of £44 19s. 2d.

Donations—Anon. (2 vols.) ; Mr. Ed, J. Burrow (2 vols.) ; Messrs. Ed. J. Burrow & Co., Ltd. (16 pamphls.) ; Miss Ford (3 vols.) ; The Freedom Association (1 vol.) Exors. of the late Archdeacon Gardner (1 vol.) ; Miss Heming vols.): Mr. S. Lloyd Kay (1 vol.) ; Bequest of the late Miss E. C. Platt (80 vols).

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors and the Executrix.

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3—**Sub-Committee's Report**—The Sub-Committee reported that they met on the 11th inst.
Present—Dr R. Davies ; Messrs. E. C. Rogers and Mr. C. E. Walsh (Dr. Davies in the chair)

They recommended (a) That 234 volumes, new books, published at £85 17s. 3d., be purchased at a cost of £64 7s. 1d.

(b) That the sum of £30 be spent on Rebinding.

(c) That the sum of £30 be spent on Replacements.

(d) Staff : (1) The Librarian reported resignation of Miss M. Dallow, and recommended that the filling of the vacancy be deferred for two or three weeks.

(2) That the wage of Miss E. A. Townsend, Reference Library Assistant, be raised from 15s to £1 per week, as from 1st May.

(3) That the wage of Miss E. J. Parry, Senior Assistant, be raised from 40s to 50s per week, as from 1st May

(e) That the quotation of Messrs. Smiths Systems Ltd. for improvements to the Lending Library counter for the sum of £5 5s. 0d. be accepted.

(f) That the quotation of Messrs. Billings & Sons Ltd. to redecorate the Newsroom for the sum of £31 2s. 6d. be accepted.

(g) That the Libraries and Newsroom be closed on Whit Monday.

RESOLVED, That the recommendations be approved and adopted.

4—Day of Meeting—RESOLVED, That the Ordinary Meeting of this Committee be held on the Thursday following the Council Meeting at 4 p.m. RESOLVED, also, That the Library Sub-Committee meet as and when deemed necessary by the Chairman.

5—" The Brotherhood Outlook "—RESOLVED, That the offer of this periodical, monthly, gratis, by the Cheltenham Central Brotherhood be accepted with thanks.

6--The Museums Association—Honorary Secretaryship—RESOLVED, unanimously, That the recommendation of the Art Gallery and Museum Committee on this matter be approved and adopted.

7—Birmingham and District Branch of the Library Association—RESOLVED, That this Association be invited to meet in Cheltenham early in October, and that details as to the Programme and hospitality for the afternoon be deferred for further consideration.

8—" Cheltenham Quarterly "—RESOLVED, That the Librarian be authorised to enquire as to possible means of resuscitating this publication, and report.

H. W. THOMAS,

Chairman.

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RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 29th April, 1929, Present—Alderman Stewart ;
Councillors Leigh James, Moore, Gen; Thomas, H. W. Thomas, E. L. Ward and Yarnold
(Councillor Moore in the chair).

1—Proposals—The Committee considered proposals submitted by the Rating and Valuation Officers.
RESOLVED, That these be submitted for the revision of the assessments as now settled by the Committee.

2—Unpaid Rates—(a) A statement of unpaid rates was submitted and signed.

(b) Defaulters—The Committee interviewed persons who had not complied with the Orders of the Magistrates for payment of rates and gave instructions for committal orders to be issued but in some cases suspended whilst the weekly instalments as settled by the Committee were regularly paid.

3—Rating and Valuation (Apportionment) Act, 1928—The Town Clerk reported two further claims. RESOLVED, That both claims be disallowed

JAMES MOORE,

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 30th April, 1929, Present—Councillors Leigh James, Pruen, Sir R. Wapshare, E. L. Ward and Welstead (Councillor Pruen in the chair).

1 --General Rate—Read, Final Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 30th inst., on the collection of the Second Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £112,247 8s. 8d. Allowed to owners £883 6s. 0d. Voids £1680 12s. 3d. Excused £185 11s. 3d. Irrecoverable £3,712 2s. 11d. Leaving outstanding £437 7s. 1d.

2—Water Rate—Read, Final Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 30th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ended 31st March last Amount collected £19,069 15s. 9d. Abatements £91 15s. 2d. Voids £115 8s. 1d. Defaulters £3 11s. 4d. Leaving outstanding £3,728 2s. 1d.

3—Loans—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £16,200 on loan, RESOLVED, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loans.

(b) Renewals—RESOLVED, That the terms proposed for the continuance of Debentures amounting to £350 be approved and the Debentures endorsed accordingly.

4—National Savings' Certificates—The Borough Treasurer reported that the number of Savings Certificates sold during March was 3,852 as compared with 4,074 for the corresponding month last year

5-4 $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. Housing Bonds—The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. Housing Bonds amounting to £375 had been received for periods varying from 5 to 10 years and that certificates had been issued accordingly. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

6—Insurances—The Borough Treasurer reported that the National Boiler Insurance Co., Ltd. had agreed to reduce the premium on the Asphalt Plant to £15 8s. 0d. less 15 per cent. agency commission with a further 10 per cent. if a five year agreement was entered into. RESOLVED, That these terms be agreed to and that a five year agreement be entered into. The Company also agreed to allow 10 per cent. off the premium for

insurance of the lift at the Municipal Offices if a similar agreement was entered into.
RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

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7—Audit of Accounts, 1927-28--The Borough Treasurer reported that the audit of the accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1928 had now been completed and that the audit stamp on the net expenditure or £358,235 after deducting the precepts to other authorities and one-half of the capital expenditure, amounted to £220. No amount had been disallowed at the audit.

8—Superannuation--(a) Dr. Morley—The Borough Treasurer reported that the transfer value payable by the St. Helens Corporation in respect of Dr. Morley amounted to £77 18s. 9d.

(b) The Borough Treasurer reported that W. W. Adams (Gardener) would retire on the 8th May.
RESOLVED, That he be paid a pension of 9s. 0d. per week calculated on his wages for the last five years on a non-contributory basis of 26 years service.

9—Municipal Offices--Extensions—RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for a loan of £2,240 for the cost of the alterations and extensions to the Municipal Offices

10—Houses. Arrears of Rents—The Borough Treasurer submitted statement of all the arrears of rent in respect of the Corporation's houses, RESOLVED, That this Committee views with apprehension the large arrears of rents of the houses under the control of the Housing Committee, and urges the Housing Committee to take the necessary steps to recover such arrears or to obtain possession of the houses and let them to persons who are better able to pay the rents.

11—Accounts Rota Committee -Reported Meeting on the 30th inst. Present Councillors Leigh James, Pruen, E. L. Ward and Sir R. Wapshare (Councillor Pruen in the chair). The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

ARTHUR S. F. PRUEN

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 30th May, 1929.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMENADE, on MONDAY, the 3rd day of June, 1929, at THREE O'CLOCK** in the Afternoon, at which, Meeting the following Business is

proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Quarterly Meeting.
2. Town Clerk to Report Election of Councillor for South Ward.
3. To assign an Alderman to be Returning Officer for the West Ward.
4. To fill vacancies on Committees.
5. Communications by the Mayor.
6. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :—THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE HOUSING COMMITTEE MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE WATER COMMITTEE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE if PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE RATING COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE
7. Memorials, Applications, Complaints, &c.

To each Member of the Council.

Yours Faithfully,

Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held at the Municipal Offices, in the said Borough, on Monday, 6th May, 1929, at 3 p.m. Present

The Mayor (Alderman Charles Henry Margrett, C.B.E., J.P.) in the chair. The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., J.P.)

Aldermen Sawyer and Stewart Councillors Allen, Dunn, O.B.E., Leigh James, Scott Langley, Miller, Moore, Pates, Pruen, Smith, Brig.-Gen. H. M. Thomas, C.M.G., D.S.O., H. W. Thomas, Lt.-Gen. Sir R. Wapshare, K.C.I.E., C.B., C.S.I., E. L. Ward, Welstead, K.S.G., Wheeler, M.B.E., and Yarnold.

1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Council held on the 5th April, 1929, 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—The Late Alderman Mann—Read, letter from Mr. Edgar Mann thanking the Council on behalf of his mother for the Resolution of sympathy with her, passed at the last meeting of the Council.

3 —Alderman Taylor—Read, letter of 17th ult., from Alderman Taylor thanking the Council for the resolution of regret at his accident and hope for his speedy recovers'.

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4—Election of an 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 produced and read, it appeared that James Moore and William Welstead had been voted for and received 14 and 1 votes respectively. The Mayor accordingly declared the said James Moore to be elected an Alderman. The newly elected Alderman then made his Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

5—Proceedings of Committees Resolved, That the proceedings of the under-mentioned Committees at their Meetings held on the dates respectively appearing be approved and confirmed :—

Public Health Meetings held April 8 and 23

Housing Meetings held April 9 and 24

Maternity and Child Welfare 25 and 29

Street and Highway Meeting held April 22

Resolved, also, That the application of the Post Office Telegraphs Department to place an overhead telegraphic line with one pole in Church Street be granted subject to the usual conditions.

Subject to an Amendment moved by Councillor Yarnold and seconded by Councillor Dunn: "That the following resolution be added to Minute No. 18—Resolved, also, That the County Council, the Urban District Council of Charlton Kings and the Rural District Councils of Cheltenham, Northleach, Tewkesbury and Winchcomb, be invited to appoint a representative to act as a member of the Committee to deal with matters relating to the Joint Town Planning Scheme, provided that the Chairman shall be a member of the Council.

Town Improvement and Spa Meetings held April 19 and 26

Electricity and Lighting Meeting held April 24

Water Meeting held April 18

General Purposes and Watch Meeting held April 23

(An Amendment moved by Councillor Gen. Thomas and seconded by Councillor Dunn : " That provided it does not exceed the allowance calculated on the 1/60th basis sanctioned

by the Act ; the Finance Committee be authorised to increase the superannuation allowance when it is considered necessary up to 25s. Od. per week, which sum is to include the State Pension, and that the Superannuation Allowance of Officials be calculated on a 1/90th basis from April 1st, 1929 " was lost by 11 votes to 7.). The following Members voted for the Amendment :—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Dunn, Scott Langley, Miller, Gen. H. M. Thomas, H. W. Thomas, Sir Richard Wapshare ; and the following Members voted against the Amendment :—Aldermen Moore, Sawyer and Stewart ; Councillors Leigh James, Pates, Pruen, Smith, E. L. Ward, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold.

(An Amendment, moved by Councillor Moore and seconded by Councillor Miller : " That Minute No. 5 (a) be amended by deleting the words " Cheltenham and Stratford-on-Avon via Evesham " was lost)

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Allotments	Meeting held April 8
Parks and Recreation Grounds	Meeting held April 8
Art Gallery and Museum	Meeting held April 2
Burial Board	Meeting held April 26
Public Library	Meeting held April 16
Rating	Meeting held April 29
Finance	Meeting held April 29

Resolved, also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed authorising him to pay to the several Corporations, Companies and Persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts, the sum of money set opposite their respective names.

7-Local Government and Other Officers Superannuation Act, 1922—Councillor Yarnold moved in accordance with notice : "That for the future, each Committee of the Council be asked to notify the Council of the retirement on Superannuation of any workman or official serving under any Committee, and that names, with particulars as to position, years of service, etc., be furnished also." On the motion being put to the Meeting, the Mayor declared this to be carried.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Mayor.

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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, 3rd June, 1929.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 13th May, 1929. Present--Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Allen, Pruen, Getz. Thomas, E. L. Ward, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Gen. Thomas in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. Union Street ; Marlborough Arms, Princes Street ; 2 Fairview Street ; and Oak Cottage, Lower Mill 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 Sanitary Inspector on behalf of the Corporation.

2----Insanitary Property----(a) 30 Burton Street ; Oak Cottage, Lower Mill Street; 23 and 47 St. James's Street; Princes' Plume Inn, Princes Street ; 15, 17 and 18 Princes Street ; 10 St. James's Square and 12 Rosehill 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 3 of the Housing Act, 1925, or 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.

(b) 10 Old Millbrook Terrace—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the Owner of this house had not complied with the Notice served under Section 3 of the Housing Act, 1925, and submitted two tenders for carrying out the necessary work RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr E. Welch of £8 10s 0d. (being the lower) be accepted,

3—Houses unfit for Human Habitation—(a) 26a York Street.—RESOLVED, That an Order be made rescinding the Closing Order made by the Council on the 8th March last in respect of this house which had now been made fit for human habitation

(b) 38, 40 and 42 Malvern Street —RESOLVED, That tenders be invited for the demolition of these premises in respect of which a Demolition Order was made on the 7th May, 1928.

(c) King's Head Gardens and 61 Sun Street—The Medical Officer of Health having made written representation that these dwelling-houses were so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation and recommended that the same be closed. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next Meeting and that notice be given to the Owners of the intention to make a Closing Order.

4—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at (a) 6 Bayshill Terrace---The Sanitary Inspector having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above-named house were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. RESOLVED, That authority be given to the Sanitary Inspector to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

(b) 3 Union Street—The Sanitary Inspector 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 a specification of the work 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 requiring them to do the work specified within 28 days.

(c) 7 Dunalley Parade—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the Owner of this house had not complied with the Notice served under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and submitted four tenders for the work required. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. Mark Williams & Co. of £33 17s. 0d. for carrying out the work be accepted.

5—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 3 qrs. 11 ½ lbs. Beef ; 3 qrs. 9 ½ lbs. Mutton ; 5 cwts. 1 qr. 9 lbs. Pork ; 11 tins of Pineapple, 1 tin of Corned Beef ; 1 tin of Salmon ; 1 tin of Pears; 1 tin of Sardines ; and 1 pot of Jam.

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6—Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted list of Notices requiring provision of ash receptacles, served but not complied with. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to enforce compliance.

7—Sanitary Inspectors—Read, letter of 10th inst., from the Ministry of Health approving of the appointments of Messrs. C. W. Clifford and F. Keene as District Sanitary Inspectors in accordance with the provisions of the Sanitary Officers Order, 1926, and approving of the scale of salaries for these Inspectors.

8—Sewers—(a) Swindon Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted report in regard to defective sewer.

(b) Marle Hill Road—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to relay the sewer at the backs of 63 to 85 Marle Hill Road if on inspection this is found necessary.

H. M. THOMAS,

Chairman.

HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 10th May, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Pates, Gen. Thomas, J. F. Ward and Welstead (Councillor Pates in the chair).

1—Folly Lane Housing Estate—Mr. H. F. Midwinter and Mr. B. C. Slatter, Joint Secretaries of the National Joint Council for the Building Industry attended with reference to the complaint that Mr. Steward was not complying with the working rules of the District with regard to overtime. Mr. Steward also attended. It was complained that Mr. Steward was working overtime without the permission of the Local Overtime Committee and that he had been given an opportunity of attending a Meeting of the Committee to consider his application, but had failed to attend. Mr. Steward stated that he only received short notice of the Meeting which it was impossible for him to

attend and he had written informing the Committee the overtime that he was working was mainly for the purpose of keeping the mortar mill running and other urgent work required to keep the job going. The Committee having considered the matter it was suggested that a further Meeting of the Local Overtime Committee should be arranged on a date convenient to both parties and they informed Mr. Steward that no overtime should be worked except in regard to necessary urgent work for which he should apply for permission of the Local Overtime Committee, and Mr. Steward stated that he would comply with the Committee's views and stop any overtime except for such work as mentioned.

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 14th May, 1929. Present—Alderman Moore ;
Councillors Pates, Gen. Thomas, Sir R. Wapshare, J. F. Ward, Welstead, Wheeler and
Yarnold (Councillor Pates in the chair).

2—Redecoration of Houses—The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. E. J. Welch had now redecorated 146 houses erected under the Assisted Scheme on the St. Mark's Estate at a total of £1626 14s. 0d.

3-22 Shakespeare Road—RESOLVED, That the application of the tenant of this house for permission to place a sign 12 in. x 9 in. on the front gate advertising his trade which was carried on at Tivoli, be granted.

4-93 Tennyson Road—The Borough Surveyor reported that the front and back gardens of this house were still in a most unsatisfactory condition. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to give the tenant notice to quit.

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5---Whaddon Road Housing Scheme -Land at Greyhound Inn--(a) RESOLVED, That a Provisional Contract be entered into with the Original Brewery Co. for the purchase of 2a. 3r. 2p. of land part of the premises of the Greyhound Inn, Hewlett Road, at the price of £600, the Corporation paying the Vendors Sales Costs. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan for £618 for the purchase price including stamp and costs.

(b) Miss Skillicorne's Land—The Town Clerk reported negotiations with Messrs. Bubb & Co., for the purchase of this piece of land No. 241 on the Ordnance Survey containing 3.828 acres, belonging to Miss Skillicorne, and that the owner would not agree to a price which the District Valuer could recommend for acceptance. RESOLVED, That an Order be made under the Common Seal in pursuance of Section 64 of the Housing Act, 1925 for the compulsory purchase of this piece of land, and that the same be submitted for confirmation of the Ministry of Health.

(c) RESOLVED, That the plans for 18 two-bedroomed houses and 74 three-bedroomed houses to be erected for this scheme prepared by Mr. Malvern be approved and submitted to the Ministry of Health for approval.

6—Land for Building--The Committee further considered the offer of a piece of land belonging to the Animals Welfare Association comprising 1 ½ acres near the Tram terminus in Leckhampton Road. RESOLVED, That this be not entertained.

7—Management and Collection of Rents—The Resolution of the Finance Committee with regard to the arrears of rent was considered. The Town Clerk submitted precis of replies to Questionnaire sent to seven towns employing a woman House Manager trained under the Octavia Hill System and in every case the appointment had resulted in a better collection of the rents. RESOLVED, That this Committee recommend the Council to appoint a Woman House Manager trained under the Octavia Hill System at a salary of £250 per annum and that she be responsible to this Committee for the collection of the rents of all the Corporation houses, the interviewing of applicants and reporting to the Committee thereon. RESOLVED, also, That Mr. J. Ponting, the Rent Collector in the Borough Treasurer's Department be appointed Assistant at his present salary of £150 per annum.

8—Wasley's Tenancies—Read, letter from Messrs. Tayler, Fletcher and Villar, enclosing claim on behalf of the Estate of the late Mr. S. J. . Wasley in respect of the portion of the pasture field and garden land given up for new houses. RESOLVED, That Mr. C. C. Castle be appointed to act for the Corporation in regard. to this claim.

9—Houses, Spenser Road—Mr. Rainger reported as to steps being taken to remedy the complaints made by tenants and owners of the houses in this road with regard to the kitchen ranges, which were not proving satisfactory, and that the makers had now offered to send special chimney pots to increase the draught.

10-19, 44 and 45 Rutland Street—Read, letter from Mr C. C. Castle offering these three houses for sale at £90. The Sanitary Inspector submitted report and estimate of the cost of reconditioning and improving the same RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to purchase these houses at the price offered with a view to reconditioning them and that a provisional Contract be entered into for the purchase, RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for their sanction to a loan of £250 for the purchase money and estimated cost of reconditioning

11--9 and 14 Manser Street—RESOLVED, That the claims of the tenants of these houses amounting to £3 and £1 10s. 0. respectively in respect of damage caused by falling ceilings be paid and deducted from the retention money due to the Contractors.

12--Sales of Houses—The following offers were reported :-

Situation.	Name of Purchaser.	Price.
19 Kipling Road	F. E. Taylor	£495
22 do,	R. M. Armstrong	£495

24 do.	W. R. Sutherland	£495.
3 Shelley Road	R. S. Hearn	£495
5 Orchard Terrace	E. G. Basher	£450.

RESOLVED, That these offers be accepted (subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health) that application be made to the Ministry for their consent to the sales, and the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyances. RESOLVED, also, That the Corporation agree to join with the Purchasers in Mortgages to the Building Society for an advance not exceeding 90% to guarantee repayment until the principal is reduced to 2/3rds of the value, in each case and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Mortgages.

13-1 Kingsley Gardens—Read, letter from this tenant asking to be released from his tenancy on the 24th June instead of on the 25th December as provided for in the Agreement. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to if a satisfactory new tenant is obtained by the applicant.

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14-Transfers of Tenancies-RESOLVED, That the application of the tenant of 14 Hanover Parade to transfer to a cheaper house be granted. RESOLVED, That the applications of the tenants of 23 Hudson Street and 35 Byron Road for permission to other houses be not granted.

15-18 Hanover Parade RESOLVED, That the application of the tenant of this house for permission to paint the outside woodwork, of his house be granted provided this is painted the same colour as at present,

16-Housing Conference-Read, circular from the National Housing and Town Planning Council inviting the attendance of representatives to the Annual of Local Authorities of the West of England to be held at Bristol on the June next. RESOLVED, That General Thomas be appointed to attend.

17---33 Malvern Street—The Sanitary Inspector submitted two tenders for cleansing and repairing defective plaster at this house. RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. W. Welch of £4 12s. 0d., being the lower, be accepted.

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE.

At Meeting of this Committee held on Saturday, 25th May, 1929. Present - Councillors Gen. Thomas and Welstead ; Mrs. Booy, Mrs. Gurney, Mrs. Mellersh and Mrs. Willoughby (Councillor Welstead in the chair).

1--Health Visitor—Read, letter from Miss L. Howman stating that she had been appointed Health Visitor under the Hackney Borough Council. Miss D. T. Goddard, Queen's Nurse and Health Visitor of Motherwell attended. RESOLVED, That subject to the approval of

the Ministry of Health she be appointed Health Visitor at a commencing salary of £200 per annum, plus an allowance of £14 per annum for uniform and cycle, and rising by annual increments of £10 to £240, subject to satisfactory service.

RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for approval of Miss Goddard's appointment.

W. WELSTEAD,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 22nd May, 1929. Present-The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Sawyer; Councillors Scott Langley, H. W. Thomas and Yarnold (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—Municipal and County Engineers—RESOLVED, That Councillor Yarnold be appointed to attend the Annual Conference to be held at Buxton from June 19th to 22nd in the absence of the Chairman.

2- Wilful Damage-Read, report from Supt Goulder of wilful damage committed on the 12th instant to a 15 ft. deal plank at the Corporation Refuse Tip by Perrin Prout and Thomas Prout (15 and 13 years) and Horace Spink (17 years). That failing payment of 4s. 0d. for the damage Supt. Goulder be asked to prosecute.

3—Streamer across Colonnade Resolved, That permission be granted to the Flower Show Committee to place a streamer, advertising the Flower show, across the Colonnade, for two days subject to the usual conditions.

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4—Post Office Telegraphs—RESOLVED, That the application of the Post Office Telegraphs for permission to place a telegraphic line with two poles along and across St. Paul's Road from Dunalley Street to a point near St. Paul's Street North be granted subject to the exact position of the poles being approved by the Borough Surveyor and to 6 feet of painted lagging being affixed to the base of the poles if required.

5—Projecting Sign--Read, application from J. M. Smith & Sons on behalf of Miss Cooke for permission to place a projecting sign in the Promenade over the premises of Messrs. Lafayettes. RESOLVED, That permission be not granted.

6—Borough Surveyor- --Read, application from the Borough Surveyor for an increase of his salary of £100 for the maintenance of main roads to £200 in view of the increased responsibility since the amount was fixed 11 years ago. RESOLVED, That the application be granted, to be charged to the main roads account.

7—Petrol Pumps—RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham Cycle and Motor Co. Ltd, to erect two petrol pumps on their premises in Grosvenor Street with two swing arms over the footpath be granted subject to the usual conditions.

S—Crescent Terrace—The Committee considered proposal that a warning sign should be placed near Crescent Terrace. RESOLVED. That the Committee think that a sign could not be placed to be of any service.

9—Sandford Mill Road--RESOLVED, That this Committee recommend the General Purposes and Watch Committee to make a one-way traffic order in respect of this road.

10—Classified Roads—Read, circular letters 286 (with regard to grants for classification of roads), 287 (with regard to travelling expenses of Surveyors), 289 (Roads) (With regard to grants for improvement and reconstruction of roads and bridges), 202 (a) (For return of mileage for public highways) RESOLVED, That these be referred to the Borough Surveyor and Borough Treasurer.

11—Asphalt Works—Siding—The Borough Surveyor submitted letter from the L.M. & S. Railway Co. stating that the Company could not provide the siding accommodation required at the Asphalt Works at their own cost The cost would be approximately £210 and in addition there would be the cost of the necessary earthwork for the formation, provision of boundary fence, extension of loading bank and covering the open portion of the drain, RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the work carried out.

12—Old Bath Road—The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. P. Witts, the owner of " Umberleigh," Old Bath Road had offered to give up a strip of land in front of his house to enable a slight widening to be made in this road. The College had also agreed to allow the Corporation to straighten the fence forming the boundary to their land opposite " Abbotsford." This improvement would also necessitate a slight extension to the Chelt bridge. RESOLVED, That this be approved and that the thanks of the Council be conveyed to Mr. Witts and the College Council.

13—Shurdington and Moorend Park Roads—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had approached the owners of the two remaining corners at the junction of these roads, and that the owner of Park Grange, on one of the corners, had agreed to give up a piece of land on payment of the sum of £10 and subject to the consent of his tenant, who was willing for the work to be carried out after the improvement at South Lawn, on the other corner, had been completed. The owner of South Lawn was ill and unable to attend to the matter at present RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned.

14—Lower Mill Street—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Cheltenham Gas Co. were paving the footpath in this road with tarred material, instead of slab paving as suggested. RESOLVED, That this be approved on the understanding that the Company will not be relieved of liability to pave when required

15—Transport—The Borough Surveyor submitted tenders for a new 5 ton three-way tipping motor lorry ranging from £1,145 to £1,313. He also reported that satisfactory secondhand lorries could be purchased from the Peerless Trading Co Ltd., of Slough, for about £355 each. RESOLVED, That two secondhand lorries be purchased from the Peerless

Trading Co., at an estimated cost of £710, subject to satisfactory reports on the vehicles being received from the County Council's Transport Engineer (Mr. Wood).

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

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TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 10th May, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Scott Langley, H. W. Thomas and Gen. Thomas (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—Chairman—RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to appoint Councillor E. L. Ward a member of this Committee (Councillor H. W. Thomas intimated that he would resign his membership of the Committee in favour of Councillor E. L. Ward),

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

No. of Plan,	Name.	Description.
2674	Stirland, S. C.	Extension of garage, 15 Lansdown Place Lane (Amended Plan).
2678	Smith, A. W.	Shed, 18 Milton Road,
2681	Barnett, S. G.	Motor house, 8 Spenser Road (Amended Plan).
2682	Kluge, Miss	Cycle house, 2 Lansdown Parade (Amended Plan).
2686	Armitage, Miss	Preliminary Plan for a new house, West Drive, Evesham Road, Pittville.
2687	Littlewood, J. E.	Motor house, " Tighbeg," Pilford Road.
2688	Prince, R. R.	Motor house, Rosemead, London Road.
2689	Knight, J. J.	Shop and dwelling house, Tennyson Road.
2690	Major Bowie Evans	Lock-up garages, Idminston House, High Street.
2691	Bleney, W. J.	Additions to Blenheim Cottage, Portland Street.
2692	Dickins, C.	Detached house, Priory Terrace.
2693	Black & White Motorways, Ltd.	Preliminary Plan for new Garage, Rodney Road.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 2681, 2687, 2689 and 2690 be approved ; That Plan No. 2682 be approved as a temporary building ; That Plan No. 2691 be approved subject to the drainage and sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector ; and That Plans Nos. 2674, 2678, 2686, 2688, 2692 and 2693 be disapproved.

3—Town Planning Area—Plans—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices of Plans of intended new buildings under General Interim Development Order, 1922

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
19	Holliday, W. J.	House, Junction Painswick and Chargrove Roads, Shurdington.
20	Hoperoft, C. P.	Bungalow, Southam,
21	Warren-Smith, H. S.	Bungalow, Cleeve Hill.
2685	Bendall, J. L.	House, Old Bath Road.

RESOLVED, That permission to proceed be given in respect of Plans Nos. 19 and 20, but refused in the case of Plan No. 21 as no site plan has been furnished and also Plan No. 2685 as this is on site of proposed arterial road.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM, Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 23rd May, 1929. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Scott Langley, Gen. Thomas and Yarnold. Councillor E. L. Ward also attended by invitation (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

4—Regional Town Planning—Read, letter of 12th March from the Clerk to the County Council enclosing copies of Resolutions passed at the Joint Regional Town Planning Conference held on the 7th March and asking the Corporation to agree with these Resolutions, and to appoint two members on the Regional Joint Town Planning Committee and to contribute towards the regional expenses of the Joint Committee a sum not exceeding the project of 1/10th of a 1d. rate. RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the County Council be informed that the Council are prepared to appoint two members to serve on the Regional Committee but cannot agree to contribute to the cost of the Committee in view of the large area for which they have undertaken responsibility under the Cheltenham and District Joint Town Planning scheme.

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5—Committee—Read, letters from the Charlton Kings Urban District Council and the Winchcomb Rural District Council stating that they had appointed Messrs. W. S. F. Harris and Arthur Yiend respectively members of this Committee.

6—Architectural Advice—Read, letter of the 14th inst., from the Gloucestershire Rural Preservation Committee stating that arrangements had now been made whereby in conjunction with the Gloucestershire Architectural Association free advice on architectural matters would be given in certain instances to those who are unable to afford the services of an Architect, in connection with new houses, garages or other buildings to ensure the buildings harmonising with their surroundings.

7—Plans of New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings, namely :—

No. of Plan,	Name	Description.
1801	Butt, S.	Extension of Garage, Victoria Place, Fairview (Amended Plan).
2688	Prince, R. R.	Motor house, Rosemead, London Road (Amended Plan),
2694	Rev. Gordon Sheldon	Motor house, The Rectory, Douro Road.
2695	Smith, L. H.	Garden tool shed, 45 Milton Road.
2696	Beesley, E. J.	Detached house, Badgeworth Road.
2697	Collett, Col. J. H.	Additions to Melrose, Pittville Crescent.
2698	Gater, C. P.	Motor houses 53 Byron Road.
2699	Shell Ilex Ltd.	New Pump House, Shell Mex Depot, Tewkesbury Road.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos 1801, 2688, 2694, 2695, 2696, 2698 and 2699 be approved, and that Plan No. 2697 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector.

8—Town Planning Area—Plans—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings under General Interim Development Order, 1922 --

No. of Plan.	Name	Description.
22	Smith, Mrs.	Bungalow, Croft Road, Charlton Kings.
23	Blanche, Rev.	Bay-window, Hawthorn Cottage, off School Road, Charlton Kings.
24	Bromley, G. H.	Bungalow, off Little Herberts' Lane, Charlton Kings.
25	Bromley, Miss	Stables, Oakfield, Ashley Road, Battledown, Charlton Kings
26	Harris, F. C.	Conversion of house into shop, Lyefield Road West Charlton Kings.
27	Coxwell-Rogers, C.	Re-erection of Tudor Cottage, Dowdeswell, near Cheltenham.

RESOLVED, That permission to proceed be granted in the case of Plans Nos. 23, 24 and 25 ; and also in respect of Plan No 22 subject to the condition that no part of the building shall be erected nearer than 26 feet from the boundary of the street ; and also in respect of Plan No. 26 subject to the condition that the premises shall not be used for any business likely to cause annoyance by reason of smoke, fumes, noise or smell, and that permission be refused in respect of Plan No 27 as no site plan has been submitted,

9—Plan No. 2686—The Borough Surveyor submitted Notice and Plan of new house to be erected by Miss Armitage of West Drive, Pittville. RESOLVED, That a building line set back 30 feet be prescribed for this road and that the Plan submitted be approved subject to the building being set back 20 feet

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held at the Town Hall on Tuesday, 7th May, 1929. Present—
Aldermen Sawyer and Stewart ; Councillors Allen, Pates, E. L. Ward and Welstead
(Alderman Stewart in the chair).

1—Winter Gardens—The Committee considered the question of fencing off a chair enclosure for the military band concerts, RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to erect the fence (as per sample now approved) at an estimated cost of £30.

2—Town Hall—Organ Practices—Read, letter from Mr. A. D. Cole suggesting that a reduced charge of 2s. 0d. per hour should be made to students practising on Organ for a minimum period of 20 hours. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to subject to the practices being held at times convenient to the Committee:

JAMES STEWART.

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 17th May, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart;
Councillors Pates, H. W. Thomas, H. L. Ward and Welstead (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

3—Town Hall—(a) Orchestral Concerts—A balance sheet for the three Orchestral Concerts held during the last season was submitted. RESOLVED, That a charge of £10 be made for the use of the Town Hall for the three Concerts in addition to the actual cost of the lighting

(b) Musical Festival—RESOLVED, That no charge be made for the use of the Organ at the Musical Festival on the 9th, 10th and 11th May.

(c) Organ Concerts—The Borough Treasurer submitted statement of receipts and expenditure for the series of Sunday night Organ Recitals and Concerts held during last winter season, showing a surplus of £25 0s. 6d. RESOLVED, That the extra cost of £12 11s. 0d., for artistes paid by Mr. Burrow be refunded to him.

4—Pittville Pump Room—RESOLVED, That the picture presented by the Executors of the late Miss Platt be accepted with thanks and hung in the Pittville Pump Room.

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, the 24th May, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ;
Councillors Pates, Sawyer, H. W. Thomas, E. L. Ward and Welstead (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

5—Cheltenham College—RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham College for the Military Band engaged by the Corporation to play at the College Speech Day Garden Party be granted at a charge of £15.

6—Montpellier Gardens—Hard Tennis Court —RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham Central Lawn Tennis Club to hire the hard tennis court at these gardens for every evening (except Sunday) from 5.30 p.m. and on Saturdays from 2.30 p.m. to the 30th September next for £20, be granted, subject to the following conditions :—(1.) The Court not to be used if the Custodian considers it unfit for play. (2) The Club not to require the Corporation to do anything to the Court other than maintain it as at present. (3) The Corporation to be at liberty to let the Court during the hours for which it is not let to the Club.

7—Town Han—(a) Charity Organisation Society -RESOLVED, That the free use of the Card Room at the Town Hall be granted to the Charity Organisation Society for their annual meeting to be held on the 6th June.

(b) Conference----RESOLVED, That the free of the Supper and Drawing Rooms be granted to the Institute of British Carriage and Automobile Manufacturers for their Conference to be held on the 10th and 11th September.

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8—Advertising---Read, letter of 22nd inst., from Mr. E. J. Burrow, enclosing statement of the advertisements advertising the town and medical baths appearing during the month of May, etc. RESOLVED, That it be suggested to Mr. Burrow that the advertisement of the Medical Baths be inserted in the Evesham Journal.

9—Reports of **Concerts Sub-Committee**—The Reports of the Concerts Sub-Committee at their Meetings held on the 7th and 22nd instant were read.

Whit Monday Fete—The Spa Manager reported that the attendance at the Whit-Monday Fete was about 1,500 less than last year.

JAMES STEWART, Chairman.

ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 27th May, 1929. Present—Aldermen Moore and Taylor ; Councillors Sir Richard Wapshare and Welstead (Alderman Moore in the chair).

1—Tenders for Coal—Tenders for the supply of coal for the 12 months ending 1st July, 1930 were received RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. E. J. Sheppard & Son of 16s 10d. per ton for Princess Royal Small Steam Coal be accepted, subject to a Contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Contract.

2—Bulk Supply—(a) Evesham House Sub-Station- -Three tenders were received for the wiring of this Sub-Station. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. F. H Bastin & Son of £15 being the lowest be accepted.

- (b) Leckhampton Depot Sub-Station—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that three tenders were obtained for the conversion of the Leckhampton Reading Room into a Sub-Station, and that the tender of Mr. W. Drew of £718 19s. 8d. being the lowest had been accepted. RESOLVED, That this be approved, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Contract
- (c) Read, letter of the 14th inst., from the Electricity Commissioners with regard to the expenditure on Sub-Stations out of reserve fund and that it did not appear that the defraying of capital expenditure on new works was a purpose for which the Reserve Fund could be used, RESOLVED, That application be made to the Commissioners for consent under the provisions of Section 43 and of the 5th Schedule to the Electricity (Supply) Act, 1926 to the application of surplus revenue in payment of the new ring Sub-Stations.
- 3 - Mains, Transformers, etc.—RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to obtain tenders for the supply of meters, transformers and cable for the ensuing 12 months
- 4—Damage to Lamp Standard—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported damage to lamp standard on the 30th ult., at St. James' Square RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make a claim for the damage but that he be authorised to accept half the amount of the damage, namely £4, if paid within two months.
- 5—Promenade Fountain—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported as to experiments which he had made for illuminating this Fountain and he submitted an estimate for carrying this out amounting to £94 2s. 0d. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to carry this work out subject to the Town Improvement Committee agreeing to contribute £10 a year for 10 years for the cost of the work.
- 6—Third Party Risk—The Borough Treasurer submitted four tenders for a Policy of insurance against Third Party Claims for damage arising on consumers premises. RESOLVED, That the tender of the Municipal Mutual Insurance Co., of 1s per hundred consumers with a limit of £500 for one accident be accepted, the premium for the current year being £3 11s. 5d.
- 7—Gas Regulation Act, 1920—The Town Clerk submitted General Notification of Gas Referees re-- issued on the 15th ult.;, which superseded all earlier issues of the notification and supplements thereto
- 8—Gas Tests—Periodical Reports—Read, reports on gas tests made on the 2nd, 8th and 15th inst., which showed the calorific value on these dates to be 481.1, 484.2 and 480.7 B.Th.U. and the pressure 4.6, 4.6 and 4.2 inches of water respectively.

JAMES MOORE, Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 16th May, 1929. Present—Aldermen Moore, Sawyer
At a Stewart Councillors Pates, Smith and Sir Richard Wapshare (Alderman Sawyer 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 13th May, 1929.	Average for corresponding period during Past 3 years
Hewletts Springs	159,000 gallons	293,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	323,000 "	649,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	56,000	103,000
Total	538,000	1,045,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth 13th May, 1929.	Contents	Depth 13th May, 1928.	Contents
Hewletts		19,708,000 gallons		28,328,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	25ft. 2ins,	66,449,000 "	29ft. 8ins.	87,856,000 "
Leckhampton	11ft. 0ins.	1,485,000	11ft. 0ins.	1,485,000
Total Storage		87,642,000		117,669,000

2—Inspections—The Borough Engineer reported the work carried out by the Water Inspectors
during the month of April,

3—Trunk Main, Lansdown to Tewkesbury Road—(a) The Borough Engineer reported that this main
had now been completed.

(b) Read, letters from Messrs. Taylor, Fletcher & Villar enclosing claims on behalf of Mr. Roy Sindrey,
Mr. J. R. Brown and the Executors of the late S. J. Wasley in respect of loss, etc.,
occasioned by laying the main across the lands in their respective occupations.
RESOLVED, That Mr. C. C. Castle be appointed to act as Valuer on behalf of the
Corporation in regard thereto.

4—Extensions to Mains—The Borough Engineer submitted application from Messrs, Mark Williams
& Co., for an extension of the 4 in. main in Sandy Lane for a distance of 240 yards at
an estimated cost of £180 to supply new houses to be erected, also application from
Mrs. A. B. Lewis Smith for extension of main at an estimated cost of £60 to supply
new house in Arle Road. RESOLVED, That the extensions be made subject to the
whole of the cost being deposited before the commencement of the works to be
refunded as and when the water charges on the houses connected thereto produce
10% per annum on the capital outlay, any such repayment to be repayable at the
end of each financial year.

5—Lorry—The Borough Engineer reported as to the need of a lorry for the Waterworks Department. RESOLVED, That he be authorised to purchase a 25 cwt. lorry.

6—Cemetery and Depot Mains—The Borough Engineer reported that a length of 480 yards 2 in. main and 190 yards 1 in. service had been laid at the Cemetery and also a new 3 in. main at the Central Depot,

7—Woodlands Farm—Read, letter from Mr. S. J. Hobbs, asking to be allowed to continue the tenancy of this Farm. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned and that Mr. Hobbs be invited to attend the next Meeting of the Committee.

8—Castle Barn and Home Farms—(a) The Town Clerk reported that the purchase of this property had now been completed, and submitted particulars of the tenancies. RESOLVED, That Messrs. Chandler Bros. be invited to attend the next Meeting of the Committee.

(b) Woodland—RESOLVED, That consideration of the use and protection of the woodlands in hand be adjourned to the next Meeting of the Committee

9—Hewletts Reservoir—RESOLVED, That six tickets be issued to each member of the Council for fishing in Hewletts Reservoir No. 4 for this season.

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10—Main Extensions—Loan—The Borough Engineer reported that the loan of £4,000 sanctioned by the Ministry of Health on the 21st April, 1921 had now been expended. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a further loan of £4,000 to cover the cost of extensions to mains.

11—Next Meeting—RESOLVED, That the next Meeting of this Committee be held at Dowdeswell.

W. SAWYER,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held at the Central Depot on Wednesday, 22nd May, 1929.

Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Sawyer and Stewart (The Mayor in the chair).

1- Annual Inspection of Hackney Carriages. etc.—(a) The Committee inspected the Hackney Carriages, including Motor Cabs, Omnibuses, Horse Cabs, Wheelchairs, etc. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to renew the Licences for one year from the 6th prox., subject to satisfactory reports of all the vehicles being received from the Motor Hackney Carriage Inspector, and to all repairs reported by the Inspector being carried out to his satisfaction, but that Licences for Motor Cabs not produced for inspection be not issued until they have been submitted for inspection

by this Committee. RESOLVED, also, That Licence No. 14 in respect of Motor Cab LA 8918 be renewed for 3 months only from the 6th prox.

(b) RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the Railway Companies asking them not to allow unlicensed motor cabs in unsatisfactory condition to ply for hire from the stands at the railway stations

(c) New Licence—RESOLVED, That the application of J. F. Ward for a Licence in respect of Motor Cab EE 3008 be granted subject to a satisfactory report being received from the Motor Hackney Carriage Inspector.

(d) Transfers (i.) RESOLVED, That the applications of Horace C. Smith and R. Taylor for Licences Nos. 28 and 1 in respect of Motor Cabs AD 3548 and O 7968 respectively be granted subject to satisfactory reports on the new vehicles being received from the Motor Hackney Carriage Inspector.

(ii.) RESOLVED, That the applications of J. F. Clifford and K. R. Payne for Licences Nos 15 and 51 to be transferred to Motor Cabs DF 1101 and DN 346 be granted subject to satisfactory reports on the vehicles being received from the Motor Hackney Carriage Inspector.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 23rd May, 1929, Present—The Mayor; The Deputy Mayor; Aldermen Moore and Stewart; Councillors Pates, Gen. Thomas, H. W. Thomas, Welstead and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair).

2—Diseases amongst Animals—Supt. Goulder reported that the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

3—Fire Brigade--Report of Captain—The Captain reported that the Brigade had attended the following outbreaks of fire since the last meeting –

Date, 1929.	Place.	Cause.	Damage.	Brigade Expenses.
April 24th	Messrs. Fry & Coombs Works, Albion Street.	Cabinet Sparks from Stove.	£100	£4 14s. 6d.
May 2nd	1 Oriel Terrace,	Accident with candle.	£50	£s 3s. Od,
May 4th	Messrs. Williams & Co's and Mrs. Richard's Shop, Winchcomb Street,	Defective chimney.	£50	£5 5s. Od.
May 8th	216 High Street.	Tar boiling over.	Slight.	£5 0s. 6d.
May 12th	Corndean, Naunton Park Road.	Defective fire place.	£25	£5 5s Od.

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4—Game Licences—RESOLVED, That the following applications for renewal of Game Licences be granted :—C. Barnett & Son, 86 High Street and 2 Montpellier Street H. F. Barnett ; V. Dymond ; H. St. C. Hall ; S. H. Long ; Mac Fisheries Ltd, (84 High Street and 372 High Street) ; Olive & Olive, and Miss F. M. Woodard.

- 5—Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1906—RESOLVED, That renewal of Licences under this Act be granted to applicants for one year from the 2nd inst., viz. :—P. C. A. Wiggall, E. Webb and W. Yates.
- 6—Hackney Carriage Licences—Driver—RESOLVED, That the application of Horace E. Smith for a Driver's Licence be granted.
- 7—Petrol Licences—RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham Motor & Cycle Co. for a licence to store 1000 gallons of petroleum at their garage in Grosvenor Street in two pump storages be granted. RESOLVED, also, That the application of Shell Met Ltd. for permission to install a petrol power pump at their depot in Tewkesbury Road be granted.
- 8—Omnibus Licences—(a) Read, letters of 21st inst., from the Bristol Tramways & Carriage Co, Ltd, and the Birmingham Midland Omnibus Co enclosing proposed time tables between Cheltenham and Great Malvern and Cheltenham and Worcester respectively. RESOLVED, That these be approved.
- (b) RESOLVED, also, That the application from the Bristol Tramways Company for 3 drivers and 4 conductors licences be granted
- (c) Read, application from the Gloucester Transport Limited trading as the Red and White Services, Lydney, for 6 licences for omnibus in respect of their services from Cheltenham to South Wales, Birmingham and London, which hitherto had been operated in conjunction with the Rural England Motor Coaches Ltd., and also applying for 10 drivers' licences. RESOLVED, That the applications be granted.
- (d) Parking—RESOLVED, That the application of the Rural England Motor Coaches Ltd., to park their omnibuses in the Promenade parking place be not granted.
- (e) Read, letter from the Greyhound Motors Ltd., enclosing revised time table and amended fares on their Coventry to Bristol and Paignton service. RESOLVED, That this be approved.
- 9—Sandford Mill Road—The Committee considered recommendation of the Street and Highway Committee to make Sandford Mill Road a one-way traffic road. A Memorial was submitted from Residents in Sandford Mill Road protesting against the use of this road as a through-way for traffic. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to alter the traffic notices at the junction of this road with Old Bath Road directing the traffic to the High Street along the Old Bath Road instead of Sandford Mill Road.
- 10—Police Accounts—Read, letter of 9th inst., from the Home Office stating that at the request of the Treasurers of the Gloucestershire County Council the Secretary of State had nominated Mr. R. M. Montgomery, K.C., to settle the difference between the Standing Joint Committee and the Corporation with regard to the cost of Police Reserves.

11—Removal of Tramways—Read, letter of the 9th inst., from the Cheltenham and District Light Railway Co., that they appreciated the desirability of proceeding as quickly as possible with the conversion of the system but it would facilitate matters if the Corporation could come to an early decision on the question of purchase, which the Corporation have the right to do under the Act on the 31st December, 1931. RESOLVED, That it be pointed out to the Company that the Council could not pass a binding resolution as to the purchase at the present time and it be suggested that a conference with representatives of the Company should be arranged at an early date.

12—Unemployment Insurance Act—RESOLVED, That Edward William John Eager, Store Keeper, Electricity Department, be added to the Certificate of Exception, he having completed three years' service on the 6th ult.

13—New Road—RESOLVED, That on the recommendation of the Housing Committee the new Road from St. Paul's Road into Folly Lane be named Margrett Road.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

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ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 13th May, 1929. Present—Councillors Smith, Gen. Thomas, J. F. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold ; Messrs. F. W. Clarkson, E. M. Yeend and F. Vizard (Councillor Welstead in the chair).

1—Hall Road Allotments—Read, letter from Messrs. Young & Gilling asking the Council to give up a piece of the allotment ground adjoining the sports field so as to enable the sports club to have two football pitches. RESOLVED, That the application be not acceded to.

2—Land for Allotments—The Town Clerk submitted the District Valuer's Report and valuation of the piece of land in Gardners Lane, containing 6a. 2r. 28p of garden land and 1a. 1r of pasture. RESOLVED, in view of the falling off in the demand for allotments, That the Committee cannot recommend the purchase of this land for allotments but that it be referred to the Parks and Recreation Grounds Committee to consider purchase for a Recreation Ground with an intimation that if the whole of the land was not required for this purpose this Committee could take about 2 acres for allotments.

3—Rainbow Field—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to provide about 12 yards of new fencing where required.

W. WELSTEAD,

Chairman.

PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 13th May, 1929. Present—Councillors Smith, Gen. Thomas, J. F. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold (Councillor Welstead in the chair)

- 1—Chelsea Horticultural Show—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor and Gardens Superintendent be authorised to attend this Show.
- 2--Sandford Park—(a) Read, letter from Mr. Edward White calling attention to the disfigurement of the Park by an advertisement put up on the premises of Messrs. C. H. Rainger & Co. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to ask Messrs. Rainger & Co. to remove the board.

(b) The Borough Surveyor reported that a considerable amount of damage was being done to the plants, etc along the banks of the Chelt. RESOLVED, That he be instructed to put up a notice with a view to preventing this.
- 3—Pittville Estate—Plans—RESOLVED, That the approval of plans of buildings on the Pittville Estate which have hitherto been submitted to this Committee be left to the Town Planning Committee.
- 4—Clarence Square—Read, application from Mr. J. W. T. Jackson for a key to the bar in the lane at the back of Clarence Square. RESOLVED, That the application be not granted.
- 5—Naunton Park—The Visitors of this Recreation Ground submitted report on their inspection of the Ground. RESOLVED, That the same be referred to the Borough Surveyor to report to the next meeting of the Committee the cost of carrying out their recommendations.
- 6—Cricket Pitches—RESOLVED, That the Staff and Workmen of the Electricity Department be granted permission to play cricket at Naunton Park Recreation Ground on Saturday afternoons and on one evening per week for net practice. RESOLVED, also, That permission be granted to the tramwaymen to play cricket during the afternoon at one of the recreation grounds if the caretakers can find accommodation.
- 7—Land in Gardner's Lane—RESOLVED, That Councillors Gen. Thomas and J. F. Ward be asked to inspect this land and report thereon.
- 8—Pittville Gardens—The Borough Surveyor reported that a male swan had become savage and was dangerous to children. RESOLVED, That the same be destroyed.

W. WELSTEAD, Chairman.

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ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 17th May, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Stewart ; Dr. R. Davies ; Messrs. F. B. de Sausmarez and C. R. Mapp (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—Visits—During April 3,297 (against 3,777) ; days open 26 (against 24) ; daily average 127 (against 158)

Receipts—Collection Box 14s 1d ; Catalogues £2 6s. 9d. ; Postcard Reproductions £2 2s 8d ; Contributions towards expenses of Women Artists' Exhibition £3 4s. 2d. ; Commission, Women Artists' Exhibition 3s 3d. Total £8 10s. 11d.

Exhibitions—The Exhibition by A. W. Enness, J. A. Haggis, and Mrs. F. A. Ringer, open from 30th March to 2nd May, was visited by 3,811 persons, daily average 131. Expenses (£5 12s. 6d.) were covered by receipts.

The " Save the Countryside" Exhibition was opened by Maj.-Gen, Sir Fabian Ware and Mr. W. Iveson Croome on 7th May.

2—Donations—From Miss Adlard, Two Winchcombe Medals ; Mr. T. E. Letheren, Freehand drawing by the late Charles Letheren ; Mr. Ald. James Moore, Coloured Print of Cheltenham Exhibition, 1854 ; Mr H. E. Morris, Gold and Silver coins of Chile and Peru ; Mrs. Seaver, " Cheltenham Times and Musical Record," 14th March, 1863, printed on satin.

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

3—Manchester Corporation—The Curator read letter of thanks from the Manchester Corporation for the loan of the four Dutch Masters transferred to their Gallery after the London Exhibition. The pictures had been returned in good order.

4—Annual Report, 1928-29--RESOLVED, That this Committee bear a proportion of the cost of [£]10 for printing 600 copies of the Annual Report of the Public Library, Art Gallery and Museum

5 —Belas Knapp—RESOLVED, That the General Purposes Committee be asked to consider making a subscription to the fund of £50 being raised to complete excavations at this Long Barrow, from which valuable finds are already deposited in the Museum.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM, Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 24th May, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors H. W. . Thomas, Welstead and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair),

1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of Superintendent from the 27th April to 24th May, 1929. Interments 54. Grave Spaces sold 13 (First Position 2 ; Second Position 1 ; Fourth Position 10). Memorials fixed 5. New Inscriptions 9.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 7999 to 8016 of the exclusive right of burial in the graves referred to therein

3—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following designs be approved, namely :—Memorial Headstone and kerbing to graves of Jules A V. Meulbrouck, Robert H. Narramore, Annie Day,

Catherine F. Cole, and George H. Fern ; Memorial Headstone to grave of Florence M. Goodwin ; and kerbing to graves of Allan Webler and Mary A. E. Gidney.

4—Dangerous Headstone—The Superintendent reported that he had removed the headstone on grave 3046Q as it was dangerous to the public. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the owner with regard thereto.

5—Grave No. 7429 E —The Town Clerk submitted offer from Miss Bellew of a War Bond for £31 for the upkeep in perpetuity of this grave and the memorial headstone thereon. RESOLVED, That the offer be accepted and that tenders be invited for the upkeep of the grave.

HENRY T. YARNOLD, Chairman.

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PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 9th May, 1929. Present—Councillor H. W. Thomas; Dr. R. Davies ; Messrs. A. Miles and E. C. Rogers (Councillor H. W. Thomas in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report- Receipts £10 4s. 9d. Number of volumes issued in Reference Department 4,864 (last year 6,179); Lending Department 13,970 (last year 11,081) ; Juvenile Department 2,589 (last year 2,201). Total for month 21,423 (last year 19,461). Library open 25 days (last year 22 days).

Replacements---During, the month 99 volumes had been replaced, and 276 volumes despatched to the Binder.

Newsroom--Messrs, Billings had finished their contract ; in addition they had removed seats under reading slopes, made good wall, and painted and varnished dado for the sum of £9 0s. 0d.

Donations—Mr. Ed, J. Burrow (12 vols.) ; Miss Butt (2 vols.) ; Mrs. Chandler (1 vol.).

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

2—New Books—RESOLVED, (a) That 167 vols., new books, published at £101 10s. 0d. be purchased for £47 17s. 0d.

(b) That the sum of £30 be spent on Replacements. (c) That the sum of £30 be spent on Binding.

3-- Periodicals--RESOLVED, (a) That "Public Opinion," weekly 3d., suggested by a reader, be not taken, (b) That " The Shakespeare Pictorial," offered gratis, be accepted with thanks.

4—Staff—The Librarian reported appointment of Miss Phyllis Bowd (Oxf. School Cert.) to fill a Junior vacancy.

5—Library Association Conference, 1929 --RESOLVED, That the Librarian be authorised to attend the Conference of the Library Association to be held at Brighton from the 9th to 13th September,

6—Stationery Supply—The Librarian submitted three quotations. RESOLVED, That that of Messrs. Norman, Sawyer & Co, Ltd be accepted

7—Card Catalogue Cabinet—The Librarian submitted quotations for the supply of a 20 tray cabinet. RESOLVED, That the quotation of Messrs. Smiths Systems for £13 15s. 0d. be accepted, and That the Librarian be authorised to purchase an office chair to replace one worn out.

8--Annual Report—The Librarian submitted quotations for the printing of the Annual Report, RESOLVED, That that of Messrs. Norman, Sawyer & Co., Ltd. for £10 for 600 copies be approved.

H. W. THOMAS, Chairman.

RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 27th May, 1929. Present—Aldermen Moore, Stewart and Taylor; Councillors Scott Langley, Gen. Thomas and E. L. Ward (Alderman Taylor in the chair)

1—Proposals—The Committee considered proposals submitted by the Rating and Valuation Officers. RESOLVED, That these be submitted for the revision of the assessments as now settled by the Committee.

2—De-Rating of Agricultural Hereditaments—The Town Clerk submitted circular 1007 of the 14th inst., from the Ministry of Health with regard to de-rating of agricultural hereditaments and he reported that notice was now being given to occupiers of agricultural hereditaments that the rates on the assessments of these hereditaments need not be paid.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 28th May, 1929. Present—Aldermen the and Taylor ; Councillors Leigh James, Pruen, H. L. Ward and Welstead (Alderman Taylor in chair) .

1—General Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 28th inst., on the collection of the First Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £21,237 3s. 3d., leaving outstanding £97,080 13s. 10d.

- 2—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 28th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 29th September, 1929. Amount collected £5,015 2s. 8d., leaving outstanding £14,271 10s. 6d.
- 3—Loans—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £1,300 on loan. RESOLVED, That a Debenture be sealed and issued on account of a duly authorised loan.
- (b) Renewals—RESOLVED, That the terms proposed for the continuance of Debentures amounting to £13,667 be approved and the Debentures endorsed accordingly.
- 4—National Savings' Certificates—The Borough Treasurer reported that the number of Savings Certificates sold during April amounted to 5,747 as compared with 3,876 for the corresponding month last year.
- 5—4 $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. Housing Bonds—The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting £3,251 had been received for 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. Housing Bonds repayable in 5 years and that certificates had been issued accordingly. RESOLVED, That this be approved.
- 6—Sinking Funds—RESOLVED, That the proposed appropriation of sinking fund moneys for new loan purposes be approved as submitted by the Borough Treasurer,
- 7—Corporation 3 per cent. Stock—The Borough Treasurer reported that he had purchased £1,000 Corporation Stock. RESOLVED, That the sum of £1,000 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, 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.
- 8—Capital over Expenditures—The Borough Treasurer reported that the following amounts had been overspent on loan accounts and accordingly charged to revenue :—Clarence Parade Convenience £178 8s. 7d ; Leckhampton Convenience £19 18s. 10d. ; Cemetery Extension £31 15s. 5d. ; Dales Field £3 13s. 11d. ; and Albert Road Allotments £10 0s. 0d.
- 9—Superannuation Fund—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that there was a further sum of £5,000 available for investment from the year's working of this fund ended 31st March last. Since the commencement of the Scheme on the 1st April, 1925 the surplus from the fund had reached £21,177. RESOLVED. That the £5,000 now available be taken by the Corporation as follows :—£3,000 on account of the loan of £18,267 in respect of the erection of houses and Spenser Road and £2,000 in respect of the loan of £15,030 for the erection of houses in Kipling Road.
- (b) Laundress—The Borough Treasurer reported that Mrs. Harriet James, late Laundress at the Montpellier Baths died on the 25th inst.

(c) Cleaners—Read, application from Mrs. S. A. Matthews asking to be included in the Superannuation Scheme. RESOLVED, That this be not acceded to,

10—Sanctions to Loans—The Town Clerk reported the receipt of sanction to a loan of £2,240 for alterations to the Municipal Offices repayable within a period of 20 years.

11—Town Planning Scheme—Read, letter of the 13th inst., from the Ministry of Health that it was contrary to the Ministry's practice to sanction a loan to meet prospective expenditure in connection with the preparation of Town Planning Schemes, but where, however, it was not found reasonably practicable to meet the expenditure out of revenue he would be prepared on the conclusion of definite stages in the preparation of the Scheme to consider an application for loan. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned until the October Meeting of the Committee.

12—Rate Demand Notes—Read, letter of the 5th inst., from Councillor Dunn with regard to the delivery of Demand Notes for rates and suggesting that these should be placed in envelopes. RESOLVED, That this be not agreed to

13—District Auditor's Report—The Town Clerk submitted a report of the District Auditor dated 22nd inst., on the completion of the audit of the accounts for the year ended 31st March, 1928. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the various Committees concerned and also that the Borough Treasurer be instructed to consider and report on the suggestions mentioned in the report.

14—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on the 28th inst. Present : Alderman Taylor ; Councillors Leigh James and Welstead (Alderman Taylor in the chair). The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

P. P. TAYLOR, Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 27th June, 1929.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held in the DRAWING ROOM, TOWN HALL, on MONDAY, the 1st day of July, 1929, at THREE O'CLOCK** in the Afternoon, at which Meeting the following Business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be- transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
2. Communications by the Mayor.

3. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :—THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE HOUSING COMMITTEE MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE WATER COMMITTEE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE RATING COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE

4. Memorials, Applications, Complaints, &c.

Yours faithfully,

Town Clerk.

To each of the Council.

Borough of Cheltenham

At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held at the Municipal Offices, in the said Borough, on Monday, 3rd June, 1929, at 3 p.m.

Present:

The Mayor (Alderman Charles Henry Margrett, C.B.E., J.P.) in the chair. The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., J.P.)

Aldermen Sawyer, Stewart and Taylor ; Councillors Allen, Dunn, O.B.E., Leigh James, Langley, Lipson, Miller, Pates, Pruen, Smith, Brig.-Gen. Thomas, C.M.G., D.S.O., H. W. Thomas, Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard Wapshare, K.C.I.E., C.B., C.S.I., E. L. Ward, Welstead, K.S.G., and Yarnold.

Apologies—Apologies for absence were received from Alderman J. Moore and Councillor A. G. Wheeler, M.B.E.

1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 6th May, 1929, 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 a Councillor—The Town Clerk reported the election of a Councillor for the South Ward caused by the election of Councillor J. Moore to an Alderman had been duly held, and Mr. Daniel Leopold Lipson had been duly elected and had made his Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

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3—Assignment of Alderman to West Ward—Resolved, That Alderman J. Moore be appointed Limiting Officer for the purposes of Ward Elections for the West Ward for the period ending 9th November, 1929.

4—Vacancies on Committees—Resolved, That Councillor D. L. Lipson be appointed a Member of the following Committees to fill the vacancies caused by the death of Alderman Mann :—Education Committee, Street and Highway Committee, Electricity Committee, Burial Board Committee, Maternity and Child Welfare and Public, Library Committee.

5—Proceedings of Committees—Resolved, That the proceedings of the under-mentioned Committees at their Meetings held on the dates respectively appearing be approved and confirmed :—

Public Health Meeting held May 13

Housing. Meetings held May 10 and 14

except that the price of 19 Kipling Road be fixed at £499 and the price of 3 Shelley Road at £500 instead of £495 in accordance with the District Valuer's recommendations, and that the price of 5 Shelley Road be fixed at £500 instead of £495 in accordance with the District Valuer's recommendations and that Minute No 10 of the meeting of the Committee on the 12th February, 1929 be varied accordingly.

Subject to an Amendment moved by Councillor Lipson and seconded by Councillor Pruen : " That Minute No. 7 be varied by calling the woman to be appointed the Manager of the Corporation House Property.' "

Maternity and Child Welfare Meeting held May 25

Street and Highways Meeting held May 22

Subject to an Amendment moved by Councillor Pruen and seconded by Councillor Yarnold : " That Minute No. 8 with regard to warning sign, Crescent Terrace, be referred back for further consideration."

Town Planning Meetings held May 10 and 23

Town Improvement and Spa Meetings held May 7, 17 and 24

Electricity and Lighting Meeting held May 27

Water Meeting held May 16

General Purposes and Watch Meetings held May 22 and 23

(An Amendment moved by Councillor Pruen and seconded by Councillor Allen : " That Minute No. 9 with regard to Sandford Mill Road be referred back for further consideration " was lost.)

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Allotments	Meeting held May 13
Parks and Recreation Grounds	Meeting held May 13
Art Gallery and Museum	Meeting held May 17
Burial Board	Meeting held May 24
Public Library	Meeting held May 9

Rating Meeting held May 27
Finance Meeting held May 28

Resolved, also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed authorising him to pay to the several Corporations, Companies and Persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts, the sum of money set opposite their respective names.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Mayor.

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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, 1st July, 1929.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 10th June, 1929 Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Moore and Stewart ; Councillors Leigh James, Pruen, Gen, Thomas, E. L. Ward, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Gen, Thomas in the chair),

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. :-1, 2 and 3 Portman Cottages, Upper Bath Street ; and 21 North 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 them in each case to provide a moveable ash receptacle of such size, pattern and construction as may be approved by the Sanitary Inspector on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Insanitary Property—(a) 2, 3, 4 and 6 to 14 Fairhaven Street ; 2, 4, 5, 7 and 10 Fairhaven Cottages ; 48 Upper Park Street ; 16 Lower Park Street ; 7 and 36 Union Street ; 17 Townsend Street ; 17 Victoria 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 3 of the Housing Act, 1925, or 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.

3--Nuisances from Drains, etc., at (a) Andover Villa, Tivoli Circus —The Sanitary Inspector having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, etc., on or belonging to the above-named house were in such a state as to be a nuisance or injurious to health. RESOLVED, That authority be given to the Sanitary Inspector to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee,

- (b) 25, 26 and 27 Exmouth Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the Owner of these premises had not complied with the notice to carry out the works required, RESOLVED, That the Sanitary Inspector be instructed to obtain tenders for carrying out this work,
- (c) The Old Pike House, Tewkesbury Road—The Sanitary Inspector submitted report with regard to the drains of the above house which discharged into a surface water drain and ran into the Chelt. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to inspect and report to the next meeting of the Committee.
- (d) 7 Dunalley Parade—The Sanitary Inspector reported that in carrying out the repairs to the drains at this house, additional work had been found necessary and he submitted estimate of Messrs. Mark Williams & Co. of £5 10s. 0d. for carrying out this work. RESOLVED, That this be accepted.
- 4—Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted particulars of Notice requiring abatement of Nuisances arising from failure to provide sufficient W.C, accommodation, served but not complied with. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to enforce compliance.
- 5 –Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 27 lbs. Beef ; 5 stone 11 lbs. Fish.
- 6—Houses Unfit for Human Habitation—(a) King's Head Gardens Oak Cottage, Lower Mill Street ; 9 Russell Place ; and 61 Sun Street .—The Medical Officer of Health having made representation that these dwelling-houses were so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation and recommended that the same be closed. Read, letter from the Owner of King's Head Gardens agreeing to a Closing Order and the Owner of 61 Sun Street attended and consented to an Order. RESOLVED, That it appearing to the Council that the said houses are in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, Orders be now made under the Common Seal pursuant to Subsection (1) of Section 11 of the Housing Act, 1925, prohibiting the use of the said premises for human habitation until the same have been rendered fit for that purpose and that notice thereof be given to the Owners and Occupiers.
- (b) 1 to 5 Elm Place—Mrs Samuelson, the Owner of these properties, attended and asked for permission to recondition the property and for the determination of the Closing Order. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned.

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- 7—Rats and Mice (Destruction) Act, 1919—The Sanitary Inspector reported case of infestation of rats at 12 Oxford Place, London Road, and that the Corporation rat baiter had killed 32 rats. The cause of infestation being due to keeping of fowls.
- 8—Smoke Nuisance—The Sanitary Inspector reported that on the 24th ult., the chimney of the Cheltenham Original Brewery Co., Ltd., was emitting dense black smoke for a period

of 10 minutes and causing a nuisance and verbal notice had been given to the Company to abate the nuisance and to exercise more care in stoking so as to prevent a recurrence of the nuisance. He also reported that on the 30th ult. complaint was received of the nuisance from the fumes from the exhaust pipe of an oil engine and the Manager had promised to have an alteration made to the exhaust pipe.

9—Water Supply—RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Medical Officer of Health, That the Water Committee be requested to arrange for a series of analyses of the water supply.

10—Abattoir—The Borough Surveyor reported that tenders had been invited for the erection of the new cooling chamber at the abattoir.

11—Medical Officers of Health's Annual Report—The Medical Officer of Health submitted the following general statistics from Dr. Garrett's Annual Report for the year ended 31st December, 1928, which would in accordance with the instructions of the Ministry be an ordinary report. The birth rate for 1928 was 12.91 per thousand inhabitants, and the gross death rate was 14.04 per thousand inhabitants, which when corrected for irregularities of distribution as regards age and sex so as to render it comparable with other districts in the country was reduced to 10.60 per thousand inhabitants as compared with 11.7 per thousand inhabitants for the whole of England and Wales. The Registrar General estimated that the population in the middle of 1928 was 50,630.

12—Sewers, Fairview District, etc.—The Borough Surveyor reported that a length of 820 yards of new 15 inch surface water drains had been laid with all old gully connections, new gullies and the necessary manholes, and a length of 103 yards of 9 inch sewers had also been laid, RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to settle small claims for compensation in connection with the re sewerage up to a maximum of £1 10s. 0d. per claim.

13—Elmstone Hardwicke—Read, letter of 5th instant from the Clerk to the Tewkesbury Rural District Council that his Council had received a report of the County Analyst of a sample of water taken from the public well near the Post Office at Elmstone Hardwicke which was unsatisfactory owing to pollution and that the Council feared that the effluent from the Sewage Farms was percolating into the well and asking for the observations of the Corporation on the matter. The Medical Officer of Health and the Borough Surveyor submitted report on their inspection of the well.

14—Public Conveniences—The Town Clerk submitted report from Supt. Goulder with regard to the posting of objectionable notices in public conveniences. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to put up notices in the conveniences offering a reward of £1 to persons giving information leading to conviction of any person found putting up notices in any convenience,

15—Conference—Read, circular from the National Association for the Prevention of Tuberculosis inviting the attendance of delegates to their annual conference. RESOLVED, That delegates be not appointed.

16—District Sanitary Inspector—Fourteen applications for the appointment of a District Sanitary Inspector were received. RESOLVED, That the Chairman and Councillor Leigh James be appointed a Sub-Committee to select candidates for interview by the Committee at a Special Meeting to be held on the 25th instant.

17—Medical Officer of Health—Travelling Allowance—RESOLVED, That in lieu of paying taxi fares the Medical Officer of Health be allowed the sum of £60 per annum for travelling expenses.

H. M. THOMAS,

Chairman.

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At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 25th June, 1929. Present—Aldermen Moore and Stewart Councillors Allen, Leigh James, Pruen, Gen, Thomas, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Councillor Gen. Thomas in the chair).

18—Abattoir—Five tenders were received for alterations and extensions to the Abattoir. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. Amos Wilson & Son of £1,463 being the lowest be accepted subject to a Contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into.

19--District Sanitary Inspector—The following candidates attended for interview by the Committee :—

Whitwham, H. L., Bingley, Plumber and Assistant Teacher Technical College.

Thompson, H., Hull. Recently Sanitary Inspector in Nigeria.

Charlton, H. S., Wednesbury. Assistant Sanitary Inspector.

Champion, G. M., Plymouth. Assistant Sanitary Inspector.

RESOLVED, That subject to the approval of the Ministry of Health Mr. Hugh Lee Whitwham be appointed District Sanitary Inspector in pursuance of the provisions of the Sanitary Officers' Order, 1926, for the period ending 31st March next, at a salary of £190 per annum rising by annual increments of £10 to £250 per annum together with £3 per annum for cycle allowance.

H, M. THOMAS,

Chairman,

HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 11th June, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Moore ; Councillors Dunn. Pates, H. W. Thomas, Gen. Thomas, Sir R. Wapshare, J. F. Ward, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Pates in the chair)

1---Kingsley Gardens The Borough Surveyor submitted complaints from tenants of Nos. 9 and 10 of these houses that a heap of builders' materials, clay and rubbish had been left in the gardens of these houses. RESOLVED, That he be authorised to have this removed and to provide some soil so as to put the gardens into a workable condition.

2-99 Tennyson Road—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to set back the fence of this house so as to take in a small piece of unoccupied land adjoining.

3—Garden Prize Scheme—RESOLVED, That £7 be offered in prizes in two classes, namely £3 10s. 0d. for houses occupied by Corporation tenants, and £3 10s. 0d. for the other houses, and £1 be the first prize in each class and the balance awarded at the discretion of the Sub-Committee, and that the gardens be inspected in the last week in July.

4-22 Tennyson Road--RESOLVED, That the application of the tenant of this house to transfer to a non-parlour type house be granted.

5—Pilley Lane Housing Site —(a) Delancey Hospital Land—It was reported that there was a piece of land belonging to the Delancey Hospital fronting to Pilley Lane which the Trustees might be prepared to sell. RESOLVED, That Mr. Malvern be instructed to inspect and report thereon,

(b) Miss Norman's Laird—Read, letter of 11th inst., from Messrs. Cornelius & Boulter that their client had now agreed to accept £900 for this land containing 2a. 3r 25p., plus Vendors costs of Conveyance and Surveyor's fees. RESOLVED, That a provisional contract be entered into for the purchase of the land on these terms and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for a loan of £957 for the purchase money and costs and stamp on conveyance. Baptist Chapel—Read, letter from the Leckhampton Zion Baptist Chapel asking if the Corporation would sell a portion of the land adjoining the Chapel in Pilley Lane for the extension of the Chapel. RESOLVED, That they be informed that when the Corporation have acquired the property they will give the application favourable consideration.

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6—Whaddon Road Housing Site—(a) The Town Clerk reported that Miss Skillicorne had now agreed to accept £808 for her land containing 3.828 acres subject to payment of Vendors Solicitors costs and to tenancy of present occupiers and also to the Corporation erecting a fence along the boundary of the land to prevent trespass on the adjoining land. RESOLVED, That a provisional contract be entered into on these terms. RESOLVED also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £834 10s. 0d. for the purchase money including Vendors Solicitor's costs and stamp on conveyance.

(b) Tenders for Houses—RESOLVED, That tenders be invited by advertisement for erection of the houses.

7—Folly Land Housing Site—Mr. Malvern reported that he had found it necessary to employ his assistant (Mr. S. Ventris Field) for the whole of his time on this site to act as Clerk of Works. RESOLVED, That he be paid a salary of £2 10s. 0d. per week until the Contract with Mr. C. Steward is completed.

8—Sale of Houses-19 Kipling Road—Read, letter of 31st ult., from the Cheltenham & Gloucester Building Society that the Purchaser desired that the advance on the purchase of this house should be repayable over a period of 18 years instead of the usual period of 16 years. RESOLVED, That no objection be made to this.

(b) 22 Kipling Road—The Town Clerk reported that the purchaser of this house had now decided to purchase No. 1 Shelley Road instead of 22 Kipling Road. RESOLVED, That this house be sold for £495 and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance and Mortgage. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for their consent to the sale. RESOLVED, also, That the guarantee given in Minute No. 12 of the Meeting of the Committee on the 14th May last be applied to No. 1 Shelley Road and the Minute varied accordingly.

9-8 Spenser Road—Read, letter from the Owner of this house asking the Corporation to remove the elm tree on the vacant land at the end of his garden as he considered this was dangerous and overshadowed the garden. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the tree inspected by the treeman and report next month.

10—Vacant Shop Sites. St. Mark's—Read, Memorial from the Owners of Nos. 92 to 98 Tennyson Road and Nos. 57 and 59 Byron Road complaining of the nuisance caused by children playing in the hedge at the backs of their houses. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to cut the hedge down if he considers this advisable.

11—Sale of Land—Brooklyn Road—The Town Clerk submitted offer from Mr. H. C. Waghorne to purchase 40 feet front-age of land in Brooklyn Road at £3 per foot. RESOLVED, That this offer be accepted subject to his entering into a Contract containing restrictive covenants similar to those entered into by other purchasers, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance.

(b) The Town Clerk also submitted offer from Mr. A. Tarplin to purchase 45 feet frontage of land on the North-East side of Brooklyn Road on the Housing Estate at £3 per foot. RESOLVED, (subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health), that the offer be accepted subject to the same restrictive covenants as in other cases and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for their consent to the sale.

12—St. Paul's Street South Improvement Scheme—Read letter from the Ministry of Health agreeing to contribute 50 per cent. to the Scheme. An Official Representation of the Medical Officer of Health under the Housing Acts 1890 to 1925 having been submitted.

RESOLVED, (1) That the Council, having taken into consideration, the Official Representation of the Medical Officer of Health dated the 17th December 1928, and being satisfied of the truth thereof, and of the sufficiency of their resources declare that the area described in such representation and coloured Pink on the Plan attached thereto, is an unhealthy area and that an Improvement Scheme ought to be made in respect of the said area including the land at the back of Nos. 1 to 16 St. Paul's Street South, Nos. 182 and 183 High Street, and the land and buildings at the rear thereof and the yard at the side of 182 High Street, No. 184 High Street (London Ale and Porter Stores) and the land on the east side adjoining Lime Kiln Row and also the Britannia Inn in Swindon Road and a portion of the Duke of Sussex Inn coloured blue of the plan prepared by Mr. T. Malvern required to make the Scheme efficient,

(2) RESOLVED, also, That a portion of the land purchased by the Corporation in Folly Lane be appropriated for the Scheme as a site for the additional houses required to re-house the population to be displaced by the proposed Scheme.

(3) RESOLVED, also, That the Town Clerk be instructed to prepare a Draft Scheme, in accordance with the provisions of Part 2 of the Housing Act, 1925 and that the Borough Surveyor and Architect prepare the necessary plans particulars and estimates,

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13 ---Folly Lane and Margrett Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted plan and amended estimate amounting to £5306 for the cost of reconstructing and widening Folly Lane and laying, out the new road called Margrett Road including the provision of surface water drainage and widening of St. Pauls Road, RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £5306 for the cost of carrying out this work and that the third resolution of Minute No. 19 passed by the Committee on the 2nd January last be varied accordingly.

14—Kipling Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted plan and amended estimate of the cost of laying out and constructing Kipling Road and the extension of Shakespeare Road including the provision of sewers and surface water drainage amounting to £3943, RESOLVED, That application he made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of [3943 for the cost of carrying out this work and that Minute No. 13 (a) passed at the Meeting of the Committee on the 2nd January last be varied accordingly.

J. P. PATES, Chairman.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 11th June, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Leigh James, E. L. Ward and Welstead ; Mrs. Booy and Mrs. Mellersh (Councillor Leigh James in the chair)-

1—Health Visitor—Read, letter of from the Ministry of Health that Miss Goddard was not on the approved list of Health Visitors and they, therefore, could not recognise her appointment. RESOLVED, That further advertisements be issued inviting applications

for the appointment of Health Visitor at a salary of £200 per annum, with £14 for uniform and cycle allowance rising by £10 per annum to £240.

LEIGH JAMES,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 11th. June, 1929 Present—The Deputy Mayor; Councillors Lipson, H. W. Thomas and Yarnold The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—Cheltenham District Traction Act, 1929—Change Over—Sir Joseph Nall, Mr. Tatham and Mr. McCormick attended the Committee and the question of the change over from trams to omnibuses was discussed with the Company who were asked to proceed first with the changeover on the Leckhampton and Prestbury Road Sections and that these portions of the roads should be dealt with within the next six months

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 17th June, 1929. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor; Councillors Scott Langley, Lipson, Pates, H. W. Thomas and Yarnold (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

2—Transport—The Borough Surveyor reported that two reconditioned Peerless Tipping Lorries had been purchased from the Peerless Trading Co. Ltd., for £700 plus £9 for two new Speedometers. The County Transport Superintendent (Mr. W. J. Reid) had inspected and examined and recommended the purchase. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

3—Road Traffic Signs and Cross Road Priority Traffic—(a) Read, circular of 12th inst., from the Ministry of Transport enclosing copy of the Motor cars Excessive Noise Regulations, 1929, which would come into force on the 1st August next, and also report of Conference on Road Traffic noises and priority of traffic at cross roads and the Ministry had adopted the recommendations of the Conference relating to precedence of traffic at cross roads and very shortly they would issue to Local Authorities a circular dealing with signs recommended for all kind of road direction posts, etc., and that pending the issue of this circular the Ministry desired that no action should be taken on the report.

(b) Park Place and Suffolk Road—RESOLVED, That the application of the Automobile Association for four danger signs to be fixed on the junction of the roads be adjourned pending the issue of the circular of the Ministry of Transport referred to.

- 4--Tenders for Coal---The Borough Surveyor submitted 28 tenders received from five firms for the supply of coal to be delivered to the Corporation G.W.R. Siding in each case from 1st July, 1929, to 30th June, 1930. RESOLVED, That the following tenders be accepted :—(a) Messrs, J. Williams & Co. for 70 tons Coventry hand stacked kitchen house coal at 27s. 0d. per ton (b) Messrs. J. Williams & Co. for 240 tons of Locketts Merthyr d.s, lorry large Welsh smokeless coal at 32s. 6d. per ton ; and (c) Messrs. Webb Bros. for 90 tons of Brynteg red vein large anthracite at 30s. 8d per ton.
- 5--Shelburne Road—The Borough Surveyor submitted application from the Headmaster, Dean Close School, for the provision of new kerbing and channelling on the east side of Shelburne Road which he estimated would cost £300. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for view.
- 6—Rolling Way—Garrick's Head—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. J. Villar for permission to substitute a new rolling way in the footpath in Bath Street for the present rolling way in the entrance passage floor be not granted.
- 7—Petrol Pump—RESOLVED, That the application of Messrs, B. Blissett & Co. for permission to erect a petrol pump at their premises in Norwood Road in lieu of their present kerbside pump be granted subject to the usual agreement being entered into.
- 8—Public Works Congress—Read, circular from the Public Works Congress Committee inviting the attendance of delegates to the 5th Congress and Exhibition to be held in London from the 18th to 23rd November next. RESOLVED, That the Chairman (Councillor Capt. Trye) and the Borough Surveyor be appointed to attend.
- 9—Bath Parade—Read, letter of 28th ult., from Dr. H. B. Todd with regard to the footpath in this road. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for view.
- 10—Refuse Disposal—The Drifts—Read, letter of 24th ult., from the Ministry of Health that a Local Inquiry would be held in regard to the application of the Corporation for sanction to a loan of £400 for the purchase of this land.
- 11—Wire Hawsers—Read, circular of 22nd ult., from the Ministry of Transport that the Minister proposed to introduce legislation with regard to the stretching of wire hawsers across roads, but that in the meantime it was suggested that proceedings might be taken (if necessary) under the Highways Act, 1835, or the Towns Police Clauses Act, 1847.
- 12—Street Projections—(a) RESOLVED, That the application of Boots Ltd., for permission to fix a Kodak Delivering Machine in front of their premises in High Street on the footpath be not granted.
- (b) RESOLVED, That the application of Palmer Brothers for permission to fix a projecting sign outside their premises at 13 Fairview Road be granted subject to the usual conditions.

(c) RESOLVED, That the application of North Place Church for permission to place a board on the bend of the wall of The Parsonage in Portland Street directing to this Church be granted.

13—Post Office Telegraphs—Read, letter from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs for permission to place an overhead line along Dunalley Parade and Brunswick Terrace with one pole in Brunswick Terrace and Dunalley Parade. RESOLVED, That the application be granted in respect of Brunswick Terrace subject to the exact position of the pole being approved by the Borough Surveyor and to 6 feet of painted lagging being affixed to the base of the pole if required, but that the application in respect of Dunalley Parade be not granted as the footpath is too narrow.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

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TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 7th June, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart; Councillors Leigh James, Scott Langley, Gen, Thomas and E. L. Ward ; Messrs. W. S. F. Harris and A. Yeend (Councillor E. L. Ward in the chair).

1—Plans of New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings, namely:—

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
2674	Stirland, S. C.	Extension of garage, 15 Lansdown Place Lane (Amended Plan).
2696	Beesley, E. J.	Detached house, Badgeworth Road (Amended Plan).
2700	Flowers Bros.	Timber store, Rose and Crown Passage.
2701	Cadena Café Co.	Additions to the Corner House Café, Promenade.
2702	Bendall & Sons	Two semi-detached houses, Pilford Avenue.
2703	Bendall & Sons	Additions and garage, to house, Pilford Avenue.
2704	Waghorne, H. C.	Detached house, Brooklyn Road,
2705	Isher, A. H.	Additions to workshop, Rose and Crown Passage.
2706	Cheltenham Playhouse Co. Ltd.	New Cinematograph Chamber, Cheltenham Theatre Regent Street
2707	Messrs. C. & P. James	Alterations and additions, 5 Promenade
2708	Cheltenham Press Co.	Extension of Printing works, Swindon Road

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 2674, 2702, 2703, 2704, 2705, 2706 and 2708 be approved ; That Plans Nos. 2696 and 2707 be approved subject to the drainage being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector ; and That Plans Nos. 2700 and 2701 be disapproved.

2—Town Planning Area—Plans----The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended new buildings under General Interim Development Order, 1922:-

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
29	Colwell-Rogers, C.	Re-erection of Tudor Cottage, Dowdeswell, near Cheltenham.
30	Bowd, W. H.	Pair of Villas, Beards' Ash, Woodmancote.
31	Healing & Overbury	Alterations to The Doones, East End Road, Charlton Kings.

RESOLVED, That permission to proceed be given in respect of Plans Nos. 30 and 31, but refused in the case of Plan No. 29.

E. L. WARD,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 20th June, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Scott Langley and Gen. Thomas, and Mr. W. Shakespeare (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

3—Municipal Aerodrome—Read, letter of 3rd instant from the Air Ministry with regard to the visit of Mr. F. Timms and the inspection with the Borough Surveyors of Gloucester and Cheltenham and the Town Planning Assistant of three suggested sites at Quedgeley, Staverton and Bishop's Cleeve for a joint Municipal Aerodrome, and enclosing reports of these sites together with a copy of a letter to the Town Clerk of Gloucester in which the Ministry suggested that in view of the close proximity of Gloucester and Cheltenham to Brockworth Aerodrome they were of opinion that this Aerodrome would meet the needs of the towns for a considerable number of years and suggested that the two Corporations should approach the Gloster Aircraft Co. with a view to making arrangements for licensing this aerodrome for public use. RESOLVED, That this suggestion be approved and that the Gloster Aircraft Co. be approached as recommended.

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4—Plans of New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings, namely :—

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
2676	Cavendish House Co. Ltd.	Extension of Cavendish House (Furniture Showrooms). (Amended Plans).
2692	Dickins, C.	Detached house, Priory terrace. (Amended Plan).
2700	Flowers Bros.	Timber store, Rose and Crown Passage. (Amended)
2701	Cadena Cafe Co.	Additions to Corner House Cafe, Promenade. (Amended Plans).
2709	Nidd, J. A. P.	Motor house, Chelston, Brooklyn Road.

2710	Charlewood, V. R., Mrs.	Motor house, Stronvar, Sydenham Villas Road.
2711	Williams, A. J.	Motor house, Wellington Street (rear of 23 Cambray).
2712	Allan Burns, T.	Motor house, 7 Raymond Terrace, London Road.
2713	Keene, F.	Detached house, Hewlett Road (Harp Hill).
2714	Cheltenham Corporation.	92 houses between Hewlett Road and Whaddon Road.
2715	Edwards, Mrs.	New kitchen, Cropthorne, Montpellier Terrace.
2716	Haywood, H. G.	Motor house, 103 Tennyson Road.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 2676, 2692, 2700, 2710, 2711, 2712, 2713 and 2716 be approved ; That Plans Nos. 2701 and 2715 be approved subject to the drainage and sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector ; That Plan No. 2714 be referred to the Architect for consideration of the points raised thereon and That Plan No. 2709 be disapproved.

5—Town Planning Area—Plans—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notice and Plan of intended New Building under General Interim Development Order, 1922 :—

No. of Plan.	Name,	Description.
34	The Misses Hull and Lacy.	Pair of semi-detached bungalows, Blackedge Farm, Leckhampton Hill.

RESOLVED, That permission be given to proceed subject to no part of the buildings being erected nearer than 43 feet from the stone wall boundary on the same side of the road.

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 14th June, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart; Councillors Allen, Dunn, Pates, Pruen, H. W. Thomas and Welstead (Alderman Stewart in the chair),

1—Alstone and Montpellier Baths—The Borough Surveyor submitted applications from the Superintendents of these baths for an increase in salary. RESOLVED, That the applications be not granted.

2—Town Hall—Conference—Read, letter from the British Carriage and Automobile Manufacturers Association thanking the Corporation for the free use of the rooms at the Town Hall for their Conference to be held in September next.

3—Pittville Gardens—The Committee considered application of the 30th ult., from Sea Sports Ltd. for a lease of a portion of Pittville Gardens for the construction of a bathing pool, sports ground and restaurant. The Town Clerk advised that a lease could not be granted unless a Provisional Order was obtained altering the provisions of the Cheltenham Improvement Act to authorise this He submitted a memorial from residents of Pittville and neighbourhood pro-testing against the proposed lease. Mr.

C. W. Domville Fife, Director, and Mr. James, Architect of the Company attended the Committee and asked if, in the event of the application not being granted, the Committee would consider an alternative scheme for the Marle Hill Annexe. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned until the next meeting of the Committee to be held on the 21st instant to enable the Company to submit an alternative scheme.

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4-- Copyright Music The Town Clerk submitted correspondence with the Performing Right Society in regard to the licence held by the Corporation which the Society pointed out only extended to the musical entertainments arranged by the Corporation at the Town Hall and did not extend to functions for which the rooms were let. The Town Clerk Reported that the form of Agreement for hiring the Town Hall contained an undertaking by the hirer not to use the building for the performance of any copyright work without consent of the Owner of the copyright and also indemnifying the Corporation against any claim for infringement of copyright. RESOLVED, That the Committee do not think it necessary to take out a comprehensive licence to cover the private lettings.

5-- Montpellier Gardens (a) The Borough Surveyor reported that Sir Arthur Sykes, Bart., had offered some tobacco plants for these gardens, RESOLVED That the offer be accepted with thanks

(b) Cafe The Borough Surveyor reported that on the 9th inst., a small leaded pane was removed from the Cafe window and rood, to the value of 4s were stolen.

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 21st June, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart; Councillors Dunn, Pates and Pruen (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

6—Alstone Baths---RESOLVED, That the application of the Central School for the grant of 12 half season tickets for these baths as last year be granted.

7—Promenade—Fountain----RESOLVED, That this Committee agree to contribute £10 a year for 10 years towards the cost of illuminating this fountain.

8 —Pittville Gardens—The Committee further considered the application of the Sea Sports Ltd. for lease of a portion of these Gardens or of the Marle Hill annexe RESOLVED, That the application be not entertained.

9—Marle Hill Annexe--RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to report as to the practicability of constructing an open air swimming bath in the Marle Hill Annexe and cost of same.

10—Hard Tennis Courts—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to prepare estimate for the construction of 5 hard tennis courts, namely 3 in Montpellier Gardens and 2 in Sandford Park.

11—Sunday Concerts—Read, letter of 20th inst., from the Hon. Secretary of the Committee of the Orchestral Concerts asking the Committee to receive a deputation before making definite arrangements for the Sunday Concerts next season. RESOLVED, That the deputation be received at the Meeting of the Committee on the 20th September next.

12—Advertising—Read, letter of 21st inst., from Mr. E. J. Burrow enclosing list of advertisements appearing during the current month.

13—Mineral Waters—The Spa Manager submitted quotation for the analyses of the mineral waters. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Medical Advisory Committee for consideration.

14—**Reports of Concerts Sub-Committee**—The Reports of the Concerts Sub-Committee at their Meetings held on the 4th and 18th inst. were read.

They recommended as follows (a) Montpellier Gardens—That tennis court No. 8 at these gardens be let for the remainder of the season at a charge of £6 0s. 0d.

(b) Winter Gardens—That the Borough Surveyor's suggestion to pave the ground surrounding the pear tree at these gardens be adopted.

RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and adopted.

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

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ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 19th June, 1929, Present- Alderman Moore ; Councillors Dunn, Lipson, Sir Richard Wapshare, J. F. Ward and Welstead (Alderman Moore in the chair).

1—Public Lighting—RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to place an additional lamp in Sherborne Place opposite 3 Grosvenor Cottages.

2—British Engineering Standards Association—RESOLVED, That the annual subscription of £2 2s. 0d. to this Association be renewed.

3—Bulk Supply—(a) Stand-by Supply—The Borough Electrical Engineer submitted a letter from the Power Company stating that the construction of the overhead 11,000 volts power line between Beckford and Evesham was now well in hand and the route for the additional line from Hesters Way Sub-station to the line supplying Evesham was now

being surveyed and the Power Company anticipated completing a duplicate route right through by September, and in view of this position he recommended the Committee to change over a further section of consumers in Leckhampton and Charlton Kings Districts. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

(b) Tivoli Sub-Station—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had arranged for the purchase of part of the garden of " Limehurst," Painswick Road, for the erection of a sub-station at £125 plus cost of Conveyance. RESOLVED, That this be approved and the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance.

(c) Secondhand Motors—The Borough Electrical Engineer recommended the Corporation to purchase a number of secondhand 100 cycle motors for hire to consumers pending the change of system. RESOLVED, That he be authorised to purchase suitable motors for the purpose and hire them to consumers on the scale now approved by the Committee.

4—Damage to Lamp Standards—(a) The Borough Electrical Engineer reported damage to a lamp standard on the 7th instant near the entrance to Sandford Park by a motor van belonging to the Blue Bird Cafe Co. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make a claim for the damage estimated at £5. 4s 6d.

(b) Crescent Terrace—Read, letter of 13th instant, from " The Bell " Assurance Association that they had now agreed with the Bristol Tramways Carriage Co. Ltd., to settle this claim for the damage to a lamp standard on the corner of this street on -a halving basis and enclosing cheque for £9 6s. 9d. RESOLVED, That this be accepted.

5—I.M.E.A.—Annual Convention—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported on the proceedings of this Convention held at Torquay at the beginning of the month which was attended by the Chairman, Councillor J. F. Ward and himself.

6—Electrical Cooker Demonstrator—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that Miss A. Stemp, the Department's Demonstrator, had given one month's notice resigning her appointment. RESOLVED, That he be authorised to advertise and to appoint a successor at a salary of £4 per week to carry out the duties approved by this Committee, the appointment to be terminable by either party by one month's notice in writing on either side.

7—Annual Tenders—Tenders for the supply of cables, meters and transformers for the ensuing 12 months were received and opened, RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned and that the tenders be referred to the Borough Electrical Engineer for consideration and report.

8—Mains and Services—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that the existing loan for mains and services was exhausted and recommended that application be made to the Electricity Commissioners for a new loan for laying mains and services as and when required RESOLVED, That application be made to the Electricity Commissioners for their sanction to a loan of £10 000 for this purpose.

9—District Auditor's Report—The Committee considered the District Auditor's Report on his audit of the accounts of the Undertaking for the year ended 31st March, 1928 and the Town Clerk submitted draft letter to be sent to the Ministry of Health with the Committee's observations thereon. RESOLVED, That this be approved

10—Gas Tests—Periodical Reports—Read, Reports of Gas Tests made on the 24th and 31st ult., 4th and 13th inst., which showed the calorific value on these dates to be 479.8 ; 480.1 ; 480.7 and 481.3 B.Th.U., and the pressure 4.8; 5.4; 4.8 and 5.1 inches of water respectively.

JAMES MOORE,

Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 13th June, 1929, Present--Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Dunn, Pates, Smith and Sir Richard Wapshare (Councillor Dunn 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 10th June, 1929.	Average for corresponding period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	134,000 gallons	207,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	279,000 “	487,000 “
Leckhampton Springs	48,000	80,000
Total	461,000	774,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS,

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
	10th June, 1929.		10th June, 1928.	
Hewletts		18,660,000 gallons		22,417,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	23ft. 8ins.	60,492,000 “	25ft. 6ins.	67,964,000 “
Leckhampton	7ft. 0ins.	945,000	7ft. 0ins.	945,000
Total Storage		80,097,000		91,326,000

2--Inspections--The Borough Engineer reported the work carried out by the Water Inspectors during the month of May

3—re Charges—The Committee considered the Revenue Account for the year ended 31st March, 1929. RESOLVED, That the following reductions be made in the scale of charges in districts outside the Borough as from the 29th September next :—

DOMESTIC SUPPLIES 5 ½ % on the gross rental. Minimum Charge 10s. 0d. (Present Charge 6%),

LICENSED PREMISES 6 ½ % on the gross estimated rental. (Present Charge 7%)

RESOLVED, also, That as from the 29th September next the bulk supply to the Borough of Tewkesbury be reduced to 9d. per 1,000 gallons.

4—District Auditor's Report--The Committee considered the District Auditor's Report. RESOLVED, That the cost of the water used in the various departments of the Corporation be charged to such departments on the same basis as is charged for the purposes of income tax accounts.

5—Woodlands Farm—Mr. S. J. Hobbs attended for interview with the Committee. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to continue him as yearly tenant of this farm as from Michaelmas next including 40 acres of land given up by Mr. Randell at a rent of £150 per annum for a total area of 188.223 acres subject to his entering into an agreement to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

6—Home or Lower Farm—Messrs.. Reginald and Gilbert Chandler attended for interview with the Committee and it was RESOLVED to recommend the Council to accept them as tenants of this farm comprising 160.190 acres at a rent of £200 on a yearly tenancy as from Michaelmas next subject to their entering into an agreement to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

7—Trunk Water Main—Tewkesbury Road to Lansdown—The Borough Surveyor reported on tests of pressure of this main made at Dean Close School and which proved to be satisfactory.

8—River Severn Survey—Read, letter from the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries inviting the Corporation to send representatives to attend a further meeting to be held at the Town Hall, Birmingham on Friday, 28th June next, to consider the draft of the fourth report on the survey of the River Severn. RESOLVED, That the Medical Officer of Health and Borough Engineer be appointed to attend.

9—Dowdeswell Reservoir—Fish Ladder—RESOLVED, That the Borough Engineer be asked to submit estimate of the cost of renewal of the Fish Ladder.

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10—Woodlands in hand—Mr Councillor Smith reported that he had made an inspection of some matter of the woodlands in hand, but intended to make a complete inspection. RESOLVED, That consideration of the matter be adjourned until the next meeting.

11—J. T. Burrows Tenancy—Application was received from Mr. J. T. Burrows with regard to the repair of fences on his holding. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to point out that under agreement he is liable to maintain the fence but that the Corporation will provide some timber in the rough for the repairs required.

12—Water Analyses—RESOLVED, That the Medical Officer of Health be asked to submit to the Committee his recommendations with regard to the analyst's of the water supply.

13—Tudor Cottage, Rossley Manor—The Borough Engineer submitted plan for the re-erection by Mr. Coxwell Rogers at Rossley Manor of the Tudor Cottage removed from the Gloucester Road Playing Field. RESOLVED, That the plan be approved.

14—Appeals—The cases entered in the Appeals Book were considered, and the rates settled and adjusted.

G. OWEN DUNN,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, [..] June, 1929. Present—The Mayor ; Councillors Leigh James, Gen. Thomas, Welstead and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Diseases amongst Animals—(a) Supt. Goulder reported that the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

(b) Foot and Mouth Disease (Amendment Order) 1929—The Town Clerk submitted copy of this Order.

2—Hackney Carriage Licences—Transfers—RESOLVED, That the application of F. E. Herbert and R. J. Payne for Licences Nos. 43 and 11 to be transferred to motor cabs AD266 and AD6640 respectively, be granted.

3—Fire Brigade—The Captain reported that on the 28th May the Brigade attended an outbreak of fire at Briarton House, Charlton Kings. Cause not apparent. Damage slight. Brigade Expenses £4 16s. 0d.

4—Petrol Licence—RESOLVED, That the application of Messrs. Haines & Strange for a licence to store 1,800 gallons of petroleum in pump storages at their premises in Liverpool Place, be granted.

5—Poisons and Pharmacy Act, 1908—Applications for licences under this Act were received from Mr. A. Barnfield and Mr. F. B. Cypher in place of the licences recently held by the late Mr. G. Pates and Mr John Cypher respectively. Messrs. H. Miller, P. James and W. J. Thompson attended as a deputation from the Cheltenham and District Pharmaceutical Society and opposed the applications on the ground that the members of their Society afforded ample provision to the public for obtaining poisons for agricultural and horticultural uses. RESOLVED, That consideration of the applications be adjourned and that the applicants be invited to attend the next meeting of the Committee.

6—Omnibus Licences—Read, application from the Birmingham and Midland Motor Omnibus Co. stating that for many years they had provided a service between Birmingham and Weston-super-Mare via Gloucester and Bristol and that they desired to augment this by an alternative service via Cheltenham and Bath and applying for six licences for the service. RESOLVED, That the application be granted and that the route through

the town be via the Promenade, Oriel Road into Bath Road. RESOLVED, also, That the application for 6 Drivers and 6 Conductors Licences be granted.

7—New Road—RESOLVED, That the new road to be constructed from Hewlett Road to Whaddon Road be named Patesian Avenue.

8—Empire Day—Read, letter of 7th instant from the Chairman, Cheltenham Branch, National Citizens Union, with regard to the celebration of Empire Day and stating that while the present arrangements for each school to have its own celebration was sufficient for the children, they regretted that no public ceremony was arranged in which the general public could take part.

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9—Telegraphic Facilities—Read, letter of 11th instant from the Postmaster that it had been decided to extend certain additional telegraphic facilities in Cheltenham as from the 1st July and commencing on that day telegrams would be delivered in the town up to 9 p.m. on week-days instead of 8 p.m. as at present and could also be handed in for outward transmission up to the same hour. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to write to the Post-master and ask whether arrangements could not be made for receiving and delivery of telegrams on Sundays.

10—Aero Exhibition—Read, circular from the Society for British Aircraft Constructors inviting the attendance of delegates to this exhibition to be held at Olympia in July. RESOLVED, That delegates be not appointed.

11--Leckhampton Hill—The Town Clerk reported that Mrs. Young had sublet the bungalow Cafe on the west side of Leckhampton Road and was offering the bungalow for sale. RESOLVED, That Minute No. 7 passed at the meeting of the Committee on the 23rd April last authorising a lease of the land to Mrs. Young for three years, be rescinded.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 10th June, 1929. Present--Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Dunn, Smith, E. L. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold ; Messrs. F. W. Clarkson, F. Vizard, J. Waine and E. M. Yeend (Councillor Welstead in the chair),

1--Crab Tree Piece Allotments--(a) Nos. 188 and 189—It was reported that Mr. James had failed to dig over and put these allotments in proper order and that they were now in a bad state and that he had paid nothing in respect of the arrears of rent. RESOLVED, That Mr. James be informed that the Committee will not re-let the allotments to him and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the allotments dug over and put in a proper state of cultivation with a view to re-letting them to another applicant.

(b) No. 143—The Town Clerk reported that this allotment was vacant and in a bad state of cultivation. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be also instructed to have it dug over with a view to re-letting it.

2 -Allotment Rents --The Borough Treasurer reported as to the saving in rates under the provisions of the Agricultural Rates Act, 1929. RESOLVED, That a discount at the rate of 5 per cent. be allowed from the rents in respect of all allotments paid within one month of the due date of payment, such allowance to be made in respect of all rents for the current year.

W. WELSTEAD,

Chairman.

PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 10th June, 1929, Present—Alderman Sawyer ;
Councillors Dunn, Smith, Gen. Thomas, F. L. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

1—Grammar School Playing Fields—Read, letter from the Bursar of the Cheltenham Grammar Schools that the Governors were unable to adopt the suggestion that their playing fields should be opened for the use of their scholars during the school holidays.

2—Land in Gardners Lane—RESOLVED, That the purchase of this land for an additional recreation ground be not entertained.

3—Naunton. Park Recreation Ground—(a) The Borough Surveyor reported that the cost of carrying out the proposals of the Visitors for altering the position of the children's playground was £145. RESOLVED, That the proposal be not proceeded with

(b) RESOLVED, That permission be granted for the use of the ground for the school sports on the 26th June provided that the expenses of preparing the ground are paid by the Sports Committee.

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4—Sandford Park—The Borough Surveyor submitted tenders for the erection of a small iron fence round the lily pond in the Bath Road entrance. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. R. E. & C. Marshall Ltd. amounting to £35 15s. 0d. be accepted.

5—Willow Tree near Fountain—The Committee considered the report of the treeman that a large limb of this tree should be removed as the lower portion of it had decayed and was hollow, RESOLVED, That application be made to the Forestry Office of the Forest of Dean to allow one of their experts to inspect this and that if he confirms the treeman's report the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the limb removed.

W. SAWYER,

Chairman.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 14th June, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Dunn., Scott Langley, Brig.-Gen. H. M. Thomas ; Colonel Griffith ; Messrs. F. B. de Sausmarez and C. R. Mapp (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—Visits—During May 3,661 (against 3,397) ; daily average 136 (against 126). Included in these figures were classes from St. Paul's Training College ; Forest of Dean ; Pate's Grammar School ; Hillesley Women's Institute; Great Witcombe School ; Dean Close School ; Coberley School ; Cheltenham School of Arts and Crafts (216 in all).

Receipts—Collection Box £1 2s. 3d. ; Catalogues 5s ; Contribution to " Save the Countryside " Exhibition £1 1s. 0d. ; Contributions towards Exhibition by A. W. Enness, etc. 10s ; Commission, A. W. Enness, etc. Exhibition £2 8s. 8d. ; Postcard Reproductions 1s 6d. Total £5 8s. 5d.

Exhibitions—" Save the Countryside" Exhibition, open from 7th-27th May, attendance 2,799, daily average 155. Notice Boards—The Boards at Montpellier, Winter Gardens and Pittville had been re-painted and re-lettered at a cost of £1 10s. 0d.

2—Donations—From Miss Finimore, Two Water-colour Seascapes by Charles Pilkington White ; Dr. Cyril Fox, F.S.A., Swansea Plate, 1817 ; Mr. H. E. Norris, F.Z.S., Dunlin (Glos. specimen) ; Mrs. L. W. Rees, Case of Birds of India ; Mrs. Tiddeman, West African Drum ; Director and Secretary, Victoria and Albert Museum, Unbound set of illustrations to the Guide to the later Chinese Porcelain in the Victoria and Albert Museum.

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

3—Loan—From Miss R. Armitage, Two Oil Paintings : " An inn in Florence " by Francesco Vineca (1874), and " Asleep " by Briton Riviere, R.A. (1873).

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Lender, and That the pictures be insured for £50 each.

CLARA, F. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 22nd June, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart (in the chair) and Councillor Wheeler.

1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of Superintendent from the 25th May to 21st June, 1929. Interments 41. Grave Spaces sold 16 (First Position 1 ; Third Position 2 ; Fourth Position 13). Memorials fixed 11. New Inscriptions 14.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 8007 to 8022 of the exclusive right of burial in the graves referred to therein.

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3—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following designs be approved, namely :—Memorial Cross, Bases and kerbing to graves of Louisa H. Hobday, Charlotte C. E. H. Corbett, Colwyn W. Vulliamy and Adam Ii. Mackay ; Memorial Block with bronze panels and kerbing to grave of Harry W. Gill ; Memorial Headstone and plinth to grave of Thomas R. Bailey ; Memorial Scroll and base to existing kerbing of Aurora J. Harris; Memorial Scroll to grave of Rosie Gapper ; Memorial Ridge Tomb and plinth to graves of Arthur J. Irwin and Mary J. P. Fitch ; Memorial Headpiece and kerbing to graves of Lottie Gapper and Philip L. Parsons and kerbing to graves of John Broom and Emily Edmunds and grave 1029 B.1.

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 6th June, 1929. Present—Councillors Scott Langley, Lipson, Brig.-Gen. H. M. Thomas, H. W. Thomas and Yarnold ; Messrs. A. Miles and F. Vernall (Councillor H. W. Thomas in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Receipts £8 18s. 1d. Number of volumes issued in Reference Department 5,223 (last year 7,245), Lending Department 13,101 (last year 11,236) ; Juvenile Department 2,271 (last year 1,799). Total for month 20,595 (last year 20,280).

Replacements—During the month 193 volumes had been replaced.

Cleaning—The work of thorough cleaning was proceeding, and the tables in the Reference Library were being re-polished. Donations—Anon. (1 vol.) ; Mr. F. Booth (2 vols.) ; Trustees, British Museum (1 vol.) ; Messrs. Ed J. Burrow (26 pamph.) ; Mr. Ed. J. Burrow (2 pamph.) ; Mrs. Fitzpatrick (1 vol.) ; Messrs. Kemps Publishing Co. (1 vol.) ; Oversea Settlement Dept. (36 pamph.) ; Quarry Manager's Journal Ltd. (1 vol.) ; Mr. B. W. Talbot (1 vol.) Mr. C. J. Teal (1 vol.).

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

2—New Books—RESOLVED, (a) That 135 vols., published at £58 10s. 0d. be purchased at a cost of £37 3s 8d.

(b) That the sum of £40 be spent on Replacements.

(c) That the sum of £30 be spent on Re-binding

3—Periodical—RESOLVED, That the following be added to the list of those purchased :—" The Realist," monthly 2s; "Discovery," monthly 1s; " Lloyd's Shipping Gazette," daily 2d.

4—Library Facade—RESOLVED, That the name of W. Drew be added to the list of contractors asked to quote for the treatment of the stonework on the library facade, and that the architect, Mr. L. W. Barnard, be asked if he can suggest other contractors who might be prepared to carry out this work.

H. W. THOMAS,

Chairman.

RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 24th June, 1929 Present—Alderman. Taylor; Councillors Scott Langley, H. W. Thomas, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

1— Proposals—The Committee considered proposals submitted by the Rating and Valuation Officers. RESOLVED, That these be submitted for the revision of the assessments as now settled by the Committee.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 25th June, 1929. Present—Aldermen Moor' and Taylor; Councillors Leigh James, Miller, Pruen, E. L. Ward and Welstead (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

1—General Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, date, ' inst., on the collection of the First instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £41,459 3s. 10d., leaving outstanding, £76,858 13s. 3d.

2—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 25th inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 29th September, 1929. Amount collected £8,180 6s. 2d., leaving outstanding £11,106 7s. 0d.

3—Loans—The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £10,500 on loan. RESOLVED, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loans.

4—National Savings' Certificates—The Borough Treasurer reported that the number of Savings Certificates sold during May amounted to 5,650 as compared with 6,516 for the corresponding month last year.

5—Income Tax—The Borough Treasurer reported as to negotiations in progress with the Inland Revenue Authorities in regard to the loss on entertainments being set off against profits on undertakings.

6—Insurances—(a) Boilers—The Borough Treasurer reported that the Vulcan Boiler Insurance Co. had agreed to reduce the premium on the boilers at the Baths and Waterworks from £38 15s. 0d. to £29 14s. 0d., and on the boilers at the Town Hall, Winter Gardens, Municipal Offices, Pittville and Cemetery from £27 to £18 18s. 0d. and at the Museum from £5 7s. 0d. to £4 16s. 4d.

(b) Workmen's Compensation—The Borough Treasurer submitted quotations from the Midland Employers Insurance Co. and County Fire Office for this Insurance. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned

(c) Corporation Regalia—Read, letter from the British Insurance Co quoting rates for the insurance of the Corporation Regalia, Mayor's Chain, etc. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Borough Treasurer for consideration. .

7—District Auditor's Report—Read, letter from the Ministry of Health asking for the Council's observations on the District Auditor's Report, and stating that the Minister attached importance to compliance with the Rate Accounts (Borough and Urban District Councils) Order, 1926 and to institution by Local Authorities of an internal check over accounts of all accounting officers. RESOLVED, That the Borough Treasurer be asked to submit at the next meeting his recommendations for an internal audit and also that he be asked to confer with the Borough Electrical Engineer with a view to simplifying the accountancy system of the department. RESOLVED, also, That for the purpose of the Accounts, the Spa Manager's salary be divided between the Medical Baths and the Town Hall on a time basis and that one half of the honorarium made to the Medical Advisory Committee be charged to the Mineral Waters and Spa Accounts and the other half to the Medical Baths.

8--Institute of Municipal Treasurers—The Borough Treasurer reported the proceedings of the conference held at Hastings which was attended by the Chairman, Councillor E. L. Ward and himself.

9—Sanctions to Loans—The Town Clerk reported the receipt of the following Sanctions to Loans :—

Date, 1929.	Purpose,	Amount.	Period of Repayment.
20th June	Purchase of Chelt Springs	£1491	60 years.
“	Purchase of land in Whaddon Road	£618	80 “
“	Purchase of buildings at Chelt Springs	£125	20 “
24th June	Construction of Kipling Road and Shakespeare Road Extension	£3,270	20 “
	Do. do.	£672	30 “
“	New private supply electricity transformers	£4,323	20 “
25th June	For construction of Patesian Avenue	£4,549	20
“	Do. do.	£757	30 “

10—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on the 25th inst. Present : Alderman Taylor ; Councillors Leigh James and Miller (Alderman Taylor in the chair). The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 25th July, 1929.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Quarterly Meeting of the Council, to be held at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMENADE, on MONDAY, the 29th day of July, 1929, at THREE O'CLOCK** in the Afternoon, at which Meeting the following Business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
2. BREDON WATER SUPPLY.-To consider application of Tewkesbury Rural District Council for Bulk Supply to Bredon.
3. OMNIBUS SERVICE TO HEREFORD.-To consider application of Great Western Railway for omnibus service to Hereford.
4. Communications by the Mayor.
5. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :—THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE HOUSING COMMITTEE MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE and to receive resignation of Commander Orgee of his appointment as Borough Meteorologist. ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE WATER COMMITTEE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE If BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE RATING COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE
6. To consider draft Administrative Scheme made by the County Council under Section 4 of the Local Government Act, 1929, constituting Public Assistance Committee and Guardians Committee.
7. To consider recommendation of the General Purpose Committee as to purchase of property adjoining the Art Gallery. 8. Memorials, Applications, Complaints, &c.

Yours faithfully,

Town. Clerk.

To each Member of the Council.

Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held at the Town Hall in the said Borough, on Monday, 1st July, 1929, at 3 p.m.. Present

The Mayor (Alderman Charles Henry Margrett, C.B.E., J.P.) in the chair. The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., J.P.)

Aldermen Moore, Sawyer, Stewart and Taylor Councillors Allen, Dunn, O.B.E., Leigh James, Scott Langley, Miller, Lipson, Pates, Pruen, Brig.-Gen. H. M. Thomas, C.M.G., D.S.O., H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye, C.B.E., Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard Wapshare, K.C.I.E., C.B., C.S.I., E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Welstead, K.S.G., Wheeler, M.B.E. and Yarnold.

Apology—An Apology for absence was received from Councillor S. J. Smith.

1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 3rd June, 1929, 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—Burial Board Committee—Resolved; That Councillor S. J. Smith be appointed a Member of the Burial Board Committee in place of Councillor D. L. Lipson (Resigned).

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3—Proceedings of Committees—Resolved, That the proceedings of the under-mentioned Committees at their Meetings held on the dates respectively appearing be approved and confirmed :—

Public Health... Meetings held June 10 and 25

Housing Meeting held June 11

Maternity and Child Welfare Meeting held June 11

Street and Highway Meetings held June 11 and 17

Town Planning Meetings held June 7 and 20

Town Improvement and Spa Meetings held June 14 and 21

Subject to an Amendment moved by Alderman Taylor and seconded by Alderman Sawyer : " That Minute No. to be amended providing for three hard tennis courts in Montpellier Gardens and none at Sandford Park."

Electricity and Lighting Meeting held June 19

Water Meeting held June 13

General Purposes and Watch Meeting held June 18

Subject to an Amendment moved by Alderman Moore and seconded by Alderman Stewart : " That Minute No. 7 be amended and that the new road be called " Skillicorne Avenue."

Allotments Meetings held June 10

Parks and Recreation Grounds Meeting held June 10

Art Gallery and Museum Meeting held June 14

Burial Board Meeting held June 22

Public Library Meeting held June 6

Rating Meeting held June 24

Finance Meeting held June 25

Resolved, also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer he signed authorising him to pay to the several Corporations, Companies and Persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts, the sum of money set opposite their respective names.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Mayor.

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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, 29th July, 1929.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 8th July, 1929, Present— The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Moore ; Councillors Pruen, Gen. Thomas, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Gen. Thomas in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz:-31 Burton Street ; 31 Worcester Street ; 26 Duke Street ; 6 Leicester Terrace ; 18 Fairfield Parade ; 2 Naunton Cottages, Naunton Lane ; 30 Jersey 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 Sanitary Inspector on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at (a) 4 Essex Lodge, Cambray ; Cambray Baptist Church and School House, Cambray ; 19 Clarence Square and Cottage in Monson Avenue ; Barrington House, Monson Avenue ; 15 Northfield Terrace ; 1 and 2 Monson Avenue; Alington, St. Margaret's Road,—The Sanitary Inspector having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, etc., 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 Sanitary Inspector to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

(b) 15 Russell Street ; Andover Villa, Tivoli Circus ; The Old Pike House, Tewkesbury Road ; and 9 Clarence Square—The Sanitary Inspector 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 specifications of the work required to be done. RESOLVED, That the same be approved, and that Notices be given under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the Owners requiring them to do the work specified within 28 days except that in the case of 9 Clarence Square, the owner be required to do the work within seven days and in default the Sanitary Inspector be instructed to have the work done.

(c) 7 Dunalley Parade—The Sanitary Inspector reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Committee the drainage work required under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, had been carried out to his satisfaction by Messrs. Mark Williams & Co., at a cost of £38 12s. 0d. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Owner for payment.

(d) 25, 26 and 27 Exmouth Street—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the Owner of these premises had not complied with the notice served under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, and he submitted three tenders for the work required. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. Mark Williams & Co. of £27 5s. 0d., being the lowest, be accepted.

3—Insanitary Property—(a) 7, 8, 9 and 10 Clare Place ; 2 Naunton Cottages ; 20 to 23 Exmouth Street ; 9 New's Cottages ; 1 to .1 Portland Cottages and 30 Portland Square ; 20 Grosvenor Terrace ; 26, 28, 30, 32 and 39 Jersey Street ; 68 Queen Street ; and 3 Bennington 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, or Section 3 of the Housing Act, 1925, 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.

(b) 39 All Saints' Terrace—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the Owner of these premises had not complied with the Notice served under Section 3 of the Housing Act, 1925, and submitted three tenders for carrying out the work. RESOLVED, That the tender of Messrs. W. T. Pates & Sons of £18 15s. 0d., being the lowest, be accepted.

4—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 23 lbs. Beef ; 4 lbs. Mutton 2 cwt. 1 qr. 8 lbs. Pork ; 28 lbs. Fresh Fish ; 12 cwt miscellaneous provisions (damaged by fire).

5—Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted list of Notices for sanitary work served but not complied with. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to enforce compliance.

6—Smoke Nuisance—The Sanitary Inspector reported complaint received concerning the chimney of Messrs. Crooks' Laundry in Croft Street, and the Owner had now provided a special draught door in the furnace which had abated the nuisance.

7—District Sanitary Inspector —Wad, letter of 29th ult., from the Ministry of Health approving of the appointment of Mr. H. L. Whitwham as District Sanitary Inspector, and the Chief Sanitary inspector reported that Mr. Whitwham commenced his duties on the 5th instant

8—Houses Unfit for Human Habitation—(a) 1 to 5 Elm Place—Mr. H. F. Midwinter and Mrs. Samuelson (Owner) attended in regard to her application for permission to recondition this property, RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned and that Mr. Midwinter be asked to send his client's proposals for the consideration of the Committee.

(b) 32a and 32b Fairview Street—RESOLVED, That notice be given to the Owner of these premises that the Committee will consider making a Demolition Order in respect thereof at the September meeting of the Committee.

9—Health Week—Read, circular from the Royal Sanitary Institute with regard to the organisation of a Health Week. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

10—Whaddon Road—Sewer—The Borough Surveyor reported that in order to provide for the drainage of the houses to be erected on the land agreed to be purchased by the Corporation it would be necessary to lay a sewer along the intended line of Skillicorne Avenue as shown on the plan submitted. RESOLVED, That notice be served on the owners and occupiers of the intention to lay the sewer.

H. M. THOMAS,

Chairman.

HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 9th July, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Moore and Taylor ; Councillors Dunn, Pates, Gen. Thomas, Sir R. Wapshare, J. F. Ward, Wheeler, Welstead and Yarnold (Councillor Pates in the chair).

1-26 Manser Street—The Borough Surveyor reported that the tenant of this house had erected a pigeon shed and now applied for the consent of the Corporation for this to remain. RESOLVED, That this be not granted and that he be required to have the shed removed.

2-141 Tennyson Road—RESOLVED, That the application of the owner of this house for the Corporation to have the garden dug over and any rubble removed be not granted.

3—Garden Prize Scheme—RESOLVED, That the **Garden Prize Scheme Sub-Committee** meet on the 31st inst. to inspect the gardens and make the awards for the St. Mark's Housing Estate,

4-8 Spenser Road—The Borough Surveyor reported that the overhanging branches of the tree at the end of the garden of this house had been lopped as requested by the owner.

5—Hope Street—The Chairman reported that he had inspected the houses on the east side of this street and recommended that three oak gates should be erected at the passage entrances to the three blocks of houses. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

6—Whaddon Road Housing Estate—(a) Tenders—RESOLVED, That a special meeting of the Committee be held on the 16th inst to accept tenders for the erection of houses on this Estate.

(b) Skillicorne Avenue—The Borough Surveyor submitted plan and estimate amounting to £4,200 for making up and construction of this road including the drainage thereof. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £4,200 for the cost of carrying out this work.

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7-3, 7 and 15 Byron Road—Read, applications from the tenants of these houses for permission to transfer into non parlour type houses RESOLVED, That the applicants be placed on list for non-parlour houses after the applicants already selected have been dealt with, but the Corporation not to be put to any expense in regard to the transfer to a non-parlour house.

8-6 Kingsley Gardens—RESOLVED, That the application of the tenant of this house for the Corporation to have the garden dug over be not granted.

9—Pilley Lane Housing Scheme--(a) Delancey Hospital Land—The Town Clerk reported that the Delancey Hospital Trustees had now decided not to sell this land for the erection of houses

(b) RESOLVED, That Mr. Malvern be asked to ascertain what land the Pilley Baptist Chapel require for extensions and report to this Committee.

(c) Lay-out—Mr. Malvern submitted lay-out providing for 104 houses. RESOLVED, That this be approved and submitted to the Ministry of Health for approval. RESOLVED, also, That he be instructed to prepare plans of houses.

10—Hudson and Manger Streets—RESOLVED, That the Chairman and Architect be asked to inspect and report as to the need of erecting gates at the passage entrances to these houses.

11—Housing Conference—Mr. Malvern reported as to the proceedings of the Housing Conference held at Bristol on the 18th ult, when it was decided to urge the Government to continue the subsidy under the Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924 until the 31st October, 1939 and increase the subsidy for slum clearance schemes from 50 per cent. to 75 per cent. of the annual loss.

- 12-38, 40 and 42 Malvern Street—Read, letter from Mr. Fitzroy Fowles stating that his client had now agreed to sell these houses at the price valued by the District Valuer namely £60. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to purchase these houses and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £60 for the purchase money and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance RESOLVED, also, That Mr. Malvern be instructed to obtain tenders for the erection of one pair of houses on the sites of these houses when tenders are invited for the Pilley Lane houses.
- 13-28 and 29 Rutland Street—The Committee considered the purchase of these properties together with estimate prepared by the Sanitary Inspector for reconditioning the houses. RESOLVED, That the District Valuer be asked to make a valuation of the premises.
- 14—Folly Lane Housing Scheme—The Town Clerk submitted correspondence with the Secretary of the Local Overtime Committee in regard to the overtime worked on this contract, and that Mr. Steward had now made application for permission to work overtime which would be considered by the Local Committee at an early date
- 15—Woman Manager of Corporation House Property—Applications for this appointment were received from Miss I. Hort and Miss E. N. Arkwright RESOLVED, That Miss Hort be invited to attend the Meeting of the Committee to be held on the 16th instant
- 16—Sale of House—(a) The Town Clerk reported offer from Mr. C. Preston to purchase No. 6 Shelley Road at £500. RESOLVED, That the offer be accepted (subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health), That application be made to the Ministry for their consent to the sale, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance. RESOLVED, also, That the Corporation agree to join with the Purchaser in a Mortgage to a Building Society for an advance not exceeding 2/3rds of the value, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance.
- (b) Mortgage Terms—RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to agree to advances on houses purchased being extended so as to be repayable over a period of 20 years instead of 16 years if desired by the Purchaser.
- 17-34 Byron Road—Read, letter from the Cheltenham & Gloucester Building Society that this mortgage had now been paid off.
- 18—Kingsley Gardens—The Committee considered the erection of additional houses in Kingsley Gardens to fill up the vacant sites and Mr. Rainger reported that there was room for the erection of three further pairs. RESOLVED, That tenders be invited for the erection of the three pairs of houses.
- 19—Kipling and Shakespeare Roads—(a) The Town Clerk reported that the sanction to the loan for completing Kipling and Shakespeare Roads had now been received. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the work put in hand and to have the contractors roads made. RESOLVED, also, That notice be given to Mr. C. Harris to terminate his tenancy of a small portion of field No. 395 required for the extensions.

(b) New Houses—Mr Rainger submitted lay-out for the remainder of these roads, providing for 29 pairs of houses. RESOLVED, That tenders be invited for the erection of the houses.

20-19, 44 and 45 Rutland Street—The Town Clerk reported that the Ministry of Health had sanctioned the loan for the purchase of these properties. RESOLVED, That the Sanitary Inspector be instructed to obtain tenders for carrying out the works of repair and reconditioning.

21-9 Hudson Street—RESOLVED, That the application of the tenant of this house for permission to transfer to a two-bedroom house be granted.

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 16th July, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Dunn, Pates, J. Ward, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Pates in the chair).

22—Whaddon Road Housing Scheme—Skillicorne Avenue-17 tenders were received for the erection of 92 houses in this road, the lowest tender being that of Mr. S. T. Davies of Gloucester, amounting to £30,280, plus the sum of £141 for setting back the houses as required by the Town Planning Committee.

RESOLVED, That (subject to Contract and to Sanction to Loan) the amended tender of Mr. S. T. Davies amounting to £30,082 be accepted, which provided for the erection of 91 houses, including 2 single two-bedroom houses to be substituted for two of the three-bedroom houses and the extra cost of setting back to the line required by the Town Planning Committee.

RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £32,037 for the cost of the houses, including Architects fees and 5% for contingencies.

RESOLVED, also, That notice be given to the tenants to take possession of the land and that Mr. C. C. Castle be appointed to settle claims for tenants' compensation.

RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for their approval of the houses for the purposes of subsidy under the Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924 ;

RESOLVED, also, That the Council hereby undertake that the conditions set out in Sub-Section 1 of Section 3 of the Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924 will be complied with in relation to the said houses.

23-1 Kingsley Gardens - -Read, letter from the tenant of this house complaining that the concrete in the hall allowed the damp to rise and that the floor boards in the bedrooms were warping apart and asking if the Corporation would erect an outhouse to store his

garden tools, etc. RESOLVED, That the letter be referred to Mr. Rainger for inspection and report but that the application for an outhouse be not granted.

24—New Houses, Kipling and Shelley Roads—The Borough Treasurer submitted statement showing that the maximum rents chargeable for the 34 houses in course of erection under the Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924 ascertained in accordance with the rules under the Act, were 10s. 6d. a week. RESOLVED, That a rent of 10s. 0d. be charged for the houses, tenants paying rates, etc.

25—Woman Manager of Corporation House Property — Miss I. Hort attended for interview by the Committee. RESOLVED, That, subject to Miss Hort passing a medical examination, she be appointed Woman Manager of the Corporation House Property at a salary of £250 per annum, the appointment to be terminable by one month's notice in writing on either side and that Miss Hort be asked to commence her duties by the middle of September.

26—Collection of Rents—RESOLVED, That Mr W. Fitzroy Fowles be given notice to terminate his engagement as collector of the rents of the houses in Stanhope Street, Malvern Street, Elm Street and Maud's Elm Terrace as at the 30th September next

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

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MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 12th July, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Scott Langley, Leigh James and E. L. Ward ; Mrs. Gurney and Mrs. Mellersh (Councillor Leigh James in the chair).

1—Health Visitor—The Committee considered seven applications received for this appointment. RESOLVED, That Miss B. Fidler, Health Visitor, Sunderland ; Miss A. Knox, Health Visitor and School Nurse, Wakefield and Miss G. M. Gray, Health Visitor and Tuberculosis Nurse, Leicester be asked to attend for interview at the next meeting of the Committee.

LEIGH JAMES,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 22nd July, 1929. Present—The Mayor; Councillors Dunn, Lipson, Leigh James, Gen. Thomas and E. L. Ward ; Mrs. Booy, Mrs. Mellersh, Mrs. Gurney and Mrs. Willoughby (Councillor Leigh James in the chair).

2—Cheltenham Infant Welfare Association—(a) Annual Report—The 20th Annual Report (from April 1st, 1928 to March 31st, 1929) was submitted:

(b) Quarterly Report—Read, Report for the Quarter ended 30th June, 1929.

The attendances at the Centres had been as follows :—

	Infants.	Toddlers.
At Baker Street (11 Meetings)	37.0	25.6
At Clare Street (11 Meetings)	16.1	13.8
At Highbury (10 Meetings)	37.5	37.9
At St. Mark's (6 Meetings)	14.5	17.3

3—Health Visitors—(a) Quarterly Report—The followg is a summary of the work during the Quarter ended 30th June, 1929 :—

No. of Children on Register	2,471
“ Children Visited (1 year and under) ...	679
“ “ (over 1 year)	573
“ Un-notified Births discovered	9
“ Home Visits paid by Health Visitors...	1,637
“ First Visits paid by Health Visitors ...	132
“ Attendances of Health Visitors at Centres	57
“ Children remitted to Hospital	4
“ Ante-natal cases visited ...	25
“ Measles cases visited	3
“ Mumps cases visited	3

Grants of Milk :

Carried over from previous quarter	28
New Orders ...	15
Orders discontinued during quarter	21
“ continuing to coming quarter	22

Of the total number of orders during the Quarter, 19 have been issued for nursing or expectant mothers and 24 for infants or children under 3 years of age.

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(b) Read, letters from Miss B. Fidler and Miss E. M. Gray, withdrawing their applications. Miss Knox, the other selected candidate, failed to attend. Read, letter from the Minister of Health, that he would be prepared to approve of the appointment of Miss D. T. Goddard on probation for 12 months, on condition that at the end of that period she would enter for the examination for the Health Visitors' certificate of the Royal Sanitary Institute under conditions approved by the Minister. If Miss Goddard then failed to obtain the certificate the Minister's approval might be extended for a further six months. Read, also, letter from Miss Goddard that she was prepared to accept the appointment on the terms of the Minister's letter. RESOLVED, That she be appointed Health Visitor at a salary of £200 per annum, plus an allowance of £14 per annum for uniform and cycle, rising by annual increments of £10 to £240 per

annum, subject to satisfactory service, also subject to her contributing to the Superannuation Scheme of the Corporation, the appointment to be terminable by one month's notice in writing on either side.

(c) Read, letter from Miss Jordan asking for an increase of salary. RESOLVED, That the application be not granted.

4—Maternal Mortality—The Medical Officer reported that he had now arranged with the County Medical Officer that he should investigate all cases arising in and deaths occurring in Cheltenham and that the County Medical Officer of Health should deal with cases arising outside Cheltenham in which death supervenes in Cheltenham and he had also made arrangements with the County Medical Officer of Health as to investigations in cases of Puerperal Pyrexias and Ophthalmia Neonatorum.

LEIGH JAMES,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 15th July, 1929, Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Scott Langley, Lipson, H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye and Yarnold (Councillor Capt. Trye in the chair),

1—View Committee—Reported Meeting on 10th instant, Present--Councillor Scott Langley, H. W. Thomas and Captain Trye (Councillor Captain Trye in the chair).

They recommended as follows:-

(a) Imperial Square—That two seats be fixed on the footpath between Nos 1 and 13.

(b) Imperial Square--That new footpath paving be laid outside the New Club,

(c) London Road—That a traffic sign be fixed on the electric lamp standard on the west side of Old Bath Road

(d) Old Bath Road—That the traffic sign be moved a few feet to the North of Sandford Mill Road,

(e) Leckhampton Road—That E. Colwell's application for the removal of a tree outside " Lorna " be acceded to,

(f) Shelburne Road—That no kerbing be fixed at present to the footpath in this road.

(g) Gloucester Road—That the Manager of the Lansdown Hotel be asked to set back the advertisement hoarding at the corner of Badgeworth Road at the cost of the Corporation.

(h) Gloucester Road—That Mrs. Mason's application for the removal of a tree outside " Thornhill" be not acceded to but that at the next View Meeting the removal of the alternate trees in this part of the road be considered.

- (i) Tewkesbury Road—That the General Purposes and Watch Committee be recommended to remove the weighbridge building.
- (j) High Street—That J. C. Loveridge's further application for the removal of railings surrounding the small piece of land in front of 1 Whitehart Street be not granted and that the previous resolution of the Committee be adhered to.
- (k) Colonnade—That the new footpath paving be extended to the South end.
- (l) Crescent Terrace—That a traffic warning sign be erected on the east side of Royal Well Lane.

RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and adopted

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2—Street Projections—(a) Read, Report of 6th inst. from Supt. Goulder with regard to five swinging projecting signs in respect of which three had been given permission to erect fixed signs and two for which no permission had been given. RESOLVED, That the Street Inspector be asked to see that the signs are made fixed sign and that the regulations are complied with.

(b) RESOLVED, That the applications of W. D. Farrar, Messrs. Wood & Pimm and the Provident Accident Insurance 's Co. for permission to fix projecting signs at their respective premises at 103 High Street, Calcutta Stores, St. George Road, and Clarence Chambers be granted subject to the usual conditions.

3—Hereford Place—The Committee considered proposal of the Education Committee to sell the land at the rear of Milsom Street Schools. RESOLVED, That this Committee do not consider it is advisable to sell this land and that the Council be recommended to retain possession of the same,

4—Guns, etc., at Central Depot RESOLVED, That the old field gun, two trench mortars and an anti-aircraft gun stored at the Depot be offered to Dean Close School as the accommodation occupied by these is required. RESOLVED, also, That the Chairman and Borough Surveyor be authorised to dispose of the various obsolete plant and apparatus at the Depot.

5—Refuse Collection—Tractors—The Borough Surveyor submitted Report from the Victory Motor Co. with regard to reducing the noise of the tractors. Read, also, letter from Major T. R. Holland suggesting that the tractors should be diverted over various routes instead of all proceeding by the same route to the depots. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to see if this can be arranged.

6—Telephone Kiosk, High Street—RESOLVED, That consideration of the application of the Post Office Telephones Department to place a telephone kiosk near the water trough at the corner of Tewkesbury and Gloucester Roads be adjourned.

7—Post Office Telegraphs—Read, letter from the Superintending Engineer, Post Office Telegraphs, for permission to erect an overhead telegraphic line with one pole along Gloucester

Road, near Farnham House, RESOLVED, That the application be granted subject to the exact position of the pole being approved by the Borough Surveyor and to six feet of painting lagging being affixed to the base of the pole if required.

8—Bridges Act, 1929—The Town Clerk submitted circular 296 of the 5th inst., from the Ministry of Transport with regard to this Act.

9—Petrol Pumps—RESOLVED, That the applications of the Montpellier Motor Garage Co. Ltd., Messrs. Chinn Bros., Mr. A. Yeates and Mr. T. H. Little to erect petrol pumps with swing arms over the footpath at their respective premises in Suffolk Road, Bath Parade, Retford Villa, Prestbury Road, and Pilford Garage, Old Bath Road be granted subject to the usual agreements being entered into.

10—Diversion of Heavy Traffic—Read, letter of 11th inst., from Major H. H. Hardy, Headmaster, Cheltenham College complaining of the disturbance caused to the work in the Class Rooms and also the Services in the Chapel by the heavy traffic through Sandford Road and asking the Committee to consider diverting this through Thirlestaine Road. RESOLVED, That Major Hardy be informed that the Committee regret they cannot accede to his request as the road between the Thirlestaine Road and Lansdown Road is too narrow in parts and would be dangerous having regard to the number of cross roads.

11—Trees, St. Luke's Churchyard—Read, letter from Mrs. M. Parker complaining of the Trees in St. Luke's Churchyard overhanging the road. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for view,

12—Land, Folly Lane—(a) Read, letter of the 6th inst., from Mr. E. L. Baylis, stating that he was not disposed to sell a portion of his land in Folly Lane but enquiring if the Corporation would entertain the purchase of the whole of his land, buildings, etc., in Folly Lane and Tommy Taylor's Lane. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to inform him that the Corporation were prepared to entertain the purchase of this property and to enquire as to the price. RESOLVED, also, That the District Valuer be asked to make a valuation

(b) RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Transport for a grant in aid of making up and widening Folly Lane and St. Paul's Road,

J. H. TRYE.

Chairman.

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TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 4th July, 1929. Present—Councillors Scott Langley, Gen. Thomas, Capt. Trye and E. L. Ward, and Mr. W. S. F. Harris (Councillor E. L. Ward in the chair).

1—Plans of New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings, namely :—

No of Plan.	Name.	Description.
2717	The Vicar and Church-wardens of Emmanuel Church.	Proposed Institute, Naunton Crescent.
2718	J. P. Boroughs & Co.	Garage, Windsor Street.
2719	Mr. Hayman.	Extension of Printing Machine Room, Bennington Street and Oxford Passage
2720	A. Evans.	Garage, 5 Shelley Road.
2721	Vaughan Phillips.	Kitchens Extensions at rear of 2 Berkeley Place
2722	Miss E. M. Cox.	Dwelling house, Naunton Park Road.
2723	R. S. Hearn	Garage, 3 Shelley Road.
2724	Mrs. Beetham.	Garage, Braemar, Sydenham Road North.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 2718, 2720 and 2722 be approved ; That Plans Nos. 2719 and 2721 be approved subject to the drainage work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector and That Plans Nos. 2717, 2723 and 2724 be disapproved.

E. L. WARD,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 18th July, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Leigh James, Capt. Trye and E. L. Ward (Councillor E. L. Ward in the chair).

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

No. of Plan	Name.	Description.
2709	Nidd, J. A.	Motor House, Brooklyn Road.
2717	The Vicar and Church-wardens	Amended Plan for proposed Institute of Emmanuel Church.
2725	Smith, R.	Conversion of two small cottages into one at 18 Exmouth Street.
2726	Park, Dr. R.	Detached house, Old Bath Road.
2727	Beck, H.	Extension of shop, Cleobury, Old Bath Road
2728	Lawson, Dr. F. W.	Detached House, Church Road, St Mark's.
2729	Bellerby, Rev. R.	Extension of Motor House, Clarefield, Evesham Road.
2730	Hoggett, Capt. R. B.	Motor House, 33 Great Western Terrace.
2714	Cheltenham Corporation.	92 New Houses, Skillicorne Avenue.
2724	Beetham, Mrs.	Motor House, Braemar, Sydenham Road N.
2731	Cheltenham Corporation.	104 New houses, Pilley Lane.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 2709, 2717, 2726, 2727, 2728, 2729, 2730 and 2724 be approved ; That Plan No. 2725 be approved subject to the drainage work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector ; and That Plans Nos. 2714 and 2731 be approved subject to the amendment thereof as arranged with Mr. T. Malvern.

3—Petrol Pumps—RESOLVED, That the Street and Highway Committee be asked to refer any plans which may appear to effect the Town Planning Scheme to this Committee for consideration.

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4—Montpellier—Marlborough House—It was reported that a summer house had been erected in the front garden of this house without plans having been submitted to the Committee. RESOLVED, That notice be given to the owner to show cause why the building should not be pulled down as being in contravention of the byelaws.

5—Lansdown Place—RESOLVED, That the Street and Highway Committee be asked to view the summer houses erected in the gardens in front of Lansdown Place.

6—Open Spaces—RESOLVED, That application be made to the District Councils in the Town Planning Area for their suggestions as to land to be reserved for open spaces and allotments in their respective Districts.

7—Town Planning Assistants—RESOLVED, That a payment of £4 per annum be made to each of the Town Planning Assistants for cycle allowances, and that they also be allowed any necessary train and omnibus fares.

8—Committee—The Town Clerk reported that all the Councils within the Town Planning Area had now appointed representatives on the Committee, namely –

Gloucestershire County Council...	Major F. W. B. Cripps, D.S.O.
Charlton Kings Urban District Council	Mr. W. S. F. Harris.
Cheltenham Rural District Council	Mr. A. Wiggett.
Northleach Rural District Council	Capt. F. E. Reiss.
Tewkesbury Rural District Council	Major Shakespeare.
Winchcomb Rural District Council	Mr. A. Yiend.

E. L. WARD, Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 12th July, 1929. Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Dunn, Pates, H. W. Thomas and E. L. Ward (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

- 1—Borough Meteorologist—The Town Clerk reported illness of the Borough Meteorologist (Lt. Comdr. J. Orgee), and that the Custodian of Montpellier Gardens was carrying out his duties during his absence.
- 2—Pittville Gardens—RESOLVED, on the application of Mr. J. W. Manning, That the members of the Leafields Women's Union be admitted to these gardens at a charge of 1d. per head on the occasion of their outing on the 24th instant.
- 3—Town Hall—RESOLVED, That the free use of the organ be granted for an organ recital to be given by Mr. Ernest Dicks to the Leafields Women's Union on the 24th inst.
- 4—Montpellier Baths—The Borough Surveyor submitted application from the Headmaster of Leckhampton School for the use of these baths for the boys and girls attending his school together with report from the Superintendent of the Baths on the application. RESOLVED, That the boys be admitted to the baths for the remainder of the season at a charge of 1d per head per day.
- 5—Montpellier Gardens—Floral Fete—(a) RESOLVED, That the account for damage and loss on the occasion of the Floral Fete as now settled be approved and rendered to the Floral Fete Committee,

(b) RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to do the necessary repairs to the asphalt at these gardens damaged by the Flower Show at an estimated cost of £10, to be paid for by the Floral Fete Committee.
- 6—Advertising—Concerts etc.—Messrs. E. Baring, H. W. Bennett, T. W. Waite and C. W. Welford attended as a deputation from the Advertising Committee of the Chamber of Commerce and discussed with the Committee the need for more direct advertising. The deputation were informed that the Committee cannot recommend the Corporation to make any alterations in the advertising arrangements and band concerts this year but that the deputation could attend a meeting of the Concerts Sub-Committee and discuss the arrangements for next year.

W. SAWYER, Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 19th July, 1929. Present—Councillors Allen, Dunn, Pates, Pruen and E. L. Ward (Councillor Pruen in the chair),

- 7—Spa Federation—RESOLVED, That it be referred to the Concerts Sub-Committee to make arrangements for the reception of the Spa Federation Delegates on their visit on the 19th and 20th September.
- 8—**Concerts Sub-Committee**--The Reports of the Concerts Sub-Committee at their Meetings held on the 2nd and 16th July were read, RESOLVED, That these be approved.
- 9—Morning Concerts-- RESOLVED, That as the engagements of the Military Bands will finish on the 7th September, Mr. Horace Teague be engaged to provide a small orchestra of six,

including himself as conductor, for morning concerts at the Town Hall, from 11.15 a.m. to 12.45 p.m. each weekday for the two weeks commencing 9th September at a charge of £10 per week.

10—Town Hall—RESOLVED, That the Spa Manager be authorised to invite the Members of the Sussex and Gloucester-shire Cricket Teams to attend a Cricket Festival Dance on Wednesday, 14th August.

ARTHUR. S. F. PRUEN,

Chairman.

ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 17th July, 1929. Present—Alderman. Moore ; Councillors Dunn, Lipson, and J. F. Ward (Alderman Moore in the chair).

1—Extensions to Mains—(a) Cleeve Hill—Prescott Cottage—Mr. S. T. Steel attended with regard to a supply to these premises ; after consideration of the representations made by Mr. Steel it was RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be instructed to write to him as to the terms of the guarantee which the Committee would require before making the extension.

(b) RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to make the two other extensions mentioned in his Report on the terms now approved by this Committee.

2—Electrical Research—Read, circular letter from the British Electrical and Allied Industries Research Association asking for an increased annual subscription. RESOLVED, That the annual subscription be increased from £2 2s. 0d. to £5 5s. 0d

3—Borough Electrical Engineer's Department—(a) Accountant—RESOLVED, That Mr. C. T. Bastin be granted leave of absence for not exceeding three months on the ground of ill-health.

(b) Staff—The Borough Electrical Engineer recommended that in view of the increase of the work in the Department Miss Newman be appointed Correspondence and Invoice Clerk. RESOLVED, That this be approved and that having regard to her additional duties her salary be increased to £3 3s 0d. per week.

4—Damage to Lamp Standards—(a) The Borough Electrical Engineer reported damage to lamp standards at corner of Trafalgar Street and Montpellier Spa Road and also Norwood Road by vehicles belonging to the Bristol Carriage and Wagon Co. and Gloucester Co-operative Society respectively. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to make claims for the cost of making good the damage.

(b) Halving Agreements—The Town Clerk reported that the British General Insurance Co. Ltd., which also acted as managers of The Britannic Assurance Co., were willing to enter into an agreement for settling claims on a halving basis similar to agreements entered into by other Companies. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to and that the Town Clerk be instructed to sign the Agreement on behalf of the Corporation.

(c) Wilful Damage—Read, letter from Supt. Goulder enclosing report of wilful damage to lamps in Overton Park Road on the 29th ult., and the Town Clerk reported that proceedings were being taken against the offender.

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5—Annual Tenders—RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the B.E.E., That the undermentioned tenders be accepted, for the supply of cables, meters and transformers for the year ending 30th June, 1930 :—

Cables—The Hackbridge Cable Co. at schedule prices.

Meters--The Electrical Apparatus Co, The Edison Swan Electric Co. Ltd., and Metropolitan Vickers Electric Supply Co.

Transformers—The English Electric Co.

6—Gas Tests—(a) Quarterly Report—Read, Report for the quarter ended 30th June, 1929 which shewed the average calorific value for the quarter to be 480.3 B.Th.U.

(b) Periodical Reports—Read, Reports of Gas Tests made on the 27th ult. and 5th inst., which shewed the calorific value on these dates to be 477.7 and 492.3 B.Th.U. respectively and the pressure 4.8 and 4.8 inches of water.

JAMES MOORE, Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 11th July, 1929. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Moore ; Councillors Dunn, Pates, Smith and Sir Richard Wapshare (The Mayor 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 8th July, 1929.	Average for corresponding period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	115,000 gallons	158,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	248,000 “	387,000 “
Leckhampton Springs	48,000	63,000
Total	411,000	608,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
	8th July, 1929.		8th July, 1928.	
Hewletts		19,041,000 gallons		12,682,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	21ft. 4ins.	50,033,000 „	19ft. 6ins.	42,787,000
Leckhampton	9ft. 0ins.	1,215,000	3ft. 0ins.	405,000
Total Storage		70,289,000		55,874,000

2—Inspections—The Borough Engineer reported the work carried out by the Water Inspectors during the month of June.

3—Chelt Springs—The Borough Engineer reported that he proposed to pipe in the water course and fill up the depression in the spring in such a manner that there would be no pollution, and the Town Clerk submitted letter from the Great Western Railway Co. agreeing that the pipe should be connected with their culvert in the railway, subject to the Corporation executing an Undertaking indemnifying the Company against all claims, etc. arising out of or in consequence of the laying of the said pipe and to repay to the Company any additional expenses that may from time to time be incurred in dealing with the railway and works in consequence of the said pipe, etc. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to and the Common Seal affixed to the Undertaking.

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4--River Severn Survey—The Borough Engineer reported attendance of the Medical Officer of Health and himself at a meeting in Birmingham to consider the Fourth Report of the Survey of the River Severn, etc The Report embodied tests made by Dr. Duncan, County Analyst of Worcester on samples taken from the river between Worcester and Tewkesbury on the 7th December, 1928 which showed a slightly less satisfactory condition at Tewkesbury than immediately above Worcester and the meeting had asked Dr. Duncan to continue these tests. Following the meeting, a Conference of representatives of all authorities abutting on the rivers concerned was held to consider a proposal to make application under Sect. 14 (3) of the Local Government Act, 1888 to the Ministry of Health for a Provisional Order constituting a Rivers Board representing the counties and county boroughs through which the rivers and tributaries flow and conferring on the Board all the powers of the Rivers Pollution Prevention Acts. RESOLVED, That the Committee is in favour of the formation of a Rivers Board and that as the Water area of the Corporation extends to the River Severn from which a supply of water is obtained that the Committee are of opinion that the Corporation should have representation on the proposed Board.

5—Water Analyses -- The Medical Officer of Health submitted his report and recommendations in regard to the analysis of the water supplies. The minimum number of analyses which he suggested should be taken during the period of 12 months for the 5 sources of supply were 108 bacteriological and 16 chemical, RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted and that he be asked to obtain quotations for making these analyses. RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Engineer and Medical Officer of Health be authorised to interview Dr. Alexander Houston, who had offered to advise them in regard to the analyses and water supply generally

6—Dowdeswell Wood and Woodlands Farm --The Town Clerk reported that Mr. C. Young was prepared to rent the sporting rights of this property on the same terms as last year, namely at a rent of £50 for the season, including rates. RESOLVED, That this offer be

accepted subject to his entering into an agreement to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

7---Woodlands Farm—The Town Clerk reported that Mr. S. J. Hobbs was willing for the 40 acres of land to be given up by Mr. Randell to be excluded from his tenancy, which would then be reduced to about 100 acres at a rent of £100 per annum. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to and that Minute No 5 passed at the meeting of the Committee on the 13th June last be varied accordingly RESOLVED, also, That the area of about 40 acres to be given up by Mr. Randell be let to Mr. H. Barrett on a yearly tenancy at a rent of £60 per annum, the Corporation to erect cattle shed on the land as required by Mr Barrett. RESOLVED, also, That the cattle shed belonging to Mr. Randell, near the stream, be purchased for this purpose.

8—Upper Dowdeswell-- The Town Clerk reported that Mr. S. J. Hobbs was giving up the tenancy of Field No. 97 containing 11.446 acres at Michaelmas next, and that Mr. H. Reeves of Cold Comfort Farm, his sub-tenant, was prepared to continue the tenancy on the same terms, viz, at a rent of £5 10s 0d. per annum on a yearly tenancy as from Michaelmas next. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to subject to Mr. Reeves entering into an agreement to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

9—Trunk Water Main, Lansdown and Tewkesbury Road—Read, letter from Mr. C. C. Castle in regard to the claim made by Mr. J. R. Brown in respect of the laying of this main across his land. RESOLVED, That failing a settlement on terms recommended by Mr. Castle, the matter be referred to Arbitration.

10—Main Extensions—Read, letter of 27th ult., from the Ministry of Health enclosing sanction to loan of £3,000 instead of £4,000 as applied for The Ministry had reduced the amount of the loan to £3,000 as loans were only sanctioned for prospective expenditure which was anticipated would be made in 3 years.

11—Home or Lower Farm—The Town Clerk submitted offer from Mr. F. A. Hedges to purchase the old staircase in the eight-gabled house for £10. RESOLVED, That this offer be not accepted.

12—Inspection of Properties—The Town Clerk submitted quotations from Messrs. Tayler, Fletcher & Villar and Mr. C. C. Castle for half-yearly inspections and reports as to the state and cultivation, etc., of the several agricultural proper-ties and woodlands belonging to the Corporation 'containing in all 1,400 acres. RESOLVED, That this Committee recommend the General Purposes and Watch Committee to accept the tender of Mr. C. C. Castle of £50 per annum to act as general Agent for the properties, etc.

13—Rossley Manor—Fences—The Town Clerk reported that the Assistant Surveyor had met Mr. Coxwell Rogers and arranged with him in regard to the maintenance of the fences bounding Rossley Manor Estate and submitted plan showing in red the fences to be maintained by the owner of Rossley Manor and in blue the fences to be maintained by the Corporation. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

14—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, 16th July, 1929. Present—The Mayor, Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Moore and Taylor ; Councillors Leigh fame., Poles, H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye, E. L. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Disease amongst Animals—(a) Supt. Goulder reported that with the exception of a case of Swine Fever at Naunton Allotments, the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

(b) Disinfectants—The Town Clerk submitted revised list of Disinfectants issued by the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries on the 5th inst., copies of which had been supplied to Supt. Goulder for distribution ; the revised list (dated June, 1929) cancelled all previous lists.

2—Hackney Carriage Licences—(a) Transfers—RESOLVED, That the applications of W. A. R. Skelton, C. F. Mann and E. T. Fowles for licences Nos. 74, 70 and 61 to be transferred to Cabs Nos. A.D. 1615, E.E. 2894 and L. A. 5899 respectively, be granted subject to satisfactory reports of the vehicles being received from the Motor Hackney Carriage Inspector.

(b) Drivers—RESOLVED, That the application of W. A. R. Skelton of 76 Fairview Road for a Driver's Licence be granted.

3—Omnibus Licences—(a) RESOLVED, That the application of The Lavender Blue Motor Coach Co., of Swindon, Wilts., for an omnibus licence in respect of their service from Cheltenham (Plough Hotel Yard) to Southsea be granted subject to a satisfactory report on the vehicle being received from the Motor Hackney Carriage Inspector and to the usual conditions attached to licences.

(b) Drivers and Conductors—RESOLVED, That the application of the Lavender Blue Motor Coach Co. Ltd., for 3 drivers' licences for the above service be granted. RESOLVED, also, That the application of the Cheltenham District Traction Co., for 6 drivers' licences and one conductor's licence, and of the Bristol Tramways Company for 2 drivers' licences and one conductor's licence be granted.

(c) Read, letter of 26th ult., from the Stationmaster, Great Western Railway, Cheltenham, that his Company proposed to run a service of Omnibuses between Birmingham and Weston-super-Mare and enquiring whether licences for this service would be granted if application be made for same. RESOLVED, That subject to routes, etc., being approved the Corporation will favourably consider the application when made

- 4—Petrol Licences—RESOLVED, That the applications of Mr. T. H. Little and Mr. A. Yeates for licences to store 500 gallons each at their respective premises at Pilford Garage, Old Bath Road and Retford Villa, Prestbury Road, be granted.
- 5—Inspection of Agricultural Properties—RESOLVED, That the recommendation of the Water Committee to appoint Mr. C. C. Castle as general Agent for all the Agricultural properties of the Corporation be approved.
- 6—Land, Hereford Place—RESOLVED, That the piece of land at the rear of Milsom Street Schools in Hereford Place, which the Education Committee proposed should be sold, be retained by the Corporation and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the land fenced in.
- 7—Town Clerk's Department—The Town Clerk reported that as authorised he had now appointed Mr. T. H. Yarnall of the Town Clerk's Office, West Bromwich, as Second Assistant in his Office. RESOLVED, That this be approved.
- 8—Train Service—Read, letter of 1st inst., from the Great Western Railway that as from the 8th inst., the 2.30 p.m. train from Cheltenham to Paddington and the 5 p.m. train from Paddington to Cheltenham would be re-instated.

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- 9—Police Accounts—Arbitration—Read, letter of 5th inst., from Mr. R. M. Montgomery, Arbitrator, that he had found it necessary to alter the date of this Arbitration to the 1st August.
- 10—Grammar School --RESOLVED, That Alderman J. Moore and Councillor Leigh James be appointed Representative Governors of the Grammar School for a term of three years expiring on the 29th July, 1932 in place of the late Alderman Mann and Mr. W. J. M. Dicks.
- 11—Stansby Charity—RESOLVED, That Councillor E. L. Ward be appointed Representative Trustee for a term of four years expiring on the 29th July, 1933 in place of the late Mr. W. J. M. Dicks.
- 12—Shops Acts—The Town Clerk reported that he had received a report that Messrs. Peacocks of the Arcade were not providing seats for the shops assistants as provided by Section 3 of the Shops Acts, 1912 and that he had called their attention to this and he now submitted letter of 29th ult., from Messrs. Peacocks that the seats would be provided and fixed by the 3rd inst.
- 13—Tewkesbury Road --Weighbridge—RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Street and Highway Committee, That the Weighbridge Office, which was now no longer required, be removed.
- 14—Municipal Offices—RESOLVED, That these Offices be closed on 5th August (Bank Holiday) and on Tuesday the 6th August.
- 15—Poisons & Pharmacy Act, 1908—The Committee further considered the application of Messrs. F. B. Cypher and A. Barnfield for licences under this Act. Messrs. A. Barnfield, P. Cypher

and C. Cassidy attended in support of the applications. The Town Clerk reported that the applicants had complied with the Regulations as to publications of notices etc. of intention to apply for licences. RESOLVED, That the applications be granted and that Licences be issued for the period ending the 5th June, 1930 to sell and keep open shop at Queen's Road Nurseries and Imperial Nurseries, St George's Road, respectively, for the sale of poisonous substances to which Section 2 of the Act applies for use exclusively in connection with Agriculture and Horticulture.

16—Traffic Light—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to submit specification and estimate for the provision of an automatic traffic light at the junction of Old Bath Road and High Street.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

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ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 8th July, 1929. Present—Alderman Sawyer
Councillors Dunn, Smith, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold ; Messrs. F. W. Clarkson and J. Waine (Councillor Welstead in the chair).

1—Allotment No. 43 Alma Road.—RESOLVED, That this allotment which had been vacant for over 2 years be let to Mr. S. C. Smith rent free for the first 12 months.

2—Prizes—RESOLVED, That the sum of £6 6s. 0d. be provided for prizes for the best kept allotments. RESOLVED, also, That the allotments be judged during August by Councillor E. L. Ward and Messrs. F. W. Clarkson, F. Vizard, J. Waine and E. M. Yeend. RESOLVED, also, That notices with regard to the prizes be posted at the various allotments and other places. RESOLVED, also, That all entry forms must be received by the Town Clerk on or before the 31st July next.

3—Collection of Rents—RESOLVED, That the Borough Treasurer be asked to report as to the arrangements for the collection of the Crab Tree Piece Allotment rents at the next meeting of the Committee.

4—Inspection of Allotments—The Borough Surveyor reported that he had discontinued having the allotments inspected as he understood that it was desired that these should be inspected by the Visitors of the Allotments. RESOLVED, That the Visitors of the various allotments be asked to inspect the allotments and report thereon from time to time to the Committee.

W. WELSTEAD,

Chairman.

PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 8th July, 1929. Present—Alderman Sawyer ;
Councillors Dunn, Smith, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold (Alderman
Sawyer in the chair),

1—St. Marks's Recreation Ground—(a) Custodian—The Borough Surveyor reported that this Ground
would be ready for use on the 1st August and a Custodian would be required.
RESOLVED, That the ground be opened for the same hours as the other Recreation
Grounds and that applications be invited by advertisement for the appointment of a
Custodian at £2 10s. 0d. a week with uniform, cap and overcoat as provided to other
Custodians.

(b) Cricket Pitch—Read, application from Messrs. Smith Systems Ltd., Cricket Club for the use of a
cricket pitch on this ground for the remainder of the season. RESOLVED, That the
application be not granted for this season as it is desirable to let the new turf get
thoroughly established.

2—Recreation Grounds—(a) Football—Read, application from the Superintendent of the Wesley
Sunday School Football Club for the use of a football pitch on Whaddon Road
'Recreation Ground on alternative Saturdays during the coming season. RESOLVED,
That the application be considered with others at the meeting of the Committee in
September.

(b) Opening on Sundays—RESOLVED, That the Naunton Park and Whaddon Road Recreation
Grounds be opened on Sunday mornings at 10 30 a.m. until the end of September
next. RESOLVED, also, That the Custodians be paid 2s. 5d. per Sunday for their extra
services.

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3—Willow Tree, near Fountain Promenade--The Borough Surveyor reported that this tree had been
inspected by the Resident Officer from the Forest of Dean Forestry Office, who had
confirmed the Treeman's recommendation that the tipper limbs of the tree should
be removed, which had now been done and the cavity filled up with reinforced
concrete. He also recommended the desirability of providing some iron supports on
each side of the tree. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be asked to arrange for
scaffold poles to be erected for the inspection of the Committee, RESOLVED, also,
That the thanks of the Council be conveyed to the Forestry Office for their advice on
the matter.

4—Sandford Park—(a) Hard Tennis Courts—Read, letter from Alderman Stewart submitting
proposals with regard to the provision of two hard tennis courts. RESOLVED, That
consideration of this be adjourned for the Committee to inspect the ground.

(b) RESOLVED, That permission be given for the inspection of the St. John's Ambulance Brigade to
take place on the 13th inst., in the Playing Field of this park.

W. SAWYER,

Chairman.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 12th July, 1929 Present—The Deputy Mayor ;
Councillors Dunn, Langley and Capt. Trye ; Dr. R. Davies ; Messrs. F. B. de Sausmarez
and C. R. Mapp (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—Visits--During June 3,195 (against 3,250) ; days open 25 (against 26) ; daily
average 128 (against 125) Included in these figures was a class from the Hall School.

Receipts—Collection Box 5s 5d ; Exhibition Catalogues £1 4s. 6d. ; Permanent Catalogues 3s ;
Contribution to " Save the Countryside " Exhibition £2 0s. 0d. ; Postcard
Reproductions 1s 8d. Total £3 14s. 7d.

Exhibition—The New Forest Group Exhibition, open from May 31st to July 6th, was visited by 4,071
persons ; daily average 127. Museums Association Conference—The Curator read his
Report on this Conference, for which he had acted as Hon. Secretary, and which was
held at Worthing from July 1st to 5th. This was approved.

2—Sheepshanks Loan Collection—The Curator reported that the twenty-three pictures which had
been on loan to this town had been safely returned to the Agent of the Sheepshanks
family in London.

3—The Late Arthur Davies—The Curator reported that it had been suggested that a portrait by the
late Arthur Davies, of Cheltenham should be subscribed for and presented to the
town.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 19th July, 1929. Present—Councillors Scott Langley,
Smith and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the chair).

1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of Superintendent from the 23rd June, 1929 to 19th
July 1929. Interments 49. Grave Spaces sold 13 (First Position 1 ; Second Position 1 ;
Fourth Position 11). Memorials fixed 11, New Inscriptions 9.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 8023 to
8035 of the exclusive right of burial in the graves referred to therein.

3—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following designs be approved, namely :—Memorial Cross, bases
and kerbing to graves of Annie S. Bubb, John Chapman and John E. Baker ; Memorial

Headstone, base and kerbing to grave of Albert R. Little ; Memorial Headstone and kerbing to graves of Hannah Pearman and Charlotte Cook ; Memorial Headpiece and kerbing to graves of Walter S. Hayman, Arthur Taylor and Ellen Wren ; Memorial Headstone to graves of John Mullen and Charles G. Moulder ; Memorial block and kerbing to grave of Elizabeth D. Smith ; Memorial block to grave of Clara Best ; and kerbing to graves of Sarah E. Ransford ; but that the design for kerbing to the grave of Ed. J. Batten be not approved.

HENRY T. YARNOLD, Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 11th July, 1929. Present—Councillors Pates, H. W. Thomas and Wheeler ; Dr. R. Davies ; Messrs. A. Miles, F. Vernall and C. E. Walsh (Councillor H. W. Thomas in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Receipts £9 9s 5d. Number of volumes issued in Reference Department 6,058 (last year 6,078) ; Lending Department 12,478 (last year 11,536) ; Juvenile Department 2,175 (last year 2,033). Total for month 20,711 (last year 19,647).

Replacements—During the month 163 volumes had been replaced, and 554 volumes dispatched to the Binder.

Reference Library—A letter of thanks had been received from a Cheltenham student at the University of Bristol, expressing thanks for the valuable assistance he had obtained from the Cheltenham Public Library in securing his degree.

Donations--Anon. (1 vol.) ; Director, New York Public Library (1 vol.) ; L.M. & S. Railway Co. (1 vol.) ; Messrs. Ed, J. Burrow & Co. Ltd (13 pamphs.) ; Mr. J. E. Holloway (1 vol.) ; Mr. H. W. A. Kilgour (18 vols.) ; Miss Minet (3 vols.) ; Mrs. C. Newton Scott (2 vols) ; Salvation Army (1 vol.) ; Admiral Thorp (36 vols.).

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

2—New Books—RESOLVED, (a) That 96 vols., published at £58 10s. 0d. be purchased at a cost of £32 18s. 2d.

(b) That the sum of £25 be spent on Replacements.

(c) That the sum of £30 be spent on Re-binding.

3—Perishing Stonework—Four quotations had been received for brushing the cornice, mouldings, balustrade and coping, and giving two coats of pure hydrated lime water. RESOLVED, That the estimate of W. Drew in the sum of £80 be accepted (to be borne out of current Estimate), and That any necessary pointing or setting of stones be regarded as extra.

4—Vulcan Boiler Insurance Co.—The Librarian reported that the inspection of the Boiler was satisfactory.

5—August Bank Holiday—RESOLVED, That all departments of the Library, including Newsroom, be closed on August 5th. H. W. THOMAS, Chairman.

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RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 2nd July, 1929. Present—Aldermen Moore, Stewart and Taylor ; Councillors Gen. Thomas and Yarnold (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

1—Collection of Rates—The list of defaulters for the current half year was submitted and dealt with and three defaulters were interviewed by the Committee.

P. P. TAYLOR, Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 23rd July, 1929, Present—Aldermen Moore and Taylor ; Councillors Leigh James, Pruett, E. L. Ward Sir R. Wapshare and Welstead (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

1—General Rate- -Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 23rd inst., on the collection of the First Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £81,751 14s. 8d, leaving outstanding £36,566 2s. 5d.

2—Water Rate- --Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 23rd inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 29th September, 1929. Amount collected £13,827 4s. 7d, leaving outstanding £5,962 1s. 1d.

3—Loans—The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £5,700 on loan. RESOLVED, That a Debenture be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loan.

4-4 ¾ per cent. Housing Bonds—The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting £205 had been received for 4 ¾ per cent. Housing Bonds repayable in 5 years and that certificates had been issued accordingly. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

5—National Savings' Certificates—The Borough Treasurer reported that the number of Savings Certificates sold during June amounted to 4,005 as compared with 3,090 for the corresponding month last year

6—Sanctions to Loans--The Town Clerk reported the receipt of the following Sanctions to Loans

Date, 1929.	Purpose.	Amount.	Period of Repayment.
June 26th	Purchase of 19, 44 and 45 Rutland Street.	£250	15 years.
June 27th	For water mains	£3,000	30 years.
June 28th	For purchase of Miss Skillicorne's land, Whaddon Road.	£835	80 years.
July 4th	For purchase of land in Pilley Lane.	£4,077	80 years.

6—Superannuation—(a) G. Burford—The Borough Treasurer reported that G. Burford (Sweeper) would retire on the 10th August. RESOLVED, That he be paid a pension of £34 2s. 6d. per annum calculated on his wages for the last five years on a non-contributory basis of 35 years service.

(b) F. C. Taylor—The Borough Treasurer reported that F. C. Taylor (labourer) would retire on the 10th August. RESOLVED, That he be paid a pension of £39 17s. 4d per annum calculated on his wages for the last five years on a non-contributory basis of 42 $\frac{3}{4}$ years service.

(c) Miss E. Nicholls—The Borough Treasurer reported that Miss E. Nicholls (Health Visitor) retires on the 6th August RESOLVED, That she be paid a pension of £39 9s. 4d. per annum calculated on her salary for the last five years on a non-contributory basis of 24 years service.

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7—Corporation 3 per cent. Stock—The Borough Treasurer reported that he had purchased £1,148 6s. 5d, Corporation Stock at 644 which with four months accrued interest was equal to 63 $\frac{7}{8}$. RESOLVED, That the sum of £1,148 6s. 5d. 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, 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.

8—Insurances—Workmen's Compensation—The Borough Treasurer reported that the County Fire Office had agreed to reduce their premium for this insurance to 13s. 6d. per cent. less allowances which made a net premium of 12s. 0.4d, per cent. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

9—District Auditor's Report—Internal Audit—Read, Report of Borough Treasurer with regard to an internal audit. He recommended that Mr. C. P. G. Neat be appointed Internal Audit Clerk and that his salary be increased from £104 to £150 rising by annual increments of £10 to £170. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved.

10—Borough Treasurer's Department—The Borough Treasurer reported that the appointment of Mr. Neat as Internal Audit Clerk and the transfer of Mr. Ponting to the House Management Department would necessitate a re-arrangement of staff and he recommended that the following re-arrangement be made.

	Present Salary. Suggested Salary. Increments. Maximum.			
	£	£	£ s. d.	£
First Assistant C. L. Smith	190	210	10 0 0	230
C. Neat ...	104	150	10 0 0	170
S. Harris ...	78	91	6 10 0	104
R. Browning	65	78	6 10 0	104
G. Waite	50	65	6 10 0	78
New Junior ...	—	39	6 10 0	52

RESOLVED, That the recommendations be approved.

(b) Rates Office Junior—Read, application from Mr. H. V. Webb, Rates Office Junior, for an allowance for the use of his cycle. RESOLVED, That the application be not granted.

11—Delegates' and Officials Travelling Expenses—The Borough Treasurer reported that the District Auditor had suggested that a definite scale of allowances for travelling expenses should be fixed. RESOLVED, That the following scale be adopted, viz. :—Third class railway fares, together with a subsistence allowance of £1. 11s. 6d. for an absence of 24 hours or £1 1s. 0d. for an absence of less than 24 hours.

12—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on the 23rd inst. Present : Aldermen Moore and Taylor ; Councillor Pruen (Alderman Taylor in the chair). The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment. RESOLVED, That this recommendation be approved and adopted.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham.

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 29th August, 1929.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMENADE, on MONDAY, the 2nd day of September, 1929, at THREE O'CLOCK** in the Afternoon, at which Meeting the following Business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such, Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Quarterly Meeting.
2. Communications by the Mayor.
3. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :— THE HOUSING COMMITTEE TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE and to consider

application from the Industrial Trades Exhibitions Syndicate for a Certificate of Exemption under the Shops Acts in respect of the Exhibition to be held at the Town Hall from 24th September to 4th October, 1929. RATING COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE

4. Memorials, Applications, Complaints, &c.

Yours faithfully,

Town Clerk.

To each Member of the Council.

Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held at the Municipal Offices in the said Borough, on Monday, 29th July, 1929, at 3 p.m. Present:

The Mayor (Alderman Charles Henry Margrett, C.B.E., J.P.) in the chair. The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., J.P.)

Aldermen Moore, Sawyer, Stewart and Taylor ; Councillors Allen, Dunn, O.B.E., Leigh James, Scott Langley, Lipson, Pates, Pruen, Smith, Brig.-Gen. H. M. Thomas, C.M.G., D.S.O., H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye, C.B.E., Lt.-Gen. Sir Richard Wapshare, K.C.I.E., C.B., C.S.I., E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Welstead, K.S.G., Wheeler, M.B.E. and Yarnold.

1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 1st July, 1929, 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—The late Mr. W. J. M. Dicks—(a) Resolved, That the Council desire to record their deep regret at the death of W. J. M. Dicks, Esq., J.P., who was a member of the Town Council for 9 years and was Mayor for 3 years and that their sincere sympathy be conveyed to his family in their bereavement. Read, letter from Mr. E. W. Dicks thanking the Council for their expressions of sympathy.

(b) Moved by Alderman Moore and seconded by Alderman J. Stewart, That a tablet be erected in Sandford Park to the memory of the late Mr. Dicks. Resolved, That consideration be referred to the Town Improvement and Spa Committee.

3—Proceedings of Committees—Resolved, That the proceedings of the under-mentioned Committees at their Meetings held on the dates respectively appearing be approved and confirmed :—

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Public Health

Meeting held July 6

Housing

Meetings held July 9 and 16

Maternity and Child Welfare	Meetings held July 12 and 22
Street and Highway	Meeting held July 15
Town Planning	Meetings held July 4 and 18
Town Improvement and Spa	Meetings held July 12 and 19
Electricity and Lighting	Meeting held July 17
Water	Meeting held July 11
General Purposes and Watch	Meetings held July 16 and 25
Allotments	Meeting held July 8
Parks and Recreation Grounds	Meeting held July 8
Art Gallery and Museum	Meeting held July 12
Burial Board	Meeting held July 19
Public Library	Meeting held July 11
Rating	Meeting held July 2
Finance	Meeting held July 23

Resolved, also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed authorising him to pay to the several Corporations, Companies and Persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts, the sum of money set opposite their respective names.

Resolved, also, That the Common Seal be authorised to be affixed to a Mortgage or Debenture to be issued to the Co-operative Wholesale Society Ltd., for securing the repayment of £10,800 in respect of loans authorised for waterworks purposes under sanctions of the Ministry of Health dated the 1st March, 1929.

4—Bredon Water Supply—The Town Clerk submitted letters of the 22nd and 24th inst., from the Clerk of the Tewkesbury Rural District Council asking if the Corporation would make any objection to the proposal to lay a main from the existing distribution main in Aston on Carrant in the Parish of Ashchurch for a supply to the Hamlet of Kinsham in the Parish of Bredon. The Town Clerk reported that the proposed extended supply was not in the water area of the Corporation and the Corporation would not, therefore, be able to take over the distribution mains as in the case of other similar supplies. Resolved, That no objection be made to the extension subject to an Agreement being entered into to be prepared by the Town Clerk.

5—Local Government Act, 1929—The Town Clerk submitted draft Scheme prepared by the County Council for the formation of a Public Assistance Committee and Guardians Committee. Resolved, That this be referred to the General Purposes and Watch Committee with power to act.

6—Unemployment—Read, circular from the Unemployment Grants Committee with regard to works for the relief of unemployment. Resolved, That this be referred to the General Purposes and Watch Committee for consideration.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Mayor.

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, 2nd September, 1929.

HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 28th August, 1929. Present—Councillors Dunn, Pates, Sir R. Wapshare and J. F. Ward (Councillor Pates in the chair).

1—New Houses Kipling and Shakespeare Roads—16 tenders were received for the erection of 29 pairs of non-parlour type houses to be erected in Kipling and Shakespeare Roads and for 3 pairs of parlour type houses in Kingsley Gardens. RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. W. Drew of £26,272 7s. 6d. (being the lowest) be accepted, (£22,892 11s. 0d. for the 29 pairs of non-parlour type houses and £3,379 16s. 6d. for the 3 pairs of parlour houses). RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for Sanction to a loan not exceeding £27,980 for the cost of the houses including Architect's fees and 5 per cent. for Contingencies.

RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for their approval to the houses for the purposes of Subsidy and under the Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924.

RESOLVED, also, That the Council hereby undertake that the conditions set out in sub-section 1 of Section 3 of the Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924 will be complied with in relation to the said houses.

2-28 and 29 Rutland Street—The Town Clerk submitted Report of the District Valuer valuing these houses at £40, RESOLVED, That subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health, the Council be recommended to purchase these houses at £40 with a view to reconditioning the same. RESOLVED, also, That the Sanitary Inspector be instructed to submit plans and estimates for reconditioning and altering the houses.

3-38, 40 and 42 Malvern Street—Read, letter of 9th instant from the Ministry of Health that the Minister offered no objection to the Council's proposal to acquire these houses but having regard to the small amount of the purchase money they suggest that the amount of the loan applied for should be included in some other loan when applied for. RESOLVED, That Mr. Malvern be instructed to obtain tenders for the erection of a pair of houses on the site of these three houses,

4—Tenders for Houses—Read, circular of the 23rd ult., from the South Western Federation of Building Trades Employers asking the Corporation preferentially to invite tenders from Members of their Federation. RESOLVED, That no action be taken. .

5—Sale of Land—Brooklyn Road—Read, letter from Mr. A. Tarplin that he had decided not to purchase a piece of land in Brooklyn Road.

6-117 Tennyson Road—Read, letter from the tenant of this house that he was unable to take possession of the house on the 24th June as stated in the Tenancy Agreement owing to the redecoration not being completed until the 6th July. RESOLVED, That he be allowed a rebate of rent from the 24th June to the 6th July.

7—Sale of Houses—The Town Clerk submitted offers from Miss C. McAra and Mr. Sleep to purchase No. 34 Kipling Road at £500 and No. 5 Kipling Road at £495 respectively. RESOLVED, That these offers be accepted subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health, and that the Common Seal be affixed to the conveyances. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for their Consent to the sales. RESOLVED, also That the Council agree to join with the Purchaser of No. 5 Kipling Road in a Mortgage to the Building Society for an advance not exceeding 90 per cent. to guarantee repayment until the Principal is reduced to two thirds of the value and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Mortgage.

8-5 Orchard Terrace—Read, letter from tie Tenant of this house that he was unable to pay the sum of £450 for this house and enquiring if the Corporation would accept £425. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to sell the house for £425 and that Minute No. 12 passed at the Meeting of the Committee on the 14th May last be varied accordingly.

9—Housing etc., Act, 1923—Pilford Avenue—The Borough Surveyor submitted final Certificate of completion of two semi-detached houses in this road erected by Messrs. Bendall & Sons. RESOLVED, That a subsidy of £50 be paid in respect of each house, subject to Messrs. Bendall & Sons entering into an Undertaking to comply with the usual conditions.

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10—Garden Prize Scheme—The **Garden Prize Scheme Sub-Committee** reported that they met on the 31st ult., and having inspected the gardens had made their awards and they recommended that next year the gardens should be inspected during the first week in July and also that a Competition should be arranged for the Tenants of Corporation houses in other parts of the Town. RESOLVED, That these recommendations be approved and adopted.

11—Maud's Elm Terrace—RESOLVED, That Mr. Malvern be instructed to arrange for suitable fencing to be erected around the garden of this house.

12—Woman House Manager—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to provide the necessary furniture and screen for the Office of the Woman House Manager.

13—Skillicorne Avenue—Read, letter of 20th inst., from Messrs. Bubb & Co. that their client Miss Skillicorne, although she appreciated the intention of the Committee to perpetuate the connection of her family with the Town by using her surname for the name of the new road, she desired that her surname should not be used for that purpose. RESOLVED, That the Committee do not see their way to recommend the Council to alter the name of the road.

14—Pilley Lane Housing Site—(a) Layout—Mr. Malvern submitted final layout Plan of this Site which now provided for 75 three bedroom houses and 25 two bedroom houses. He had now made arrangements with the Trustees of Pilley Chapel for the exclusion of the piece of land required for the enlargement of the Chapel. RESOLVED, That the

District Valuer be asked to value the piece of land to be sold for the enlargement of Pilley Chapel. RESOLVED, also, That Tenders be invited for the erection of the houses.

(b) Miss Hick's Land—Land Tax—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to an Authority to the Town Clerk to make the necessary declaration and to do all other acts and things requisite to affect the redemption of the Land Tax amounting to approximately 3s. 4d. on this land,

J. P. PATES,
Chairman.

TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 15th August, 1929. Present—Councillors Scott Langley, H. L. Ward and Yarnold and Messrs. W. S. F. Harris, A. Wiggett and Major Shakespeare (Councillor E. L. Ward in the chair).

1--Plans of New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings, namely

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
2723	Hearn, R. S.	Motor house, 3 Shelley Road.
2732	Stewart, J.	Motor house, 55 Byron Road.
2733	Davis, J.	House, Whaddon Road.
2734	Maxwell, Miss.	Extension of bathroom, 5 Clarendon Villas, Pittville Gates.
2735	Jones, W. C.	Cycle and tool shed, rear of 16 Grange Crescent, Gloucester Road:
2736	Henry, Miss.	Motor house, Central Spa Nursing Home, Vittoria Walk
2737	Lessiter, H. C.	Garage, rear of 21 Lansdown Place.
2738	Saunders, R. H.	Cycle house, Hayse Lea, off Moorend Park Road.
2739	Smith, T. W.	Garage, on land off Churchill Road.
2740	Cheltenham Corporation Electricity Dept.	Transformer pillar, Evesham Road.
2741	Wilson, C. A.	Motor house Church Road, St. Mark's.
2742	Giles, H. P.	Garden tool and coal house, Comberton, Keynsham Road.
2743	Gregory, E. W.	Tool house and cycle shed, 21 Folly Lane.
2744	Houghton, G.	Cycle house, 61 Byron Road.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 2732, 2734, 2735, 2736, 2737, 2738, 2739, 2741, 2742, 2743 and 2744 be approved ; That Plan No. 2740 be approved subject to the Transformer being set back at the expense of the Electricity Dept. when required That in the case of Plan No. 2723 the decision of the Committee made on the 4th July last be adhered to ; That Plan No. 2733 be disapproved.

2—Town Planning Area—Plans—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings under the General Interim Development Order, 1922:—

No. of Plan	Name.	Description.
40	Yates, A	Pair semi-detached villas, Old Bath Road, Leckhampton.
41	Williams, A.	Pair semi-detached bungalows, Cheltenham-Tewkesbury Road, Uckington.
42	Sainsbury, Miss E. E.	Bungalow, Warden Hill Road.
43	Prettijohn, R. B.	Cowshed, Staverton Court Farm, Staverton.
44	Coxwell Rogers, R. C.	Cottage and stables, Rossley Manor, Dowdeswell.
45	Bush, A. M. B.	Additions to Hill View House, Hambrook Street, Charlton Kings.
46	Scott-Plummer, H.	Conversion of farm building into dwelling house, Southfield Farm.
47	Huntington, E.	Pair semi-detached villas, Warden Hill Road.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 40, 41, 42, 45, 46 and 47 be approved, That Plan No. 44 be approved, subject to the approval of the Water Committee ; and That Plan No. 43 be disapproved.

3—Overhead Electric Cable—Read, letter of the 1st inst., from the Shropshire, Worcestershire and Staffordshire Electric Power Company giving notice of their intention to erect an Overhead Electric Cable, part of which passed through the Town Planning Area, and asking for approval thereto. RESOLVED, That approval be given, subject to the following conditions, namely :—(i) That the exact position of poles to be erected near existing highways or land reserved for new roads to be approved by this Committee.

(ii) That all buildings to be erected to conform with the requirements of the Scheme.

E. L. WARD,

Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 25th July, 1929, Present—The Mayor; Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Moore, Sawyer and Taylor ; Councillors Pates, Gen. Thomas, Capt. Trye, E. L. Ward, and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Gibraltar House—RESOLVED, That this property which adjoins the Art Gallery, be purchased at the price of £850 so that the same may be available for extension of the Art Gallery when required. RESOLVED, also, That the District Valuer be asked to furnish a valuation of the property and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for their sanction to a loan of £850 for the purchase thereof.

2—Omnibus Licences—RESOLVED, That the application of the Great Western Railway Co. for the extension of their omnibus service to Hereford be granted and that their licences be

endorsed to cover this extension, the route through the town to be from the Great Western Railway Station, St. James's Square, via St. George's Place, St. George's Road and Gloucester Road to the Borough Boundary,

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 2nd August, 1929. Present—The Mayor ; Aldermen Sawyer, Stewart and Taylor ; Councillors Leigh James, Pates, Gen. Thomas, H. W. Thomas, Cap. Tyre, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair).

3—Local Government Act, 1929—The Committee considered Administrative Scheme prepared by the Gloucestershire County Council for the formation of a Public Assistance Committee, RESOLVED, That the following representations be made to the Ministry of Health: —

CLAUSE 2 That the number of co-opted members of the Public Assistance Committee be increased from 6 to 12 making a Committee of 36 instead of 30 and that provision be made in the Scheme for 2 of the co-opted members to be nominated by the Cheltenham Town Council.

CLAUSE 3. That Model Clause 4 (2) (k) as to making of any Contract be inserted in the Scheme with a limit of £500 for any Contract to be made by the Committee

CLAUSE 5. That provision be made in the Scheme for the functions of the Public Assistance Committee in so far as they relate to education of children in the Borough, to be discharged by the Education and Maternity and Child Welfare Committees of the Corporation.

CLAUSE 7. That the number of members of the Council to be nominated to serve on the Guardians Committee be reduced from 12 to 9 and the number of co-opted members increased from 5 to 8 and that the 3 additional co-opted members be nominated by the Town Council.

4—Gibraltar' House--RESOLVED, That these premises be let on a yearly tenancy.

5—Leckhampton Hill--RESOLVED, That the application of Miss Hind to purchase 1 acre of land fronting Daisy Bank Road, for the erection of a bungalow be not acceded to.

6—Cheltenham and District Traction—The Town Clerk reported that the Cheltenham District Traction Company proposed to install some double-deck omnibuses for the Cheltenham services. RESOLVED, That this Committee are of opinion that single-deck omnibuses would meet the needs of the traffic.

7—Unemployment—The Committee considered circular from the Unemployment Grants Committee with regard to the relief of unemployment. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned.

8—Omnibus Licences—(a) RESOLVED, That the application of the Birmingham Midland Omnibus Co., Ltd., for 10 Licences for their new type of long-distance vehicles for use on the Birmingham to Weston-super-Mare services be granted.

(b) Drivers—RESOLVED, That the application of Elliott Bros., Ltd. for 5 Drivers' Licences be granted.

(c) Stand—The Committee considered complaint as to the obstruction caused by the Black and White Omnibuses in Imperial Square The Town Clerk read letter of the 31st ult., from the Company stating that they were doing everything possible to prevent obstruction and that they were negotiating for land in the neighbourhood, to enable them to build a Motor Coach Station. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned for the present.

9—Town Clerk's Department—The Town Clerk reported that Mr. S. MacArthur, Clerk in his Office, had now obtained an appointment with the Chelmsford Town Council. RESOLVED, That he be authorised to engage a shorthand typist at a salary of £78 to £104 per annum.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Chairman.

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RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 8th August, 1929. Present—Aldermen Moore, Stewart and Taylor ;Councillors Gen. Thomas, H. W. Thomas, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

1—Excusals—The Committee dealt with and interviewed about 40 applicants for excusals of rates.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 27th August, 1929. Present—Aldermen Moore and Taylor ; Councillors Leigh James, E. L. Ward and Sir R. Wapshare (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

1—General Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 27th inst., on the collection of the First Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £111,153 10s. 11d., leaving outstanding £7,164 6s. 2d.

2—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 27th inst, on the collection of this Rate for the half year ending 29th September, 1929. Amount collected £17,586 12s. 11d., leaving outstanding £2,202 12s. 9d.

3—Loans—The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £1,000 on loan. RESOLVED, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loans,

4—National Savings' Certificates—The Borough Treasurer reported that the number of Savings Certificates sold during July amounted to 3,759 as compared with 4,553 for the corresponding month last year.

5—Sanctions to Loans—The Town Clerk reported the receipt of the following Sanctions to Loans :—

Date, 1929.	Purpose.	Amount.	Period of Repayment.
Aug. 2nd	Erection of Houses in Skillicorne Avenue	£32,037	60 years.
Aug. 2nd	Construction of Skillicorne Avenue	£3,550	20 years.
Aug. 2nd	Sewers in Skillicorne Avenue	£650	30 years,

6—Superannuation--T. J. Day—The Borough Treasurer reported that T. J. Day (Ledger Clerk) in his Department wished to retire on the 30th September owing to ill health. RESOLVED, That he paid a pension of £26 5s. 0d. per annum calculated on his wages for the last five years on an non-contributory basis of 21 years.

7—Fidelity Guarantee--The Borough Treasurer submitted list of Officers covered by the Fidelity Bond, together with a list of 9 other Officers which he suggested should be added. RESOLVED, That these be added and that the list as now settled by the Committee be approved.

8—Borough Treasurer—(a) Staff—The Borough Treasurer reported that he proposed to appoint D. MacArthur as Junior Clerk in his Department at a salary of £39 per annum. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

(b) Typewriter—The Borough Treasurer reported that a new typewriter was required for his Department and recommended that one be purchased at a cost of £19 19s. 0d. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

9—Rates Office—Junior Clerk—RESOLVED, That the application of H. V. Webb for an increase in salary be granted, and that his salary be increased to £65 rising by annual increments of £6 10s. 0d. to £78.

10—Corporation 3 per cent. Stock—The Borough Treasurer reported that he had purchased £399 19s. 9d. Corporation Stock RESOLVED, That the sum of £399 19s. 9d. 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, 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.

11—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on the 27th inst. Present : Aldermen Moore and Taylor Councillor Sir R. Wapshare (Alderman Taylor in the chair). The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment. RESOLVED, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 3rd October, 1929.

Sir,

You are hereby Summoned to attend the **Monthly Meeting of the Council, to be held at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMENADE, on MONDAY, the 7th, day of October, 1929, at THREE O'CLOCK** in the Afternoon, at which, Meeting the following Business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
2. Communications by the Mayor.
3. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :—THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE HOUSING COMMITTEE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE WATER COMMITTEE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE RATING COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE
4. To elect a Member of the Education Committee representing the managers of non-provided Schools, the term of office of Mr. A. J. Miles having expired on the 3rd ult.
5. To elect a Trustee of the Delancey Hospital in place of Mrs. de Haviland, resigned. 6. Memorials, Applications, Complaints, &c.

To each Member of the Council.

Yours faithfully,

Town Clerk.

Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Monthly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and Acid at the Municipal Offices in the said Borough, on Monday, 2nd September, 1929, at

3 p.m. Present: The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., J.P.) (in the chair).

Aldermen Moore, Sawyer and Taylor ; Councillors Leigh James, Langley, Miller, Pates, Smith, Brig.-Gen. Thomas, C.M.G., D.S.O., Capt. Trye, C.B.E., E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward and Welstead,

1—Chairman—Resolved, That the Deputy Mayor take the Chair.

Apologies—Apologies for absence were received from the Mayor ; Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Dunn, O.B.E., Lipson, Pruen, H. W. Thomas, Wheeler, M.B.E. and Yarnold.

2—Minutes of Previous Meeting--Resolved, That the Minutes of the Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 29th July, 1929, 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.

3—The late Mr. W. J. M. Dicks—Read, letter of the 20th ult., from Miss O. E. Dicks, thanking the Council for the Resolution of sympathy with her family, passed at the last Meeting of Council.

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4—Proceedings of Committees—Resolved, That the proceedings of the under-mentioned Committees at their Meetings held on the dates respectively appearing be approved and confirmed :—

Housing ... Meeting held August 28

Subject to an amendment moved by Alderman Moore and seconded by Alderman Taylor " That Minute No. 13 with reference to Skillicorne Avenue be referred back for further consideration."

Town Planning Meeting held August 15

General Purposes and Watch Meetings held July 25 and August 2

Resolved, also, That the Town Clerk be authorised to issue a Certificate of Exemption under Section 5 of the Shops (Hours of Closing) Act, 1928, in respect of the Industrial Trades Exhibition to be held at the Town Hall from September 24th to October 4th next inclusive as the retail trade in connection with the Exhibition would be ancillary to and subsidiary to the main purpose of the Exhibition which is advertisement and that in respect of such retail trade or business half past nine o'clock in the evening shall be substituted for the general closing hours fixed by such Act, subject to the Shop Assistants employed in or about the retail trade or business in question not being employed on the 23rd September and 5th October.

Rating ... Meeting held August 8

Finance Meeting held August 27

Resolved, also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed authorising him to pay to the several Corporations, Companies and Persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts, the sum of money set opposite their respective names.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM,

Deputy Mayor.

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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, 7th October, 1929.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 9th September, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Leigh James, Pruen, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Gen. Thomas in the chair).

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz. Worcester Street ; 7 Rutland Street ; 26 Duke Street ; 37 Francis Street ; 14 Commercial Street ; 19 St. George's Street ; 52 Union Street ; Camden and Trinity Cottage, Portland Street ; 31 Burton Street ; 25, 25a Jersey Street ; 8, 30 and 31 Swindon 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 Sanitary Inspector on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at (a) 11 and 12 St. George's Street ; Ashton Villa and Builders' Yard, North Place ; 34 and 34a North Place.—The Sanitary Inspector having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, etc., 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 Sanitary Inspector to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee.

(b) Essex Lodge, Cambray, and Cambray Baptist Church and School, Cambray.—The Sanitary Inspector 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 specifications of the work required to be done. RESOLVED, That the same be approved, and that Notices be given under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, to the Owners requiring them to do the work specified within 28. days and in default the Sanitary Inspector be instructed to have the work done.

(c) 9 Clarence Square and 25, 26 and 27 Exmouth Street.—The Sanitary Inspector reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Committee at their Meeting on the 8th July, 1929, the drainage works specified to be done at these premises had been carried

out to his satisfaction by Messrs. Amos. Wilson & Son at a cost of £2 9s. 6d. in respect of 9 Clarence Square and Messrs. Mark Williams & Co. at a cost of £25 5s. 0d. in respect of 25, 26 and 27 Exmouth Street, RESOLVED, That application be made to the Owners for payment.

3—Insanitary Property—(a) 14 Commercial Street : 9 New's Cottages ; 52 and 53 Union Street ; 25, 25a, 27 and 29 Jersey Street ; 68 Queen Street ; 11 and 12 Swindon Street ; 29 Russell Street ; 35 St. James's Street ; 48 Upper Park 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, or Section 3 of the Housing Act, 1925, 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.

(b) 39 All Saints' Terrace—The Sanitary Inspector reported that in accordance with the instructions of the Committee at their Meeting held on 8th July, 1929, the works of repair specified to be done at these premises had been carried out to his satisfaction by Messrs. W. T. Pates & Sons at a cost of £18 15s. 0d. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Owner for payment.

4—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 15 cwt. 2 qrs. 3 lbs. Beef ; 14 lbs. Mutton ; 7 lbs. Pork ; 1 cwt. 1 qr. Fish ; 2 qrs. Foodstuffs ; and 15 cwt. 3 qrs. (40 tins) Tinned goods.

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5-Royal Sanitary Institute --The Chief Sanitary Inspector reported on his attendance at the Conference of this Institute held in Sheffield. He asked for authority to purchase a Kata Thermometer and Hydrometer for obtaining samples and analyses of air at places of public amusement. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next Meeting the Committee.

6-Sewage Farms-Read, letter from Mr. G. P. Rymer in regard to the various sewage supplies and asking if these supplies controlled by him, RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned.

7-District Sanitary Inspector—Read, letter of the 7th ult., from the Ministry of Health approving of the appointment of Mr. H. L. Whitwham as District Sanitary Inspector

8-Vaccination Town Clerk submitted circular letter of 19th ult., from the Ministry of Health enclosing copy of the Vaccination Order, 1929. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Medical Officer of Health.

9-Houses Unfit, for Human Habitation—(a) 7 and 8 Russell Place—Mr. W. Yeend attended on behalf of the Owner of these houses and asked if the Committee would be prepared to determine the Closing Order if certain repairs were carried out. RESOLVED, That the

Medical Officer of Health be asked to consider whether the premises can be made fit for human habitation,

(b) Brunswick Street—The Town Clerk submitted Notice dated the 9th September, from the Owner of this house under Section 3 of the Housing Act, 1925, declaring his intention of closing the said house for human habitation, as not being capable of being rendered fit for human habitation without reconstruction. RESOLVED, That Notice be given to the Owner and Occupier that in accordance with the said Section a Closing Order is deemed to be operative in respect thereof.

(c) 32a and 32b Fairview Street—The Town Clerk reported that notice had been given to the Owner of these premises of the intention to make a Demolition Order. RESOLVED, That an Order be now made under the Common Seal in Pursuance of sub-Section 2 of Section 14 of the Housing Act, 1925, requiring the demolition of the premises, the Council being of opinion that these houses have not been rendered fit for human habitation and that the necessary steps have not been taken with all due diligence to make them so fit.

(d) Basement Dwellings—RESOLVED, That the Sanitary Inspector be instructed to inspect and report as to unsatisfactory basement dwellings in the Borough.

W.—Health Department—The Chief Sanitary Inspector re-submitted application from Mr. C. Gisborne for his son to be trained as a Sanitary Inspector in the Health Department, consideration of which was adjourned by the Committee in May, 1928, until the applicant had passed the necessary entrance examination which he had now obtained. RESOLVED, That the application be granted.

11—Milk and Dairies Order, 1926—RESOLVED, That the applications of A. Squire of 103 Upper Bath Road, T. Lees of Harthurstfield Farm, and J. J. Knight of Tennyson Road to be registered as Purveyors of Milk (in the case of the last named to the sale of milk in bottles only) be granted, subject to the regulations being complied with.

12--Pit's [Piff's] Elm Road—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the stream at Lakestone Bridge, Road, Millstone Hardwick, cleaned out as on previous occasions.

13—Gas Liquor—RESOLVED, That a further series of analyses of sewage effluent be obtained in order to determine the effect of the discharge of the waste gas liquors into the sewers.

H. M. THOMAS, Chairman.

HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 10th September, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor the ; Councillors Pates, Sir R. Wapshare, J. F. Ward, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Pates in chair).

- 1—Pilley Lane Housing Site--The Borough Surveyor submitted plan of proposed widening of Pilley Lane adjoining for the Housing site to a width of 36 feet. RESOLVED, That this Committee agree to give up the land required for the widening.
- 2-63 Byron Road—RESOLVED, That the application of the tenant of this house to remove the Brunswick range from the kitchen be not acceded to.
- 3-141 Tennyson Road—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to remove the builders' spoil which had been left in this garden,
- 4-16, 17, 41 Burton Street and 1 and 2 Butts Cottages—Read, letter from Mr. A. T. Ivens offering these properties for sale. RESOLVED, That the purchase of these properties be not entertained.
- 5—Skillicorne Avenue—RESOLVED, That the General Purposes and Watch Committee be recommended to rename this road as Miss Skillicorne did not wish it to be named after her family.
- 6-29 Spenser Road—RESOLVED, That the application of the tenant of this house to transfer to a non-parlour type house at less rent be granted after the present list of selected tenants has been satisfied.
- 7—St. Paul's Street South Improvement Scheme—The Town Clerk submitted Report from the District Valuer giving his valuation of the compensation payable in connection with this Scheme for the acquisition of the properties to be taken.
- 8—Orchard, St. Mark's—RESOLVED, That the offer of Mr. T. Bassett of £1 for the fruit in this Orchard be accepted.
- 9—Sales of Houses----(a) Whaddon Road—Read, letter from Mr. Holtham enquiring if he could purchase one of the houses on the Whaddon Road site when completed. RESOLVED, That he be informed that the Corporation will be prepared to sell one of the houses to him subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health being obtained to the sale.

(b) The following offers were reported :—

Name of Purchaser.	Situation.	Price.
H. Carey	2 Kipling Road	£500
Mrs. Robb	32 do.	£500

RESOLVED, That the offers be accepted (subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health), and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyances. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for their consent to the sales. RESOLVED, also, That the Council agree to join with the Purchaser of No. 2 Kipling Road in a Mortgage to the Building Society to guarantee repayment until the principal is reduced to 2/3rds of the value and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Mortgage.

(c) 32 Kipling Road—The Town Clerk reported that Mr. C. Preston, who had contracted to purchase this house, now found that it was of a different type than originally proposed and asked that he might be allowed to cancel this contract and enter into a contract for the purchase of No. 41 Kipling Road. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to and that Minute No. 16 (a) passed at the Meeting of the Committee held on the 9th July last be varied accordingly.

J. P. PATES, Chairman.

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At a Special Meeting of Ibis Committee held at St. Mark's Recreation Ground on Friday, 13th September, 1929. Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Smith, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward and Welstead (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

6—St. Mark's Recreation Ground—The Committee inspected this Ground.

7—Sandford Park—Memorial Tablet to the late Councillor W. J. M. Dicks—RESOLVED, That the Tablet be fixed on a pillar at the High Street entrance of the Park on the side of the pillar facing the Park and that a Tablet commemorating the help of the Gloucester Co-operative Society in securing the site of the entrance to the Park be fixed similarly to a pillar on the opposite side of the entrance, RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to obtain tenders for two bronze tablets,

8—Football Pitches—Read, application of St. Paul's United F.C. to play on Wednesday afternoons at Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground. RESOLVED, That permission be granted for them to play on alternate Wednesday afternoons.

W. SAWYER,

Chairman.

STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 23rd September, 1929. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor-Councillors Pates, Scott Langley, Lipson, H. W. Thomas and Capt. Trye (Councillor Capt. Trye in the chair).

1—View Meeting—Capt. Trye attended the View Committee held on the 11th inst. He recommended as follows :—

(a) Imperial Square—That Mrs. MacLean's request for the paving on the east side to be relaid be not acceded to.

(b) Hale's Road—(i) That the footpath on the east side from High Street to the crossing beyond Rosehill Street be paved with slabs. (ii) That the Committee inspect the trees on the west side of the road and in Sydenham Villas Road at their next View Meeting.

(c) Old Bath. Road—Mr. Ed. J. Burrow's request for a further alteration in the directions sign at the corner of Old Bath Road and Sandford Mill Road be not acceded to.

- (d) Norwood Road and Suffolk Street—That the footpath in Suffolk Street adjoining Messrs. Blissett & Co's premises be paved but the Co's request for paving in Norwood Road be not acceded to.
- (e) Shurdington Road—That Messrs. Waghorne & Evans be asked to submit an amended plan showing proposed office behind building line.
- (f) Right of Way—Tewkesbury Road to Arle—It was reported that Mr. J. R. Brown had placed a barrier across this right of way near the bridge but on inspection it was found that this had since been removed.
- (g) Footpath—Arle—A letter dated the 7th inst., from Mr. G. Bradfield was read, as to an obstruction of an alleged footpath from Alstone Lane but on inspection it did not appear that there is sufficient evidence of the alleged right of way and it was recommended that no action be taken in the matter. RESOLVED, That the proceedings of the View Committee be approved and adopted and that with regard to (f) that if there is any further obstructions to the right of way, the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the same removed.

2—Direction Sign—Shurdington and Leckhampton Roads—Read, letter from the County Surveyor, that the County Council desired to divert the traffic between Cheltenham and Stroud by diverting the portion which now goes via the Cross Hands at Brockworth and Painswick to the second class roads via Leckhampton Hill, Birdlip and Slad so as to relieve the congestion of traffic at Painswick where the streets are very narrow and with this object desired to place a large notice board at the junction of these roads in the Borough bearing the words " Cheltenham via Pains-wick " and " Cheltenham via Birdlip." RESOLVED, That no objection be made to the notice board being fixed.

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- 3—Shurdington and Moorend Park Roads—RESOLVED, That the sum of £10 be paid to Mr. E. N. Maunsell for the land to be given up for the improvement of the corner of these roads at Park Grange
- 4—Pittville Post Office—RESOLVED, That the application of the Postmaster for permission to place a letter pillar box outside this Post Office be granted, subject to the exact position being approved by the Borough Surveyor.
- 5—Maining of Roads—RESOLVED, That application be made to the County Council to main the by-pass roads—Montpellier Terrace, Sandford Road and Sandford Mill Road.
- 6—Sandford Road—RESOLVED, That two " Hospital " signs offered by the Automobile Association be accepted and fixed near the General Hospital.
- 7—Gloucester Road—Private Improvement Works—The Borough Surveyor submitted apportionment of the cost of new kerbing at Gloucester Road amounting to £90 17s. 4d, RESOLVED, That as this kerbing was necessary for the carriageway the abutting

owners be not charged with the cost but that they be informed that they will still remain liable for the paving of the footpath if and when required.

- 8—Waterloo Street—Private Improvement Works—The Borough Surveyor submitted apportionment of the cost of the Private Improvement Works for this road amounting to £290 9s. 7d. (including supervision). RESOLVED, That the apportionment as now settled by the Committee be approved and that demand for payment be served upon the owners named therein. RESOLVED, also, That an allowance of 5 per cent. be made to each owner on the amount apportioned provided payment is made within one month of the service of the demand.
- 9—Guns, etc., at Central Depot—The Borough Surveyor reported that the old guns stored at the Central Depot, the offer of which had been declined by the Cheltenham College and Dean Close School, had now been sold for £21.
- 10—Pilley Lane—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to prepare estimate of the cost of widening Pilley Lane as shown on the plan submitted and that application be made to the Unemployment Grants Committee for a grant in aid.
- 11—Traffic Control Lights (a) Read, circular 297a dated 13th inst., forwarding Memorandum 297 (Roads) upon the subject of traffic control by light signals for guidance of local authorities ; the further question as to making grants from the road fund towards the installation and maintenance of such signals was under consideration. (b) Read, letter from the Chief Constable suggesting the erection of automatic traffic control signals in suitable positions in the Borough, with a view to dealing with the increasing volume of traffic. RESOLVED, That he be informed that the matter is already under consideration.
- 12—Promenade—Post Office Kiosk—Read, letter from Mr. Ed. J. Burrow that he considered the telephone and stamp kiosk now being erected in the promenade was very unsightly and suggesting that if possible it should be removed. RESOLVED, That no action be taken,
- 13-26 Lansdown Place—Summer House—Read, letter from Messrs. Ticehurst and Co., on behalf of Miss Currie expressing regret that this summer house had been erected without permission and asking that it might be allowed to remain upon an undertaking that it should be removed at any time on a week's notice. RESOLVED, That they be informed that the Council must require it to be removed forthwith.
- 14—Notice boards etc.—Complaint was received as to trees and lamp standards being used for the display of notice boards advertising the sale of the " Gloucestershire Echo." RESOLVED, That the attention of the Company be called to this complaint and that they be called upon to discontinue this.
- 15—Light Railway Track—Read, letter from the Cheltenham District Traction Co., that they had ordered a number of omnibuses which would be brought into service with the least possible delay but they did not think it would be possible for the abandonment of

the Leckhampton Road as a first Route but that they were giving the matter further consideration.

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16—Gloucester Road—Seat—RESOLVED, That the request of Councillor J. F. Ward for a seat to be fixed at the omnibus stage near the gasworks, be acceded to.

17—Petrol Filling Stations—Read, circular letter from Home Office enclosing model byelaws for petrol filling stations. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to prepare draft byelaws.

18—Suffolk Road Improvement —The Borough Surveyor submitted plan of proposed widening of Suffolk Road. RESOLVED, That this be approved and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to prepare estimates of the cost of carrying out the work, including taking in portions of the gardens of Painswick House and Lewesham House and the land to be given up by the Ladies College at Roderick House. RESOLVED, also, That the District Valuer be asked to value the pieces of land required belonging to Painswick House and Lewesham House RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Transport for a grant in aid

19—Petrol Pumps—Swing Arms—A request was received from the Town Planning Committee that applications for permission to erect petrol pumps with swing arms should also be considered by that Committee. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

(b) RESOLVED, That the applications of the Victory Motor Co. and Mr. F. Martin for permission to erect petrol pump with swing arm at their respective premises at Winchcomb Street and London Road Garage be granted subject to the usual agreements to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into.

(c) RESOLVED, That the applications of Mr. L. Paynter and Mr. A. C. Dunk for permission to erect petrol pumps with swing arms at their respective premises at Bath Street and Queen's Road be adjourned until the next meeting of the Committee.

20—Street Projections—RESOLVED, That the application of George's Ltd., S. H. Williams, Messrs. Wood & Pimm and The Cheltenham Shop Fitting Company, for permission to place projecting signs outside premises at High Street (advertisement flag) ; St. George's Garage, St. George's Place 74 Duke Street, and 154 High Street, respectively, be granted subject to compliance with the usual conditions

21—Post Office Telegraphs—RESOLVED, That the application of the Post Office Telegraphs Dept. for permission to place an overhead line along the Cheltenham-Badgeworth Road from the junction with Bamfurlong Road to a point near " Bamfur " be granted.

22-39 Promenade—Read, letter of 11th inst., from the Secretary, Cheltenham Mutual Plate Glass Insurance Society Ltd. in regard to damage to glass at these premises alleged to be caused by steamroller scarifying St. George's Road RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

23—White Lines—Read, letter of 9th inst, from the Secretary of Chamber of Commerce urging the need for more white lines to be painted on dangerous roads in the Borough.
RESOLVED, That the Chamber be informed that if they will submit a list of places where they consider white lines are necessary the Committee will consider same.

24—Surveyor's Salaries and Travelling Expenses—The Town Clerk submitted circular letter 303 (roads) from the Ministry of Transport giving notice that as from the 1st April 1930 the Minister proposed to review agreements whereby annual contributions are made from the Road Fund in respect of the above and giving formal notice to discontinue on the 31st March next all contributions under existing agreements with a view to entering into fresh agreements.

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

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TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 5th September, 1929, Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Councillors Leigh James and Scott Langley and Mr. A. Wiggett (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1—Plans of New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings, namely :—

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description
2723	Hearne, R. S.	Garage, 3 Shelley Road.
2733	Davis, J.	Detached Douse, Whaddon Road.
2745	Crabtree, E. R.	Garage, 60 Fairview Road.
2746	Birchley, W. R.	Workshop, 1 Kingsley Gardens, Gloucester Road.
2747	Hobbs, Miss	Cycle Shed, 91 Byron Road.
2748	Y.M.C.A. Committee	Internal Alterations, Y.M.C.A., Promenade.
2749	Cinema House Ltd.	New Operating Chamber and Lavatories Opera House, Regent Street.
2750	Bendall & Sons	Extension of Pilford Avenue.
2751	Knight, J. J.	Store Shed, Corner of Shakespeare and Tennyson Roads.
2752	Organ, W.	Cycle Shed. 63 Tennyson Road.
2753	Wilson, C. A.	Motor House, Hazeldene, Gloucester Road.
2754	Waghorne & Evans	Alterations to front of Garage and Petrol Pumps, Garage, Shurdington Road.
2755	Mynett, Mrs. L.	Cycle Shed, 7 St. Paul's Road.
2756	Fisher, J. F.	Porch over Kitchen door, Keamere, Brooklyn Road.
2757	Slack, M. E.	Cycle Shed, 24 Margrett Road.
2758	Smith, T. W.	Detached House, Naunton Lane.
2759	Hawkins, G. A.	2 Detached houses, Battledown Approach.
2760	Bendall & Sons	2 Semi-detached houses, Pilford Avenue.

2761	Harrison, S.	Garden Tool Shed, Welholme, Pilford Avenue.
2762	Sheldrick, Mr.	Cycle Shed, New House, Pilford Avenue.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 2723, 2733, 2747, 2756, 2757, 2760, 2761 and 2762 be approved ; That Plan No. 2749 be approved subject to the Sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector ; That Plans Nos. 2745, 2746, 2748, 2750, 2751, 2752, 2753, 2754, 2755, 2758 and 2759 be disapproved.

Description.

2—Town Planning Area—Plans—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings under the General Interim Development Order, 1922:—

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
48	Jenner, W. S.	Water Tower and Garage, Leckhampton Hill.
49	Waite, T. K.	House, Park Estate, Prestbury.
50	Hind, Miss	Bungalow, Nr. Blackhedge Farm, Leckhampton Hill.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 48 and 49 be approved ; That Plan No. 50 be disapproved.

3—Joint Regional Town Planning Committee—The Committee further considered the application of the County Council for a contribution towards the expenses of the Joint Committee. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next Meeting.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 26th September, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor ; Alderman Stewart; Councillors Scott Langley, Gen. Thomas, Capt. Trye, E. L. Ward and Messrs. W. S. F. Harris and A. Yiend (Councillor E. L. Ward in the chair).

4—Plans of New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings, namely :—

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No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
2745	Crabtree, E. R.	Garage, 60 Fairview Road.
2748	Y.M.C.A. Committee	Internal Alterations, Y.M.C.A., Promenade.
2750	Bendall & Sons.	Extension of Pilford Avenue
2751	Knight, J. J.	Store Shed, Corner of Shakespeare and Tennyson Roads.
2752	Organ, W.	Cycle Shed, 63 Tennyson Road.
2753	Wilson, C. A.	Motor House, Hazeldene, Gloucester Road.
2754	Waghorne & Evans	Alterations to front of Garage and Petrol Pumps, Shurdington Road.
2755	Mynett, Mrs. L.	Cycle Shed, 7 St. Paul's Road.
2758	Smith, T. W.	Detached house, Naunton Lane.

2759	Hawkins, G. A.	3 Detached houses, Battledown Approach.
2763	Lewis, F. C.	Cycle Shed, 39 Byron Road.
2764	Basher, E. G.	Garden Tool Shed, 5 Orchard Terrace, Libertus Road.
2765	Bonnor, E. W.	Detached house and Motor house, Leckhampton Road.
2766	Maude Newman, C. F.	Addition over Porch, Avoca, Leckhampton Road.
2767	Ward, G. H.	Cycle Shed, 22 Byron Road.
2768	Training College Committee	Motor House, St. Paul's Training College, Swindon Road.
2769	Winn [McMinn], J. W.	Motor Cycle House, 2 Victoria Cottages, St. Paul's Road.
2770	Cooke, E. V.	Motor House, Glenwerne, London Road.
2771	United Chemist Association	New Garage, Ucal Works, Glendouran. Ltd.
2772	Gloucester Co-operative Soc.	New Business premises, Gloucester Road. Ltd.
2773	Tandy, P.	Cycle Shed, 32 Margrett Road,
2774	Lloyd, H. B.	Covered way to Coal House and W.C., Meadowland, College Road
2775	Muirhead, Mrs. G.	Extension of Rooms, Myrtleville, College Road,
2776	Executors of late Mr. J. Page	Additions to Windsor Villa, Prestbury Road.
2777	Pascall, Mrs. S.	Motor House, 14 Tivoli Road,
2778	Jones, R. C.	New Store Shed, Pembury, Tewkesbury Road.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 2750, 2752, 2755, 2758, 2759, 2763, 2764, 2765, 2766, 2767, 2768, 2770, 2771, 2772, 2773, 2774, 2775 and 2777 be approved ; That Plan No 2753 be approved on condition that the building be placed behind the new building line if and when required at the owners expense and without compensation ; That Plan No. 2751 be approved subject to the building being set back ; That Plan No. 2776 be approved subject to the Sanitary work being carried out to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector ; That Plans Nos. 2745, 2748, 2754, 2769 and 2778 be disapproved.

5—Town Planning Area—Plans—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended new buildings under the General Interim Development Order, 1922 :—

No. of Plan,	Name.	Description.
51	Chatters Smithson & Rainger (Architects).	Alterations and additions to Normandie, Sandy Lane.
52	Mirton, G. M.	Alterations and additions, Courtfield, London Road.
53	Cleevely, A.	Additions to Bungalow, Beechcroft, School Road.
54	Fear, E. J.	Extensions to Workshop, 2 Aston Villas, Lyefield Road West, Charlton Kings.
55	East End Service Station	New Petrol Pump, East End Service Station, London Road, Charlton Kings.
56	Berryman, G.	New Lock-up Garages, Junction of Croft Road and Cirencester Road.

57	Miles, E. & Son	2 new villas and builder's workshop, Shurdington.
58	Hind, Miss	Bungalow, Leckhampton Hill, Nr. Blackhedge Farm.
59	Weston, Mr.	Bungalow, Coombe Hill.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 51, 52, 53, 57 and 58 be approved ; That Plan No. 54 be approved on condition that the premises shall not be used for any business likely to cause annoyance by reason of smoke, fumes, noise or smell . That Plan No. 55 be approved on condition that the owner shall remove the pump at his own cost when required so to do and shall not be entitled to any compensation That Plans Nos. 56 and 59 be disapproved.

6—Summer House, Marlborough House—The Town Clerk reported that the Street and Highway Committee had inter-viewed Mrs. Cobbold in regard to the Summer House erected in front of the building line and recommended that this should be removed.

RESOLVED, That the Council do not consent to the erection of this building and that notice be given to Mrs. Cobbold in pursuance of Section 3 of the Public Health (Buildings in Streets) Act, 1888 and that, if necessary, the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings under this Section.

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7—Shed, Cobham Road—RESOLVED, That Notice be given to Mr. R. E. Jones to show cause why the Garage and Shed built by him in Cobham Road should not be removed as being in contravention of the byelaws.

8—Albion Street—The Borough Surveyor submitted letter from H.M. Office of Works inquiring whether the plans for an Employment Exchange on the frontage to the Athletic Ground in Albion Street would be passed if submitted. RESOLVED, That the Committee cannot express any opinion until the plans are submitted. E. L. WARD,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 20th September, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Dunn, Pates, Pruen, H. W. Thomas and E. L. Ward (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

1—Hard Tennis Courts—The Borough Surveyor submitted 6 tenders for the provision of hard tennis courts. RESOLVED, That the tender of the Fernden Tennis Court Co., Ltd., London, of £75 for laying 2 courts at the Montpellier Gardens, including tennis posts, netting and marking tapes, be accepted. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for a loan of £1,260 for the estimated cost of laying 5 hard tennis courts, plus 5 per cent. for contingencies, to cover the cost of laying the two hard courts at Montpellier Gardens and 3 additional courts to be laid as and when decided upon by the Council.

- 2—Montpellier Gardens—(a) Custodian—The Borough Surveyor reported that the Custodian of these Gardens had obtained another appointment and had sent in his resignation. RESOLVED, That advertisements be issued inviting applications for a man and wife to act as Custodians at a salary of £2 10s. 0d. per week, plus house, light and fuel.
- (b) Wych Elms—RESOLVED, That the Wych Elms in these Gardens reported by the Treeman to be rapidly decaying be removed,
- (c) Key—Read, application from Mrs. J. A. Jones for a key to the northern gate of these Gardens, to enable her aged mother to get to the Gardens without going round to the main entrance. RESOLVED, That she be informed that a key can be issued on payment of a charge of £2 2s. 0d.
- (d) Central Brotherhood—Read, letter from the Secretary of the Central Brotherhood thanking the Corporation for the use of these Gardens for their Sunday afternoon Meetings.
- 3—Alstone Baths--(a) RESOLVED, That 12 full season tickets and 12 half season tickets be given for competition by children who have passed lifesaving examinations as in previous years.
- (b) Badminton—Captain Field, Chairman of the Cheltenham Badminton Club attended and applied for the use of the Alstone Baths for the Badminton Club. He asked that the charge for electricity should be reduced to the same rate as charged to other customers. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to grant the use of the Baths on the same terms as last year, subject to the Club agreeing to allow Miss Kelley to have the use of the Baths from 2 to 6 p.m. on two days a week, provided the Club should be at liberty to reserve the days required for their Annual Tournament. RESOLVED, also, That the charge for electricity be reduced to 5d. per unit.
- 4—Borough Meteorologist—Commander Orgee attended and stated he was prepared to continue his duties as Borough Meteorologist if arrangements could be made for him to have some assistance in taking the daily records and dispatching the daily telegram to the Air Ministry. He also suggested that it would facilitate the duties if the sun recorder was moved from the Pittville Pump Room to the centre of the town. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to arrange for a man to assist Com. Orgee as requested and to consider and report as to removing the sun recorder to the dome of the Montpellier Rotunda.
- 5—Lecture on Carlsbad—Read, letter from Mr. Ed. J. Burrow offering to give an illustrated lecture on his recent visit to Carlsbad. RESOLVED, That this offer be accepted and that the Art Gallery and Museum Committee be recommended to lend the Art Gallery for the lecture.
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- 6—Pittville Pump Room—RESOLVED, That the application of Miss S. H. Burton for the use of the Pump Room on Wednesday afternoons from the 9th October, 1929, to the 9th April,

1930, for Badminton be granted at a charge of £10 10s. Od., plus the cost of heating and lighting.

7—Winter Gardens—Read, application from the Cheltenham and Glos. Canine Society for permission to use these gardens for a Dog Show to be held on the 2nd October, and also for permission to erect a tent at the rear of the gardens and to place a screen round the front and top side of the gardens, and to use the front lawn nearest the Queen's Hotel as a judging ground. RESOLVED, That the application be granted subject to payment of out-of-pocket expenses and to the Society agreeing to make good any damage which may be done to the premises and lawns, etc. RESOLVED, also, That permission be given to park cars on the gravel paths at the rear of the Winter Gardens.

S—Advertising—Read, letter from Mr. Ed. J. Burrow enclosing list of current advertising he had arranged for one of the illuminated spaces above Trafalgar Square for the display of an Advertisement of Cheltenham, the cost being defrayed out of ordinary allocation.

9—Conference—RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to support the invitation given by the Chamber of Commerce to the Incorporated Dental Society to hold their next Conference in Cheltenham and that the free use of the Town Hall be granted for the Conference.

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 27th September, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Allen, Dunn, Pates, Pruen and E. L. Ward (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

10 - Spa Federation Conference—Read, letters from delegates to this Conference thanking the Mayor and Corporation for the excellent arrangements made for the Conference and for the hospitality extended to them.

11—Town Hall—(a) RESOLVED, That the application of the Rev. J. Bishop for permission to book the Town Hall on Sunday the 27th October for a meeting and Concert for the furtherance of the work of the Cheltenham and District Food Reform Association, be not granted.

(b) Rotary District Conference—RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham Rotary Club for the free use of the Town Hall for this Conference on the afternoon and evening of the 9th February next and the drawing room on the morning and afternoon on the 10th February and the large Hall on the evening of the same day, be granted. RESOLVED, also, That the free use of the Organ be granted on the morning of the 10th February.

12—Pittville Pump Room—RESOLVED, That the free use of the Pump Room be granted the Cheltenham Rotary Club on Saturday afternoon the 10th February next for a tea to be given to the Delegates attending the Rotary District Conference.

13—Reports of **Concerts Sub-Committee**—The Reports of the Concerts Sub-Committee at their Meetings held on the 30th July, 13th and 27th August, and 17th and 24th September, 1929, were read They recommended as follows :—

(a) Town Hall—Ladies Lavatory—That the Town Improvement Committee be asked to consider what arrangements can be made for enlarging the ladies' lavatory accommodation

(b) Military Bands—That Military Bands be engaged for the next Season from the 18th May to the 13th September,

(c) Sandford Park—That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to prepare plans and estimates for a Shell bandstand to be erected in this park.

(d) Sunday Concerts—That the first Sunday Concert be held on the 3rd November, and that the programme for the concerts be drawn up by this Sub-Committee. RESOLVED, also, That Mr. Ed. J. Burrow be invited to attend the meetings of the Sub-Committee when the programmes were being considered

(e) Organ—Hire—RESOLVED, That the charge for the hire of the Organ be made on the length of time that the key is in the possession of the hirer

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(f) Dance Teas—That dance teas be held on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday afternoons ; also that a Popular dance be held on Wednesday evenings from 8 to 11 p.m. at a charge of 1s and also that the Saturday evening dances be held as usual from 8 to 11 p.m.

(g) Popular Concert—That a popular concert be held every Thursday evening ; admission 3d. and 6d. and that the sum of £1 1s. 0d. be allowed for payment of Artists.

RESOLVED, That the proceedings of the Concerts Sub-Committee in respect to paragraphs (d), (e), (f) and (g) be approved, except that with regard to (g) a sum of £2 2s. 0d., per week be allowed for payments of Artists.

RESOLVED, also, That with regard to (a) the Concerts Sub-Committee be asked to inspect the Town Hall ladies with lavatories a view to seeing if any of the other lavatories situate in various parts of the building could be used for when necessary.

RESOLVED, also, That with regard to (b) consideration of engaging Military Bands be adjourned to the next Meeting of the Committee,

RESOLVED, also, That with regard to (c) consideration of providing a shell bandstand in Sandford Park be adjourned until the Committee have inspected the Park.

JAMES STEWART, Chairman.

ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 25th September, 1929. Present—Alderman Moore ; Councillors Dunn, Lipson, Gen. Sir Richard Wapshare and Welstead (Alderman Moore in the chair).

- 1—Electrical Cooker Demonstrator—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that he had received 18 applications for this appointment, and had appointed Miss D. Blaker of Portsmouth, who had now taken up her duties, RESOLVED, That this be approved.
- 2—Municipal Offices—Showroom, etc.—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported as to equipment, appliances and furniture which had been ordered for the new Offices and showroom. RESOLVED, That the Chairman and the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to purchase any additional equipment that may be required and that particulars of the cost of all the equipment purchased be reported to the Committee.
- 3—Extension to Main—RESOLVED, That the Borough Electrical Engineer be authorised to make the extension to main referred to in his report at an estimated cost of £272 on the terms now approved by the Committee.
- 4—Unemployment—The Chairman reported that a Deputation representing the Electricity Supply Industry at a recent interview with the Lord Privy Seal and Minister of Transport as to work for unemployed had been informed that the Government had decided not to make any financial contributions to electricity undertakings. RESOLVED, That in view of this statement the Committee are unable to provide any relief works for unemployment.
- 5—Corporation Houses—RESOLVED, That the Housing Committee be recommended to consider the installation of electricity in future houses to be erected by the Corporation, and that they be informed that the Electricity Committee will favourably consider an application from the Housing Committee for assistance in the matter of providing service cables to the houses.
- 6—Sanctions to Loans—The Town Clerk submitted circular from the Electricity Commission enclosing revised Memorandum as to procedure on applications for sanctions to loans.

JAMES MOORE, Chairman.

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WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 19th September, 1929. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Moore, Councillors Dunn, Pates, Smith and Sir Richard Wapshare (The Mayor in the chair).

- 1—Borough Engineer's Report—The Reports of the Borough Engineer for the months of August and September were read

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days ended 12th August, 1929,	Average for corresponding period during Past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	85,000 gallons	117,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	164,000	253,000 „
Leckhampton Springs	37,000	48,000
Total	286,000	418,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
	12th August, 1929.		12th August, 1928.	
Hewletts		18,831,000 gallons		9,737,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	19ft. 0ins.	40,872,000	15ft. 8ins.	29,292,000
Leckhampton	10ft. 10ins.	1,400,000		Empty
Total Storage		61,103,000		39,029,000

DAILY YIELD OF SPRINGS.

	For 30 days ended 16th September, 1929.	Average for corresponding period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	77,000 gallons	121,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	146,000	310,000 “
Leckhampton Springs	30,000	39,000 “
Total	253,000	470,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
	16th September, 1929.		16th September, 1928.	
Hewletts		18,435,000 gallons		8,716,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	16ft. 3in.	31,189,000 “	12ft. 10in.	20,811,000 “
Leckhampton	11ft. 0in.	1,485,000	2ft. 0in.	270,000
Total Storage		51,109,000		29,797,000

2—Inspections—The Borough Engineer reported the work carried out by the Water Inspectors during the months of July and August.

3—Severn Water Supply—The Medical Officer of Health submitted Report on his interview with Sir Alexander Houston advising with regard to the water supply. RESOLVED, That consideration be adjourned to the next Meeting of the Committee.

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4—Unemployment— The Committee considered Circulars from the Unemployment Grants Committee, Association of Municipal and British Waterworks Association in regard to putting in hand works for the relief of Unemployment RESOLVED, That the Borough Engineer be instructed to prepare schemes and estimates of the cost of

pipes and other works which could be put in hand during the coming Winter, for consideration at the next Meeting of the Committee.

- 5—River Severn Survey--The Town Clerk submitted the 4th Report of the Ministry of Agriculture and Medical Fisheries on the observations carried out by Local Authorities. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Medical Officer of Health for consideration.
- 6—Water Shortage—The Town Clerk submitted Memorandum dated the 16th July, 1929, of the Ministry of Health with regard to water shortage. RESOLVED, That this be referred to the Medical Officer of Health.
- 7—Fields at Dowdeswell—RESOLVED, That the 35.722 acres to be given up by Mr. J. C. H. Lucy be let to Mr. Victor Parry on a yearly tenancy at a rent of £68 per annum.
- 8—Land, London Road—Read, letter of 16th inst., from Messrs. Tayler, Fletcher & Villar, offering on behalf of Mr Charles Randall to sell the portion of the Pasture field adjoining the old Coppice and lying between the main road and the Chelt and containing 1a. 0r. 27p. RESOLVED, That the District Valuer be asked to make a valuation of the land.
- 9—Chelt Springs—The Borough Engineer reported that he had modified the plan to connect pipe from Chelt Springhead with the Railway Company's drain which would necessitate modification of the agreement dated the 29th July last, and he submitted amended form of agreement with the Great Western Railway Co. RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed thereto.
- 10—Extensions to Mains—(a) Whitehouse, Arle--RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. N. Harris for permission to extend his service for about 130 yards in galvanized steam tubing be acceded to.
- (b) Harford—The Borough Engineer reported that Mr. J. W. Brown had extended his service without permission. RESOLVED, That the Borough Engineer be instructed to have openings made to ascertain that the service is of proper depth and of galvanized steam quality.
- (c) Suffolk Square—The Borough Engineer reported that he had received an application from the Cheltenham Bowling Club for an extension of the main to their new green. The cost of the main would be about £50 which the Club were willing to repay by annual instalments in 10 years. RESOLVED, That the extension be made subject to an agreement, to be prepared by the Town Clerk, being entered into.
- (d) Shurdington Road—RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to an Agreement with the Cheltenham Rural District Council for an extension of the main to Badgeworth Lane, to be carried out by the Cheltenham Rural District Council at an estimated cost of £1,500, the cost of the main to be repaid to the District Council as and when the amount received for water charges gives a return of 10 per cent on such cost ; the water charges received from the extension and from the portions of the main laid by Messrs. Rickerby & Harrison and Mr. J. W. Brown respectively being pooled and the cost repaid in the proportions of the cost contributed by them respectively,

11—Tewkesbury Waterworks—RESOLVED, That the next meeting of the Committee be held at Tewkesbury to inspect the works.

12—Dowdeswell Reservoir—(a) Damage to Fence—The Borough Engineer reported damage to this fence caused by a motor car skidding into it and that the estimated cost of repairing the fence had been repaid.

(b) Fish Ladder—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have an oak fish ladder provided at this Reservoir.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Chairman.

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GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 24th September, 1929. Present—The Mayor ; The Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Moore, Stewart and Taylor ; Councillors Leigh James, Pates, Gen. Thomas, Capt. Trye, E. L. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Diseases amongst Animals—(a) Glanders or Farcy Order, 1929—The Town Clerk submitted copy of this Order, notice of which had been published as requested by the Ministry.

(b) Supt. Goulder reported that the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

2—Omnibus Licences—(a) RESOLVED, That the application of the Black and White Motorways Ltd for 6 additional omnibus licences and for transfer of licence in respect of vehicle Reg. No 5335 to vehicle Reg. No. 2042, be granted.

(b) Read, application from the Westcliff-on -Sea Motor Services Ltd. asking for permission to park their coaches in a central position for one hour in connection with their service between London and Cardiff. RESOLVED, That they be informed that the Corporation cannot set apart any street for the parking of their omnibuses for so long a period, but that they must be parked in a private garage.

3—Hackney Carriage Licences --(a) New Licence—RESOLVED, That the application of Arthur Fryer of 5 Brunswick Street, Cheltenham, for a Pony Carriage licence be granted.

(b) Transfers—RESOLVED, That applications of J. Brown and W. Edwards for licences Nos 57 and 34 to be transferred to Cabs Nos. CJ1558 and Y09020 respectively be granted, also that the application of C. W. Taylor for Pony Carriage licence No. 23 to be transferred to him be granted.

(c) Drivers—RESOLVED, That applications of C. W. Taylor, A Fryer, F. B. Alcock and I. G. Bundy for Drivers Licences be granted.

(d) Driver-Conductors—RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham District Traction Co, for 15 Drivers licences to be used jointly as Driver-Conductors be granted.

4—Fire Brigade—(a) Report of Captain—The Captain reported that the Brigade had attended the following outbreaks of fire since the last meeting :—

Date, 1929.	Place. Cause	Damage.	Brigade Expenses.
August 27th	Athletic Ground and Messrs. Smith & Co's. Timber Yard, Albion Street. Not apparent	£50	£3 2s. 6d.
September 9th	7 St. George's Street Defective Fire Place, Slight.		£3 3s. 0d.
" 15th	Messrs. E. Knott & Co., Cleveland Street. Not apparent,	£350	£6 16s. 0d.
" 15th	Clarendon Cottages, Shurdington. Defective Chimney ...	£40-£50	£4 8s. 6d.

(b) Read, letter of 16th inst. from Messrs. Knott & Co., expressing their appreciation of the prompt attendance of the Brigade to the fire at their premises.

(c) Dowdeswell Court—Read, letter from Mrs. Hoseason enquiring on what terms the Corporation would provide the services of the Brigade to this house, RESOLVED, That she be informed that the Council will provide the Brigade on payment of an annual retaining fee of £5 and subject to an Agreement being entered into containing similar terms as the Agreement in respect of Sandywell Park and Brockhampton Park.

(d) Read, circular from the National Fire Brigades Association inviting the Corporation to subscribe to the Fire Prevention Department towards the Research work of the Association. RESOLVED, That no action be taken:

5—Veterinary Congress—Read, letter from Secretary of this Congress inviting the Council to send representatives to the 1930 Congress. RESOLVED, That delegates be not appointed.

6—Private Employment Agencies—Read, circular letter from the Trades Union Congress General Council urging the Council to obtain special powers to make byelaws for the regulation of Private Employment Agencies. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

7—Postal Facilities—Read, circular letter from the Town Clerk of Twickenham forwarding copy resolution passed by his Council with reference to the inadequacy of the present postal facilities. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

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8—Rating of Land Values—Read, circular letter twin the Town Clerk of Stoke on Trent with copy resolution passed by his Council with reference to alteration in the system of Rating. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

9—Incorporated Secretaries Association—Read, circular letter from this Association urging that the passing of the Examinations of the Association by members of the staff should be recognised by an increase of salary. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

10—Rotunda Terrace—Name Plate—Read, letter from Rev. B. Thomas asking that a Elaine plate for this terrace should be fixed. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to fix a name plate.

- 11—Town Clerk's Department—Typewriter—The Town Clerk reported that the Underwood Typewriter which had been in use for ten years was now worn out and recommended that a new machine is purchased. RESOLVED, That L. C. Smith, brief tabulating Typewriter be purchased at a cost of £32 0s. 0d. less an allowance of £6 10s. 0d. for the old Typewriter.
- 12—Domestic Servants Registries—Read, Report of inspection of the Domestic Servants Registries in the Borough which were found to be satisfactory.
- 13—Byelaws as to Noise Nuisance—Read, circular letter from the People's League of Health asking the Council to consider making Byelaws for the diminution of preventable noise. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.
- 14—Petrol Licences—(a) Renewals—RESOLVED, That the applications for renewal of licences to store petroleum and carbide of calcium, as set out in the Petroleum Inspector's Report Book, be granted for one year from the 5th prox.
- (b) New Licences—RESOLVED, That the applications of the Victory Motor Co. (Cheltenham) Ltd., R. Cripps and J. W. Gapper for licences to store 500, 300 and 40 gallons respectively at their premises in Winchcomb Street, Upper Bath Street and Cleveland Street, be granted.
- 15—Market—The Town Clerk reported that the Gloucestershire Co-operative etc. Marketing Society had complained of the nuisance and damage caused by children climbing over the wall adjoining the house recently erected by Mr. Rouse. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have a fence or railing erected on the top of the wall so as to prevent children climbing over.
- 16—Leckhampton Hill Estate- - (a) The Borough Surveyor submitted a Map showing Charlton Common, comprising 74.171 acres and a portion of Leckhampton Hill comprising about 58 acres to be appropriated as a Pleasure Ground. RESOLVED, That the area coloured Pink on the said Map be and is hereby appropriated as a Pleasure Ground for the use of the Borough, subject to and reserving to the Corporation full powers of quarrying, working, getting or taking away any stone in or under the said Area either by themselves, their agents or tenants, and that the Common Seal be affixed to a copy of this Resolution and to the said Map.
- (b) Bronze Age Camp—RESOLVED, That the offer of Mr. Ed. J. Burrow, F.R.G.S. to provide a board with history of this camp painted on for erection on the site of the camp be accepted with thanks.
- 17--Superannuation Allowances—RESOLVED, That consideration of the allowances under Section 16 of the Act be adjourned until the monthly meeting of the Committee in November next.
- 18—British Legion—Read, letter from the Hon. Treasurer British Legion, Cheltenham Branch, asking the Corporation to treat this Charity in the same manner as other Charities are treated by making a contribution in lieu of rates. RESOLVED, That in pursuance of

the Cheltenham Improvement Act, 1889 and the Cheltenham Order, 1905, a subscription of £14 be made to the British Legion for the 9 months ending 31st March, 1930.

19-Unemployment-Read, letter of 21st inst. from the Manager of the Employment Exchange that the total number of wholly unemployed men in the Borough and immediate neighbourhood was 773 ; of these 166 were good labourers, accustomed to pick and shovel work and in addition there were about 100 who would be capable of undertaking excavating work. As far as he could estimate he expected the number of men unemployed in the Winter months would be about 1,150.

The Town Clerk reported that the Water Committee were considering laying some new water mains and that the Street and Highway Committee proposed to widen Pilley Lane and Suffolk Road. The Fairview District re-sewerage scheme was still in progress and was likely to last all the winter and the construction of Kipling and Shakespeare Roads extensions and the new road off Whaddon Road had just been commenced.

20—Road off Whaddon Road—RESOLVED, That the recommendations of the Housing Committee that this road should not be called Skillicorne Road be approved and that consideration of a new name be adjourned to the next meeting of the Committee.

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21—Municipal Offices--- Dental Rooms—Read, letter of 16th inst., from the Education Secretary, that it had been necessary to provide a dental and other rooms adjoining the Clinic in the basement of these Offices and that the Education Committee, having had plans prepared, had provisionally accepted the tender of Messrs. Eager & Sons of £675 for carrying out the work. RESOLVED, That this be approved, and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £709 for the cost of carrying out the work including 5 per cent. for contingencies.

RESOLVED, also, That the Education Committee be charged a rent of £45 per annum for the additional premises when constructed.

22-----Town Clock— RESOLVED, That tenders be invited for winding the Town Clock.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 9th September, 1929. Present—Alderman Sawyer; Councillors Smith, Gen, Thomas, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold; Messrs. F. W. Clarkson, F. Vizard, J. Paine and E. M. Yeend (Councillor Welstead in the chair).

1—Prizes—The **Prize Sub-Committee** reported that they had judged the entries in the Competition and the prize money, £7 7s. 0d. (£1 1s. 0d. of which had been kindly given by the

Chairman, Councillor Welstead) had been divided between 13 allotment holders as follows :—First Prize of £1 1s. 0d., Two Second Prizes of £1 0s. 0d. each, Three Third Prizes of 15s. 0d. each, One Fourth Prize of 10s. 0d. Two additional prizes of 6s. 6d each, three of 5s. 0d. each and one of 3s. 0d. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

2—Annual Inspection—RESOLVED, That the Committee meet to inspect the Allotments on Wednesday, 2nd October, at 10 a. m.

3—Arrears of Rent—The Treasurer reported as to arrears of rent. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take proceedings for recovery of same.

4—Nos. 188 and 189 Crab Tree Piece—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the buildings, left by the late tenant, removed.

5—Nos. 32 and 50 Creamery Piece—RESOLVED, That Allotment No 32, to be given up by Mr. H. Thornley, be let to Mr. L. O'Brien of 23 Townsend Street, Cheltenham, and that Allotment No. 50 to be given up at Christmas by Mr. C. Wakefield be let to Mr. Rowe, of Newton, Alstone Croft.

6—Nos. 161 and 170 Crab Tree Piece—RESOLVED, That notices be given terminating the present tenancies of these Allotments which were reported to be in a bad state of cultivation.

W. WELSTEAD,

Chairman.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 2nd October, 1929. Present—Councillors Selim Smith and Welstead ; Messrs. F. W. Clarkson and F. Vizard (Councillor Welstead in the chair).

7—Allotments—inspection—The Committee inspected allotments in North Ward and Albert Road.

W. WELSTEAD,

Chairman.

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PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee had on Monday, 9th September, 1929. Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Smith, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward, L. F. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold (Alderman Sawyer in the chair),

1—Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground—RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to erect additional swings at this ground provided for in the Estimates at a cost of £30.

2—Willow Tree, near Fountain, Promenade—The Treeman reported that he did not consider any further supports were needed at the present time. RESOLVED, That the provision of supports be deferred for the present.

3—St. Mark's Recreation Ground—(a) inspection—RESOLVED, That the Committee inspect this Ground on Friday. the 13th instant, at 10.30 a.m.

(b) Byelaws—The Town Clerk submitted draft byelaws for this Ground. RESOLVED, That same be approved and the Common Seal affixed thereto and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for their approval thereof.

(c) Custodian-86 applications were received for this appointment. RESOLVED, That the following be appointed a Sub-Committee to consider these applications : Alderman Sawyer Councillors Smith, Gen. Thomas, Welstead and Yarnold.

4—Memorial Tablet to the late Councillor W. J. M. Dicks—RESOLVED, That the Memorial Tablet to the late Councillor W. J. M. Dicks be inscribed as follows :— " In Memory of Councillor W. J. M. Dicks, Mayor of Cheltenham 1923-26, to whose conception and energy was mainly due, the formation of this Park." RESOLVED, also, That the Committee meet on Friday, the 13th inst., to decide as to the position.

5—Recreation Grounds—Football—RESOLVED, That the following applications for permission to play football be granted :—

Recreation Ground.	Name of Club.	Day of Play.
AGG-GARDNER ...	St. Paul's Old Boys F.C.	Alternate Saturdays.
	St. Gregory's R.F.C. "	"
	St. Peter's Wednesday F.C.	Alternate Wednesdays.
NAUNTON PARK ...	Cheltenham Co-op Employees F.C.	Wednesdays.
	Naunton Park R.F.C.	Saturdays.
WHADDON LANE	Y.M.C.A. F.C.	Alternate Wednesdays.
	Parsons Wednesday F.C.	Alternate Wednesdays.
	Wesley Sunday School F.C. ... "	Saturdays.
	Central School Old Boys A.F.C. "	"

RESOLVED, also, That the application of Leopold's F.C. be not granted owing to lack of accommodation. RESOLVED, also, That consideration of the application of the St. Gregory's Ladies' Hockey Club be deferred. St. Mark's Recreation Ground—RESOLVED, That the applications of Smiths Systems F.C. and Tennyson Rovers F.C. be not granted as the turf is not yet sufficiently established,

W. SAWYER, Chairman.

At a Special Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 30th September, 1929. Present—Councillors Dunn. Salim Smith, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Councillor Gen Thomas in the chair).

6—Football Pitches—Application submitted from the Corporation Employees Social Club for the use of a football pitch at the Naunton Park Recreation Ground on Saturday afternoons. RESOLVED, That permission be granted.

7—Hockey Pitch—Read, application from Messrs. Boots' Hockey Club for the use of a Pitch at the Agg-Gardner Recreation Ground on Wednesday afternoons. RESOLVED, That permission be not granted.

8—St. Mark's Recreation Ground—Custodian—The Committee interviewed six applicants for this post. RESOLVED, That Mr. W. J. C. Hooper of 15 Rosehill Street, Hale's Road, Cheltenham, be appointed for a probationary period of one month, H. M. THOMAS, Chairman.

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ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday 5th September, 1929. Present--The Deputy Mayor; Alderman Taylor ; Councillors Scott Langley and Brig.-Gen, Thomas ; and Mr. C. R. Mapp (The Deputy Mayor in the chair).

1--Curator's Report for July and August— Visits-7,588 (against 7,830) ; daily average 140 (against 146). Included in these figures were classes from Charlton Kings School, School of Arts and Crafts, Cheltenham Ladies' College, and Wytham (near Oxford).

Receipts—Collection Box £1 3s. 4d. ; Exhibition Catalogues 6s 6d ; Permanent Catalogues £1 7s. 0d. ; Commission—New Forest Exhibition 3s 9d ; Miscellaneous 1s 6d ; Postcard Reproductions 18s 4d. Total £4 0s. 5d.

2—Gibraltar House—Messrs. Bayley & Sons submitted an offer from Miss M. Tustin of Tirley, near Tewkesbury, to take these premises at an inclusive rent of £100 per annum for a Confectionery business for a term of 7 years, determinable at the end of the 3rd or 5th year ; a specification was submitted of works required to put the premises in repair including provision of a sink. RESOLVED, That the premises be let to Miss Tustin on the terms offered and that the Borough Surveyor be instructed to have the repairs executed.

3—Donations --From Miss Havergal, Facsimile of the Hereford Mappa Mundi ; Mr. W. H. Knowles, F.S.A, Bellarmine Bottle (16th cen.), Right half of Great Malvern Tile (15th cen.), found at Deerhurst, 1926; Mr. A. D. Passmore, Original Loaf Stamp of the Royal North Gloucester Militia (early Victorian period) ; Mr. H. Beresford Stevens. Great Horn-Tail ; Dr. O. H. Wild, M.B., Two Water Rails, and Great-crested Grebe (Glos. specimens).

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

4—Pictures offered—(a) Oil Portrait of the late Lord Kitchener, by the late Arthur Davies, of Cheltenham. To be presented by subscription.

(b) Oil Painting of Still Life by William Duffield (1816-1863). Given by Dr. Braine-Hartnell.

RESOLVED, That these be accepted, and the thanks of the Committee conveyed to the Donors.

5—Loan—From Mr. W. H. Knowles, F.S.A., Two panels, " Music " and " Dancing," modelled by Sir George Frampton, R.A, 1894

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Lender.

6—Proposed Exhibition—RESOLVED,—That the Curator be authorised to arrange for an Exhibition of Work by Students of the School of Arts and Crafts during February, 1930.

7—Annual Report, 1928-29--The Annual Report for the year ending 31st March, 1929, has been printed and copies sent to each member of the Council and all Donors.

CLARA F. WINTERBOTHAM, Chairman.

BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 27th September, 1929, Present—Alderman Stewart; Councillors Scott Langley and Wheeler, (Alderman Stewart in the Chair).

1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of Superintendent from the 20th July 1929 to 27th September 1929. Interments 103. Grave Spaces sold 44 (First Position 3 ; Second Position 6 ; Third Position 3 Fourth Position 32). Memorials fixed 26. New Inscriptions 19.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces —RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 8036 to 8079 of the exclusive right of burial in the graves referred to therein.

3—Burial Fees—Read, Letter front Colonel H. Haig complaining of the high fees charged for the purchase of grave spaces and for erection of monuments thereon and suggesting that the fees should be revised. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

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4—Designs--RESOLVED, That the following designs be approved, namely :—Memorial Cross,. bases and kerbing to graves of Harry H. Merryweather, Walter J. S. Overett and Irene M. Overett, Harry R. Jennings and W. W. J. Jennings, Caroline Raimondi, Thomas Russell Elizabeth Russell, and Florence K. Mann, Frederick Cole, Alice S. Maine, Michael J. Ahern, Frederick Oak Bell and Edward W. Bell, and Martha Thompson and Martha Boardman ; Memorial Headpiece and kerbing to graves of Mary Hancock and Daniel Hancock, Mary A. Bourne, and Annie Moulder; Memorial Scroll and kerbing to graves of Nigel G. Salmon, and Eliza Dowdeswell and David W. Dowdeswell ; Memorial Cross to grave of C. Huggins ; Memorial Scroll to grave of Frederick Nicholls ; Kerbing and posts to grave of Francis B. Lansdown and Martha Lansdown, Charles Gould, Mary S. Steeds, Gertrude A. Mulliss, Harriett Dancaster, and William Hyett ; and kerbing to graves of Alfred Tudge, Mary Anne Smith, Charles Smith. and

Kate Webb, Eleanor A Keep, Lissie Ellen Lloyd. Mary M. Cordwell, Annie F. Palmer, and one with no inscription.

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 5th September, 1929. Present—Councillors Scott Langley, Pates, H. W. Thomas and Welstead : Rev Canon P. M. C. Johnston; Messrs. A. Miles, E. C. Rogers and C. E. Walsh (Councillor Thomas in the Chair).

1 --Librarian's Report for July and August—Receipts £23 4s. 11d. Number of volumes issued in Reference Department 10,874 (last year 14,116) ; Lending Department 25,361 (last year 21,820) ; Juvenile Department 3,563 (last year 3,564) Total for 2 months 39,798 (last year 39,500).

Replacements—46 vols. had been replaced; 300 vols. returned from the Binder and placed in circulation, and 477 vols. despatched to the binder.

Staff—At the May Examinations of the Library Association the following were successful in Section 4, Cataloguing : Miss E. L. E. Mason, Miss E. J. Parry.

Donations—Abbey Publicity Service (42 pamphlets.) ; Anon, (8 vols.) ; Mr. A. W. Albright (1 vol.) ; Mr. Ed. J. Burrow (23 vols.) ; Messrs. Ed. J. Burrow (2 vols. and 25 pamphlets.) ; Mr. R. Heyworth (9 vols.) ; Irish Tourist Association (1 vol.) Major S. Menzies (50 vols.) ; Ontario Government (1 vol.) ; Messrs J. & J. Paton (1 vol.) ; Mr. M. A. Price (1 vol.) ; College of Preceptors (1 vol.) ; H.M. Stationery Office (36 pamphlets.).

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

2—Purchase of Books—RESOLVED, (a) That 205 vols., published at £130 10s. 0d. be purchased at a cost of £52 2s. 3d.

(b) That the sum of £40 be spent on Replacements.

(c) That the sum of £30 be spent on Re-binding.

3—Annual Report, 1928-29—The Annual Report for the year ending 31st March, 1929 has been printed, and copies sent to each member of the Council and all Donors

4—Time of Meeting—RESOLVED, That in future this Committee meet at 4.30 p.m.

H. W. THOMAS, Chairman.

RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 30th September, 1929, Present—Aldermen Moore, Stewart and Taylor ; Councillors Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Taylor in the chair)

- 1.—Farm Houses—Read, letter of 24th ult, from the Clerk to the Assessment Committee that there existed a lack of uniformity in the assessment of farm houses and requesting the Committee to review the whole of the assessments of this class of hereditament having regard to Section 72 of the Local Government Act, 1929. The Rating and Valuation Officers submitted list of the farm houses in the Borough RESOLVED, That the Rating and Valuation Officers be instructed to submit proposals for the revision of the assessments as now settled by the Committee.
- 2.—Proposals—The Committee considered the revision of assessments of various properties submitted by the Rating and Valuation Officers. RESOLVED, That proposals be submitted for the revision of the assessments as now settled by the Committee.
- 3.—Agricultural Hereditaments—The Committee considered whether several properties which had not been derated should be derated as agricultural hereditaments. RESOLVED, That the assessments in the list submitted be revised as now settled by the Committee.

P. I). TAYLOR,

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 1st October, 1929. Present—Alderman Taylor ; Councillors Leigh James, Miller, Pruen, E. L. Ward and Welstead (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

- 1—General Rate—Read, Final Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 1st inst., on the collection of the First Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £114,012 8s. 7d Allowed to owners £882 5s. 8d, Voids £2,201 0s. 11d, Excused £205 8s. 2d. Irrecoverable £850 2s 9d. Leaving outstanding £295 5s. 7d.
- 2—Water Rate—Read, Final Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 1st inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ended 29th September last. Amount collected £18,605 19s. 1d Leaving outstanding £1,433 5s. 7d.
- 3—Loans—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £500 on loan, RESOLVED, That a Debenture be sealed and issued on account of a duly authorised loan.

(b) RESOLVED, That the Common Seal be affixed to Debentures to be issued to the Independent Order of Oddfellows Manchester Unity Friendly Society, for securing the repayment of £10,500, £5,500 and £2,940 in respect of loans authorised by the undermentioned sanctions:—

Date.	Purpose	Amount.
11th January, 1929	Fairview District re-sewerage scheme ..	£13,829.
16th February, 1929 .	Erection of houses, Folly Lane	£23,655.
4th July, 1929 ... -	Purchase of land, Pilley Lane, for Housing ...	£4,077.

The loans to be for a period of 20 years with the option for either party to terminate at the end of 10 years.

4—National Savings' Certificates—The Borough Treasurer reported that the number of Savings Certificates sold during August was 2,584 as compared with 3,744 for the corresponding month last year.

5—Corporation 3 per cent. Stock—The Borough Treasurer reported that he had purchased £3,500 0s. 0d. Corporation Stock. RESOLVED, That the sum of £3,500 0s. 0d. 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, 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.

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6-4 $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. Housing Bonds—The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting £235 had been received for 4 $\frac{3}{4}$ per cent. Housing Bonds repayable in 5 years and that certificates had been issued accordingly. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

7—Public Works Loan Board—RESOLVED, That application be made to the Public Works Loan Commissioners for a loan of £18,700 in respect of the loans covered by the following Sanctions:—

Sanction.	Amount.	Purpose.	Term
27th March, 1929 ...	£7,331	For purchase of electricity Meters (part of sanction of Electricity Commissioners for £25,925).	10 years.
24th June, 1929 ...	£3,270	For construction of Kipling and Shakespeare Roads extensions	20 years.
25th June, 1929 ...	£4,549 .	For construction of Margrett Road and Folly Lane and widening St. Paul's Road	20 years,
2nd August, 1929 ...	£3,530 ...	For construction of new road off Whaddon Road	20 years.

RESOLVED, also, That the Common Seal be affixed to Mortgages of the General Rate to the Public Works Loan Commissioners for securing repayment of the above mentioned loans, such loans to be repayable by half-yearly instalments of principal and interest combined within the periods authorised by the respective sanctions the loans to date from the 1st December next except that in the case of the loan for £7,331, £3,331 thereof be taken up on the 1st April, 1930. RESOLVED, also, That the

Common Seal be affixed to the Orders authorising delivery of the Commissioners Certificate for the said sum to the Borough Treasurer,

8—Fidelity Guarantee—The Borough Treasurer submitted two quotations for this insurance.

RESOLVED, That the insurance be continued in the County Fire Office.

9—Motor Insurance—The Borough Treasurer submitted two quotations for this insurance.

RESOLVED, That the insurance be continued with the Fine Art and General Insurance Co.

10—Superannuation—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that F. J. Bowles (gravedigger) would retire on the 7th October and that his pension calculated on his wages for the last five years on a non-contributory basis of 32 years would amount to 12s. 0d. per week. RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Burial Board Committee that his services be extended to the 7th November, 1929.

(b) The Borough Treasurer reported that J. Jones (sweeper) died on the 29th ult.

11—Borough Treasurer's Department—(a) T. J. Day—RESOLVED, That Mr. T. J. Day be granted three months' leave of absence and that his pension commence as from the 30th December next and that Minute No 6 passed at the Meeting of the Committee on the 27th August last be varied accordingly. RESOLVED, also, That the temporary arrangements made by the Borough Treasurer for the filling of the vacancy be approved.

(b) RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for the approval to the posts of Woman Manager of Corporation House Property and the Assistant being designated as established posts for the purposes of the Local Government and other Officers Superannuation Act, 1922.

12—Auditor's Report—Read, letter of 14th August from the Ministry of Health asking to be informed of the action taken by the Council to comply with the requirements of the Rate Accounts (Borough and Urban District Councils) Order, 1926. RESOLVED, That the draft letter in reply now submitted by the Town Clerk be approved.

13—Sanction to Loan—The Town Clerk reported receipt of Sanction to loan of £32,037 for erection of 58 non-parlour and 6 parlour houses in Kipling and Shakespeare Roads repayable within 60 years.

14—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on the 1st inst. Present : Alderman Taylor ; Councillors Miller and E. L. Ward (Alderman Taylor in the chair). The Accounts were examined and recommended for payment. RESOLVED, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

P. P. TAYLOR.

Chairman.

Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham. 24th October, 1929.

Sir,

You are hereby summoned to attend the **Quarterly Meeting of the Council, to be held at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMENADE, on MONDAY, the 28th, day of October, 1929, at THREE O'CLOCK** in the Afternoon, at which Meeting the following Business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Monthly Meeting.
2. Communications by the Mayor.
3. To approve or otherwise, the proceedings of :—THE PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE HOUSING COMMITTEE STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE WATER COMMITTEE GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE RATING COMMITTEE FINANCE COMMITTEE
4. To elect a Trustee of the Delancey Hospital in place of Mrs. de Haviland, resigned.
5. Memorials, Applications, Complaints, &c.

Yours faithfully,

Town, Clerk.

To each Member of the Council.

Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Monthly Meeting of the Town. Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held at the Municipal Offices in the said Borough. on Monday, 7th October, 1929, at 3 p.m. Present :

The Mayor (Alderman Charles Henry Margrett, C.B.E., J.P.) in the chair.

Aldermen Moore, Sawyer and Taylor ; Councillors Allen, Leigh James, Scott Langley, Lipson, Pates, Pruen, Smith, Brig.-Gen. Thomas, C.M.G., D.S.O., H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye, Lieut.-Gen. Sir R. Wapshare, K.C.I.E., C.B., C.S.I., E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Welstead, K.S.G., Wheeler, M.B.E. and Yarnold.

Apologies—Apologies for absence were received from the Deputy Mayor Alderman Stewart and Councillor Dunn, O.B.E.

1—Minutes of Previous Meeting—Resolved, That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 2nd September, 1929, 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—Proceedings of Committees—Resolved, That the proceedings of the under-mentioned Committees at their Meetings held on the dates respectively appearing be approved and confirmed :—

Public Health	... Meeting held September 9
Housing	Meeting held September 10
Street and Highway	Meeting held September 20

Subject to an Amendment moved by Councillor Pruen and seconded by Councillor Allen. "That Minute No. 18 be referred back with a view to Lewisham House being omitted therefrom."

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Town Planning Meetings held September 5 and 26.

Town Improvement and Spa Meetings held September 20 and 27.

Subject to an Amendment moved by Alderman Taylor and seconded by Councillor Yarnold : " That Minute No. 11a be referred back for further consideration with a view to the Town Hall being let to Mr. A. Gunning on Sunday, 27th October for £5 5s. 0d."

Electricity and Lighting .. Meeting held September 25

Water Meeting held September 19

General Purposes and Watch Meeting held September 24

Allotments Meetings held September 9 and October 2.

Parks and Recreation Grounds Meetings held September 9, 13 and 30.

Subject to an Amendment moved by Councillor Pruen " That the inscription to the late Councillor Dicks in Minute No. be altered to the following: In grateful Memory of Councillor Walter James Manser Dicks, Mayor of Cheltenham 1923-26, to whose conception and energy the formation of this Park was mainly due."

Art Gallery and Museum Meeting held September 5

Burial Board Meeting held September 27

Public Library Meeting held September 11

Rating Meeting held September 30

Finance Meeting held October 1

Resolved, also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed authorising him to pay to the several Corporations, Companies and Persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts, the sum of money set opposite their respective names.

3—Education Committee—Resolved, That Mr. A. J. Miles be re-elected a Member of the Education Committee for a term of three years expiring on the 3rd September, 1932.

4—Trustees of the Delancey Hospital—Resolved, That Miss A. C. Langton be appointed a Trustee of the Delancey Hospital for a term of three years expiring on the 7th October, 1932.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Mayor.

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, 28th October, 1929.

PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 8th October, 1929. Present—Alderman Moore ; Councillors Leigh James, Pruen, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Gen. Thomas in the chair),

1—Houses without proper Ash Receptacles—The Sanitary Inspector reported that the following houses had no proper ashpits or ash receptacles, viz, ;-25, 30 and 31 Swindon Street; 32 Queen 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 Sanitary Inspector on behalf of the Corporation.

2—Overcrowding at 36 Granville Street ; 2 Buckles Cottages, Mason Street; 4 Sun Street ; 48 Upper Park Street ; 131 Tewkesbury Road.—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—Nuisances from Drains, etc., at 1, 2, 3 and 4 Richmond Cottages ; 1, 2, 3 and 4 Jersey Cottages, 39, 40, 42, 43, 44 (and Stables), 45, 47, 47a, 49 and 56 Sherborne Street ; 31 Columbia Street,—The Sanitary Inspector having made written application under Section 41 of the Public Health Act, 1875, stating that the drains, etc., 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 Sanitary Inspector to open the ground, examine the drains, and report to the Committee,

4—Insanitary Property-2, 3, 4, 30 and 31 Swindon Street; 9 Morley Terrace, Fairhaven Road ; 44 Fairview Street ; 16 Victoria Place, Fairview ; 27 Sun Street ; 12 York Street ; 32, Queen Street; 35 St. James's Street ; and 16 Victoria 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, or Section 3 of the Housing Act, 1925, 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—Common Lodging Houses—Applications were received from Mrs. Alice Ada Evans in respect of "Cumberland Cottage" Grove Street, "The Nelson," High Street, and "The Shamrock," Grove Street ; Michele Fortucci in respect of "Rowton House," Grove Street, and Alphonse Auguste Meulbrouck in respect of "Cumberland Villa," Grove Street, and No. 4 Grove Street for renewal of their registrations as Common Lodging Housekeepers. The Sanitary Inspector reported that these places were satisfactory. RESOLVED, That the registrations be renewed up to the 9th November, 1930.

6—Milk and Dairies Order, 1926—(a) RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. A. H. Cheney of 230 High Street to be registered as a purveyor of milk be granted subject to the Regulations being complied with.

(b) Milk and Dairies Order—RESOLVED, That the Sanitary Inspector be authorised to take samples of milk for examination for sediment and bacteriological purity.

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7—Surrender of Diseased Meat, etc.—The Medical Officer of Health reported the surrender of 2 cwt. 0 qrs. 19 lbs. Beef ; 1 qr. 20 lbs. Mutton ; 3 qrs. 26 lbs, Tinned Foods.

8—Notices not complied with—The Medical Officer of Health submitted list of Notices arising from dirty walls, ceilings, and leaky roofs, and want of ash receptacles, served but not complied with. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to take the necessary proceedings to enforce compliance.

9—Houses Unfit for Human Habitation—(a) 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 15a and 16 Casino Place ; 1, 2, and 3 Vernon Place. The Medical Officer of Health having made representation that these dwelling-houses were so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation and recommended that the same be closed. Mrs. F. M. Kimburn the Owner of 11, 12, 13 and 14 Casino Place and Mr. W. J. . Holyoake the Owner of 15, 15a and 16 Casino Place attended the Committee and consented to the Closing Order being made in respect of their properties. RESOLVED, That it appearing to the Council that the said houses are in a state so dangerous and injurious to health as to be unfit for human habitation, Orders be now made under the Common Seal pursuant to Subsection (1) of Section 11 of the Housing Act, 1925, prohibiting the use of the said premises for human habitation until the same have been rendered fit for that purpose and that notice thereof be given to the Owners and Occupiers.

(b) 7 and 8 Russell Place—The Town Clerk reported that Notice had been given to the Owner of these premises of the intention to make a Demolition Order The Medical Officer of Health reported that, as instructed at the last Meeting of the Committee, he had

considered as to whether these properties could be reconditioned and made fit for human habitation but he was of opinion that this could not be done. RESOLVED, That, an Order be now made under the Common Seal, in pursuance of Sub-section 2 of Section 14 of the Housing Act, 1925, requiring the demolition of the premises, the Council being of opinion that these houses have not been rendered fit for human habitation and that the necessary steps have not been taken with all due diligence to make them so fit.

(c) 1 to 5 Elm Place—Read, letter of 8th inst., from Mr. H. F. Midwinter with regard to the application of the Owner of these houses to recondition same. RESOLVED, That the Medical Officer of Health be instructed to consider and prepare specification for the reconditioning of the houses, if they can, in his opinion, be made fit for human habitation.

10—Rodney Road—Building over Sewer—The Borough Surveyor submitted plan of a proposed Garage to be erected by the Black and White Motorways Ltd., on land in Rodney Road. The building would be erected over a sewer belonging to the Corporation and the Company were willing to undertake to relay this sewer in compliance with the specification of the Borough Surveyor and to his satisfaction at an estimated cost of £1,100. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to allow the building to be erected over the sewer, subject to this being relaid to the Borough Surveyor's specification and to the Company entering into an Agreement indemnifying the Corporation against any additional cost which may be incurred in opening up the sewer owing to the building thereon.

11—Analyses of Air—RESOLVED, That the Sanitary Inspector be authorised to purchase a Kata Thermometer at a cost of £1 for taking samples of air at places of public amusement.

12—Plough Yard Stables—The Sanitary Inspector reported that Mr. V. Parry had not complied with a notice served on the 1st inst., requiring him to remove an accumulation of manure. RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to give notice to Mr. Parry under Section 49 of the Public Health Act, 1875, requiring him to remove the manure within 24 hours and failing compliance, the manure be seized and disposed of as provided in the Section.

13—Rat Week—RESOLVED, That the proposals of the Sanitary Inspector for Rat Week to be held from the 4th to 9th November, be approved.

11—Health Lectures—The Committee considered the suggestion made at the Council Meeting with regard to Health Lectures. RESOLVED, That the Medical Officer of Health be instructed to consider this and report to the next Meeting of the Committee.

H. M. THOMAS.

Chairman.

HOUSING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 9th October, 1929, Present—The Mayor ;
Councillors Pates, Gen. Thomas, Lt.-Gen Sir Richard Wapshare, J. F. Ward, Wheeler
and Yarnold (Councillor Pates in the chair).

1-Benhall Cottage—The Town Clerk reported that he had received an inquiry to whether the Corporation would sell this property for erection of a Garage, ESOLVED, That the proposal he not entertained.

2-1 Kingsley Gardens—RESOLVED, That the application of the tenant of this house to transfer to a cheaper house be granted provided a suitable tenant can be found to take over his tenancy.

3-9 Kingsley Gardens—The Town Clerk reported that this house had been let to Mr. A. L. Beeny in place of Mrs. Giles who had given up the tenancy.

4—S. J. Wasley, Deceased—Read, letter from Mr. C. C. Castle reporting settlement of the claim of the Executors of the late Mr. S. J. Wasley in respect of the portion of pasture land and arable land given up for housing at £26 2s. 0d., including valuer's fee.
RESOLVED, That this be approved.

5—Sales of Houses—(a) 5 Orchard Terrace—Read, Letter from Messrs. McLaren & Jeens that Mrs. Basher wished to continue the business of Ladies' Hairdressing and to exhibit a card in her window, except during week-ends as previously sanctioned by the Committee, and asking that the covenant that the house shall only be used as a private dwelling house be modified so as to permit this. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

(b) 50 Milton Road—The Town Clerk reported that he had received an application to purchase this house from Mrs. Forster and he submitted valuation of the District Valuer.
RESOLVED, That subject to the consent of the Ministry of Health being obtained, the house be sold to Mrs. Forster at £400 and that the Common Seal be affixed to the Conveyance. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for their consent to the sale.

6-105 Tennyson Road—Read, Report of Sanitary Inspector on complaints received with regard to the nuisance caused by the tenant of this house keeping a goat and rabbits in the back garden. RESOLVED, That the tenant be given one month's notice to quit, but that he be informed that if the nuisance is abated the notice will be withdrawn.

7—St. Paul's Street South Improvement Scheme—RESOLVED, That consideration of this Scheme be adjourned.

8—Pilley Lane Housing Site—(a) 18 tenders were received for the erection of 103 houses on this site. RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. W. Drew amounting to £33,871 be accepted, subject to sanction to the loan being obtained and to a Contract to be prepared by the Town Clerk being entered into.

RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £34,042 for the cost of the houses including Architects' fees and 5 per cent. for contingencies.

RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for the approval of the houses for the purpose of the subsidy under the Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924.

RESOLVED, also, That the Council hereby undertake that the conditions set out in Sub-section (1) of Section 3 of the Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924 will be complied with in relation to the said houses,

(b) Electricity Wiring—The Committee considered Resolution of the Electricity Committee that these houses should be wired. RESOLVED, That the Architect be instructed to submit an estimate of the cost of providing one electricity point for lighting purposes in each room.

(c) New Road—RESOLVED, That the General Purposes and Watch Committee be asked to name the new road to be made on this site.

9-38, 40 and 42, Malvern Street-3 tenders were received for the erection of a pair of houses on the site of these three houses. RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. J. C. Pearce of Bishop's Cleeve of £680 be provisionally accepted.

RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan of £782 for the cost of the houses including £60 for the purchase of the site and also Architects' fees and 5 per cent. for contingencies.

RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for the approval of the houses for the purpose of the subsidy under the Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924.

RESOLVED, also, That the Council hereby undertake that the conditions set out in Sub-section (1) of Section 3 of the Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1924 will be complied with in relation to the said houses.

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10—Whaddon Road Housing Site—The Town Clerk reported interview with Mr. Davies and his sureties with regard to their complaint that the provision in the specification which confined the Contractor to the firms specified, for the purchase of bricks, tiles, cement and casement windows prevented him from obtaining competitive prices for these materials, and suggesting that he should be allowed to obtain these supplies from firms approved by the Architect. RESOLVED, That they be informed that the Council cannot agree to modify the specification.

11—Report of Woman Manager of Corporation House Property—Miss Hort, who took up her duties on the 16th September, submitted her first report.

(a) Collection of Rents—RESOLVED, That Miss Hort's proposals with regard to the collection of rents be approved.

(b) Repairs--RESOLVED, That Miss Hort be authorised to order the repair of defects, etc., requiring immediate attention but that all other repairs be submitted to the Selection of **Tenants Sub-Committee**, which be now called " The Selection of **Tenants and Repairs, etc., Sub-Committee.**"

(c) Selection of Tenants—RESOLVED, That Miss Hort's proposals with regard to the selection of tenants and the classification of the applicants be referred to the Sub-Committee for consideration.

12-1 and 2 Elm Street—The Town Clerk submitted valuation of the District Valuer, valuing these houses at £80, and read, letter from the owner, Mrs. Mason, that she was prepared to accept this sum, RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to purchase these properties and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan for the purchase money, and that consideration of the re-construction and repair of the property be adjourned until the houses have been acquired.

13-19, 44 and 45 Rutland Street—The Sanitary Inspector submitted 4 tenders for re-conditioning and repairing these properties, which had been purchased by the Corporation. RESOLVED. That the tender of Mr. E. J. Welch, amounting to £164 (being the lowest) which included £15 for contingencies be accepted, subject to contract,

14—Assistant Rent Collector, etc.—Read, application from Mr. J. Ponting for an increase in his salary. RESOLVED, That his salary be increased to £175 per annum forthwith, rising by annual increments of £5 to £200 per annum.

15—Shakespeare Road—Mr. Rainger submitted a revised plan of the lay-out of the houses in the extension of Shakespeare Road. RESOLVED, That this be approved and submitted to the Ministry of Health for their approval.

NOTE.

The total number of houses provided by the Corporation is as follows :—

St. Mark's Estate-160 (1919 Act), 164 (1923 Act), 72 (1924 Act), without assistance 10. Total 406, Stanhope Street Improvement Scheme-52 (under Scheme), 16 (1924 Act).

Cobham Road-15 (1924 Act). Folly Lane and St. Paul's-215 (1924 Act).

Total 704, of which 173 have been sold.

Number of houses (not included above) in course of erection or to be erected :—

St. Mark's Estate-58 (1924 Act), 6 (without assistance).

Whaddon Road Site-91 (1924 Act).

Pilley Lane Site-103 (1924 Act).

Malvern Street-2 (1924 Act). Total 260,

Total provided or to be provided 964, of which 173 have been sold.

J. P. PATES,

Chairman.

MATERNITY AND CHILD WELFARE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 21st October, 1929. Present—The Deputy Mayor; Councillors Dunn, Leigh James, Lipson, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold; Mrs. Booy, Mrs. Gurney, Mrs. Mellersh, and Mrs. Willoughby (Councillor Leigh James in the chair).

1—Cheltenham Infant Welfare Association—Quarterly Report—Read, Report for the Quarter ended 30th September, 1929.

The attendances at the Centres had been as follows :—

	Infants.	Toddlers.
At Baker Street (11 Meetings)	35.5	24.3
At Clare Street (10 Meetings)	17.7	13.6
At Highbury (10 Meetings)	36.2	31.8
At St. Mark's (6 Meetings)	13.0	17.5

2—Health Visitors—Quarterly Report—The following is a summary of the work during the Quarter ended 30th September, 1929 :—

No. of Children on Register	2,462
Children Visited (1 year and under)	653
“ “ (over 1 year)	617
“ Un-notified Births discovered	2
“ Home Visits paid by Health Visitors...	2,116
“ First Visits paid by Health Visitors ...	- 177
“ Attendances of Health Visitors at Centres	60
“ Children remitted to Hospital	4
“ Ante-natal cases visited	17
“ Measles cases visited	1
“ Chicken Pox cases visited	3
“ Diphtheria cases visited	2

Grants of Milk :

Carried over from previous quarter	24
New Orders ...	9
Orders discontinued during quarter	9
“ continuing to coming quarter	24

Of the total number of orders during the Quarter, 11 have been issued for nursing or expectant mothers and 22 for infants or children under 3 years of age.

3—Health Visitor—(a) Read, letter of 8th August last from the Ministry of Health approving the appointment of Miss D. T. Goddard on probation for 12 months on the terms

arranged and also approving of the proposal to make an allowance of £14 per annum to Miss Jordan in respect of cycling and uniform allowance.

(b) Miss Jordan—RESOLVED, That Miss Jordan's application for an increase in salary be adjourned until the next Meeting of the Committee.

4—Local Government Act, 1929—The Medical Officer of Health reported that under the Local Government Act, 1929 the functions under Part 1 of the Children Act, 1908 with regard to boarded-out children would be discharged by this Committee instead of the Board of Guardians as hitherto. RESOLVED, That the Medical Officer of Health be instructed to arrange for these duties to be carried out by the Health Visitors.

5—Winter School for Health Visitors—Read, circular of the 6th ult., from the Women Sanitary Inspectors and Health Visitors' Association inviting the attendance of Health Visitors to the Ninth Winter School arranged to take place at Bedford College, London, from the 30th December to 10th January next The expenses for the course, including residence in Bedford College, were estimated at £10 plus railway expenses. RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Medical Officer of Health, That Miss Goddard be authorised to attend this Course, subject to the Ministry of Health agreeing to recognise for grant the expenses incurred.

LEIGH JAMES, Chairman.

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STREET AND HIGHWAY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, Nth October, 1929. Present—The Mayor ; Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Pates, Scott Langley, H. W. Thomas, Capt. Tye and Yarnold (Councillor Capt. Trye in the chair).

1—Sanding of Roads—The Borough Surveyor submitted letter from Cheltenham Riding School requesting that the roads between the College Houses and Battledown should be sanded on certain days during the week. RESOLVED, That the Committee cannot undertake this,

2—Central Depot—RESOLVED, That an extension of the telephone be made to the Highways Superintendent's Office at the Depot.

3—Painting—Read, letter from the National Federation of Building Trade Operatives, complaining of labourers doing painting work at the Depot and Ark Gardens, and the Borough Surveyor reported thereon RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

4--Cleansing of Streets—Read, letter from Mr. G. Bradfield calling attention to the litter in the streets. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to provide 12 refuse baskets to be fixed to trees and lamp standards in the High Street and Promenade.

5—Promenade----Post Office Kiosk—The Committee considered reference made at the last meeting of the Council in regard to the colour of the telephone kiosk recently erected by the

Post Office in the Promenade. RESOLVED, That the Post Office be asked to repaint the kiosk a colour harmonising with the surrounding buildings.

6—Cheltenham District Traction—Read, letter of 2nd inst. from Cheltenham District Traction Company that they expected delivery of the new omnibuses by the end of the month, but that they did not contemplate abandoning any of the tramway routes before the end of the year, and that they would communicate with the Corporation in due course with a view to mutual arrangements being made when the trams cease to run.

7—Petrol Pumps—RESOLVED, That the application of Mr. L. Paynter for permission to erect a petrol pump with a swing arm, adjoining his premises in Bath Street, be granted subject to the usual Agreement being entered into.

8—Pilley Lane--The Borough Surveyor submitted plan and estimate for the widening of Pilley Lane at a cost of £2,560, which included estimated cost of land required for the widening not already belonging to the Corporation RESOLVED, That the same be approved and that application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan for the cost of carrying out the improvement. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Unemployment Grants Committee for a grant.

9—Suffolk Road—The Town Clerk submitted valuation of the District Valuer of the portion of the premises of Painswick House required for the widening of this road. The Borough Surveyor submitted amended plan (omitting the portion of the premises of Lewisham 1-louse previously proposed to be acquired) and estimate of the cost amounting to £1,898 which included estimated cost of land to be acquired. RESOLVED, That application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan for the cost and that application be also made to the Ministry of Transport for a grant. RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to negotiate with the Owner of Painswick House for the land to be acquired.

10—Hale's Road--RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to paint a white line with the word " stop " at the junction of this road with High Street.

11—Projecting Sign—RESOLVED, That the application of H. T. Carter, for permission to erect a projecting sign at his premises at 7 Pittville Street, be granted subject to the usual conditions.

12—Diversion of Heavy Traffic—Read, memorial from 42 residents in Montpellier Terrace complaining of the diversion of the heavy traffic along this road, and asking that the " A.A. " signs at each end of the road be removed. RESOLVED, That the Council regret they are unable to accede to this request.

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13—View Meeting—The following Members attended a View Meeting held on the 10th October, 1929: Councillors Scott Langley, Pates and Capt. Trye (in the chair).

They recommended as follows :—

- (a) Sydenham Villas Road—That Councillor Pates' offer to interview owners and occupiers in this road to obtain their (views as to the removal of the large trees in the road and the replacement thereof by small trees be accepted.
- (b) Hale's Road—That the alternate trees marked by the treeman be removed.
- (c) Argyle Road—That the owners be requested to tar-spray this road.
- (d) Sand ford and Keynsham Roads junction—That the owner of " Murvagh " be asked to give up the land required for rounding the corner at this junction.
- (e) Leckhampton Road—That the leaning tree opposite " Cadoxton " be removed and that the leaning tree opposite " Redcliffe " be not removed in view of new kerbing to be laid.
- (f) Lansdown Place—Rear—That the repairs to the footpath at the rear of Nos. 1-13 Lansdown Place be carried out.
- (g) Lansdown Parade—That the elm tree near Douro Road be kept under observation by the treeman.
- (h) Eldorado Crescent—That Mrs. Wadley's application for removal of a tree outside " Haverstock " be not acceded to.
- (i) Queen's Road—That three chestnut trees opposite the L.M.S. Station be removed and also a leaning tree by Osborne House.
- (j) Gloucester Road—That the 25 trees marked by the treeman be removed.
- (k) Wellington Square—That the Parks and Recreation Grounds Committee be recommended to remove the elm tree opposite " Cedarholme " and the next elm tree,
- (l) Prestbury Road—That Mrs. Parker's request for the removal of a tree outside 5 Pittville Villas, be not granted.
- (m) Old Bath. Road—That an additional seat be provided outside the East Gloucestershire Club ground.

RESOLVED, That the proceedings of the View Committee be approved and adopted.

J. H. TRYE, Chairman.

TOWN PLANNING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 11th October, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart ; Councillors Capt. Trye and Yarnold ; and Major Shakespeare (Capt. Trye in the chair).

1—Plans of New Buildings—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings, namely

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
2769	Winn [McMinn], J. W.	Motor Cycle House, 2 Victoria Cottages.
2779	Piff, L.	Cycle and Tool House, 31 Hudson Street.
2780	Preston, J.	Garage, Millbrook Street.
2781	Capper, E. J.	Motor House, Ferncliffe, Moorend Crescent.
2782	Boulton, T. D.	Detached House, Oleo Lane, off St. Luke's Road.
2783	Evans, G. H. R.	Cycle Shed, 51 Folly Lane.
2784	James, H. E.	Cycle and Tool House, 20 Byron Road.
2785	Bache, W. J.	Addition to Motor House. Fairview Street.
2786	Avery, M.	New Garage and Petrol Pump Swing Arm, 9 Ambrose Street.
2787	Cheltenham Corporation	Extension of Clinic, Municipal Offices.
2788	Bendall & Sons	Two semi-detached Houses, Pilford Avenue.
2789	McOustra, Dr.	Motor House, Nubic House, Lansdown Road.
2790	McAra, Mrs.	Garden Tool House, 34 Kipling Road.
2791	Wilding, Capt. H. S.	Motor House, Bella Vista, St. Anne's Road.
2792	Middleton, R. H.	Garage, Fairview Road,
2793	Dodwell, C. C.	Motor House, Khandalla, Sydenham Villas Road.
2794	Long, Mrs.	Garage at rear of Regent Cottage, Swindon Road.

RESOLVED, That Plans Nos. 2769, 2779, 2783, 2784, 2786, 2788, 2789 and 2793 be approved ; That Plan No. 2780 be approved subject to no nuisance or annoyance being caused to occupiers of adjoining premises ; That Plan No. 2781 be approved subject to the building being removed at the owner's expense if and when required so to do for the purpose of the Town Planning Scheme ; That Plan No. 2782 be approved subject to the owner agreeing to surrender a strip of land 15 feet from the centre of the road for the purpose of widening if and when required so to do ; That Plan No. 2785 be approved as a temporary building under the Public Health Act, 1907 subject to the usual conditions; That Plan No. 2787 be approved subject to the drainage being to the satisfaction of the Sanitary Inspector ; That Plan No. 2794, also the wooden shed erected by Mr. Townsend at rear of 18 and 19 Henrietta Street be disapproved and that the Street and Highway Committee be asked to view : That Plans Nos. 2790, 2791 and 2792 be disapproved.

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2--Motor Coach Station—Rodney Road—Mr. Yates submitted amended preliminary plan of Motor Coach Station proposed to be erected for Black & White Motorways Ltd. in Rodney Road. Mr. Yates undertook to consider the several amendments suggested by the Committee and to re-submit the plan. RESOLVED, That the plan as now submitted be disapproved.

3--Town Planning Area—Plans—The Borough Surveyor submitted the following Notices and Plans of intended New Buildings under the General Interim Development Order, 1922:—

No. of Plan.	Name.	Description.
60	McPherson, Mr.	Garage, Brookway Road, Charlton Kings.
61	Dale, F. A.	Garage, Church Street, Charlton Kings.

RESOLVED, That Plan No. 60 be approved subject to the building being set back to the building line at the owner's expense if and when required by the local authority, That Plan No. 61 be approved subject to the building being removed at the owner's expense if and when required by the local authority.

4—Garage—Sunny Bank, Charlton Kings—Read, letter from Mr. H. T. Jackson with reference to a proposed Garage at the above address. RESOLVED, That he be informed that the Committee will not approve the erection of the Garage in the position shown on the preliminary plan submitted.

5—Regional Town Planning Scheme—RESOLVED, That the Chairman (Councillor E. L. Ward) and Councillor Capt. Trye be appointed representatives of the Council on the Regional Town Planning Committee set up by the County Council. RESOLVED, also, That consideration of making a contribution towards the expenses of the Committee be adjourned until the next Meeting of the Committee.

6—Map No. 2—The Town Planning Assistant reported that the proposals in regard to the roads under the Scheme was now ready for the consideration of the Committee. RESOLVED, That a Special Meeting of the Committee be held on the 6th November next to consider the proposals.

7—Shed, Cobham Road—Mr. R. E. Jones attended and explained that the building had been erected in ignorance that it contravened the building byelaws. RESOLVED, That in the circumstances the building be allowed to remain provided that Mr. Jones enters into a Bond for £50 to substitute a brick wall along the frontage to Cobham Road and the side passage in place of the present corrugated iron sides within a period of six months.

J. H. TRYE,

Chairman.

TOWN IMPROVEMENT AND SPA COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 11th October, 1929. Present—The Mayor; Aldermen Sawyer and Stewart ; Councillors Pates, Pruen, H. W. . Thomas and E. L. Ward (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

1—Summer Bands and Orchestra—Messrs. Ed. Baring, H. W. Bennett, Ed. J. Burrow and H. H. Chandler attended as a Deputation from the Advertising Committee of the Chamber of Commerce and stated that at a well attended meeting of the Chamber a resolution was unanimously passed in favour of the establishment of a permanent Orchestra ; the Deputation pointed out that in their opinion there were enough musicians in Cheltenham capable of providing the music required for the Town. Mr.

Ed. J. Burrow stated that he was of opinion that the cost of providing an Orchestra (augmented during the summer months) for 52 weeks in the year would be approximately £3,000. RESOLVED, That the Deputation be informed that the Committee are of opinion that Military Bands will best meet the needs of the Town for the summer season, 1930, but that if the Chamber of Commerce will consider and prepare a scheme for an Orchestra for the winter season of next year, the Committee will be prepared to consider the matter. RESOLVED, also, That the Council be recommended to authorise the engagement of Military Bands for next Summer season from the 18th May to the 13th September.

2—Town Hall—RESOLVED, That the large Hall be let to Mr. Gunning for a Sunday Concert on the 27th October at a charge of £5 5s. 0d.

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

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At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 18th October, 1929. Present—The Mayor; Aldermen Sawyer and Stewart ; Councillors Dunn, Pates, Pruen and H. W. Thomas (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

3—Montpellier Baths—RESOLVED, That the Swimming Baths be kept open until the next meeting of the Committee on the 15th November next.

4—Sandford Park—The Borough Surveyor submitted plan of proposed alteration of the path in Sandford Park to communicate with the High Street entrance. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

5—St. George's Square Bowling Green—Read, letter from Messrs. Dicks & Sons, asking the Corporation to request the Empire Marketing Board to alter the position of their board at the Bowling Green as it hid the view of their new showrooms. RESOLVED, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to arrange with the Empire Marketing Board to move the board to another site.

6—Pittville Pump Room—Read letter from Mrs. Burton asking that the charge for the use of the Pump Room, granted to her for Wednesday afternoons for Badminton should include the charge for lighting and heating. RESOLVED, That an inclusive charge of be made and that Minute No. 6 passed at the meeting of the Committee on the 20th ult. be varied accordingly.

7—Town Hall—RESOLVED, That the free use of the Drawing Room be granted to the Chamber of Commerce for Mr. E. J. Burrow's lecture on Carlsbad to be given on the 22nd instant.

8—Reports of **Concerts Sub-Committee**—The Reports of the Concerts Sub-Committee at their Meetings held on the 9th and 15th instant, were read. They recommended as follows :—

- (a) Town Hall—That the Borough Surveyor be instructed to submit a sketch plan and estimate for providing a suitable board for posting advertisements and notices, and that no other board be allowed to be placed outside the Town Hall, and that persons hiring the Town Hall be permitted to advertise their engagements on this board.
- (b) Sunday Concerts—The Sub-Committee submitted a list of concerts arranged for the eight Sundays commencing the 3rd November and ending on the 22nd December, and they recommended that a block grant of up to and not exceeding £10 per concert be made towards the payment of artistes and music, etc.
- (c) Organ Controller—RESOLVED, That Mr. Arthur Cole be paid an honorarium of £10 10s. 0d. for his work as organ controller.
- (d) Spa Manager—That the Spa Manager be paid the sum of £10 for his work in connection with the Sunday concerts up to and including the 22nd December next. RESOLVED, That the proceedings of the Concert Sub-Committee be approved and confirmed.

9—Town Hall—Ladies' Lavatory—The Concert Sub-Committee reported that they considered the question of providing further accommodation and the Borough Surveyor now submitted plan for providing a second floor above the present Ladies' Lavatory, containing similar accommodation, which he estimated could be constructed at a cost of £375. RESOLVED, That this be not entertained but that on occasions when there are large numbers at the Town Hall the Card Room be used as a ladies' cloak room

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

ELECTRICITY AND LIGHTING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Wednesday, 16th October, 1929. Present—Aldermen Moore and Taylor; Councillors Dunn, Lipson, Lieut.-Gen. Sir Richard Wapshare, J. F. Ward (Alderman Moore in the Chair).

1—Pittville Pump Room—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported that in connection with the Rotary Conference in February next, there would be a function at the Pittville Pump Room and he recommended that special lighting and heating arrangements should be temporarily installed for the occasion at a cost not exceeding £10 RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

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2—Promenade—Fountain—The Borough Electrical Engineer reported the appliances for illuminating the fountain had now been placed in position and were being used from about 6.30. to 9.30 each evening. RESOLVED, That the Council be recommended to continue the illumination of the fountain during the Autumn, Winter and early Spring (about 8 months in the year) at an estimated cost of £50 per annum to be charged to Street Lighting account.

3—Municipal Offices—Showroom, Etc.—Tile Borough Electrical Engineer submitted particulars of the cost of all the equipment purchased for the new showroom and offices.
RESOLVED, That the same be approved.

4—Sub-Station—Evesham House—RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Borough Electrical Engineer that Messrs, Mealing he paid £50 of the retention money held in respect of this contract, and the balance in two months' time.

5—Gas Tests—(a) Quarterly Report—Read, Report for the Quarter ended 30th September last which showed the average calorific value for the Quarter to be 481.2 B.Th.U.

(b) Periodical Reports—Read reports of gas tests made on the 27th ultimo, 4th 11th and 15th instant which showed the calorific value on these dates to be 472.7, 478.0, 472.8, 486.4 B.Th.U. respectively and the pressure 5.2, 5.5, 4.5 and 4.5 inches of water.

JAMES MOORE,

Chairman.

WATER COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of flits Committee held on Thursday, 17th October, 1929. Present—Aldermen Sawyer and Stewart; Councillors Dunn, Pates, Smith and Sir Richard Wapshare (Alderman Stewart 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 11th October, 1929.	Average for corresponding period during past 3 years.
Hewletts Springs	67,000 gallons	192,000 gallons
Dowdeswell Springs	146,000	649,000 "
Leckhampton Springs	25,000	49,000
Total	238,000	890,000

CONTENTS OF RESERVOIRS.

	Depth	Contents	Depth	Contents
	11th October, 1929.		11th October, 1928	
Hewletts		17,679,000 gallons		8,186,000 gallons
Dowdeswell	14ft. 9ins.	26,399,000 "	10ft. 8ins.	15,160,000 "
Leckhampton	10ft. 3ins.	1,383,000	Empty	
Total Storage		45,461,000		23,346,000

2—Inspections—The Borough Engineer reported the work carried out by the Water Inspectors during the month of September.

3—Extension of Mains--Harford—The Borough Engineer submitted letter from Mr. J. W. Brown of his intention to replace the galvanised iron service laid without permission, with lead service pipe.

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4—Dowdeswell Reservoirs—The Borough Engineer reported damage to the fence of the reservoir caused by a motor car running into it, RESOLVED, that the Town Clerk be instructed to make a claim for the damage.

5—Waterworks—The Borough Engineer submitted general report on the Waterworks Undertaking for the information of the Committee. He recommended the installation of an additional pump capable of delivering 80,000 gallons per hour, which would duplicate the existing pumping plant, but would necessitate the erection of a new engine house. He also recommended the laying of an alternative main from the Tewkesbury Waterworks through the Town of Tewkesbury to Gubbs Hill, RESOLVED, That the Borough Engineer be instructed to prepare plans and estimates for a pump with a capacity of 80,000 gallons per hour, and for engine house and other ancillary work, and that he be authorised to obtain tenders for these works. RESOLVED, also, That he be instructed to prepare and submit plans and estimates for laying an alternate main as recommended by him and that the next Meeting of the Committee be held at Tewkesbury Waterworks to give his report further consideration,

6—Severn Water Supply--The Committee further considered report of the Medical Officer of Health on his interview with Sir Alexander Houston ; he recommended an alteration in the filtering plant which would cost about £200. RESOLVED, That this be carried out as recommended.

7—Dowdeswell Wood—The Town Clerk submitted report from the Police Constable in charge, Andoversford, of persons found trespassing in these woods and reported that he had written to the persons cautioning them against further trespass. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

8—Unemployment—The Borough Engineer submitted list of suggested enlargements and replacements of mains which could usefully be put in hand to provide work for relief of unemployment but which, in the normal course, would not be carried out for some years. He estimated the cost of carrying out this work at £5,697 but additional mains could be added to this if desired. Read, letter from the Manager of the Local Employment Exchange stating that on the 14th inst., the number of men known to be unemployed was 923 as against 702 last year and that the number of unemployed persons had remained higher throughout the whole year than in the previous two years ; the percentage of unemployed insurable men was 11.5 per cent. His Committee had asked him to draw the attention of the Council to the matter and to ask that sympathetic consideration be given to the question of providing work. RESOLVED, That the Borough Engineer be instructed to add additional mains to bring the total sum to be expended up to £6,000 and that

application be made to the Ministry of Health for sanction to a loan for this sum for carrying out the work. RESOLVED, also, That application be made to the Unemployment Grants Committee for a grant-in-aid.

JAMES STEWART,

Chairman.

GENERAL PURPOSES AND WATCH COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 15th October, 1929. Present—The Mayor; The Deputy Mayor ; Aldermen Moore, Sawyer and Stewart ; Councillors Leigh. James, Pates, H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye, Welstead and Yarnold (The Mayor in the chair).

1—Diseases Amongst Animals—Supt, Goulder reported that the Borough was free from contagious diseases amongst animals.

2—Hackney Carriage Licences—(a) RESOLVED, That the applications of Messrs. A. T. Bishop, A. T. Chandler and H. E. Smith, for Licences numbers 31, 54 and 28 to be transferred to new taxis purchased by them respectively, be granted subject to satisfactory reports on the vehicles being received from the Motor Hackney Carriage Inspector.

(b) The Town Clerk submitted list of licences not taken up. RESOLVED, That Supt. Goulder be instructed to take proceedings against these persons if it is found they are plying for hire without licences.

3—Omnibus Licences—(a) Races—RESOLVED, That the application of the Bristol Tramways & Carriage Company Ltd. for six special omnibus licences for the Race Meeting on the 14th and 15th prox., be granted.

(b) Driver-Conductors—RESOLVED, That the application of the Cheltenham District Traction Co. for 33 conductor licences, be granted. driver-

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4—Fire Brigade—(a) Report of Captain—The Captain reported that no outbreak of fire had occurred since the last meeting of the Committee.

(b) The Committee further considered application from the National Fire Brigades Association for a subscription towards the research work of the Association. The Captain reported that members of the Brigade contributed £1 10s. 0d. per annum to the Association. RESOLVED, That no action be taken.

5—Armistice Day—RESOLVED, That a grant of £3 3s. 0d. be made to the Remembrance Day Committee towards the expenses incurred by that Committee in making arrangements for the observance of Remembrance Day. RESOLVED, also, That the Corporation wreath be purchased from the British Legion. RESOLVED, also, That the Borough Surveyor be authorised to have sand placed in the semi-circular recesses of

the War Memorial Enclosure for the "planting" of poppies purchased by the public on Remembrance Day as suggested by the British Legion,

- 6—Naming of Roads—RESOLVED, That the new road, to be made off Whaddon Road, be named Whaddon Avenue ; and the new road to be made off Pilley Lane be named Pilley Crescent.
- 7—Municipal Offices—Custodians—Read, application from the Custodians of the Municipal Offices for an increase in their salaries. RESOLVED, That their salaries be increased to £3 10s. Od per week for the Custodian and £1 10s. Od. per week for his wife from the 1st of August last.
- 8—Leckhampton Hill—(a) Shooting—RESOLVED, That the application of Messrs. C. Baylis and G. A. Price, for the right to shoot and trap rabbits on the portion of the Hill dedicated to the public, be not entertained.
- (b) British Camp—Read, letter from Mr. E. J. Burrow enclosing inscription on the Tablet he was presenting for the camp on the Hill. RESOLVED, That this be approved as altered,
- 9—Town Clock—The Town Clerk reported that he had invited nine local firms to tender for the winding of the town clock and he submitted two tenders received. RESOLVED, That the tender of Mr. W. H. Howlett to wind the clock for £4 4s. Od. per year, be accepted. Mr. Howlett also reported that the whole of the motion work and general works of the clock were in a bad condition, and that before any reliability could be placed on it the hands would have to be re-mounted and the motion work re-built, and he was prepared to undertake this work and to thoroughly overhaul the clock for the sum of £10 including the cost of scaffolding. RESOLVED, That this estimate be accepted.
- 10—Extension of Boundaries—The Town Clerk reported that under Section 46 of the Local Government Act, 1929, it was the duty of the County Council to consider whether it was desirable to affect any alteration in the boundaries of any parish or district. RESOLVED, That the Mayor, Deputy Mayor, Alderman Moore and Councillors Captain Trye and E. L. Ward be appointed a Sub-Committee to consider what representations should be made to the County Council in regard to the matter,
- 11—Petrol Licences--RESOLVED, That the following applications for licences to store petroleum in underground storage tanks at the following premises be granted :—
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| A. C. Dunk, Alpha Garage, Queen's Road. | 1,000 gallons. |
| H. E. Steel, Queen's Hotel Garage | 500 " |
| W, J. L. Paynter, 11 Bath Street . | 500 " |
| H. M. Avery, 9 Ambrose Street | 500 " |
| J. Preston, Millbrook Street ... • | 500 " |

CHAS. H. MARGRETT,

Chairman.

ALLOTMENTS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 8th October, 1929. Present—Alderman Sawyer ;Councillors Salim Smith, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold; and Messrs. F. W. Clarkson, J. Waine and E. M. Yeend (Councillor Welstead in the chair).

1—Crab Tree Piece Allotments—(a) Fences—It was reported that the fences at these allotments were in a bad state of repair. RESOLVED, That the matter be referred to the Borough Surveyor.

(b) Allotment No. 161—It was reported that this allotment was overgrown with weeds and that the tenant, who had been given notice to quit expiring on the 25th March, 1930, was not likely to cultivate the allotment again. RESOLVED, That he be asked to give up the allotment forthwith.

(c) Allotment 170—Read, letter from Miss F. E. Rowlands asking to be released from the tenancy of this allotment at once. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

(d) Allotments Nos. 188 and 189—RESOLVED, That allotment No. 189 be divided into two allotments numbered 189a and 189b and that No. 188 be let as a separate allotment and that Notice be posted at the Allotments inviting offers for the tenancy.

2—Allotments—Inspection—The Borough Surveyor reported that he was arranging for the allotments to be inspected once every two months with a view to reports being obtained on the condition of main roadways fences, etc.

3-41 Rainbow Field—It was reported that a pigeon loft had been erected on this allotment and pigeons were being kept therein. RESOLVED, That the tenant be required to remove this.

4—Allotment No. 61 Asquith Road—It was reported that this allotment was in a dirty condition and that notice to quit had been served upon the tenant. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

W. WELSTEAD,

Chairman.

PARKS AND RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 8th October, 1929. Present—Alderman Sawyer ; Councillors Selim Smith, Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Welstead and Yarnold (Alderman Sawyer in the chair).

1—Summer House—Marlborough House—Read, letter from Mrs. H. M. Cobbold offering the summer house at present erected in the front garden of Marlborough House, Montpellier, to the Committee for erection in Sandford Park or Montpellier Gardens.

RESOLVED, That the summer house be accepted and that the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to Mrs. Cobbold.

2—Sandford Park—(a) Shed for Mower—The Borough Surveyor reported that a shed was required for the Mower at this Park and recommended that this be erected on an allotment in Orrisdale Terrace, the tenant of which was willing to give up provided the Corporation erected his tool shed on his other allotment. RESOLVED, That this be agreed to.

(b) Gifts—The Borough Surveyor reported that Mr. Edward Pates had given two Bay Trees which had been planted in tubs presented by Messrs. Smith Bros. and placed in the Park. RESOLVED, That the gifts be accepted and the thanks of the Committee conveyed to the donors.

(c) Bronze Plates—The Borough Surveyor submitted tenders and designs from Messrs. G. H. Wynne & Sons and Messrs. R. E. & C. Marshall Ltd. RESOLVED, That Messrs. Wynne & Sons be asked to submit designs for two plain oblong plates at about £10 each.

(d) Entrance, Bath Road—Extension of Railings—The Borough Surveyor submitted plans and estimate for the extension of railings at the Bath Road entrance, at a cost of £75, or £67 if the part of the existing wall was retained. RESOLVED, That the work be carried out, retaining part of the existing wall.

3—Naval Bell from H.M.S. Cheltenham—RESOLVED, That this Bell be offered to the Art Gallery and Museum as it. was not suitable for the Parks.

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4—Pittville Gardens—(a) Rockery—Read, Report of the Gardens' Superintendent on the Rockery near Evesham Road and submitting a scheme for planting same with suitable plants and shrubs at an estimated cost of £50, and recommending that the work should be carried out by the staff during the winter months. He also recommended that a light iron fence be erected along the hack next to the walk at a cost of £18 15s. 0d. to prevent trespass on the Rockery. RESOLVED, That these recommendations be agreed to and the work carried out.

(b) Marle Hill Annexe—The Committee considered the opening of the gate between the Recreation Ground and the Annexe. The Custodian attended and informed the Committee that it would be necessary for a man to be in attendance during the time the gate is open, RESOLVED, That the Town Clerk be instructed to obtain permission of the Owner of Marle Hill House for the gate to be opened from 2 p.m. to sunset on Sundays during the winter and that an attendant be engaged for the time agreed at a wage of 5s per Sunday.

5--Recreation Grounds—Hockey Pitches—The Committee further considered the application of the St. Gregory's Ladies' Hockey Club, also applications from Bethesda Ladies' Hockey Club and Christ Church Girls' School Hockey Club for Hockey pitches. RESOLVED, That the St. Gregory's and Bethesda Clubs be granted the use of a pitch at the Agg-

Gardner Recreation Ground on alternate Saturdays and that the Christ Church Girls' School be offered a pitch at Naunton Park if one is available.

W. SAWYER, Chairman.

ART GALLERY AND MUSEUM COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 11th October, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart; Dr Davies ; Col. J. C. Griffith ; and Mr. C. R. Mapp (Alderman Stewart in the chair).

1—Curator's Report—Visits—During September 2,617 (against 3,181).

Receipts—Permanent Catalogues 11s ; Science Society Meetings 10s; Postcard Reproductions 9s 1d : Collection Box 9s. ; Total £1 19s. 1d.

Obituary—The Curator reported the death of Mr. A. E. W. Paine, a friend of the Museum, on the 29th September.

Offer of pictures on loan—The Curator reported as to pictures offered on loan from Stancombe Park, which he had declined. RESOLVED, That his action be confirmed.

Visit—The Curator reported on a visit from Mr. H. T. O'Rourke, City Architect of Dublin, who was on a tour of English Art Galleries.

Gibraltar House—Mr. H. E. Boothroyd, from the Board of Education, interviewed the Curator on the 10th October with regard to the proposed loan on this property.

2- Donations—From Mrs. Cadwallader, Quiver and Arrows, and Ceremonial Club from Nigeria ; Mr. G. H. Hamson, Six specimens of Cheltenham newspapers, 1817 and 1820 ; Mr. C. R. Mapp, B.Sc., F.R.G.S., Local relief map, and Stirrup ; Councillor H. W. Thomas, Local Tailor's account, 1796 ; Mr. T. E. Trump, Botanical specimens collected by the late Mr. T. W. Trump.

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

3—Loans—From Mr. J. A. Hone, Oil Painting, " Bathing Boy" by the late H. S. Tutee, R.A., Miss A. C. Percival, 3 circular dishes of Armorial China, c.1730-5, RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Lenders.

4—Cotswold Linen Smock--RESOLVED, That an example be purchased for £3.

5—Art Gallery Attendant—RESOLVED, That the scale advance to C. C. L. Jackson, from 45s to 50s per week be granted as from November 14th.

6—Proposed Exhibitions—RESOLVED, That the Curator be authorised to arrange for exhibitions as follows:—

(a) Lino-cuts by R. L. Howey.

(b) Paintings and Etchings by Geo. R. Rushton, Fred Hall, and L. E. Squirrell, R.E.

JAMES STEWART, Chairman.

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BURIAL BOARD COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Friday, 18th October, 1929. Present—Alderman Stewart; Councillors Scott Langley, Selim Smith, H. W. Thomas, Welstead, Wheeler and Yarnold (Councillor Yarnold in the Chair).

1—Superintendent's Report—Read, Report of Superintendent for the period from 28th September to 18th October, 1929. Interments 26. Grave Spaces sold 10 (First Position 1; Second Position 1; Fourth Position 8), Memorials fixed 12. New Inscriptions 5.

2—Grants of Grave Spaces—RESOLVED; That the Common Seal be affixed to Grants Nos. 8080 to 8089 of the exclusive right of burial in the graves referred to therein.

3—Cemetery Entrance—Parking of Cars—The Superintendent reported as to the congestion caused by cars being parked at the entrance to the Cemetery and suggested that the kerb stones in the Bay be removed so that the cars could park nearer the walls leaving the road free for funerals and pedestrians. RESOLVED, That the next meeting be held at 11 a.m. and that the Committee view the entrance.

4—Designs—RESOLVED, That the following designs be approved namely:—Memorial Cross, basis and kerbing to graves of Charles Fredrick Bruch, and Francis Robert Miers ; Memorial granite Block and kerbing to grave of Caroline Amyatt Haig ; Memorial Scroll to grave of Thomas E. Andrews ; Kerbing and posts to grave of Hilda Florence Hopkins, and Edwin Bird Tippetts, Emily Tippetts and Annie Louisa Tippetts ; Kerbing to graves of Nora Tryphena Gamage and Gertrude Wasley.

HENRY T. YARNOLD,

Chairman.

PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Thursday, 10th October, 1929. Present—Councillors Scott Langley, Pates, Capt. Trye, Welstead and Yarnold; Rev. Canon P. M. C. Johnstone ; Messrs. A. Miles, E. C. Rogers, Vernall and C. E. Walsh (Councillor Welstead in the chair).

1—Librarian's Report—Receipts £10 13s. Od. Number of volumes issued in Reference Department 5,717 (last year 8,011 ; Lending Department 13,790 (last year 11,630) ; Juvenile Department 1,978 (last year 2,091). Total 21,485 (last year 21,732)

Replacements-45 vols, had been replaced, and 253 vols. returned from the Binder and placed in circulation.

Fabric—Mr. W. Drew had finished the lime treatment of the exterior facade, Messrs. Smiths Systems had installed a new fitment to the Lending Library service counter.

Birmingham and District Branch of the Library Association-50 members and friends of this branch visited Cheltenham on the 9th October.

Library Association Conference—The Librarian read his report of the Library Association Conference held at Brighton from 9th to 11th September, which was approved.

Donations—Mr. J. Stewart Baird (2 vols.) ; Mr. A. E. Beckett (1 vol.) ; Dr. Braine-Hartnell (5 vols.) ; Messrs. Ed. J. Burrow (14 pamphlets.) ; Mrs. Cave (37 vols.) ; Miss I. M. Donnisthorpe (1 vol.) ; Miss H. C. Fawkes (5 vols.) ; Rev. A. Headley (1 vol.) ; Mr. H. H. Martyn (3 vols.) ; The late Miss D. A. Mather (13 vols.) ; Mr. H. H. Newton Townsend (4 vols.) (1 vol.) ; Mr. C. J. Teal (2 ; Rev. T. S. Tonkinson (1 vol.) ; Town and County Directories Ltd. (1 vol.) ; Miss Townsend (4 vols.)

RESOLVED, That the thanks of the Committee be conveyed to the Donors.

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2—Purchase of Books—RESOLVED, (a) That 158 vols., published at £54 6s. 0d. be purchased at a cost of £44 8s. 1d.

(b) That the sum of £25 be spent on Replacements.

(c) That the sum of £25 be spent on Re-binding.

3—Proposed Lectures for 1929-30--The Librarian submitted list of proposed lectures for the Winter session which was approved

4—Periodical--- -RESOLVED, That the offer of the " Parthenon," bi-monthly, gratis, be accepted with thanks.

W. WELSTEAD, Chairman.

RATING COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Monday, 21st October, 1929. Present—Aldermen Stewart and Taylor; Councillors Gen. Thomas, E. L. Ward and Yarnold (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

1- --Proposals—The Committee considered proposals submitted by the Rating and Valuation Officers. RESOLVED, That these be submitted for revision of assessments as now settled by the Committee.

2—Unpaid Rates—A Statement of unpaid rates was submitted and signed.

3—Voids, Irrecoverables, etc.—A Statement of the voids and irrecoverable rates, etc., was submitted and signed.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

FINANCE COMMITTEE.

At a Meeting of this Committee held on Tuesday, 22nd October, 1929, Present—Aldermen Moore and Taylor ; Councillors Pruen, F. L. Ward and Welstead (Alderman Taylor in the chair).

1—General Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 22nd inst., on the collection of the Second Instalment of this Rate. Amount collected £12,731 8s. 5d. Leaving outstanding £105,444 17s. 2d,

2—Water Rate—Read, Report of the Borough Treasurer, dated 22nd inst., on the collection of this Rate for the half year ended 29th September, 1929. Amount collected £18,810 13s. 6d. Abatements £86 13s 11d, Voids £11 0s. 2d. Defaulters £6 16s. 7d. Leaving outstanding £4,421 9s. 5d.

3—Loans—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting he had received £925 on loan. RESOLVED, That Debentures be sealed and issued on account of duly authorised loans.

4—National Savings' Certificates—The Borough Treasurer reported that the number of Savings Certificates sold during September was 3,937 as compared with 3,923 for the corresponding month last year.

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5—Housing Bonds—(a) The Borough Treasurer reported that since the last Meeting £125 had been received for 4 per cent. Housing Bonds repayable in 5 years and that certificates had been issued accordingly. RESOLVED, That this be approved.

(b) RESOLVED, That the Borough Treasurer be authorised until further instructed to issue Housing Bonds at 5 per cent.

6—Town Planning—The Committee further considered the letter of the 13th May last from the Ministry of Health with regard to the application of the Corporation for a loan of £2,000 to meet the expenditure to be incurred in connection with the preparation of the Town Planning Scheme. RESOLVED, That consideration be further adjourned.

7—Superannuation---(a) Dowdeswell Waterworks Custodian—RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Water Committee, That in pursuance of Section 6 (3) of the Local Government and Other Officers' Superannuation Act, 1922, the services of J. Boulton be extended up to the 2nd December, 1930.

(b) Town Hall, Mechanic—RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Town Improvement and Spa Committee, That in pursuance of the above mentioned section, the services of Mr. J. Gardner be extended up to the 4th November, 1930.

(c) Grave Digger—RESOLVED, on the recommendation of the Burial Board Committee, in pursuance of the above-mentioned Section, That the services of Mr. F. Bowles, grave digger, be extended up to the 7th October, 1930.

8—Accounts Rota Committee—Reported Meeting on the 22nd inst. Present : Aldermen Taylor and Moore ; and Councillor Welstead (Alderman Taylor in the chair). The Accounts were examined and with the exception of two which were referred back for the further consideration of the Town Improvement and Spa Committee were recommended for payment.

RESOLVED, That the recommendation be approved and adopted.

P. P. TAYLOR,

Chairman.

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Borough of Cheltenham

Municipal Offices, Cheltenham, 5th November, 1929.

Sir,

You are hereby Summoned to attend the **Statutory Quarterly Meeting of the Council, to be held at the MUNICIPAL OFFICES, PROMENADE, on SATURDAY, the 9th day of November, 1929, at TWELVE O'CLOCK NOON**, at which Meeting the following Business is proposed to be transacted, and any other business that may legally be transacted at such Meeting.

1. Election of Councillors—Town Clerk to report Election on 1st November.
2. To elect the Mayor for the ensuing year.
3. To assign the Aldermen to be the Returning Officers at Ward Elections.
4. To read and sign the Minutes of the last Quarterly Meeting.
5. To appoint Committees.
6. DELANCEY TRUSTEES—To appoint representative Trustees of the Delancey Hospital to fill vacancies caused by expiration of terms of office of Councillor Welstead ; Messrs. R. Kirkland and W. G. Gurney.
7. MUNICIPAL AERODROME--To approve or otherwise recommendation of Town Planning Committee as to engagement of Sir Alan Cobham to advise as to Aerodrome Station site. —
8. ATHLETIC GROUND—To authorise the purchase of this property and of application to the Ministry of Health for a loan for the purchase money.
9. Communications by the Mayor.

Yours faithfully,

N.B.—Robes and Orders will be worn. NOTE.—At the conclusion of the Council Meeting, the Council will meet as the Local Pension Committee for the Borough.

Town Clerk.

BUSINESS.

1. To read Minutes of last Meeting.
2. To Re-appoint **Sub-Committees for the ensuing year. At the conclusion of the Local Pension Committee, the Town Improvement and Spa Committee will meet to appoint Chairman and Concerts Sub-Committee.**

To each Member of the Council.

Borough of Cheltenham.

At a Quarterly Meeting of the Town Council of the Borough of Cheltenham, duly convened and held at the Municipal Offices in the said Borough, on Monday, 28th October, 1929, at 3 p.m. Present:

The Mayor (Alderman Charles Henry Margrett, C.B.E., J.P.) in the chair. The Deputy Mayor (Alderman Clara F. Winterbotham, M.B.E., J.P.)

Aldermen Stewart and Taylor ; Councillors Allen, Dunn, O.B.E., Leigh James, Scott Langley, Miller, Lipson, Pates, Selim Smith, Brig.-Gen. Thomas, C.M.G., D.S.O., H. W. Thomas, Capt. Trye, Lieut.-Gen. Sir R. Wapshare, K.C.I.E., C.B., C.S.I., E. L. Ward, J. F. Ward, Welstead, K.S.G., Wheeler, M.B.E. and Yarnold.

Apologies—Apologies for absence were received from Alderman Sawyer and Councillor Pruen.

1—Minutes of Previous Meeting--Resolved, That the Minutes of the Monthly Meeting of the Town Council held on the 7th October, 1929, 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--Proceedings of Committees—Resolved, That the proceedings of the under-mentioned Committees at their Meetings held on the dates respectively appearing be approved and confirmed :—

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Public Health Meeting held October 8

Housing Meeting held October 9

(An Amendment, moved by Councillor Capt. Trye and seconded by Councillor Miller : " That Minute No. 10 with reference to Housing, Whaddon Road, be referred back for further consideration," was lost).

(An Amendment, moved by Councillor Capt. Trye and seconded by Councillor H. W. Thomas : "That Minute No. 8 with reference to Housing, Pilley Lane, be referred back for further consideration," was lost).

(An Amendment, moved by Councillor Miller and seconded by Councillor Allen : " That Minute No. 7 with reference to St. Paul's Street (South) Improvement Scheme be referred back for further consideration," was withdrawn).

Maternity and Child Welfare . Meeting held October 21

Street and Highway Meeting held October 14

(An Amendment, moved by Councillor Lipson and seconded by Councillor Gen. Thomas : " That Minute No. 12 with reference to diversion of Heavy Traffic be referred back for further consideration," was lost).

Town Planning Meeting held October 17

Town Improvement and Spa Meetings held October 11 and 18

Electricity and Lighting Meeting held October 16

Water Meeting held October 17

General Purposes and Watch Meeting held October 15

Allotments Meeting held October 8

Parks and Recreation Grounds Meeting held October 8

Subject to an Amendment, moved by Alderman Stewart and seconded by the Mayor : " That Minute No. 2 (d) with reference to Bath Road entrance to Sandford Park be referred back for further consideration."

Art Gallery and Museum Meeting held October 11

Burial Board Meeting held October 18

Public Library Meeting held October 10

Rating Meeting held October 21

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Finance ... Meeting held October 22

(An Amendment, moved by Councillor Yarnold and seconded by Councillor Selim Smith: " That Minutes Nos. 7 (a) and (b) with reference to Superannuation of Dowdeswell Waterworks Custodian and Town Hall Mechanic be referred back for further consideration," was lost).

Resolved, also, That an Order on the Borough Treasurer be signed authorising him to pay to the several Corporations, Companies and Persons mentioned in the Schedule of Accounts, the sum of money set opposite their respective names.

3—Trustees of the Delancey Hospital—The Town Clerk reported that Miss A. C. Langton was not willing to serve as a Trustee. Resolved, That Mrs. McAlldowie be appointed a Trustee of the Delancey Hospital for a term of three years expiring on the 28th October, 1932.

CHAS. H. MARGRETT, Mayor.